# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Fosterburg

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## Things to know . . . About The Hayner Public Library District

**SEASONS GREETINGS** from the Board and staff of The Hayner Public Library District. We wish you the happiest of holiday seasons and the brightest of new years!

**HAYNER HOLIDAY HOURS**

The Hayner Public Libraries will be closed on December 24th, 25th and 26th in observance of the Christmas holidays. The Libraries will also be closed on December 31st and January 1st in order to ring in the new year. All locations will be open on the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday, January 17th, and President's Day, February 21.

**TACKLING THOSE TAXES!**

Forms for filing federal and state tax returns–both Illinois and Missouri–will be available at the Main and Alton Square Branch Libraries beginning in January. Many blank forms are available, as well as a complete set of all tax forms for photocopying purposes.

**STOCKING STUFFERS!**

For your favorite reader–or future reader–how about a Hayner Public Library District library card. All District residents are eligible for a three-year card, and individuals outside of the District may acquire one with the payment of a non-resident fee. Start your children off right with the gift of reading . . . and a card to The Hayner Public Libraries.

**HAYNER PRESIDENT TO SERVE LIBRARY SYSTEM**

Kevin Botterbush, president of The Hayner Public Library District Board, has been elected to serve a one-year term as President of the Board of the Lewis and Clark Library System. The System provides services to 131 member libraries.

## Homebound Program shares & cares with terrific service

Following Stephanie Munson, Hayner's Homebound Program Coordinator, from home to home as she makes her rounds, one quickly sees what makes this service the popular success that it is with its patrons: Stephanie and her volunteers each have an instantly discernible warmth and a genuine concern for their patrons, and it shows in the developing friendships.

*"It's wonderful! I read everything Stephanie brings me in a week! It's so nice to have her come visit."*
*–Mrs. Grace Moore*

*"I don't drive, so it's so convenient for me. I really enjoy books and certainly appreciate this program"*
*–Mrs. Alice Maker*

The Homebound Program began in 1987 to provide library services to patrons who were unable to leave their homes to visit the Library, or who were in nursing homes or hospitals. The Homebound Program has just one basic criteria: Patrons must be unable to reach the Library on their own. Once a month, the Homebound Program visits patrons, bringing books and materials. Videos are delivered weekly on Fridays. Stephanie and her eight volunteer assistants, who circulate nearly 1,100 items monthly through the program, work from a small alcove at the back of the Main Library, extending beyond its walls the Library's services, sharing its dedication to the joy of reading and sending a message of caring and friendship to those patrons unable to travel to the Library.

*"My daughter told me about (the Homebound Program) and I'm glad she did. I love to read and I look forward to my visits!"*
*–Mrs. Elsie Gibson*

"In the last five years, the number of patrons using the Homebound Program has grown steadily to around 200 to 250," explains Stephanie. With each visit, the Homebound Program's volunteers bring more than just library materials.

"Let me be very clear about this," states Stephanie with an earnestness in her voice, but a smile on her lips. "The program isn't about 'delivering' things. The Homebound Program is about sharing and caring. We don't just drop books off at the door." Each visit finds the Hayner Homebound Program workers spending time to talk and to get to know their patrons, learning their interests, and, as Stephanie states, learning from them.

In a recent visit, Stephanie stopped in the homes of three patrons, each enthusiastic readers in the Homebound Program.

Alice Maker has been a regular patron for two years. Though an active individual-she volunteers one evening a month at Alton Memorial Hospital's gift shop, among other activities-she is unable to drive to the Library and greatly appreciates the convenience of the Homebound Program's services.

At the home of Elsie Gibson, another patron of the program, Stephanie engages in a lively conversation on contemporary topics with the robust woman who learned of the Homebound Program just a year ago through the Hayner newsletter.

In her final stop, Stephanie visits Grace

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## Hayner can help with your new year's resolution

So you overindulge during the holidays. So you make a resolution to eat healthy and exercise in the new year. So what are you waiting for? Hayner offers some free advice with the diet and exercise books it has on its shelves.

***DIET & EXERCISE–THE KEY TO YOUR HAPPY, HEALTHY, NEW YEAR!***

**Eat More, Weigh Less: Dr. Dean Ornish's Life Choice Program for Losing Weight Safely While Eating Abundantly** leads off the selection of diet advice and cooking books to be found at Hayner. Old friend **Betty Crocker's Low-Calorie Cooking** and **Cooking for a New Earth: A New Approach to Home Cooking that Promotes Wholesome Eating and Healthy Living** by Carl Jerome will get you started on a better and balanced diet, while **The Choose To Lose Diet: A Food Lover's Guide to Permanent Weight Loss** by Ron Goor and **One Meal at a Time: The Incredibly Simple Low-Fat Diet for Happier, Healthier, Longer Life** by Martin Katahn will advise you on healthier eating. And we'd all like to shop at Judith Scharman Smith's **The Low-Fat Supermarket**. These are just some of the

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## Meet the workers of the Library's unseen nerve-center

Each month, more than 700 items–books, compact discs, cassettes, etc.–are acquired by The Hayner Public Library District and logged in to its catalogue system. All of this purchasing and processing happens in an unseen room on the lower level of the Hayner Memorial Library Building and is handled by a crew of unsung Hayner heroes: The cataloging staff.

Led by Barb Ulffers, the five-woman team handles a herculean task each month in what amounts to the nerve center of the District's operations.

Along with Library Director Mary Deane Huntley, Adult Services Librarian Susan Kulasekara, and assistant cataloguer Carmen Brewer, Barb reads book reviews in *Kirkus Reviews*, *Publishers Weekly*, *The Wilson Library Bulletin*, and others, along with video and audio catalogues. When three or more of these staff members initial a review, the item is ordered and added to the Library's collection. Patricia Stalcup handles the acquisitions and purchases for Hayner.

"I began work at Hayner as a part-time high school worker, typing catalogue cards," Pat recalls with a laugh. Now she orders many books electronically by phone, usually from Baker & Taylor, a library supplier. She's the first to actually see the item when it arrives, unpacking and putting the pre-assigned ISBN number into Hayner's computer. Pat also handles some of the stamping and gluing of pockets into books, as well as labeling the books' spine and other preparation tasks.

**Hayner's cataloguing staff—From left to right: Reynae Womack, Patricia Stalcup, Carmen Brewer, Jan Harnetiaux, and Barb Ulffers.**

Pat then hands off the book to Barb, the Library's chief cataloger. A Hayner worker since 1980, Barb assumed her current position last spring. If the item already has a record in Netcat–the Network Cataloguing System–she enters the information and assigns a bar code number for circulation. Assisting her are Carmen and Reynae Womack.

Carmen, who began work at Hayner in April of this year, assists in cataloguing, especially serial books–books that come out every year, such as travel guides, or come in sequence. "It's fun. I like working in a library," she says, having worked in the library of Northeastern Missouri State where she pursued her major in sociology.

Reynae not only works in "the back room," repairing books and entering bar codes, but works part-time as an Adult Division library assistant and an occasional storytime reader.

Jan Harnetiaux also works as a library assistant at the Adult Library's front desk, but spends much of her time double checking all library card applications and working on updating files.

"They make quite a team back there," says Director Huntley. "Most people don't even know they are there. But believe me, they'd know in a hurry if they *weren't*!"

## New titles for winter reading

NEW FICTION

**The Positronic Man** by Isaac Asimov and Robert Silverberg
**The Robber Bride** by Margaret Atwood
**The Partisan** by Benjamin Cheever
**Prizzi's Money** by Richard Condon
**The Rag Nymph** by Catherine Cookson
**Mrs. de Winter (A sequel to Daphne du Maurier's Rebecca)** by Susan Hill
**Bad Love** by Jonathan Kellerman
**Haunted: Tales of the Grotesque** by Joyce Carol Oates
**The Heaven Tree Trilogy** by Edith Pargeter
**Murder in the East Room** by Elliott Roosevelt
**Tek Secret** by William Shatner
**Hot Sky at Midnight** by Robert Silverberg
**Millroy the Magician** by Paul Theroux
**Brazil** by John Updike

NEW NONFICTION

**Wouldn't Take Nothing for My Journey Now** by Maya Angelou
**The History of England** by Jane Austen
**A History of African-American Artists: From 1972 to the Present** by Romare Bearden
**It All Adds Up: From the Dim Past to the Uncertain Future** by Saul Bellow
**Leaving Home: A Memoir** by Art Buchwald
**Cooking with Master Chefs** by Julia Child
**Submarine: A Guided Tour inside a Nuclear Warship** by Tom Clancy
**Tony Curtis: The Autobiography**
**Daphne du Maurier: The Secret Life of the Renowned Storyteller** by Margaret Forster
**The Whole Ten Yards** by Frank Gifford
**The Illustrated Woody Allen Reader** edited by Linda Sunshine
**Case Closed: Lee Harvey Oswald and the Assassination of JFK** by Gerald Posner
**Russell Baker's Book of American Humor**
**Star Trek Memories** by William Shatner
**The Mole People: Life in the Tunnels Beneath New York City** by Jennifer Toth

**Holiday Schedules**

- ***Closed December 24, 25 , 26, 31 & January 1***
- ***Open Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday, January 17, & President's Day, February 21***

## "White Christmas" theme for children's party

"I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas" will be the theme of The Hayner Public Library District's annual Children's Christmas Party which is to be held on Saturday, December 11, 2:00 to 3:30 p.m., in the Youth Library.

The Library will be decorated as a winter wonderland of white, silver and gold, and partygoers will participate in a family story time, enjoy refreshments provided by the Friends of the Library, discover treats to take home, and have a chance to visit with Santa Claus. Children of all ages are invited to attend, and must be accompanied by their parents. The party is free and open to the public. To register, telephone the Youth Library at 462-0651 beginning Monday, December 6 at 8:00 a.m.

## New year's resolution

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many diet-related titles at Hayner.

But eating right's just half the battle. Get up off that couch and try Ellington Darden's **Soft Steps to a Hard Body** or **Angela Lansbury's Positive Moves: My Personal Plan for Fitness and Well-Being**. Suzanne M. Levine suggests you **Walk It Off! 20 Minutes a Day to Health and Fitness**, while Joyce L. Vedral offers up **The Fat-Burning Workout: From Fat to Firm in 24 Days** or her **Gut-Busters: The 15-Minute-A-Day, 12-Week Plan**. Exercise your library card and check out these, and many other, exercise titles, now available at Hayner's Main Library.

## After School Craft series plans holiday activities

Hayner's After School Craft series for kids continues this winter on the second Thursday of the month. Registration for the 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. workshops opens on the first Monday of the month. Space is limited for the programs which are designed for children ages six to nine.

Making Christmas angel ornaments will be the focus of the December 9th session. Each child will make two ornaments-one for the Library's Christmas tree and one to take home.

Upcoming sessions include a January 13 workshop on crafts commemorating Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday and Valentine's Day crafts on February 10.

For more information on the After School Craft series, contact Rosemary Buford at the Youth Library, 462-0651.

## Reference collection includes specialized encyclopedias

The last issue of Hayner's news letter featured an article on the many sets of encyclopedias available for reference use and circulation at the Main, Youth and Branch Libraries. In addition to these, Hayner offers a variety of specialized encyclopedias on a variety of subjects in the reference section of the Main Library. These include:

*Encyclopedia of Philosophy*
*Encyclopedia of Psychology*
*New Catholic Encyclopedia*
*Encyclopedia Judaica*
*Encyclopedia of Sociology*
*International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences*
*Encyclopedia of Careers and Vocational Guidance*
*Encyclopedia of the American Constitution*
*Military History of the United States*
*Encyclopedia of World Crime*
*Encyclopedia of Education*
*McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of Science and Technology*
*Plants and Earth Sciences*
*Marshall Cavendish Encyclopedia of Family Health*
*Popular Mechanics Do-It-Yourself Encyclopedia*
*Encyclopedia of World Art*
*Encyclopedia of Crafts*
*Encyclopedia of World Literature in the 20th Century*
*McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of World Drama*
*Encyclopedia of the Third World*
*African-American Encyclopedia*

## New titles added to Hayner's extensive collection of holiday music on compact disc

Hayner's Main Library compact disc collection contains many recordings of holiday music by popular, classical and country-western artists, including Alabama, Kiri Te Kanawa, Julie Andrews, Tony Bennett, Placido Domingo, Peggy Lee, Mannheim Steamroller, and many, many others. New this holiday season are:

**Black Christmas: Spirituals in the African-American Tradition**
**Serenade for a Christmas Night**/Philip Brunell
**A Charlie Brown Christmas**/Vince Guaraldi
**A Jazz Christmas: Hot Jazz for a Cool Night**
**Christmastide**/Jessye Norman

**Two new microfilm readers have been installed at Hayner's downtown Main Library location. The new readers offer greatly improved service for users with their auto-load and image rotation and zoom features. The machines also are instantly adaptable for reading microfiche. Best of all, the readers can print plain paper copies of the pages displayed. A wide range of periodicals on microfilm is available for review on the readers.**

***THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT'S HOMEBOUND PROGRAM*** *is offered to any District resident unable to reach the Library on their own. The Program provides a full-range of library materials–books, videos, periodicals through friendly and safe in-home visits by our volunteers. Telephone Stephanie Munson at 462-0651 for information.*

## Coretta Scott King Award-winning books to be displayed

In honor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, the Youth Library will have a special display of Coretta Scott King Award books beginning Monday, January 17, and continuing through the end of the month.

The Coretta Scott King Award is given annually by a committee of the American Library Association to the author and illustrator of books for children that best express the black experience in America. The award is named in honor of the widow of civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., and honors her continuing commitment to the cause espoused by her husband.

***Now hear this!***

## Great books, on tape!

Whether it's for listening as you travel or relaxing around the house, Hayner's collection of Books-on-Tape offers a wide range of popular and classical fiction, as well as "how-to" and foreign language tapes, to listen to.

Popular fiction tapes include works by such authors as Sara Paretsky, Danielle Steel, Stephen King, Agatha Christie, Louis L'Amour, Tony Hillerman, James Michener and Mary Stewart. Among the classical titles to be found on tape are **Les Miserables, The Scarlet Letter, A Room With a View, Ethan Frome** and novels by Charles Dickens and Jane Austen.

Among the many foreign language courses offered from our Books-on-Tape collection are Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Russian, Spanish, Swedish, Yiddish, and many, many more.

These, and many other titles, are yours for the listening at Hayner.

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Moore and reminisces with her as they read one of Mrs. Moore's journals, written in 1919. A warmly remembered story of a visit from Alton's Robert Wadlow while Mrs. Moore worked as a store nurse at Chicago's Marshall Fields highlights their conversation.

"I learn so much from these people," says Stephanie of her Homebound visits. "And it means so much to them to be able to have these visits and pursue their reading interests."

Stephanie and her volunteers bring a selection of books with them on their monthly visits. Requests for magazines, audio tapes and newspapers are also met. Among the more popular items requested by patrons are large print editions of books and videos. Each week, the Homebound Program's volunteers load up their personal cars, driving the length and breadth of the District.

"I rely on my volunteers so much," says Stephanie, smiling as she reflects on the dedication of her workers. Many of the volunteers have been with the program since it began, including one of her close friends, Kathie Rain (see page 4). Other volunteers include Bernadette Duvernoy, Dr. Edward DuVivier, Evelyn Keehner, Jeri Rothe, Jody Stuart, June Weinrich, and Spiv Woefle.

For information on being included on the Homebound Program's routes, or on becoming a Homebound volunteer, contact Stephanie Munson at 462-0651.

# Active & energetic, Homebound volunteer helps friends

When Kathie Rain learned that her good friend, Stephanie Munson, had begun work on a program for homebound patrons of The Hayner Public Library District, she mentioned that if Stephanie ever needed any help . . .

Friends since high school, Stephanie immediately pressed Kathie into service, an agreeable task which, seven years later, now finds the energetic volunteer visiting between twenty-five and thirty patrons in her monthly visit to Skyline Towers.

"I'm a book person," she says as she explains both her motivation and enjoyment in being a Homebound Program volunteer. "I can't imagine being somewhere where you can't read. That would be awful!"

**Homebound Program volunteer Kathie Rain**

A Godfrey resident, Kathie pursues a variety of other interests, including teaching exercise classes at Metro Sports, spending time in her herb and perennial gardens, and enjoying time with her family-John, her husband, her recently married daughter Rachel, and son, Cliff.

"I rely on her so much," states Stephanie. "If one of my other volunteers isn't available, Kathie steps right in to substitute."

## Hayner "Fine" Foods: An overdue amnesty

Any overdue books lying around the house? Do you have a fine mounting that would rival the national debt? Then head down to the Library with a can of food-and the overdue book-to help feed the hungry and erase your fine.

The Library will be accepting canned goods in lieu of fines for all overdue items during the month of December. One can of food will be accepted for each overdue item, and will be donated to local charities to feed the hungry during the holiday season. Please join the Library in supporting this worthy cause.

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## Fa-la-la-la-la! Holiday songbooks!

*AT ALL HAYNER LOCATIONS:*

**The Christmas Revels Songbook: In Celebration of the Winter Solstice**

*AT THE MAIN LIBRARY:*

**The Best Christmas Songs Ever: Piano/Vocal/Guitar**

**Christmas, 100 Seasonal Favorites** (an oversized book)

**The International Book of Christmas Carols**

**The Oxford Book of Carols**

**The Time-Life Christmas Songbook**

**A Treasury of Christmas Songs and Carols** (an oversized book)

*AT THE BRANCH LIBRARY:*

**The Joy of Christmas: A Selection of Carols**

**The Season for Singing: American Christmas Songs and Carols**

*AT THE YOUTH LIBRARY:*

**Carols for the Twelve Days of Christmas**

**On Christmas Day: First Carols to Play and Sing**

**The Raffi Christmas Treasury: 14 Illustrated Songs and Musical Arrangements**

**Tomie dePaola's Book of Christmas Carols**

## In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday

America celebrates Martin Luther King's Birthday on January 17, 1994, in recognition of the slain civil rights leader's contributions to our society. In addition to Doris Faber's **Martin Luther King, Jr.** (available at Hayner's Branch Library), the District suggests reading any of several civil rights-related books it has available. These include **The Civil Rights Movement: An Eyewitness History** by Sanford Wexler, available at both the Main and Branch libraries; **African Americans: Voices of Triumph** and **Race Matters** by Cornel West at the Main Library; and **Challenging the Civil Rights Establishment: Profiles of a New Black Vanguard** by Joseph Conti and **This Little Light of Mine: The Life of Fannie Lou Hamer** by Kay Mills, available at the Branch Library.

Hayner's Youth Library holds a special collection of books related to King, including **A Picture Book of Martin Luther King, Jr.** by David A. Adler, **My Life With Martin Luther King, Jr.** by his widow, Coretta Scott King, and **Happy Birthday, Martin Luther King** by Jean Marzollo. Other suggested reading includes **Freedom's Children: Young Civil Rights Activists Tell Their Own Stories** by Ellen Levine and **We Shall Overcome: Heroes of the Civil Rights Movement**.

The Libraries also hold materials on the African-American experience on video and compact disc in both the Main and Youth Libraries. Come in to the Libraries to learn more about these during Black History Month in February.


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**Hours of Operation**

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Friday, 8 am to 5 pm
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### HAYNER HOLIDAY HOURS

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### BRANCH LIBRARY OFFERS FAXING AND PHOTOCOPYING

As part of its "full-service" library mission, the Hayner Branch Library offers photocopiers for patron use and FAX service. Patrons may send or receive documents by FAX for just $1.00 for the first page, 25¢ for each additional page. The Branch's FAX line is 618/463-1277.

### FEDERAL & STATE TAX FORMS AVAILABLE

Every imaginable Federal and State tax form is available at The Hayner Public Library's Main and Branch Libraries. In addition to the extensive selection of blank tax forms, the Library has a complete set of all tax forms for photocopying purposes. As helpful as Hayner librarians are, they are unable to offer you tax information and advice.

### WHAT DO *YOU* THINK?— THE HAYNER NEWSLETTER

The Hayner Public Library District is now entering its third year of publishing a quarterly newsletter. While this newsletter is intended to bring District residents news of the Library's activities, as well as information on new books, materials and services, we would appreciate hearing from you about your views on this publication and the role you feel it should serve. Please take time to complete a survey form, available at each of Hayner's locations, beginning March 1st, regarding the District's newsletter. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

## Convenient Hayner Branch grows in popularity

Location! Location! Location! The age old theory of what the key ingredient in a successful business is has never been proven better than in the case of the highly successful Hayner Public Library Branch at the Alton Square Mall. The ever-rising circulation figures demonstrate the popularity of the convenient facility, used by patrons of all ages for a variety of purposes from enjoyment reading to school research to a place for weary shoppers to sit down, rest a minute, and catch up on the latest magazines and newspapers.

**Longevity is a key word in describing the helpful staff of the Hayner Branch. Pictured here are (back row, from l. to r.) Susan Dykeman, Branch Manager Beverly Hicks, Pat Heffron, Lisa Galeener, (front row) Carolyn Hohman, Marylin Bromaghim, and Amy Johnson. Hicks, Heffron, Hohman and Bromaghim have been with the Branch since it opened its doors in 1985.**

"We get comments all the time on how convenient we are," comments Beverly Hicks, Branch manager, on a recent busy Saturday. "We offer all the resources of the District, and those things we don't have right here, we can quickly get from downtown."

Within the Branch's 3,500 square feet are more than 30,000 volumes, 40 magazine and newspaper subscriptions, a sizable reference collection, a best-sellers and rental books section, a photocopier and a FAX machine for patron use, and access to the ILLINET On-Line Computer System (see story on page 2). Like the downtown locations of The Hayner Public Library District, the Branch is a part of the Lewis and Clark Library System's inter-library loan program, giving access to the collections of the 133 member libraries.

The Branch location was the result of an innovative offer by the May Company to provide the space next to Famous-Barr on the upper level of the Alton Square Mall for a branch library. With a grant from the Illinois State Library, interior construction was completed in time for then Secretary of State Jim Edgar to cut the ribbon at the official opening on November 22, 1985. The opening made The Hayner Public Library District the first library in the state to offer a branch location in an enclosed mall, and only the third such facility in the nation.

"The opening of the Branch was instrumental in the passage of our tax referendum in 1986," explains Mary Deane Huntley, Director of The Hayner Public

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## Publication party planned to honor young authors

**The 1993-1994 Hayner Literary Annual: The Great Flood of '93** will be published by The Hayner Public Library District on Wednesday, March 23rd. Students in grades 3 through 8 from nine public and private schools in the Library District participated in the annual literary project, with thirty-three young authors selected by their teachers for inclusion in this year's issue.

The young authors and their families, along with their teachers and principals, will be honored at a publication party at the Youth Library. Each author is to receive a copy of this year's Annual which is distributed to all the participating schools and teachers. A copy of the book, autographed by each of the authors, will be placed in the Library's permanent Illinois Room Collection. A copy will also be available for circulation at the Youth Library.

Hayner is proud to announce the 1993-1994 Young Authors as:

***THE 1993-1994 HAYNER LITERARY ANNUAL: THE GREAT FLOOD OF '93***

**Third Grade:** Maureen Blaine, Evangelical School; Alicia Johnson, Austia Parham, and Matt Schillinger, Clara Barton School; Jason Plunk and Rose Vellof, Eunice Smith School; and Derek Vaughn, Lovejoy Accelerated School. **Fourth Grade:** Kim Anderson, Evangelical School; Megan Aulabaugh and Joe Dressel, St. Mary's School; Samantha Bellamy, Abby Lewis and Daniel Norman, Eunice Smith School; and Nancy McDonald and Julia Schillinger, Lovejoy Accelerated School. **Fifth Grade:** Michael Crammond, Evangelical School; Zachary Deeder, Nancy Engelmann and Chelsea Mead, Eunice Smith School; Kelly Lappin, St. Mary's School; Erin McCann, Lovejoy Accelerated School; Suzanne Rice, Gilson Brown School; and Aaron Sickmeier, Clara Barton School. **Sixth Grade:** Lisa Hampton, St. Mary's School. **Seventh Grade:** Billy Brooks, Elizabeth Goodrich and Amy Herrin, East Middle School; Jenny Campbell and Erin Hendrix, West Middle School; Graham Eschbacher, St. Mary's School; and Andrew Harshbarger, Jr. and Eileen Maguire, North Middle School. **Eighth Grade:** Beth Sproull, St. Mary's School.

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## High school youths find employment as library pages

Providing many with their first-time jobs, students from high schools within The Hayner Public Library District find challenging employment as library pages at the District's three locations.

Helping patrons, re-shelving books, "reading the aisles"--a time consuming chore of checking shelves to see that books are in proper order--are just some of the assignments pages are charged with. The most commonly asked question they hear is "Where's the card catalog?"--a question often heard as patrons adjust to the computerized system that requires using one of Hayner's many catalog terminals. One of the attractions to working in a library regularly commented on by the pages is a working atmosphere that is preferable to working in a fast-food restaurant as many of their friends do--"No grease," laughs one.

Hayner Pages are Ryan Hanlon, Kenya Howard, David Malone and Shannon Scheurer at the Main Library; Parisha Hinton, Robyn Ruedin and Amy Short at the Youth Library; and Jaye Brown, Christopher Grafford and Marcie Moehn at the Branch.

**Hayner's library pages gather for a common chore: re-shelving returned books. Pictured from l. to r. are Marcie Moehn, Christopher Grafford, David Malone, Amy Short, Shannon Scheurer, Jaye Brown and Robyn Ruedin. (Not pictured are Ryan Hanlon, Kenya Howard and Parisha Hinton.)**

## After School Craft series for kids continues

The After School Craft series for children ages 6 to 9 continues this spring with Thursday afternoon sessions from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. once a month at the Youth Library. Registration for each month's program opens on the first Monday of the month and closes when all twenty available places are filled for that month.

Irish crafts will honor St. Patrick's Day on Thursday, March 17th, and Earth Day will be celebrated with a "recyclable craft" on Thursday, April 14th. A flower craft notes May Day in the final program on Thursday, May 12th. To register, call Rosemary Buford at the Youth Library, 462-0651. All Library programs are free of charge.

***ILLINET**, a computerized system which gives you access to the collections of over 800 Illinois libraries through interlibrary loan, is now available at the Branch Library in addition to the downtown Main Library. Ask a Hayner staff member for assistance in using this powerful resource.*

## Branch Library grows in popularity, continued from page 1

Library District. "The residents of Godfrey and Fosterburg recognized what valuable assets the Branch and the Library District were, and they voted to join the District by a four to one margin."

The increasing use of the Branch has been attributed to many things. "There's been an increase in population in the areas near the mall," explains Branch Manager Beverly Hicks. "And parents find it a real help when they can get the kids to the Library for their school projects while running other errands here at the mall. Everyone enjoys the acres of free parking, and, of course, we're open expanded hours."

***BRANCH LIBRARY'S CIRCULATION FIGURES CONTINUE TO CLIMB***

***# of items circulated for:***

***December***

| ***1992*** | ***1993*** |
|---|---|
| *6,978* | *8,795* |
| ***1991-92*** | ***1992-93*** |
| *101,990* | *104,003* |

In fact, the Hayner Branch is open more hours than the mall stores with operating hours of 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and noon to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

"We've been a welcome addition to the mall," Beverly reports. "While we may be limited in the amount of space we have here, what we are able to offer our patrons is practically limitless!"

## New titles for spring reading

NEW FICTION

**The Cat Who Came to Breakfast** by Lilian Jackson Braun
**Miami, It's Murder** by Edna Buchanan
**They Whisper** by Robert Olen Butler
**The Guns of Peralta** by Richard Clarke
**Hollywood Kids** by Jackie Collins
**Prizzi's Money** by Richard Condon
**Fatal Cure** by Robin Cook
**Paddy Clarke Ha Ha Ha** by Roddy Doyle
**Lieberman's Day** by Stuart Kaminsky
**The Beekeeper's Apprentice** by Laurie King
**Clawhammer** by Sam Llewellyn
**The Visiting Professor** by Robert Littell
**Lyon's Pride** by Anne McCaffrey
**All Desires Known** by Malcolm Ross MacDonald
**The Great Divorce** by Valerie Martin
**The Green Knight** by Iris Murdoch
**Murder in the Place of Anubis** by Lynda S. Robinson
**Family Blessings** by LaVyrle Spencer
**Accident** by Danielle Steel
**Star Wars: The Truce at Bakura** by Kathy Tyers

NEW NON-FICTION

**I, Asimov** by Issac Asimov
**It All Adds Up: From the Dim Past to the Uncertain Future** by Saul Bellow
**Rose's Melting Pot: A Cook's Tour of America's Ethnic Celebrations** by Rose Levy Berenbaum
**Leaving Home: A Memoir** by Art Buchwald
**Time and Chance: Gerald Ford's Appointment with History** by James Cannon
**Flat Rock Journal: A Day in the Missouri Ozarks** by Ken Carey
**The Dean Koontz Companion**
**The Branson, Missouri Scrapbook: A Guide to the New Capital of Country Music** by Scott Faragher
**Frederick Douglass: Autobiographies**
**The Fine Art of Murder: The Mystery Reader's Indispensable Companion** edited by Ed Gorman
**Diplomacy** by Henry Kissinger
**101 Things You Can Do For Our Children's Future** by Richard Louv
**Jack's Life: A Biography of Jack Nicholson** by Patrick McGilligan
**Old Songs in a New Cafe** by Robert James Waller
**The White House: The First Two Hundred Years**
**The Woman That I Am: The Literature and Culture of Contemporary Women of Color**
**The Man Who "Framed" the Beatles: A Biography of Richard Lester** by Andrew Yule

# "Friends" schedule May book sale to benefit Library

The always popular and highly successful Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale is scheduled for May 12-14.

People will start lining up early for the 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. preview on Thursday, May 12th, when admission is $2.00 to have first crack at the 25¢ paperbacks, the 50¢ hardbacks, and the 10¢ magazines. Admission is free when the sale continues from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 13th, and 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 14th.

"Our October book sale netted the Friends more than $2,000," reports Sarah Huber, secretary for the volunteer group. The sales generate funds for the Library's Christmas Youth Party, the Summer Reading Program party, and for needed equipment and purchases for the Library.

**People arrive early, armed with empty boxes, to haul off their finds at the preview of the Friends of the Library's Spring Book Sale in Hayner's garage on State Street, across from the fire station. The sale is scheduled for May 12-14.**

## Preschool Story Time registrations coming up

The Hayner Youth Division is currently taking registrations for the spring session of Preschool Story Time for ages 3 to 5. Children must be 3 years old as of March 1, 1994, to register for this session. Two groups are available—Tuesdays or Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.—and meet at the downtown Youth Library. The sessions begin on March 8th and 9th and run for six consecutive weeks through April 12th and 13th. Registration is limited to 25 children in each group, with registrations be taken until the sessions are filled. Call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0651, to register for these free library programs.

## Artist donates print

The large and colorful print now adorning the wall of the Hayner Branch Library is a gift to the Library by the artist, Martha Pacquin, in memory of Alton resident, Mae Secor.

"Mae was a very dear friend of mine who, tragically, was killed in an automobile accident," explains Pacquin. For twelve years, she cared for my children while I taught school. She became a wonderful surrogate mother to all of us."

The large, full-color print is an artist's proof, and one of just six its size. The scene depicts children playing near the bandstand in Alton's Riverview Park, site of the summer Alton Muny Band Concerts, near Pacquin's home.

# Making the Library work for you on school projects

This is the time of the year when the Library is filled with students of all ages looking for information for their book reports, research papers, debates and speeches, science fair projects, state and/or country reports, extra credit questions and trivia quizzes. Here are a few simple tips to help make the library experience simpler, easier and happier for you and your family.

**ONE** Start early. Don't wait until the night before to do your research. The Library has a lot to offer, but it can't be found in the fifteen minutes before closing the night before your project is due. The Hayner staff can help you get books and materials from other libraries, but it takes a minimum of 24 hours and can take up to two weeks, depending on what you want and where it must come from.

**TWO** Every time you use a book, magazine or newspaper article, or some other resource in your research, be sure to copy down the complete information to identify the source in your bibliography or list of sources. For books, this can include the author, complete title, publisher, place of publication, date of publication, and page number where you found the information. Your teacher will tell you what information you need. Two weeks after you've returned the book to the Library, you might not be able to find it again to get this information-someone else may have checked the book out.

**THREE** Parents, no matter how much easier it might seem to come to the Library and look for the materials your child needs while he or she is at soccer, track, piano lessons or scouts, *bring the kid with you!* It could save you multiple trips back and forth when your child tells you that the first books *you* brought home are not exactly what he or she was looking for.

**FOUR** Be sure to bring pencils, pens, paper and change for the photocopy machine when you come to the Library. Sometimes the information you need is contained in a reference book, and reference books can't be checked out of the Library.

**FIVE** If you can't find it, ask for help! The Library staff is always happy to assist you. That's what they're there for!

# Hayner youth librarian says "Ni hao!" upon return from trip to China

***by Pam Klipsch***
***Youth Services Librarian***

Ni hao!" (pronounced nee-how!) means "Hello, how are you!" in Chinese, and it brings back a flood of happy memories of my two weeks in the People's Republic of China last November.

I was one of 65 librarians who accepted an invitation to join a library delegation sponsored by People to People International's Citizen Ambassador Program, that visited school and public libraries in Beijing, Nanjing, Suzhou and Shanghai as part of a professional exchange. Members of the delegation came from all across the United States, Canada and Bermuda, and included school library media specialists, youth services librarians, library administrators, library school faculty, and publishers of books for young people.

We visited district (public) libraries for children, provincial central (state) libraries, the National Library of China in Beijing, and school library media centers in primary, junior middle and senior middle schools, as well as the Shanghai Children's Palace (an after school community center), and the Shanghai Children's Publishing House, one of only two publishers in China specializing in books for young people.

Everywhere we went we were greeted with smiles and eagerly welcomed by librarians, teachers, and students alike. The children were especially wonderful--dressed in bright colors, with shining faces and ready smiles, they giggled politely at our attempts to speak Chinese, and eagerly tried out their English on us.

In addition to our professional activities and contacts, we also made time for some cultural excursions, and I fulfilled one of the great ambitions of my life on the clear, brisk afternoon when we climbed the Great Wall of China at Badaling, just north of Beijing. The stark green mountains, and the gray line of the Great Wall, over 2000 years old, zigzagging off into the distance, while the wind drowned out all other sounds around me, is something I will never forget.

Another cultural experience, for me, was learning to eat with chopsticks. It was a sink or swim experience--all of our meals, except breakfast, were prepared and served in Chinese style, and there were no knives and forks available. It was a real challenge, but as none of the 65 delegates starved to death, it was a challenge that we (more or less) successfully met!

China was an amazing experience, and someday I hope I will be able to reciprocate and welcome a delegation of Chinese librarians to our beautiful library here in Alton.

# Homebound Program volunteer takes along her special warmth on visits

The bright and smiling eyes are the first clue that June Weinrich is the type of warm and caring individual who exemplifies the Homebound Program of The Hayner Public Library District. When one hears her speak of the little favors she occasionally does for her patrons—picking up a loaf of bread or stopping for a book of stamps--one realizes the special-ness of this volunteer.

"I had an elderly friend who made use of the Homebound services," she says in reference to the Hayner program which brings library materials into the homes of those unable to reach the downtown or Branch locations. "I thought it was a pretty special thing. So one day I just came down and talked to Stephanie (Munson, coordinator of the program) and volunteered."

**Homebound Program volunteer June Weinrich**

With the Homebound Program as a volunteer for three years, June visits two patrons in their homes and two more in Eldercare, taking along books and conversation. "One of my patrons does painting. He likes picture books of tropical birds and fish which Stephanie finds for me to take to him." Some of her patrons are hearty readers, prompting her to take along as many as ten different titles in a visit.

"I really enjoy visiting these people. They like company and companionship, and I hear a lot of interesting things." Often June finds what a small world it is as she discovers mutual acquaintances among her patrons. "I never have any trouble finding things to talk about with my friends when I visit."

A lifelong Alton resident, June is looking forward to a variety of travel plans with her husband of 42 years, Gail, now that he is retired from McDonnell-Douglas. A trip to Texas to visit one of their three daughters comes shortly before a trip to New Zealand to visit a former exchange student they once hosted in their home. Journeys to the South Caribbean and Georgia are also planned. Already busy with a number of volunteer activities, June and her husband have become Friends of the Library and are considering other volunteer involvements.

An avid reader herself, June has been recommending "Having Our Say," the autobiography by centenarians Sarah and Elizabeth Delany.

***Friends of the Hayner Library Book Sale May 12-14***

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## March is "Women's History Month"

REFERENCE
**The Book of Women's Firsts**
**Notable Illinois Women** by David R. Collins
**Women Who Ruled** by Guida Jackson
**Notable American Women: A Biographical Dictionary**
**Notable Black American Women**
**The Women's Book of World Records and Achievements**

THE FRONTIER EXPERIENCE
**The Great Tamers: Women of the Old Wild West** by Dee Alexander[1]
**Women Who Made the West**
**Women's Diaries of the Westward Journey**

WOMEN IN THE PROFESSIONS
**Women Artists: An Illustrated History** by Nancy Heller
**For the Record: Women in Sports** by Robert Markel
**Winners: Woman and the Nobel Prize** by Barbara Shiels
**Takeoff: The Story of America's First Woman Pilot** by Bonnie Tiburzi

[1]Available at the Hayner Branch Library

## Movie buffs find Oscar history & trivia at Hayner

The Academy Awards will be given out on Monday, March 21st! What will win the Oscar for Best Picture at the 67th annual awards ceremony? Will it be **The Fugitive, In the Name of the Father, The Piano, The Remains of the Day,** or **Schindler's List**? Whatever movie wins, it will become part of the fascinating history of Hollywood and the Academy Awards. The Hayner Public Library District has on its shelves a number of books related to this topic which becomes a national obsession each spring.

For starters, to find out every last detail of the Academy Awards ceremonies, see **The Academy Awards Index**, as well as two other film reference books, **Film Facts, The Film Encyclopedia** and **Who Was Who On Screen**. Armed with these facts, read up on the history of the Oscars in **Backstory: Interviews with Screenwriters of Hollywood's Golden Age, The Academy Awards: A Picture History**, or **Behind the Oscars: The Secret History of the Academy Awards**. For those who disagree with Oscar's choices over the years, there's **Alternate Oscars: One Critic's Defiant Choices for Best Picture, Actor and Actress—From 1927 to the Present**.

Hayner has plenty of titles for biography-lovers, too. Our star-studded biography collection includes **Vivien Leigh, Fasten Your Seatbelts: The Life of Bette Davis**, Bob Hope's **The Road to Hollywood: My 40-Year Love Affair With the Movies**, and many more.

And the winner is . . .


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## Things to know . . . About The Hayner Public Library District

### HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Hayner Public Libraries will be closed for Labor Day Weekend on Sunday, September 4 and Monday, September 5. For the Thanksgiving Holiday, the Library will close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23, and will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24. The Library will be closed for the Christmas holiday on Saturday, December 24, Sunday, December 25, and Monday, December 26. For New Year's, the Library will be closed Saturday, December 31 and Sunday, January 1.

### COLLEGE CATALOG COLLECTION

The downtown Adult Library holds a remarkable collection of course catalogs for approximately 50 colleges and universities throughout Illinois and Missouri. Potential students can browse through these in order to preview schools in making a college selection.

### LIBRARY OFFERS LISTS OF VIDEO COLLECTION

All three Hayner locations now have an alphabetical listing available of the library's video collection. To see the list, just ask for it at the circulation desk of any of the Hayner Libraries.

### READ ALONG/LISTEN ALONG!

The Youth Library has over 300 conveniently packaged book-and-cassette packs in its ever growing collection of talking books/audio tapes for pre-schoolers to high schoolers. Great for car trips or at-home storytimes, each is packaged in a plastic carry bag with handle.

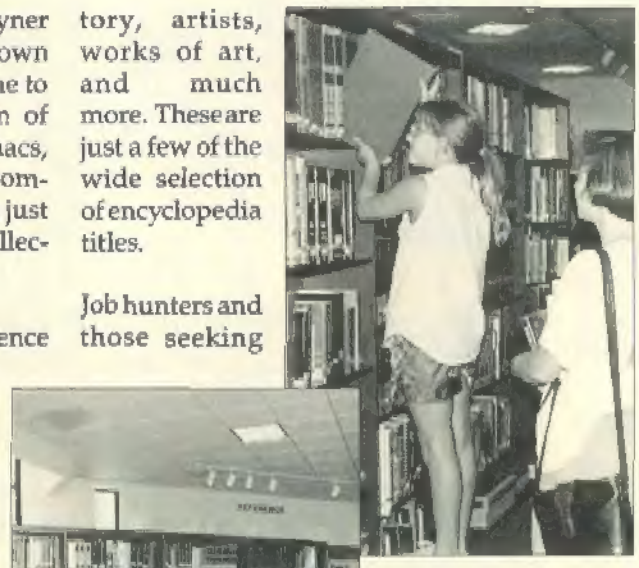
## Notable reference collection: Library's cornerstone

The reference section of The Hayner Public Library District's downtown main library serves as a cornerstone to the Library's extensive collection of materials. Encyclopedias, almanacs, dictionaries, atlases and other commonly held reference materials are just the beginning of a remarkable collection.

Though non-circulating—the reference materials are for in-library use only—the large collection holds many surprises; patrons may be unaware of many of the Library's reference resources. Ranging through a wide selection of topics and subject matters, the reference section is a rich resource for research projects, information, statistics, and guidance to other resources and materials.

Though one would expect to find **Encyclopedia Brittanica, Compton's Encyclopedia,** and **World Book Encyclopedia** in the collection, a variety of other encylopedias can be found. The **Encyclopedia of Careers and Vocational Guidance** describes and evaluates 74 major industries and career fields. **The Marshall Cavendish Encyclopedia of Family Health** contains over 900 articles on topics having to do with health care and diseases. The 16-volume **Encyclopedia of World Art** covers art history, artists, works of art, and much more. These are just a few of the wide selection of encyclopedia titles.

Job hunters and those seeking career information find Hayner's reference collection to be a wealth of information. The **Job Hunter's Sourcebook** lists sources of information on 165 occupations, while **The St. Louis Job Bank** serves as a guide to St. Louis-area employers, professional development services and executive search firms. **Sorkins' Directory of Business and Government** is an additional source for learning about companies in the St. Louis metropolitan area.



*Daniel Geisen and his son Anthony (left) begin their research in the Hayner Public Library's reference collection, while Natalie Wooff and her mother Brenda find the resource they needed.*

Literary interests are served in the reference collection through a number of titles, including **Contemporary Authors** and **Contemporary Literary Criticism,** two sets giving biographical information and critical evaluations of authors and their works. **Genreflecting: A Guide to Reading Interests in Genre Fiction** is an invaluable resource for readers, describing authors and titles in a range of genres, including westerns, mysteries, romances, and science fiction. Need a poem on a special subject? Forgotten who wrote a particular poem? Utilize **Granger's Index to Poetry** to find the answer.

These are just a very few of the subjects and titles to be found in the Main Library's collection. The Hayner Public Library's reference collection can be the information source for your projects or queries, or it can be just the start, a key to unlocking a multitude of other informational doors.

## Rousing close to summer program rewards readers

Hayner Public Library's Youth Division celebrated another successful summer reading program at its annual party at Hathaway Hall, Lewis & Clark Community College, on Thursday night, August 4. More than 500 kids, proud parents and friends attended the festivities which featured "Princess Diana" of WFUN—95.8 "Planet Fun" Radio and the Boehmer Family Jugglers of Jerseyville as entertainment.

Pam Klipsch, Youth Services Librarian, announced that 863 youngsters registered for the library summer program this year, with 567 completing the program and receiving free paperback books from the library for their reading awards. The young readers completed time slips totaling 12,133 hours of summer reading fun during the eight week program.

**Happy readers Casey Tucker and Anaka Hennings proudly display their Summer Reading Club Certificates of Achievement.**

The 1994 Summer Reading Champion Awards, presented to the child in each

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## Large-print books, a BIG hit with Hayner patrons

On a recent evening, Hayner Library patron Virginia Manns was perusing the collection of large-print books available at the Main Library.

"It's wonderful," she said as she pulled a large-print edition of Katherine Hepburn's autobiography, **Me**, from the shelf, and gesturing towards the numerous shelves in the Library's Homebound Program section. "All of these books are large-print."

Popular with both Homebound Program patrons and library patrons, the large-print book collection continues to expand under the direction of Program Coordinator Stephanie Munson. "We're trying to keep the collection growing at a rate of 50 new titles a month," explains Stephanie.

Best-sellers, romances, mysteries, westerns and classics fill the shelves, and the non-fiction selections are growing as well. Among the titles added recently to the large-print collection are: **Accident** by Danielle Steel, **The Chamber** by John Grisham, **Tunnel Vision** by Sara Paretsky, **K is for Killer** by Sue Grafton, **Bad Love** by Jonathan Kellerman, **The Trail to Seven Pines** by Louis L'Amour, and many titles by Agatha Christie.

**Hayner patron Virginia Manns selects one of the hundreds of large-print books available in the Main Library's collection located in the Homebound Program's section.**

New non-fiction titles have included **Not That You Asked** by Andy Rooney, **See, I Told You So** by Rush Limbaugh, **50 Simple Things You Can Do to Save the Earth**, and **Love Can Build a Bridge** by Naomi Judd.

For more information on both the large-print collection, available to all Hayner patrons, and the Homebound Program, contact Stephanie at 462-0651.

## New titles for autumn reading

**NEW FICTION**

**Everything to Gain** by Barbara Taylor Bradford
**The Body Farm** by Patricia Cornwell
**The Proud and the Free** by Janet Dailey
**Q-Squared** by Peter David
**Corelli's Mandolin** by Louise de Bernieres
**Playland** by John Gregory Dunne
**The Unicorn Hunt** by Dorothy Dunnett
**A Killing in Moscow** by Clive Egleton
**The Good Husband** by Gail Godwin
**None to Accompany Me** by Nadine Gordimer
**Floating City** by Eric Lustbader
**The Crossing** by Cormac McCarthy
**Pretty Boy Floyd** by Larry McMurtry and Diana Ossana
**The Village** by David Mamet
**Undue Influence** by Steve Martini
**Earthbound** by Richard Matheson
**Fairwell to Fairacre** by Miss Read
**What I Lived For** by Joyce Carol Oates
**The Voices of Heaven** by Frederick Pohl
**Downtown** by Anne Rivers Siddons
**Daughter of the Stars** by Phyllis A. Whitney

**NEW NON-FICTION**

**Star Trek Creator: The Authorized Biography of Gene Roddenberry** by David Alexander
**Civil Rights and Wrongs: A Memoir of Race and Politics, 1944-1994** by Harry S. Ashmore
**No Gifts From Chance: A Biography of Edith Wharton** by Shari Benstock
**The American Way of Health: How Medicine is Changing and What It Means to You** by Janice Castro
**Letters From Sarajevo: Voices of a Besieged City** by Anna Cataldi
**F. Scott Fitzgerald: A Life in Letters**
**Stranger to the Game** by Bob Gibson
**Dillinger: The Untold Story** by Russell G. Girardin
**Last Train to Memphis: The Rise of Elvis Presley** by Peter Guralnick
**James Herriot's Cat Stories** by James Herriot
**Art of This Century: The Guggenheim Museum and Its Collection** by Thomas Krens
**All My Octobers** by Mickey Mantle
**All I Really Need to Know I Learned From Watching Star Trek** by David Marinaccio
**Roy Rogers: King of the Cowboys** by Georgia Morris
**Ella Fitzgerald** by Stuart Nicholson
**Balzac** by Graham Robb
**Dianne Feinstein: Never Let Them See You Cry** by Jerry Roberts
**You Are Special: Words of Wisdom from America's Most Beloved Neighbor** by Fred Rogers

## New library parking lot completed

The use of the downtown Hayner locations recently became even more convenient with the completion of the Library's expanded and more accessible parking lot. "We're investing in downtown," states Library Director Mary Deane Huntley of the new lot and its landscaping and brick entry ways.

### Include Hayner Branch in "back-to-school" shopping

It's 7:30 on a school night and there's a sudden cry of "I gotta have this report tomorrow! I need a book from the library!" Okay, don't panic, you've still got thirty minutes before the downtown locations of the Hayner Public Library close, and almost two full hours before the Alton Square Branch does. So you've got the crisis handled—*if your child has a library card!*

While "back-to-school" shopping at Alton Square Mall, take five minutes to stop in at the Hayner Public Library Branch to get your student really ready for the new year with a library card. (It's just as easy and convenient at the downtown locations.)

Remember, a parent or guardian must sign the application card.

***Have you discovered Hayner's fax service?***

## Music "tool" added to reference collection

The **New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians** is a "classic" tool for music reference, and the Hayner Main Library is proud to announce that it has acquired the latest edition of this monumental work.

In its 20 volumes are approximately 22,500 articles on composers, performers, instruments, musical genres and terminology. About 16,500 of the articles are biographical .

One of the major changes in this edition of the **Grove** is the inclusion of much more information on non-Western and folk music.

As the **Grove** self states, it "seeks to discuss everything that can be reckoned to bear on music in history and on present-day musical life."

# Summer readers, J. D. Jr. Volunteers recognized

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of four age categories who turned in the highest number of reading hours, were announced at the party. They were: Billy Miller, 5, who attended preschool at the Montessori Children's House last year, in the Age 0-5 years category; Kenny Perry, 6, who attended Lewis & Clark School, in the Age 6-8 years category; Angela Magee, 11, who attended East Middle School, in the Age 9-11 years category; Angela Stephens, 12, who attended West Middle School, and Courtney Weaver, 12, who attended North Middle School, in the Age 12-15 category.

***Above, families choose from the thousands of books won by successful summer readers!***

The Friends of Hayner Public Library Traveling Trophy is awarded annually to the school that has the largest percentage of its students completing the summer reading program at Hayner Public Library. This year the trophy went to Montessori Children's House of Godfrey. Faith Lutheran School of Godfrey finished in second place, Evangelical School of Godfrey finished in third place, while Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School of Alton took fourth place.

Ten young people were honored for their participation in the library's J. D. Jr. Volunteer program this summer. Each contributed 50 hours of volunteer time to the library. Receiving tee-shirts and certificates for their efforts were: Olivia Neal, a student at Alton High School, cited for her fourth consecutive year of volunteer service to the library; Ruth Fink, a student at East Middle School; Nedina Gillian, Laura Leese, and Christine Ventimiglia, all students at St. Mary's Catholic School; Maura Hand and Lori Schweitzer, both students at North Middle School; Kelly O'Neal and Julianne Plunkett from Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic School; and Maureen Rund of West Middle School.

***Below, the summer's biggest readers are winners—Back row, from l. to r., Angela Magee, Courtney Weaver, Pam Klipsch, Youth Services Librarian, Princess Diana of WFUN-FM's "Planet Fun," Angela Stephens; front row, Billy Miller and Kenny Perry.***

***At right, this summer's crew of J. D. Jr. Volunteers: Back row, l. to r.—Maureen Rund, Nedina Gillian, Christina Ventimiglia, Julianne Plunkett, Maura Hand, Lori Schweitzer, and Laura Leese; front row—Ruth Fink, Kelly O'Neal and Olivia Neal***

Names were drawn at random for the grand prizes from a barrel containing over 48,000 time slips filled out and returned to the library by the summer reading club participants. A $25 cash award went to Ryan Moat; Scott Yanta, won a $15 cash award; and a $10 cash award went to Monica Hornsey-Harpole.

Winners of free pairs of St. Louis Cardinals baseball tickets went to Alex Cronin, Laura Green, Emily Jones, Benjamin Pursley, Erin Stahlschmidt, Hart Stanley, Sarah Truckey, Daniel Wilson, and Kristin Zilm. Free passes to the Florissant Discovery Zone were won by Joshua Lee Headrick, Charles Hughes, Aaron Leese, Daniel Mellenthin, and Elisa Wallace.

## Our yearbook collection won't be complete without . . .

Your help! The historic Illinois Room, located in Hayner's downtown Main Library, houses an almost complete set of **The Tatler**, the Alton High School yearbook, dating back to 1905

Missing from the collection are volumes for the years 1915, 1919-21, 1923, 1933-36, 1939, 1941, 1942, 1945, 1946, 1954, 1960, 1978, 1980, 1981, 1990, 1993, and 1994.

Likewise, the Library's collection of **The Explorer**, the Marquette High School Yearbook, which goes back to 1961, is missing the years 1963, 1976, 1978, 1982, 1984, and 1988 to the present.

If you have copies of these yearbooks which you could donate, contact the Library at 462-0651.

## Now on Hayner's Rental Books shelf

Hayner's Rental Books are a great alternative for patrons who don't wish to wait on lengthy reserve lists or pay the high price of a hardcover book. For just $2.00 for a two week rental, readers can catch the latest titles while they're hot! Currently on the shelf are **The Chamber** by John Grisham, **Disclosure** by Michael Crichton, **"K" is for Killer** by Sue Grafton, **Accident** and **The Gift** by Danielle Steel, **Remember Me** by Mary Higgins Clark, and **The Agenda: Inside the Clinton White House** by Bob Woodward.

# Youth Library plans fall storytimes, craft program & school visits

### PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Registration for the fall session of Hayner's popular preschool storytime for ages 3-5 will open on Saturday, September 3. Children must be three years old as of September 1, 1994 to be eligible for this session. There will be two groups offered—one on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m and one on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. Program dates are: September 13/14, 20/21, 27/28; and October 4/5, 11/12, 18/19. Registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis and are limited to 25 children. To register for preschool storytime, call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0651.

Hayner is also offering a holiday session of storytime. Registration opens on Saturday, November 5. Children must be three years old as of November 1, 1994 to be eligible for this session. There will be Tuesday and Wednesday morning groups, with programs beginning November 15/16 and running weekly through December 13/14.

### AFTERSCHOOL CRAFTS

"Food Stuff" is the theme for this year's afterschool crafts program for ages 6-9, featuring incredible crafts made from edible materials. Craft programs will be held monthly on the third Thursday of each month, beginning in October, from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. Registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis and are limited to 20 children. Registration for the October program will open on Monday, October 3. The program will be held on Thursday, October 20. Registration for the November program will open on Monday, November 7. The program will be held on Thursday, November 17. To register, call Rosemary Buford at the Youth Library, 462-0651.

### SCHOOL STORY VISITS

Hayner's Youth Services Librarian and storyteller Pam Klipsch will be available to visit grades 3-8 by appointment during October and November. This fall Pam will present a program of stories on the theme "Three Wishes Wiser," using traditional folklore and fairy tales. The program is 40-45 minutes in length. Bookings for the fall story visits will be accepted beginning on Monday, September 26, and continue until all available dates and times are filled. If more than one teacher in a building wants to book this program, they should coordinate a schedule so that all classes can be visited on the same day; one person should call to book the visits.

***All library programs are free and open to any resident or cardholder of The Hayner Public Library District.***

***Dial-A-Story 462-8253***

# Library Board Member sprouts green thumb!

It's undoubtedly fortuitous, or at least symbolic, that as The Hayner Public Library District continues to grow and develop it has a Board Member who has a distinct green thumb.

Robert Thomas, Board Member and Past President, is the manager of Godfrey's The Greenery, a landscape design and garden center/nursery. As manager, his horticultural talents have been put to good use over the past three years.

Thomas is the immediate Past President of the Board, having served in that capacity from 1991 to 1993, having first been elected to the Board for a six-year term in 1986. Born and raised in Alton, the son of Harrold and Charlotte Thomas, he was re-elected to Board in 1992 for a second six-year term.

"I enjoy being on the Board of Directors of the Library," Thomas states. "It is important that we keep it accessible and visible to everyone in the area. A strong library district makes a great contribution to our quality of life in this area."

HPLD Board Member & Past President Robert Thomas

Thomas enjoys reading, but has time to just keep up with trade journals and catalogs on plants. When he can, he enjoys reading science fiction and fantasy books.

## Youth Library plans Literary Annual

Plans are under way for "Three Wishes', the Hayner Youth Library's Literary Annual The Annual, a joint project of the Library and the schools, public and private, within the district, is open to students in grades 3 through 8, with teachers choosing the one best writing project in each class for inclusion. Students are asked to write an essay, story, or poem on the theme, "What I would wish for if I had three wishes," not to exceed 500 words. Contact Pam Klipsch for entry information at 462-0651.

# THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

## New or notable reference collection titles

**Fan Club Directory**, listing addresses of over 2,000 fan clubs in the U.S. and abroad

**The Adult Learner's Guide to Alternative and External Degree Programs**

**The Gardener's Index: Where to Find Information About Gardens and Garden Plants**, telling where to find information on approximately 10,000 species of cultivated plants

**My Soul Looks Back, Lest I Forget: A Collection of Quotations by People of Color**

**Facts About the Cities**, giving the history, economy, attractions and notable features of 331 communities in the United States.

**Atlas of United States Environmental Resources**, including maps, photos, and graphs describing our country's environmental condition.

## Halloween frights & fun planned for family party

Bobby Norfolk, Emmy Award-winning host of KMOV-TV's "Gator Tales," will be the guest storyteller at Hayner's annual "Sparks and Spooks" Halloween program, Thursday, October 27, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

Lively and popular storyteller Bobby Norfolk

Join Bobby for a session of old-time ghost stories around the fireplace in the historic Youth Library building. The program is for children ages 6-11; very young children may find the program "too scary." All children must be accompanied by an adult 18 years of age or older. Costumes are optional, and all children will receive Halloween treats to take home.

The party is free to all Hayner Public Library District patrons and cardholders. Registration opens Monday, October 17 and is limited to 75 children. Telephone 462-0651 for more information.


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## Things to know . . . About The Hayner Public Library District

**SEASONS GREETINGS** from the Board and staff of The Hayner Public Library District. We wish you the happiest of holiday seasons and the brightest of new years!

**HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

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**A "WHOLE EARTH" UPDATE!**

**The Whole Earth Catalog**, a 25-year old standard, has been updated as **The Millennium Whole Earth Catalog**, now available in the Library's reference section. The standard subjects are still there, along with newer topics such as the CD-ROM, virtual reality and the Internet.

**THAT TAXING TIME OF YEAR**

Forms for filing federal and state tax returns–both Illinois and Missouri–will be available at the Main and Alton Square Branch Libraries beginning in January. Many blank forms are available, as well as a complete set of all tax forms for photocopying purposes.

**CAREER INFORMATION CENTER**

Hayner has recently updated its collection of career books. For example, the downtown Main Library now has a 13-volume set of books called **Career Information Center** which explores a variety of careers. These books, along with many others in our career section, can be checked out of the Library.

## Friendship & caring 'delivered' in Homebound Program

At the rear of the downtown Main Library, and up just a few steps, is an alcove area unfamiliar to most patrons of The Hayner Public Library District. Yet it is from here that monthly more than 1,100 items from the Library are circulated. It is from here that the Library shares its dedication to the joy of reading by sending a message of caring and friendship to patrons unable to travel to the Library. For it is from here that Hayner's Homebound Program Coordinator, Stephanie Munson, and her group of eight dedicated volunteers, reach out into the community in a manner unique for a Library.

**Stephanie Munson, Hayner's Homebound Program Coordinator, prepares boxes of books, large-print books and videos for her volunteers to take with them in their visits to Library patrons' homes.**

"We began the program in 1987," explains Stephanie. "We were phasing out our Bookmobile, but wanted to find a way to continue to provide library services to people who couldn't travel to us." Along with Library Director, Mary Deane Huntley, Stephanie traveled to Quincy to learn about their service to the homebound. "We were impressed with what they were doing," Stephanie states, "but brought the concept back to Hayner and adapted it for our community."

Two things have remained constant since the program was first instituted: "From the start, the only criteria for a Homebound patron was a patron's inability to travel to the library," explains Stephanie. "Age and circumstances are not factors. And the program is *not* about 'delivering' things. The Homebound Program is about sharing and caring. We don't just drop books off at the door."

Hayner Homebound Program volunteers spend time talking with their patrons, learning their interests and, in turn, learning from them. The discernible warmth and concern Stephanie and her volunteers embody has brought each some very personal rewards.

"It always amazes me how happy people are to see us," comments Kathie Rain, a Homebound volunteer who regularly visits patrons at the Skyline Towers Apartments. "It's nice to have people look forward to seeing you. It's very rewarding." It's also helped Kathie increase her collection of recipes as "We're always passing recipes back and forth on my visits."

For Evelyn Keehner, who, with her sister, Spiv Woefle, makes regular rounds for the program, the developing friendships with her patrons has also had its rewards. She has particularly fond memories of one patron: "We had one lady we used

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## Inter-library loan opens doors to more libraries for you

The Hayner Public Library District has nearly 135,000 books and items for circulation, but hundreds of thousands of other volumes are available to Hayner patrons through the inter-library loan of the Lewis and Clark Library System (LCLS).

As a member of the system, Hayner has quick access to the collections of other LCLS member libraries, including best-sellers, non fiction works, videos, and audio recordings. The availability of titles can be determined by using the Public Access Catalog (PAC) in the Library or with the assistance of any librarian. When locating a title on PAC, follow the on-screen directions which will direct you to the location of copies of that title in other libraries. PAC will tell you the availability of these titles--Is it on the shelf at that library? Is it checked out at that library?—and then you may request the copy or be put on the reserve list at the check out counter. (It is not possible yet to request the book directly through the PAC terminal.)

***Hayner also has access to ILLINET–the ability to tap into the holdings of more than 800 Illinois public & university libraries.***

The Hayner Library will forward your request to the library holding the title you are seeking, and, if the copy is available at that library, it will be delivered to Hayner within one or two working days. The title will be held for you at Hayner for several days for check out. When you are finished with it, simply return it to Hayner for shipment back to the original library.

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# Stories and edibles highlight winter youth activities

### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Registration for the Holiday Session of Preschool Story Time is now open. Children should be three years old as of November 1, 1994, in order to register for this session. Registration is limited to 25 children in each of the two groups which meet on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 9:30 in the Youth Library. Story Times will be held November 15/16, 22/23, 29/30, December 6/7 and 13/14. To register for story time, please call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0651.

### AFTER SCHOOL CRAFTS

After school craft sessions for ages six to nine continue on a monthly basis. The theme of this year's craft program is "Incredible Edibles," featuring crafts made from foods. Registration for each craft opens on the first Monday of the month and is limited to 20 children. Craft programs are held on the third Thursday from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Youth Library. Registration opens December 5 for the December 15 program; January 2 for the January 19 program; and February 6 for the February 16 program. To register, please call Rosemary Buford at the Youth Library, 462-0651.

### SCHOOL STORY VISITS (K-2)

Librarian and storyteller Pam Klipsch has prepared a program of humorous traditional tales on the theme "I Wish I May, I Wish I Might" for grades K through 2. She will be available to visit classes by appointment during the months of February and March. Teachers may call to schedule visits beginning Tuesday, January 3, 1995. Teachers in the same building are encouraged to work out a schedule so that Pam can visit all the classes in a school on the same day. Pam can do multiple classes as a single group if necessary. The program lasts about 30 minutes.

**While an envious T-Rex looks on from behind, Youth Services Librarian Pam Klipsch welcomes a family of dragons who have come to reside in the Youth Library. From left to right are Casper, Cassandra, Deidre and Egg.**

**The historic Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library—Hayner's Youth Division—will be decorated for a "Jewel of a Christmas" this holiday season. Stop by and see the decorations during regular hours.**

# Coretta Scott King Award-winning books

Author Angela Johnson and illustrator Tom Feelings are both winners of the 1994 Coretta Scott King Award for their recent books. The award is presented annually by the Coretta Scott King Award Task Force of the Social Responsibilities Round Table of the American Library Association. Awards are given to an author and to an illustrator for the most outstanding contributions to books for young people which promote better understanding and appreciation of the culture and contribution of all peoples to the realization of the American Dream.

***For outstanding contributions to books for young people, promoting better understanding & appreciation of the culture & contribution of all peoples to the realization of the American Dream***

Ms. Johnson's book, **Toning the Sweep**, and Mr. Feeling's work, **Soul Looks Back in Wonder**, edited by Phyllis Fogelman, are both available at the Hayner Youth Library. The Youth Library also has copies of nearly all of the available award-winning books since its inception in 1970, while the Alton Square Branch Library has many of the titles as well. Contact the Library for more information on the award-winning books and their availability.

The awards commemorate the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and honor Mrs. Coretta Scott King for her courage and determination to continue her husband's work for peace and brotherhood.

## New & forthcoming winter reading

NEW FICTION

**The Collected Stories of Louis Auchincloss**
**Everville** by Clive Barker
**A Long Line of Dead Men** by Lawrence Block
**A Private View** by Anita Brookner
**The Maltese Angel** by Catherine Cookson
**Spencerville** by Nelson DeMille
**Closing Time: The Sequel to Catch-22** by Joseph Heller
**The River Sorrow** by Craig Holden
**Borderliners** by Peter Hoeg
**Dark Rivers of the Heart** by Dean Koontz
**A Fisherman of the Inland Sea** by Ursula K. Le Guin
**Recessional** by James Michener
**The One True Thing** by Anna Quindlen
**The Raiders** by Harold Robbins
**Liliane: Resurrection of the Daughter** by Ntozake Shange
**Ah, Treachery!** by Ross Thomas
**The Afterlife: And Other Stories** by John Updike
**No Night is Too Long** by Barbara Vine

NEW NON-FICTION

**The Life and Many Deaths of Harry Houdini** by Ruth Brandon
**Jane Brody's Good Seafood Book**
**Take Me Home: An Autobiography** by John Denver
**On the Edge: The Clinton Presidency** by Elizabeth Drew
**No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Homefront in World War II** by Doris Kearns Goodwin
**Nobody's Fool: The Lives of Danny Kaye** by Martin Gottfried
**The Last Bus to Albuquerque** by Lewis Grizzard
**Evolutionary Medicine: Rethinking the Origins of Disease** by Marc Lappe
**The Dream That Failed: Reflections on the Soviet Union** by Walter Laqueur
**The Origin of Humankind** by Richard Leakey
**Lost Moon: The Perilous Voyage of Apollo 13** by Jim Lovell
**Brando** by Peter Manso
**The African-American Kitchen: Cooking from Our Heritage** by Angela Shelf Medearis
**The Camera Never Blinks Twice** by Dan Rather
**M.F.K. Fisher, Julia Child, and Alice Waters: Celebrating the Pleasures of the Table** by Joan Reardon
**Star Trek Movie Memories** by William Shatner
**Martha Stewart's Menus for Entertaining**

## Caring & sharing, Hayner's Homebound Program,

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to take around to see the Christmas lights. We'd drive all over the area, seeing things she never knew were here."

"I've learned so much from the people I visit," says Stephanie. Her eyes twinkle as she tells of learning a new crochet stitch from one of her friends.

Still unique in the state, the Homebound Program has grown steadily each year, currently serving around 250 patrons throughout the District. Once a month the program's workers bring books, large print books, books-on-tapes and other materials on their visits. The large demand for videos is met with weekly Friday visits. The Homebound Program's volunteers load up their personal cars and drive the length and breadth of the District to make their visits.

"Helen Leigh is my newest volunteer," says Stephanie, "and I'm pleased to have her joining this group of dedicated, caring individuals." Many of the volunteers have been with the program since its inception and, in addition to Kathie, Spiv and Evelyn, include Bernadette Duvernoy, Dr. Edward DuVivier, Jody Stuart and June Weinrich.

For information on being included on the Homebound Program's routes, or on becoming a Homebound volunteer, contact Stephanie Munson at 462-0651.

## New databases here

FirstSearch, a series of databases published by OCLC, is now available at all Hayner Libraries. The Illinois State Library is making these databases available to Hayner for no cost until June of 1995. Available databases are:

**WorldCat**--a worldwide database of books and other materials

**Article1st**--an index of articles from over 8500 journals

**Contents1st**--the tables of contents of over 8500 journals

**ERIC**--an education index

**GPO**--an index of U. S. government publications

**MEDLINE**--an index of articles from medical journals

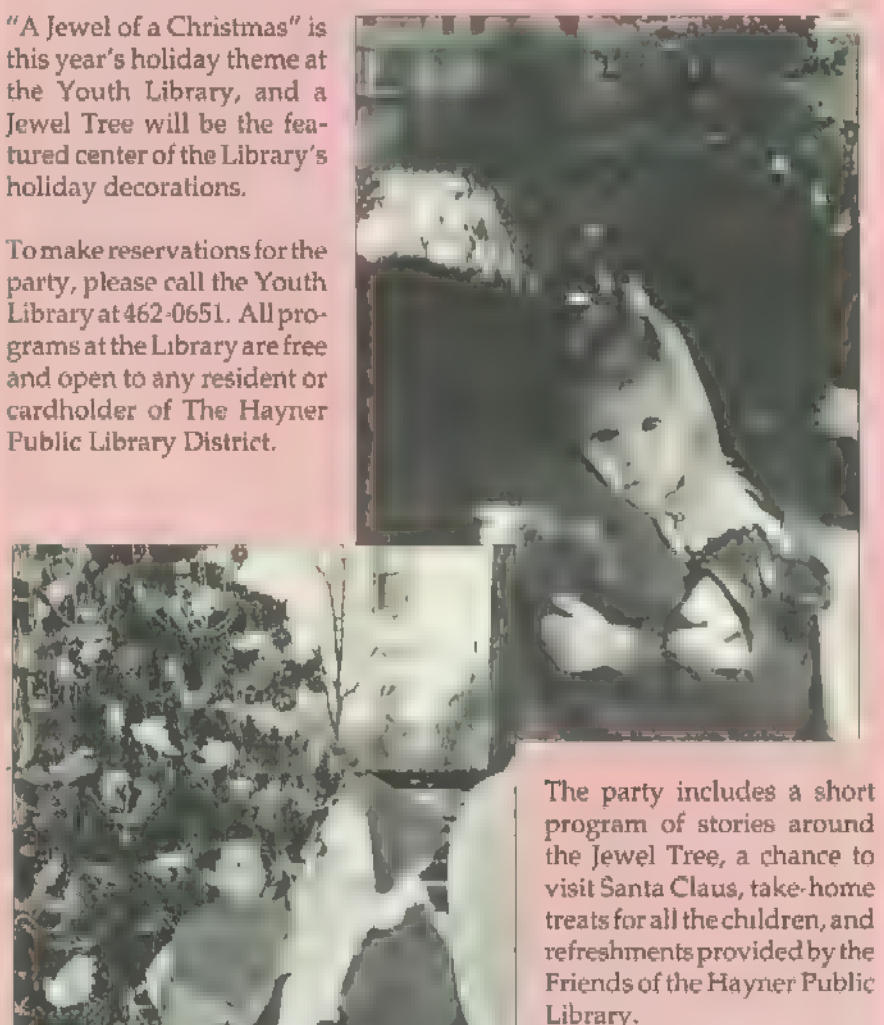
Although the databases will not be available for the public to use, Hayner staff members will be more than happy to do a search for you.

## Children's holiday party planned

The annual Children's Christmas Party will be held at the Youth Library on Saturday, December 10, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Children of all ages and their parents are invited to attend the party. Reservations will be accepted beginning Saturday, December 3.

"A Jewel of a Christmas" is this year's holiday theme at the Youth Library, and a Jewel Tree will be the featured center of the Library's holiday decorations.

To make reservations for the party, please call the Youth Library at 462-0651. All programs at the Library are free and open to any resident or cardholder of The Hayner Public Library District.



The party includes a short program of stories around the Jewel Tree, a chance to visit Santa Claus, take-home treats for all the children, and refreshments provided by the Friends of the Hayner Public Library.

Anyone unable to attend the party is invited to drop by the Library during regular hours through the holiday season to enjoy the decorations.

## Family video program scheduled for Martin Luther King Holiday

The Youth Library will celebrate the Martin Luther King Holiday with a special family video program on Monday, January 16, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Metzger Conference Room on the lower level of the Youth Library. Children of all ages accompanied by an adult are invited to attend. The program will feature videos from the Library's collection.

In addition to the program, the Youth Library is sponsoring a Black History Hunt game for grades 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12. Game sheets will be available at the Youth and the Alton Square Branch Libraries beginning Monday, January 16. Completed game sheets must be returned to the Library no later than the close of business on January 31, 1995. All those who correctly answer all the questions on their game sheets will be entered in the prize drawing on February 1.

## Costume collection isn't just off the rack

Looking for some ideas for your Mardi Gras costume? Doing some research on the dress of a certain era? Then look no farther than Hayner's extensive collection of resources on costumes!

Hayner has lots of costume books, both in its reference collection and in general circulation. The latest addition in reference is a new copy of **Costume 1066-1990s** by John Peacock.

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## New encyclopedia set donated to Branch

Through the generosity of The Jennie D. Hayner Association, a new set of the 1994 **Encyclopaedia Britannica** has been donated to the Alton Square Branch Library. The volumes are to arrive in early 1995. The Association is an organization in support of They Hayner Public Library District.

## Growing video collection on the *move*

Okay, now pay attention. The Main Library's video collection is moving to where the compact disk and books-on-tape collections are now, except that some of videos will be in the familiar cases and some will be on existing shelves, except that these shelves will look different because they're getting doors. Got that?

Let's try it again. Because of the dozens of new videos arriving--new movies, foreign films, exercise videos, videos on yoga and tai chi, and many, many more--the collection is moving to new quarters in the downtown Main Library. The growing video collection will move to the area currently occupied by the audio collections (to your left as you come in the front door). These collections--compact disks and books-on-tape--will move to the area now occupied by videos (to your right as you come in the front door).

Non-fiction videos and foreign films will be stored on the existing shelves in what is currently the audio section, but the shelves will be fitted with glass doors. The familiar existing video cabinets will house the large collection of movies on video once they are moved.

New titles include **Amadeus**, **El Cid**, **The Rocky Horror Picture Show**, **The Crying Game**, **Cannery Row**, **The Snake Pit**, **All the President's Men**, and **Love Among the Ruins**. Videos from Hayner may be checked out for one week and are not renewable.

# Amiable hospital administrator serves on Library Board

On an early winter afternoon, Hayner Public Library District Board member Francis Martin amiably leads a visitor on a tour through the ongoing renovation and expansion of Alton Memorial Hospital. Wending his way through the confusion, Francis, who works for the Vice President of Finance at the hospital, displays much of the humor and friendly manner that his fellow Board members have come to appreciate.

Born in Alton, he now lives in rural Foster Township and is completing a six-year term as a District Board member this coming spring. He admits to a desire to eventually withdraw from public service. For sixteen years he was the Town Clerk of Foster Township.

Having lived for a time in Minnesota, Francis Martin remains fond of the area and enjoys fishing in the northern reaches of the state. He enjoys reading non-fiction, while his wife, Penny, prefers fiction, and he's especially interested in books on finance, investments, and business.

**Hayner Board Member Francis Martin**

"Hayner is lucky to have him," states Mary Deane Huntley, the District's Library Director. "He brings a nice perspective to the Board."

# Amnesty for overdue items benefits charities

The holiday spirit has moved the staff of the Hayner Public Libraries to forgive and forget . . . as long as you feel generous and a bit repentant! The Library will be accepting canned goods in lieu of fines for all overdue items during the month of December. One can of food will be accepted for each overdue item, and will be donated to local charities to feed the hungry during the holiday season. Please join the Library in supporting this worthy cause.

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## New LARGE-PRINT books on our shelves

Check out these new titles on the large-print book shelves in the Main Library's Homebound section:

**Rag Nymph**
by Catherine Cookson
**Violent Ward**
by Len Deighton
**The Day After Tomorrow**
by Allan Folsom
**The Other Side**
by Mary Gordon
**Fear of Fifty**
by Erica Jong
**Recessional**
by James Michener
**All Our Yesterdays**
by Robert B. Parker
**Wings** by Danielle Steel
**Old Songs in a New Cafe**
by Robert J. Waller
**Little House in the Ozarks: A Laura Ingalls Wilder Sampler**

# Magazine Article Summaries database arrives

Periodical research just got easier at the Hayner Main and Alton Square Branch Libraries with the arrival of the Magazine Article Summaries Full Text Elite database, available from EBSCO. This database indexes over 400 general interest magazines and includes a summary of every article indexed.

In addition, the full text is included for over 130 of these magazines, meaning that you can print entire articles out right at the computer. Full-text magazines available in the MAS Full Text Elite database include *Life, Money, New Republic, Newsweek, American Heritage, Smithsonian, Popular Science, Psychology Today*, and *Science News*.

At the Main Library, the new database will replace the InfoTrac database, which will be leaving the Library in February of 1995.

**Beverly Hicks, Alton Square Branch Library Manager, demonstrates the MAS Full Text Database. Terminals are available at both the Branch and Main Libraries.**


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**A REMINDER ABOUT LOST LIBRARY CARDS**
There is a $1.00 replacement fee for lost library cards. Once you have replaced your lost card, the lost card will no longer be valid. This is for your protection against unauthorized use of a lost or stolen card.

**RESERVE PICKUP POLICY**
When you reserve a title or request one from another library in the Lewis & Clark Library System, be sure to bring the card **with which it was reserved** when you come to pick the item up. This is for your protection so that nobody else can check out the title you reserved.

## "Caring" program reaches 250 Homebound patrons

Not limited to the holiday season of giving and caring, The Hayner Public Library District's Homebound Program continues to grow. Dedicated to sharing the joy of reading, the warmth of friendship, and the amenities of a remarkable library, the Homebound Program is now entering its eighth successful year of providing an outreach service to District patrons unable to reach the Library

"Since the start, the only criteria for a Homebound patron has been the patron's inability to travel to the Library," explains Stephanie Munson, Homebound Program Coordinator. "Age and circumstances are not factors."

Over the years, Stephanie and her volunteers have seen the demand for the program increase while the number of options available for patrons has increased. From her desk in the Homebound section of the downtown Main Library, Stephanie dispatches her 9 volunteers who make their regular rounds, bringing to their patrons titles from Hayner's regular and large print book, video, audio and periodical collections.

**Pictured here in the Homebound Program section of the Main Library with Program Coordinator Stephanie Munson (second from r.) are volunteers Evelyn Keehner, Jody Stuart, Spiv Woefle, Bernadette Duvernoy, Iris Saaf, and Kathie Rain.**

"This program is *not* about 'delivering' things," cautions Stephanie. "The Homebound Program is about sharing and caring, taking time to talk with people, getting to know them, becoming friends. We don't just drop books off at the door."

The program's volunteers happily commit themselves to their visits, circulating more than 1,100 items to the approximately 250 patrons currently served. Loading up their personal cars with library items and driving the length and breadth of the District, the dedicated group consists of Bernadette Duvernoy, Dr. Edward DuVivier, Evelyn Keehner, Helen Leigh, Kathie Rain, Iris Saaf, Jody Stuart, June

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## Area students hunt for Black History Month answers

The Black History Hunt, held in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday and Black History Month, is being held for a second year.

Game sheets for grades 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12 will be available at the Youth, Main and Branch Libraries beginning January 16. Completed game sheets must be returned to the Youth Library by February 2. Correct entries will be eligible for the grand prize drawings. One entry in each grade division will win a grand prize of $50. Parents, teachers and schools will be notified of the winners' names, and prizes will be presented at schools during the week of February 5, 1996.

***Popular classroom project returns***

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# Holiday party celebrates "Old-Fashioned" Christmas

An Old-Fashioned Christmas" will be celebrated as the theme for this year's annual children's holiday party, Saturday, December 9, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Hayner Youth Library. Decorations and party activities will portray an American pioneer Christmas celebration. Featured activities will include a family storytime, refreshments courtesy of the Friends of the Hayner Public Library, a visit with jolly old St. Nicholas, and party favors for each child to take home.

Registration for the Christmas party has already begun. To register, please call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0651.

**Helping Library Aid Rosemary Buford prepare rag doll decorations for the Youth Library's "Old Fashioned Christmas" tree are (l. to r. ) Ian Brake, 10, and Jordan Brake, 5, of Godfrey, and Melissa Darr, 10, of Alton. The rag dolls were a project of the After-School Crafts program.**

## After-School Crafts are "Hand-Me-Downs"

The After School Craft's program takes on a "Hand-Me-Down" theme this coming year. Registration for the February to May series opens Saturday, January 20 at the Hayner Youth Library. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

On February 15, the craft session will make paper dragons, on March 21, finger wigglers. Crafts for April and May are still being determined. The program is designed for children ages six to nine. Space is limited to the first 20 registrations. To register, please call Rosemary Buford at 462-0651.

*All library programs and activities are free and open to any resident or cardholder of The Hayner Public Library District.*

## That taxing time of year

Tax procrastinators take heed. Monday, April 15, 1996 will be here before you know it. Forms for filing federal and state tax returns--both Illinois and Missouri--will be available at the Main and Alton Square Branch Libraries beginning in January. Many blank forms are available, as well as a complete set of all tax forms for photocopying purposes.

## "Caring" Homebound Program, cont'd from pg 1

Weinrich, and Spiv Woefle.

"These are just wonderful people, very special people," states Mary Deane Huntley, Library Director. "I know they always tell us they get as much out of this experience as they give, but we deeply appreciate their time and commitment. The Homebound Program wouldn't be possible without them. And Stephanie just does a super job."

Stephanie has been coordinator of the program since it began in 1987. "I was in charge of the Bookmobile, but when the Library phased that out we started looking for other ways to continue to provide library services to people who couldn't travel to us," she explains. "I have made many friends over the years and I have learned a lot from them. I'm hoping to make many more friends in the years to come."

For information on being included on the Homebound Program's routes, or on becoming a Homebound volunteer, contact Stephanie at 462-0651.

## New & coming winter titles

NEW FICTION

**Love in Another Town*** by Barbara Taylor Bradford
**The Cat Who Said Cheese*** by Lilian Jackson Braun
**Pay Dirt; or, Adventures at Ash Lawn** by Rita Mae Brown
**Morse's Greatest Mystery; And Other Stories** by Colin Dexter
**Jump Up and Say! A Collection of Black Storytelling**
**The Good Detective** by H. R. F. Keating
**The Web*** by Jonathan Kellerman
**The Autobiography of My Mother** by Jamaica Kincaid
**The Final Judgment*** by Richard North Patterson
**The Law of Enclosures** by Dale Peck
**The Moor's Last Sigh** by Salman Rushdie
**Tek Money** by William Shatner
**Five Days in Paris*** by Danielle Steel
**Cthulhu 2000: A Lovecraftian Anthology** by Jim Turner (editor)

NEW NON-FICTION

**Yours, Isaac Asimov: A Lifetime of Letters** by Isaac Asimov
**David Brinkley: 11 Presidents, 4 Wars, 22 Political Conventions, 1 Moon Landing, 3 Assassinations, 2000 Weeks of News and Other Stuff on Television and 18 Years of Growing Up in North Carolina** by David Brinkley
**Orson Welles: The Road to Xanadu** by Simon Callow
**Lewis Carroll** by Morton N. Cohen
**Reason to Believe** by Mario Cuomo
**Barry Goldwater** by Robert A. Goldberg
**The Diary of Frida Kahlo: an Intimate Self-Portrait** by Frida Kahlo
**Leader of the Band: The Life of Woody Herman** by Gene Lees
**Where White Men Fear to Tread: The Autobiography of Russell Means**
**Pavarotti: My World*** by Luciano Pavarotti
**At Eighty-Two: A Journal** by May Sarton
**Frank Sinatra: An American Legend** by Nancy Sinatra
**Invisible Allies** by Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn
**The Decline and Fall of the House of Windsor** by Donald Spoto
**The Martha Stewart Cookbook: Collected Recipes for Every Day** by Martha Stewart
**Women of the Harlem Renaissance** by Cheryl A. Wall
**All Rivers Run to the Sea** by Elie Wiesel

**Soon to be available in LARGE PRINT.*

# Branch's new globe is tribute to special library friend

The Alton Square Branch Library has made a special purchase in memory of a Hayner Public Library District Board president. Intriguing children and parents alike is a lighted world globe the Branch has purchased to honor Forrest E. Cook, District president from 1985 to 1987.

"Forrest was very active in helping to win the referendum to become a library district," explains Beverly Hicks, Branch Manager. "He was always very supportive of the Branch.

"This is such an appropriate tribute to Forrest because it gets the attention that he gave to the library. He is sadly missed by all."

**Exploring the world with the Branch Library's new illuminated globe are Wendy Berry, 17, and Christopher Williamson, 10, both of Alton. Purchased in memory of former District Board president Forrest E. Cook, the globe is being enjoyed by families who spend time locating cities, countries, and, particularly, Illinois.**

## "Literary Annual" reminder for teachers

Teachers are reminded that their selection of the best class entry for this year's *Hayner Literary Annual: "The Best and the Worst Days of My Life,"* is due at the Youth Library by 5 p.m. on Friday, December 22.

Entries may be no more than 500 words in length, and may be poems, stories or essays. Each entry must include the student's name, home address, school, grade, teacher's name, and a signed release from the student's parent giving permission for the Library to publish the work.

# New databases coming on PAC

Look for these two new databases that are coming soon on Hayner's Public Access Catalogs (PAC):

**Business Index**—full text of articles from business journals

**New York Times Index**—full text of articles from the *New York Times*

Patrons will be able to print articles from these indexes at the computers. Both indexes are published by University Microfilms International (UMI). Look for more indexes to be available in the not-too-distant future on the Hayner PAC terminals.

# Kindermusik program kontinues

Kindermusik, a program of music and movement activities for parents and their children, continues this winter under the direction of Deborah Hawkins, a certified music teacher and member of the faculty of the St. Louis Symphony School of Music.

The program is open to children ages one to five, accompanied by an adult. The group meets on the third Monday of the month from 10 to 10:30 a.m. in the Youth Library. Meeting dates are December 18, January 15, and February 19. Registration for this series opens Saturday, December 2. Please call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0651.

# Holiday baking suggestions from Hayner's shelves

**All aglow over the cookies and treats provided by the Friends of the Hayner Public Library for the annual children's holiday party, these two party-goers make a careful selection. Perhaps the Friends used recipes from the many holiday baking books available at Hayner.**

Bake up some holiday treats from these suggestions, available on Hayner shelves:

**Festive Gingerbreads** by Evelyn Howe Fryatt

**The Joy of Gingerbread Housemaking** on video

**The Christmas Cookie Book** by Judy Knipe

**Christmas Cookies and Candies** by Barbara Myers

**New Treasury of Christmas Recipes: From Your Favorite Brand Name Companies** available at the Branch Library

**The Gingerbread Book** by Steven Stellingwerf

## School story visits theme "Succeeds"

If At First You Don't Succeed" is the theme of Library storyteller Pam Klipsch as she makes her visits to kindergarten through second grade classes this February and March. The presentation lasts about 30 minutes.

Schools wishing to book Pam for more than one class are asked to organize a schedule for all classes in their building on the same day, and to have just one teacher contact Pam. Doing this will maximize the number of visits she is able to make. Bookings for story visits will begin on Monday, January 29. For more information, contact Pam at 462-0651

# Alton Square Branch celebrates tenth birthday!

Achieving a remarkable milestone, The Hayner Public Library District's Alton Square Branch Library has recently celebrated it's tenth anniversary.

"We've been here ten years, offering all the resources of the district from this convenient location," exclaims Beverly Hicks, the Branch's manager who has been a part of the satellite library since it first opened. Then Secretary of State Jim Edgar was on hand to help in the ribbon cutting when the state's first branch library in an enclosed mall opened on November 22, 1985. The May Company, developers and, at the time, owners of the Alton Square Mall, had made the generous and innovative offer to the District of the 3,500 square foot space.

The convenient and popular Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square.

In addition to Beverly, three other employees have been staff members of the Branch from the start. They are Marylin Bromaghim, Patricia Heffron and Carolyn Walters.

## LARGE PRINT books are available to all

Many current best-sellers by today's popular authors are available in large print editions. These can be found in the Homebound Section of the Main Library, and are available to all patrons. For more information on large print books, ask any librarian, and consult the new titles on page 2 for recent large print editions.

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## Spend the holidays enjoying these films from the Hayner video collection

*The Bishop's Wife** *A Christmas Carol*
*Miracle on 34th Street**
*Christmas in Connecticut* *Holiday Inn*
*A House Without a Christmas Tree*
*The Homecoming* *It's a Wonderful Life*

**Available at the Alton Square Branch Library*

## New titles added to reference collection

The Main Library's extensive reference collection continues to grow with the recent addition of these new titles:

- Cities, Then and Now by Jim Antoniou
- The Complete Guide to Special Interest Videos, 1995-1996 edition
- The Green Book of Songs by Subject, 4th edition, by Jeff Green

And two new series have been added to the reference shelves:

- Almanacs of American Life, featuring Revolutionary America, 1763 to 1800 and Modern America, 1914 to 1945
- Day by Day, featuring The Forties, The Fifties, The Sixties, The Seventies, and The Eighties

***Happy Holidays from Hayner!***

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## Things to know . . . About The Hayner Public Library District

**SEASON'S GREETINGS . . .**
from the Board and staff of The Hayner Public Library District. We wish you the happiest of holiday seasons and the brightest of new years!

**HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**
The Hayner Public Library will be **closed** on December 24, 25 and 26 in observance of the Christmas holidays. The Libraries will also be closed on December 31 and January 1 in order to ring in the new year. The Libraries will be closed for staff development on Friday, January 17. All locations will be **open** on the observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, January 13, and President's Day, February 17.

**THINK PERMANENT! THINK LAMINATION!**
Preserve those treasured photos or clippings or add that professional touch to a presentation using Hayner's new laminating service. The downtown Main Library can now laminate documents up to 25-inches in width and of any length for just 5¢ an inch.

**FINE AMNESTY**
During the December holiday season, canned goods will be accepted at the Library in lieu of December-only library fines as part of the Library's seasonal food drive.

## Homebound Program: 'Caring & sharing' all year-round

After nine years as one of the more unique and successful library service programs in the state, The Hayner Public Library District's Homebound Program continues to grow and meet new demands for its services.

**Stephanie Munson, Homebound Program Coordinator, loads up new shelves with even *more* large print titles, available for all Library patrons.**

At its core are two basic tenet that have dynamically propelled the program: The Library's materials should be available to all District patrons regardless of their ability to travel to the Library and the consistent expression of personal concern and interest from the Library staff and program volunteers

"The Homebound Program has always been about sharing and caring, taking time to talk with the patrons we're serving, getting to know them and becoming friends," explains Stephanie Munson, Coordinator of the Homebound Program since its inception. "This program is *not* about 'delivering' things."

From her desk in the recently renovated Homebound section of the downtown Main Library, Stephanie dispatches her eight volunteers who make their regular rounds, bringing to their patrons titles from Hayner's regular and large print book, video, audio and periodical collections

"The strength of this program comes from the commitment of these volunteers," Stephanie insists. "They load up their personal cars with the library items and drive all over the District. Each one has their own method of getting to know their patrons, what they like to read, video titles that might interest them

"These are very special people," she continues as she speaks of the volunteers. The dedicated group consists of Dr. Edward DuVivier, Evelyn Keehner, Kathie Rain, Iris

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## Library plans activities for Martin Luther King Holiday

In honor of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, the Hayner Youth Library will present a Martin Luther King Pride Video Film Festival, Monday, January 20 through Thursday, January 23 Video films from the Library's collection of African-American videos will be shown from 3 to 4 p.m and repeated from 7 to 8 p.m. each day in the Metzger Conference Room on the lower level of the Hayner Memorial Building, 401 State Street (Youth Library).

### *Family film festival, displays scheduled*

The list of films to be shown will be posted in the Youth Library during the week of January 13. No registration is necessary.

Additionally, the Main, Youth and Alton Square Branch locations of The Hayner Public Library District will feature special book displays and selected resource lists of African-American materials from the Library's collections for children, young adults and adults. These displays will be held from January 15 to 31.

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# Aloha!: Youth Holiday Party features unique theme

The sounds of the pounding surf, a gentle tropical breeze, the strumming of a ukulele, why, it must be the annual Hayner Youth Library holiday party. *What?*

A Christmas Luau is planned for children of all ages as the annual holiday party, scheduled for Saturday, December 14 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Hayner Youth Library.

"Last year's theme was 'An Old-Fashioned Christmas," explains Pam Klipsch, Youth Services Librarian. "This year we wanted to try something really different. This is a chance for children to experience Christmas in a very different culture."

Decorations and party activities will follow the Hawaiian theme throughout the Library. Featured activities include a family storytime, refreshments courtesy of the Friends of the Hayner Public Library, a visit with Santa Claus–Hawaiian-style, of course–and party favors for each child to take home.

Registration has already begun and is accepted by contacting the Youth Library at 462-0652.

**Heather Whiteside, a new addition to the Hayner Youth Library staff, displays one of the Hawaiian leis to be used at the Holiday Youth Party.**

## Celebrating families is theme of school story visits

'We All Live Together' is the theme of Library storyteller Pam Klipsch as she makes her visits to kindergarten through second grade classes this February and March. The presentation lasts about 30 minutes.

Schools wishing to book Pam for more than one class are asked to organize a schedule for all classes in their building on the same day, and to have just one teacher contact Pam. Doing this will maximize the number of visits she is able to make. Bookings for story visits will begin on Monday, January 27. For more information, contact Pam at 462-0652.

## Winter After School Crafts scheduled

Registration for the February to May series of After School Crafts opens Saturday, January 18 at the Hayner Youth Library. The group meets on the third Thursday of each month. The program is designed for children ages six to nine. Space is limited to the first 20 registrants. To register, please call either Heather Whiteside or Cathie Lamere at 462-0652.

## New & coming winter titles

NEW FICTION

**Tales from Watership Down** by Richard Adams
**Yo!** by Julia Alvarez
**Ten Indians** by Madison Smartt Bell
**Executive Orders** by Tom Clancy
**The Third Twin** by Ken Follett
**Icon** by Frederick Forsythe
**To the Hilt** by Dick Francis
**Say You Love Me** by Johanna Lindsay
**The Tailor of Panama** by John le Carre
**The Warding of Witch World** by Andre Norton
**The Laws of Our Fathers** by Scott Turow

NEW NON-FICTION

**Black Profiles in Courage: A Legacy of African-American Achievement** by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
**Dave Barry in Cyberspace** by Dave Barry
**Slouching Towards Gomorrah: Modern Liberalism & American Decline** by Robert H. Bork
**Living Faith** by Jimmy Carter
**Mother Teresa** by Navin Chawla
**The Sea Hunters** by Clive Cussler
**Mrs. Ike: Memories & Reflections on the Life of Mamie Eisenhower** by Susan Eisenhower
**Joycelyn Elders, M.D.: From Sharecropper's Daughter to Surgeon General of the United States of America** by Joycelyn Elders
**Tube: The Invention of Television** by David E. Fisher
**The Life and Death of Peter Sellers** by Roger Lewis
**A Hero All His Life: A Mantle Family Memoir** by Merlyn Mantle
**This Noble Land: My Vision for America** by James A. Michener
**Genesis: A Living Conversation** by Bill Moyers
**Dinosaurs of the Flaming Cliffs** by Michael Novacek
**Tenderness (poetry)** by Joyce Carol Oates
**Sojourner Truth: A Life, A Symbol** by Nell Irvin Painter
**Rewrites** by Neil Simon

# Understanding *all* the holidays of the season

The "holiday season" takes on a variety of meanings for a variety of people, and The Hayner Public Library District encourages patrons to become familiar with and enjoy the many aspects of the season. The Library's shelves are stocked with a variety of titles relating not only to the celebration of Christmas, but Hanukkah and Kwanzaa (see the list at right).

## Hanukkah

Hanukkah--or Chanukah as it is sometimes spelled--is the Jewish festival commemorating renewed services in the Temple at Jerusalem. The Temple had been desecrated by Antiochus IV, but was restored under the leadership of Judas Maccabaeus.

Also known as the Feast of Lights and Feast of Dedication, Hanukkah begins with the 25th day of Kislev and lasts eight days. On the first night a candle is lighted and on each successive night a new one is added

This year, Hanukkah begins on Friday, December 6 and ends on Friday, December 13.

## Kwanzaa

Kwanzaa is an African American festival developed by Maulana (Ron) Karenga in 1966 as an alternative to what he saw as Christmas commercialism and to celebrate African ancestry.

Kwanzaa is the Swahili word for "first fruits of the harvest." The week-long family celebration begins on December 26 and concludes on January 1.

Each nigh of Kwanzaa, one of seven green, red and black candles is lit and one of seven principles--unity, self-determination, collective work, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity, and faith--are discussed.

During the celebration, gifts related to the history, culture or community of African-Americans are exchanged.

## Titles for learning about seasonal celebrations

HANUKKAH BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

**The Story of Hanukkah** by Amy Ehrlich

**A Great Miracle Happened Here: A Chanukah Story** by Karla Kuskin

**Milk and Honey: A Year of Jewish Holidays** by Jane Yolen

BOOKS FOR ADULTS

**The Biblical and Historical Background of the Jewish Holy Days** by Abraham P. Bloch[1]

**In the Jewish Tradition: A Year of Food and Festivities** (oversize) by Judith B. Fellner

**The Complete Book of Jewish Observance** by Leo Trepp[1]

KWANZAA BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

**Kwanzaa Karamu: Cooking and Crafts for a Kwanzaa Feast** by April A. Brady

**Kwanzaa: A Cultural Celebration** (videocassette)

**The Story of Kwanzaa** by Safisha L. Madhubuti[2]

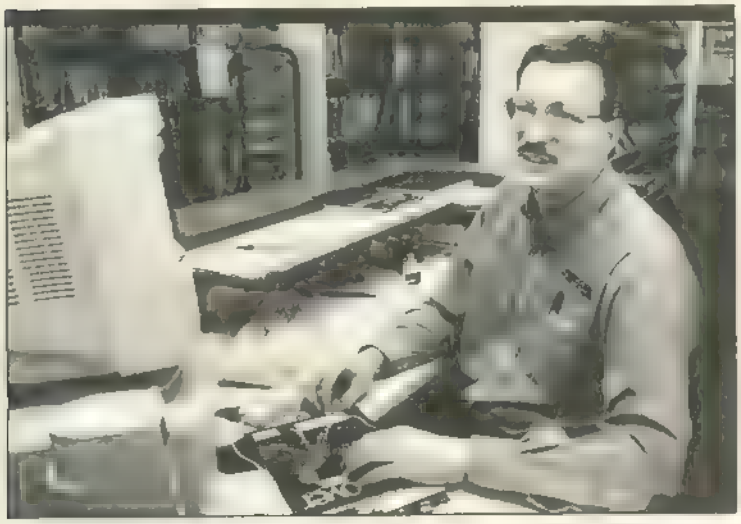
**Kwanzaa: A Family Affair** by Mildred Pitts Walter

BOOKS FOR ADULTS

**Kwanzaa: An African-American Celebration of Culture and Cooking**

**A Kwanzaa Keepsake: Celebrating the Holiday with New Traditions and Feasts** by Jessica B. Harris[2]

[1]Available at Branch
[2]Available at both Main and Branch



**Jeff Owen has joined the staff of The Hayner Public Library District as a Library Assistant. Jeff oversees the Main Library's new reading room and may be familiar to patrons--he once served as a Hayner Library Page.**

## A taxing time of year

Oh, sure--you think you have plenty of time, no need to think or worry about it yet. But--*surprise!*--Tuesday, April 15, 1997 will be here before you know it.

Forms for filing federal and state tax returns--both Illinois and Missouri--will be available at the Main and Alton Square Branch Libraries beginning in January. Many blank forms are available, as well as a complete set of all tax forms for photocopying purposes.

*All library programs and activities are free and open to any resident or cardholder of The Hayner Public Library District.*

## 'Literary Annual' deadline reminder to teachers

Teachers are reminded that their selection of the best class entry for this year's *Hayner Literary Annual: "Our Greatest President,"* is due by 5 p.m. on Monday, December 23 at the Youth Library. Homeschoolers may also participate with one entry per family.

Entries may be no more than 500 words in length, and may be poems, stories or essays. Each entry

***'Our Greatest President'***

must include the student's name, home address, school, grade, teacher's name, and a signed release from the student's parents giving permission for the Library to publish the work.

The Literary Annual will be published in March 1997 and all participants will be invited to attend a publication party at the Youth Library. For more information, contact Pam Klipsch, 462-0652.

## Homebound Program: 'Caring & sharing,' continued from page 1

Saaf, Jody Stuart, June Weinrich, and Spiv Woelfle. Stephanie is also aided by Bernadette Duvernoy, a long-time volunteer for the program who has recently joined the Hayner staff as a library assistant.

All told, the Homebound Program circulates more than 1,100 items each month to the approximate 200 patrons currently served.

"Making the Library accessible to all is a priority of Hayner," comments Joyce A. Reid, the District's newly appointed Executive Director. "Stephanie and her volunteers are to be commended for all they have done to achieve this goal."

**Joining the staff of the Hayner Main Library is Bernadette Duvernoy who serves as a library assistant for the Homebound Program.**

The only criterion for a patron to be a part of the Homebound Program's services is the inability to travel to the Library. Age and circumstances are not factors. For information on being included on the Homebound Program's routes, contact Stephanie at 462-0651.

## Once upon a preschool holiday storytime . . .

The holiday session of Preschool Story Time is underway and meeting at the Youth Library on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. The meeting dates are December 3/4, 10/11, and 17/18. There are still spaces available in both groups for children ages 3 to 5 years. Register, by calling Gloria Mitchell at 462-0652.

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## 'Tis the season to check out these new titles

**This Year It Will Be Different and Other Stories: A Christmas Treasury** by Maeve Binchy ✻ **Checklist For a Perfect Christmas** by Judith Blahnik ✻ **Christmas in My Heart: A Timeless Treasury of Heartwarming Stories** ✻ **Christmas in Scandinavia** ✻ **Holmes For the Holidays** ✻ **Christmas With Anne: And Other Holiday Stories** by L. M. Montgomery ✻ **A Stranger for Christmas** by Carol Lynn Pearson **Certain Poor Shepherds: A Christmas Tale** by Elizabeth Marshall Thomas ✻ **Flight of the Reindeer: The True Story of Santa Claus and His Christmas Mission** by Robert Sullivan

## Additional phone numbers announced

To better serve its patrons with quicker access to appropriate departments and Library staff, The Hayner Public Library District has announced the addition of direct telephone numbers for the Youth Library and District administrative office. A complete directory of Hayner Public Library numbers appears here:

*Main Library..... 462-0651*
*Youth Library..... 462-0652*
*Alton Square Branch Library..... 463-1276*
*District administrative office ..... 462-0677*
*Main Library FAX..... 462-0665*
*Branch Library FAX..... 463-1277*
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## BE A WINNER WITH TEAM IREAD

Enjoy a winning season this summer as part of Hayner Library's Team IREAD. Registration for Summer Reading Club opens Saturday, June 7 at the Youth Library and the Alton Square Branch Library. Even the smallest prereaders can participate by listening to books being read to them! Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied at registration by an adult. Just fifteen minutes of reading time each day can put you in the winner's circle this summer!

If you are age 12-15 you can sign yourself up for our Teen Team and help us select the ten best books for our Hot Picks of Summer 1997. The winning books and the Teen Team will be featured in the library's Fall Newsletter.

Read six hours and win a Team IREAD decal! Read twelve hours and win a Team IREAD pencil! Read eighteen hours and win a Team IREAD button! Read twenty-four hours and win a Team IREAD poster! Read thirty hours and win a Team IREAD medal and have your name and picture displayed in the Youth Library's Hall of Fame! Everyone who turns in at least six hours of reading time by August 4 will be eligible to attend our End of Summer Party on August 7 at the Riverbend Arena, Lewis & Clark Community College, and receive a free paperback book as a reading award. Those who cannot attend the party can pick up their books at the Youth Library between August 8 and 30.

The school with the highest percentage of readers completing the summer program will be awarded the Friends of Hayner Library Traveling Summer Reading Trophy for 1997.

All library programs and events are free and open to all residents and cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District. For more information, call the Youth Library at 462-0652 or the Alton Square Branch Library at 463-1276. Registration for all programs and events opens June 7 unless otherwise indicated.

Due to demand, we regret that we cannot accept any summer program registrations by phone. Registrations must be in person only at the site indicated.

*The Metro Brass Ensemble is the featured entertainment at the End of Summer Party on August 7 at the Riverbend Arena.*

**Things to Know...**
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated beginning with this issue. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

LIBRARY CLOSINGS
The library will be closed at all three locations on the following dates: Sunday, June 15 for Father's Day, Friday, July 4 for Independence Day, Sunday, August 31 and Monday September 1, for Labor Day.

*The audience of Pieces of 8 concert - (back row) Sarah, Bonnenie and George Wadleigh (front row) Ann Tucker, Jordan Compis and Susan Compis*

*Pieces of 8 a cappella ensemble - on April 17th*

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### That's A Winner! Video Film Festival

Weekly video film programs for children of all ages, accompanied by adults, are offered on Thursday afternoons at 3:30 p.m. at the Youth Library. No advance registration required. Show dates are: June 19, 26; July 10, 17, 24, 31. A list of the scheduled video films will be available after June 7.

### First (Annual) Summer Storyfest!

Our first-ever summer storytelling festival for families will feature the combined talents of the Riverwinds Storytellers. Join us on Sunday, July 27, 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Youth Library. Fun for the entire family! Registration for this event will open Saturday, July 19 at the Youth Library. Children must be accompanied by adults.

**Don't Forget to Sign up for Summer Reading Club!**

## THE TELEGRAPH INDEX PROJECT

The TELEGRAPH INDEX PROJECT has been a work in progress for some twenty years. Its intent was to create an index of the past editions of the TELEGRAPH and its predecessors, THE ALTON EVENING TELEGRAPH, THE ALTON OBSERVER, THE WEEKLY TELEGRAPH & THE DAILY TELEGRAPH.

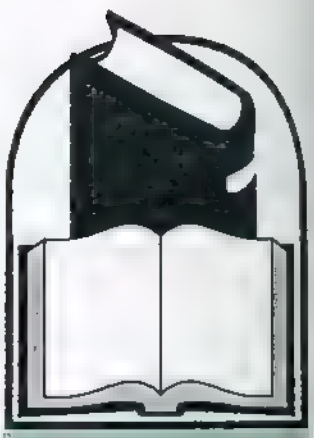
This project began in 1977 and proposed to continue the detailed indexing of the daily newspaper which had first been undertaken in the 1930s as a federal work project. That first effort had indexed the TELEGRAPH from its initial publication in May 1838 through 1934. The index made the TELEGRAPH a priceless resource for local history and genealogical researchers. The new project, funded initially by the Jennie D. Hayner Association with some assistance from the Alton Foundation, has thus far completed indexing the 1930s, 1970s and 1980s with current plans to go back and fill in the intervening thirty years while simultaneously keeping up with the editions of the 1990s.

Articles from designated River Bend geographical areas were to be indexed and edited by Subject and Name Headings for speedier research purpose for the use of the library patrons. In order to accomplish this goal, all newspapers had to be screened, articles selected, proofed, data entered and then proofed once again before being microfiched for posterity. All the Subject Headings and Name Headings also had to be revised and updated from decade to decade as events such as business, social and legal entities progressed, closed or changed.

The index project was for some years financed under the auspices of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association but in the 1980s became an ongoing fiscal commitment of the Hayner Public Library District Board of Trustees.

Current staff members of the TELEGRAPH INDEX PROJECT are Martha Fry and Midge Hallett and they are housed in the Tech-Support Services of the library and are supervised by Barbara Ulffers. The index is used on a daily basis by patrons who are doing historical or genealogical research. They also use the index for clipping and xeroxing personal or family articles that they either missed clipping or lost since the article's publication date. The microfilm readers are used for quick location of articles needed and also have xeroxing capabilities built into the machines in order to instantly produce copies of information needed and are a most popular service for patrons.

The work is ongoing and continues to be indexed through the current date. Looking back in time, some of the most valued information that has been obtained for books of the history of Alton and its cultural institutions have only been possible through the insight of civic leaders and the Hayner Library Board and personnel through the years, who from early on recognized that these recorded writings would be the only standing links of the community's historical events to those of the future



## NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: NON-FICTION

Barry, Dave. DAVE BARRY'S BOOK OF BAD SONGS
DeSalle, Rob. THE SCIENCE OF JURASSIC PARK AND THE LOST WORLD; OR, HOW TO BUILD A DINOSAUR
Krakauer, Jon. INTO THIN AIR A PERSONAL ACCOUNT OF THE MT. EVEREST DISASTER
Kwitny, Jonathan. MAN OF THE CENTURY THE LIFE AND TIMES OF POPE JOHN PAUL II
Lee, Spike. BEST SEAT IN THE HOUSE A BASKETBALL MEMOIR
Sagan, Carl. BILLIONS AND BILLIONS THOUGHTS ON LIFE AND DEATH AT THE BRINK OF THE MILLENNIUM

## NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: FICTION

Barret, Neil, Jr. BAD EYE BLUES
Bradley, Marion Zimmer. LADY OF AVALON
Brown, Sandra. FAT TUESDAY
Burke, James Lee. CIMARRON ROSE
Clark, Mary Higgins. PRETEND YOU DON'T SEE HER
Fielding, Joy. MISSING PIECES
Kaminsky, Stuart M. A FATAL GLASS OF BEER
L'Amour, Louis. END OF THE DRIVE
O Brien, Edna. DOWN BY THE RIVER
Quick, Amanda. AFFAIR
Ramos, Manuel. BLUES FOR THE BUFFALO
Robbins, Harold. STILETTO
Robinson, Patrick. NIMITZ CLASS
Roessner, Michaela. THE STARS DISPOSE
Siddons, Anne Rivers. UP ISLAND
Weldon, Fay. WICKED WOMEN
Woods, Stuart. DEAD IN THE WATER

## PATRON PROFILE

by Bernadette Duvernoy,
*Library Assistant*

Welcome to Patron Profile! The staff at Hayner Library enjoys the opportunity to get to know many of our patrons. We are often amazed at the diversity of your background and experience! From all walks of life, all parts of the country, you have made Alton your home. We consider ourselves fortunate to make your acquaintance and thought it would be interesting to share your stories with our readership.

Rena Altenritter, a long-time resident of Alton, is a lady of seemingly boundless energy. She works part-time in Schnucks' floral department and also provides caretaking services for two local senior citizens. She comes by the library often to rent videos or pick up a new biography. Mrs. Altenritter's own biography would make a fine story itself!

Mrs. Altenritter grew up attending school in New York during the winter and working the family farm in Vermont during the summer. After high school, Mrs. Altenritter was off to Italy to study at the School of Fine Arts in Milan. The entrepreneurial urge was too strong to resist, and she gave up her studies to tour Italy with her father and work at setting up an import/export business. Upon returning to the states, Mrs. Altenritter embarked upon another career. Living in Woodstock, New York, she had her own radio show interviewing many of the famous artists from the local art colony.

Though Mrs. Altenritter met her husband, Ted, at the tender age of seven, they did wait a few years before they were married. Her husband was a merchant seaman with one significant problem – he suffered from seasickness. Thus he decided to give up life on the sea for life on the river. The Altenritters moved to Alton in 1958, and Mr. Altenritter went to work for the Corps of Engineers in St. Louis.

Mrs. Altenritter's husband has passed away, and her children are grown. Her son lives in Boulder, Colorado, and her daughter lives in Minnesota.

Mrs. Altenritter has big plans for this fall. With a crew of 30 people, she is going to sail a 130-foot ship up the coast of Maine. And next year she will be working on a dude ranch, horseback riding and driving cattle! Best wishes, Mrs. Altenritter, for a great trip – we look forward to hearing your tales of the high seas.

*Rena Altenritter*

## *LIBRARY USERS NOW ABLE TO RESERVE THEIR OWN BOOKS*

by Susan Kulasekara,
*Adult Services & Reference Librarian*

Patrons at the Hayner Main, Youth and Branch libraries may now place their own reserves on books, videos, and other materials without asking for help at the circulation desk. You may place the reserves either from an online catalog at any site, or from home if you can dial into our catalog with a computer and a modem.

When you see a record for an item you want to order, type R to request the item. The computer will then ask you to enter your library card number (this can be found on the back of your library card). After you enter your number, you will get a message saying that your request has successfully been entered. We will call you when the materials you have requested arrive.

Please call the library if you have any questions about this new service!

*Friends of Library donated money for purchase of 3 Macintosh computers and printers for Main, Youth and the Branch Library. From left: Gail Wenrich (FOL), Tomeka Davis (patron), Pat Renault (FOL) sitting). Standing from left: Nancy Boyd (FOL), Susan Wilkinson (FOL). Photo taken at Main Library.*

## *ESPECIALLY FOR SENIORS*

by Susan Kulasekara,
*Adult Services & Reference Librarian*

*Travel*

Malott, Gene. GET UP AND GO: A GUIDE FOR THE MATURE TRAVELER (910.2 MAL)

Palmer, Paige. THE SENIOR CITIZEN'S GUIDE TO BUDGET TRAVEL IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA (917.3 PAL)

Wilkams, Anita. THE 50+ TRAVELER'S GUIDEBOOK: WHERE TO GO, WHERE TO STAY, WHAT TO DO (910.202 WIL)

*Personal Finance*

Benna, R. Theodore. ESCAPING THE COMING RETIREMENT CRISIS: HOW TO SECURE YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE (332.024 BEN)

Budish, Amy. GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES HUNDREDS OF MONEY-MAKING, MONEY-SAVING GEMS FOR ANYONE OVER FIFTY (332.024 BUD)

Leonard, Frances. MONEY AND THE MATURE WOMAN· HOW TO HOLD ON TO YOUR INCOME, KEEP YOUR HOME, PLAN YOUR ESTATE (332.024 LEO)

Orman, Suze. YOU'VE EARNED IT, DON'T LOSE IT: MISTAKES YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MAKE WHEN YOU RETIRE (332.024 ORM)

Patterson, Martha Priddy. THE WORKING WOMAN'S GUIDE TO RETIREMENT PLANNING: SAVING & INVESTING (NOW) FOR A SECURE FUTURE (332.024 PAT)

Scholen, Ken. YOUR NEW RETIREMENT NEST EGG: A CONSUMER GUIDE TO THE NEW REVERSE MORTGAGES (332.63 SCH)

SECURE YOUR FUTURE· YOUR PERSONAL COMPANION FOR UNDERSTANDING LIFESTYLE AND FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF RETIREMENT (332.024 SEC)

*Lifestyle*

Beers, Mark H. AGING IN GOOD HEALTH: AN ESSENTIAL, COMPLETE GUIDE FOR OLDER MEN AND WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES (613.0438 BEE)

Belsky, Janet. HERE TOMORROW: MAKING THE MOST OF LIFE AFTER FIFTY (305.26 BEL)

Cirino, Linda D. ON YOUR OWN TERMS: THE SENIORS GUIDE TO AN INDEPENDENT LIFE (646.79 CIR)

*Employment*

Bird, Caroline. SECOND CAREERS: NEW WAYS TO WORK AFTER FIFTY (650.14 BIR)

Fyock, Catherine D. UNRETIREMENT A CAREER GUIDE FOR THE RETIRED THE SOON-TO-BE-RETIRED THE NEVER-WANT-TO-BE-RETIRED (331 398 FYO)

May, Bess Rimer. STARTING AND OPERATING A BUSINESS AFTER YOU RETIRE. WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO SUCCEED (658.041 MAY)

RESUMES FOR THE 50+ JOB HUNTER (650.14 RES)

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## ACTIVITY GROUPS

### Ready-Set-Go Readers!

Preschool Story Times for ages 3-5. Two groups meeting Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. at the Youth Library. Limit of 25 children per group. Your child must be three years old as of June 1, 1997 to register for this program. Meeting dates are: June 17/18, 24/25; July 8/9, 15/16, 22/23, 29/30. Programs include stories, songs, fingerplays, puppet shows, videos and movement activities.

### Little Dream Team!

Family Bedtime Stories for ages 2-5. One group, meeting Wednesday evenings at 8:00 p.m. at the Youth Library. Limit of 15 children, accompanied by adults. Your child must be two years old as of June 1 to register for this program. Meeting dates are: June 18, 25; July 9, 16, 23, 30. Programs include stories, songs, fingerplays and movement activities.

### Magic Markers!

Craft activities for ages 6-8. Three weeklong sessions, meeting Monday-Friday, 2-3 p.m. at the Youth Library. Limit of 20 children per session. Your child must be six years old as of June 1 to register for this program. Session dates are: Session I: June 23-27; Session II: July 7-11; Session III: July 21-25. Programs include cooperative crafts and team activities.

### Artful Dodgers!

Crafts and activities for ages 9-11. Two weeklong sessions, meeting Monday-Friday, 2-3 p.m. at the Youth Library. Limit of 10 children per session. Your child must be nine years old as of June 1 to register for this program. Session dates are: Session I: June 23-27; Session II: July 14-18. Programs include cooperative crafts and team activities.

### J.D. Junior Volunteers!

Volunteer opportunity for ages 12-15. Each volunteer works one day per week in the Youth Library, from June 16 through August 15. Limit of 10 volunteers for the summer. You must be 12 years old as of June 1 to volunteer for this program. Applications accepted at the Youth Library beginning May 27. You can pick up an application packet at the Youth Library beginning May 1.

*"Libraries connect children to a world far bigger than their own."*

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Twelve members from the Hayner Library staff will be participating in the American Cancer Society's First Annual Relay to be held on June 13 and 14 at Lewis & Clark Community College. "Hayner Hoofers" is the name adopted by the team. They will be participating in a 24-hour relay which begins at 6 p.m. Friday, June 13 and ends at 6 p.m. Saturday, June 14. Each participant is responsible for raising $100 for the Cancer Society. Come cheer the staff on during the weekend.

## LAMINATING SERVICE

Do you realize that there is another little known service available to you at your library? It is our laminating service. Prolong the life of special keepsakes or add protection to important documents by simply taking advantage of the laminating machine we have in the business office area of the library. It's quick and easy especially if you keep the following in mind:

1) Please call ahead! Due to the extreme heat the machine puts out, we only "fire it up" when it's needed. Call us and allow approximately 30 minutes and we will be ready when you arrive.

2) The cost is .05 per inch of item(s) to be laminated with a nominal service charge of $1.00 added.

3) All items must be laminator ready when you arrive. Smaller pieces must be taped together with approximately 1/2" of space between each piece. (Please remember to tape on tape, front to back, so the tape won't catch on the laminating film.) Sorry, but supplies are not available at the library.

4) Our laminator can accommodate items up to 25 inches wide and any length!

5) The laminating service is available from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Service is not available on weekends. The laminating machine is in the library's business office, located on the lower level of the Youth Library, rear entrance.

*"Libraries provide a wealth of books, computers and other resources that no parent could possibly afford."*

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# THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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# THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

SUMMER 1998

## OPEN HOUSE AT HAYNER BRANCH

On Sunday April 26, 1998 the branch library at Alton Square celebrated the expanded and remodeled library. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Belleville, presented an American flag to Director Joyce Reid at the ribbon cutting ceremony. "I think the concept of having a library in a shopping mall is an excellent idea," Costello said. "This beautiful facility is an excellent tool for information and education that fits the needs of all ages."

*Ribbon Cutting from left Beverly Schoekerle Branch Manager, David Strasser Friends of the Library President, Nancy Simpson Jennie D. Hayner Library Assoc. President Kevin Botterbush Library Board President; Phil Hanraben, Mayor Pro Tem, Alton U.S. Congressman Jerry Costello; Nancy DeGrand, Hayner Library Board Member; Jody Morrissey Hayner Library Board Member*

*Ribbon Cutting from left Beverly Schoekerle, Branch Manager Kevin Botterbush, Library Board President Phil Hanraben, Mayor Pro Tem Alton U.S. Congressman Jerry Costello*

The remodeled facility was designed by Architect John Rapp and construction was completed by J.J. Wuellner & Son, Inc. The expanded area includes an enlarged circulation area, a leisure reading area for patrons to read magazines and newspapers, an expanded computer area with four computers for Internet access, two IBM compatible computers and two Macintosh computers, the new children's section includes a fire engine bookshelf which was donated by the Alton Fire Fighters.

When the branch library opened its doors to the public in November, 1985 it was one of the first library branches in the nation to be located in an enclosed mall. In its twelve year history the branch library's collection and services have grown. Circulation figures have tripled since opening in 1985 with a yearly circulation of 44,662 items as compared to 144,443 at the close of the 1996-97 fiscal year in June, 1997.

The ongoing support of the community and two significant grants through the Illinois State Library have made the branch facility an integral part of the library district. In 1985 the library received a $130,000 library service demonstration grant to provide library services to the then unserved areas of Godfrey and Fosterburg. As a result of a successful referendum in March 1986 the library district was able to expand its boundaries to these two additional areas. The library district covers an area of 71 square miles.

The second significant grant that allowed the branch facility to enlarge its space was a public library construction grant in the amount of $76,906 in September 1997 which help to partially fund the branch expansion. Once again this was made possible through the office of the Secretary of State and State Librarian's office Live and Learn funds.

*The circulation desk at the branch library*

A letter of congratulations from Governor Jim Edgar stated "Not only do our libraries provide a positive atmosphere in which to access

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**Things to Know...**
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list

HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays. Memorial Day, Sunday and Monday, May 25, 26, Father's Day, Sunday, June 20, Independence Day, Saturday, July 4, Labor Day, Sunday and Monday, September 6, 7.

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# MARYLIN BROMAGHIM RETIRES FROM BRANCH

by Bernadette Duvernoy, Library Assistant

On June 30, Marylin Bromaghim, part-time Library Assistant at the Alton Square Branch Library, will retire after 12-1/2 years of service. Marylin was one of the original Branch employees when the Branch Library first opened in 1985. She was working as a part-time Library Assistant and was also working full-time as a school librarian. She retired from her full-time job in 1988 after 27 years as Librarian for Central East and North Middle Schools.

Marylin has seen a lot of changes at the library. When she started, all check-outs and check-ins were manually recorded, and card catalogs were maintained. Today, borrower services and card catalogs are all computerized, and the library's offerings go far beyond just books—they now include audiotapes, videos, large print materials, internet access, word processing, and many community service programs.

Marylin is an Alton native but has lived in Godfrey for the last 20 years. After attending Alton schools, she received a B.S. degree from Shurtleff College. She continued her education, attaining a Master's Degree in Instructional Materials from SIUE. She has taken library science courses at Washington University and additional Master's level training at SIUE.

Marylin has been widowed twice. She has two sons (one in Alton, another in Sullivan, Missouri) and a daughter who is a teacher in Germany. She also has four grandsons and one great-granddaughter.

Marylin has always balanced her professional career and raising a family with many years of church and community service. A 49-year member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Marylin has taught Sunday school, acted as superintendent of Sunday schools, sang in the choir, and is currently a member of the guild.

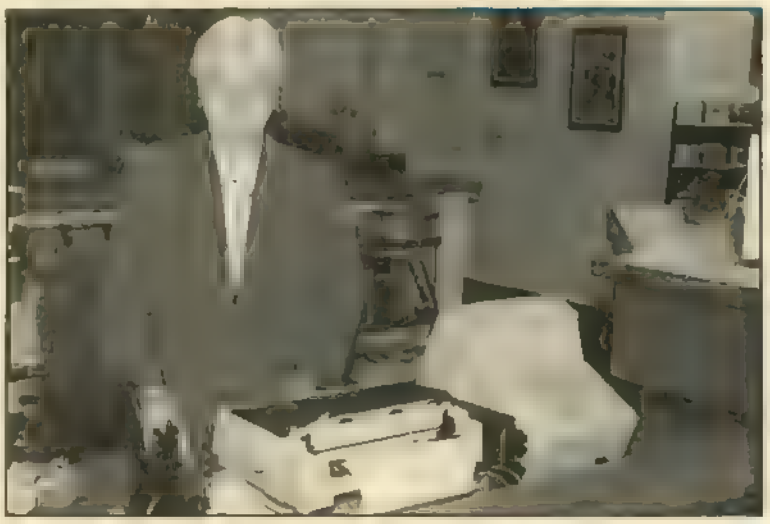
Marylin was a den mother and scout leader for seven years, played trombone with the Alton Civic orchestra for 15 years, worked with Caravan and Oasis (where she is currently on the Board and has been President), and served on the YWCA board. She is a lifetime member of the National Education Association, Treasurer of the Retired Teachers' Association, member of a local investment club, and is a local officer for Business and Professional Women, where she has also served as District Director.

And what does Marylin do with her spare time?? She is, naturally, a book lover—particularly a fan of mysteries. She reads about a book per day. She swims a half mile per week and holds season tickets for the St. Louis Symphony. She and her sister Glady Butler, also an Alton native, own a family cottage in Vermont. They plan to visit there this summer (where Marylin says the grass will be to the top of the door).

The Library will certainly miss Marylin and the many skills she brings to the staff—mostly, we'll miss Marylin. Marylin says she has really enjoyed her years with the Library and has made many good friends among both staff and patrons.

Thank you, Marylin, for your years of dedicated service to the Library and our community. ■

Wishing you all the best in your retirement!



***NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: FICTION***

AMERICAN INDIAN TRICKSTER TALES
Baker Nicholson. THE EVERLASTING STORY OF NORY
Block, Lawrence. TANNER ON ICE
Blume, Judy. SUMMER SISTERS
Brown, Sandra. UNSPEAKABLE
Dunnett, Dorothy. CAPRICE AND RONDO
Jakes, John. AMERICAN DREAMS
Paretsky, Sara. GHOST COUNTRY
Plain, Belva. LEGACY OF SILENCE
Robbins, Harold. THE PREDATORS
Roberts, Nora. GENUINE LIES
Steel, Danielle. THE KLONE AND I
Trillin, Calvin. FAMILY MAN
Truman, Margaret. MURDER AT THE WATERGATE
Tyler, Anne. A PATCHWORK PLANET

***NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: NONFICTION***

Ackerman, Diane. I PRAISE MY DESTROYER
Chadha, Yogesh. GANDHI A LIFE
Costas, Bob. COSTAS ON BASEBALL
Luft, Lorna. ME AND MY SHADOWS, A FAMILY MEMOIR LIVING WITH THE LEGEND OF JUDY GARLAND
McCarver, Tim. TIM MCCARVER'S BASEBALL FOR BRAIN SURGEONS AND OTHER FANS
Sampson, Curt. THE MASTERS GOLF MONEY, AND POWER IN AUGUSTA, GEORGIA
Suskind, Ron. A HOPE IN THE UNSEEN: AN AMERICAN ODYSSEY FROM THE INNER CITY TO THE IVY LEAGUE

*YOUTH LIBRARY*

### *Dive Into Books At Hayner This Summer*

Register for summer reading club between June 6 and July 3 at either the Youth Library or the Alton Square Branch Library. Reading club is open to all kids ages birth through fifteen—prereaders may participate if an adult agrees to read to them.

Children under twelve must be accompanied by a parent or other adult care-giver who co-signs the registration. Teens (ages twelve-fifteen) can register by themselves. Registration for all summer programs is in person only—no telephone registrations accepted.

Those who complete at least six hours of reading and turn in their time slips by August 3 will win a free paperback book as a reading award. Books will be distributed at the End Of Summer Party on August 6 at the Riverbend Arena, Lewis & Clark Community College. If you can't make it to the party,you can pick up your award book at the Youth Library between August 7 and 29

Reading club members also receive incentive prizes for every six hours of reading time completed up to thirty hours. Those who read thirty hours or more are added to the Deep Readers display at the Youth Library. Those who read the longest time in each of our four age divisions are declared our Reading Champions for 1998. The school with the highest percentage of students completing the summer reading club at Hayner wins the Friends of Hayner Public Library Traveling Summer Reading Trophy. And of course we will have our regular Grand Prize Drawings for cash prizes from the barrel of reading time slips!

This year for the first time you can count time spent surfing the Internet — at home or at the library — towards your reading club time. Summer reading club is an excellent way to keep kids reading and to maintain their reading skills through the summer break.

Studies have shown that children who read on a regular basis during the summer need less time to get back up to speed when school resumes in the fall, and are ready to learn new skills more quickly.

*New children's area at Branch*

Students who don't keep up their reading over the summer spend more time on review and remedial work when school begins because what they learned before has grown rusty from disuse.

It's also important for parents and other adult care-givers to set an example by their own reading behavior. When kids see parents and other adults reading and enjoying reading it reinforces the notion that reading is an expected and valued activity for everyone in the family. Set aside an hour before bedtime for family reading time for everyone— parents as well as kids. Or set aside one night a week for reading and sharing books instead of television or computer games. Make sure there are newspapers and magazines and books available in your home, that you visit the library on a regular basis, and that your children see you reading and talking about what you have read.

Think of it as an investment in your child's future — there is no more certain guarantee of a successful future than the ability to read fluently and with appreciation and pleasure. Literacy is not just a skill, it's a way of life!

For more information about the summer reading program at Hayner, call the Youth Library at 462-0652.

### *Summer Activities Programs At Hayner*

Registration for all activities programs opens June 6 unless otherwise noted. Register in person only at the Youth Library. Registration closes for each program when all the available places for that program are filled. Minimum age requirements for some programs are effective June 1, 1998. Registration for activity programs is limited to residents and cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District. There is no charge or fee to attend any library program. For more information on activity programs please call the Youth Library at 462-0652.

### *Small Fry Preschool Story Time*

Preschool story times for ages 3-5 are held on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Program dates for the summer session are June 16/17, 23/24, 30/July 1, 14/15, 21/22, 28/29. Programs include stories, songs, rhymes, movement activities, puppet shows and videos.

### *Mr. Sandman And The Lullaby Ladies Visit The Beach*

Our family bedtime story program is held on Tuesday nights at 7:15 p.m. Children ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult are eligible to attend, and pajamas are optional. Program dates for the summe session are June 16, 23, 30; July 14, 21, 28. Programs include stories, songs, rhymes and puppet shows.

### *Catch Of The Day Family Crafts*

Family crafts and activities for ages 6-11 are scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons at 2 p.m. Adults are encouraged to attend and assist with the crafts. Program dates are June 16/17, 23/24, 30/July 1, 14/15, 21/22, 28/29. We will have separate sign up sheets for each weekly program, so you can pick the programs that appeal to you or fit your schedule, or you can sign up for the whole series.

### *J.D. Junior Volunteers*

This is our popular summer service project for ages 12-15. You can pick up the application packet at the Youth Library beginning May 1. We will begin accepting volunteer applications on Tuesday, May 26. Each volunteer works in the Youth Library one day a week from mid-June to early August. Enrollment is limited to ten volunteers.

In addition to our age-specific programs we offer some all-ages programs.

### *Under The Boardwalk Summer Video Film Festival*

Video films are shown on Thursdays at 2 p.m. Children of all ages are invited to attend, accompanied by an adult care-giver. No registration necessary. Program dates are June 18, 25; July 2, 16, 23, 30. The list of films to be shown will be available starting June 6.

### *Book Bait*

B.Y.O. (Bring Your Own) Lunch to

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the library on alternate Thursdays at noon, for book talks and story sharing with the Youth Library staff For children of all ages accompanied by an adult care-giver. Program dates are June 18; July 2, 16 and 30. No registration necessary.

***Second Annual Summer Storyfest***

A story telling festival for children of all ages accompanied by an adult care-giver, featuring the myths and magic of the Riverwind Storytellers will be held on Sunday, July 26, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Youth Library. Refreshments and attendance prizes for all! We will take phone registrations for this special event only, beginning July 18. Call the Youth Library, at 462-0652

***Meet Our New Staff At The Youth Library***

Two new part time staff have joined the ranks of the Youth Library! Kim Allton, a graduate of Alton Public Schools, is completng her bachelor's degree in special education at SIU-E, and works full-time as an aide at Gilson Brown School. Kids coming into the library are amazed to find "Miss Allton" popping up here, there and everywhere!

Susan Mielke recently completed her master's degree in divinity studies at the Aquinas Institute of St. Louis University. This mother of grown children and active member of St Matthew's Parish was born and raised in England but has lived in Calhoun County and (since the Great Flood of 1993) in Alton.

Both Kim and Susan bring enthusiasm, energy, intellectual curiosity and love of kids to their positions as library assistants. Welcome aboard! ■

## *SURF THE NET DURING SUMMER VACATION*

The Internet can lead you to some amazing, spectacular, mysterious web sites just for kids and the adults who care about them. A question often asked in the Youth Library is "What makes a great site?"

The World Wide Web is a lot like a flea market with a vast selection of sites of varying quality. Sometimes it's hard to tell what's worth looking at, what's junk and what's hidden treasure. The best sites take advantage of the Web's unique features to enrich the user's experience.

Here are some basic guidelines to help you select the best for children—or yourself.

1. The purpose of the site is clear whether it's to entertain, persuade, educate or sell.
2. A source is clearly identified. Contact information is provided.
3. Advertising should not over shadow content.
4. The graphic design should be appealing with text that is easy to read.
5. The content should be well organized and easy to under stand.
6. The information should be current and updated regularly.
7. Users should be able to get around the site easily.
8. The page should be consistently available and load in a reasonable amount of time
9. A user should not have to pay a fee or type in personal information.
10. The skills required to use this site should be appropriate for its intended age group.

The next time you visit the Youth Library ask for their notebook with favorite web sites for kids and parents or if you have access to the Internet at home try the following web site for some ideas: www.ala.org/parentspage/greatsites. Let us know if you find a really neat site to add to our notebook. Have fun surfing the Net! ■

## *GREAT WEB SITES FOR KIDS & PARENTS*

**Arthurs Home Page.** If you love Arthur's stories, you'll love this site. http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/arthur

**Bill Nye the Science Guy.** Nye applies his entertaining approach to science to the Web, with a Demo of the Day, highlights from the day's television episode and a chance to e-mail your own query. http //nye.abs kcts.org/

**The Fifty States of the United States.** Everything about a state, from the state bird (and all the information on the bird) to full text of the state constitution. http://www.scvol.com/States/

**Flags of the World.** A simple site with color images of flags from most of the world's countries created by Jim Croft of Australia. http://155.187.10.12/flags/nation-flags.html

**Illinois Bureau of Tourism.** Discover Illinois! There are millions of places to visit and things to see in your home state. http://www.enjoyillinois.com/

**Internet Public Library.** A full service children's department, including an "Ask a Question" reference section. Explore science fun and facts with Dr. Internet. Check out the Science Fair Project Resource Guide and a host of other Internet resources on math, geography, history and other key homework topics. Also features "Story Hour," booklists, book reviews by kids for kids. http://www.ipl.org/youth/

**Origami.** Clear instructions and elegant models in the traditional Japanese art of paperfolding from Joseph Wu in Japan. http://www.datt.co.jp/Orgami/

**Reading Rainbow.** Based on the award-winning PBS children's television program. Hear an audio greeting from host LeVar Burton. View the program schedule, or enter the Young Writers and Illustrators Contest. http://www.pbs.org/readingrainbow/levargreeting.html

**Sports Illustrated for Kids.** A busy, colorful site with articles about sports figures from Jackie Robinson to Jackie Joyner-Kersee; league standings, games and more. http://www.pathfinder.com/SIFK

**The Children's Museum of Indianapolis.** "Where children grow up and adults don't have to" is the museum's motto. The pages on sculptor Alexander Calder are especially fine. http://www.a1.com/children/home.html

**The Dinosaur Society.** A site that ventures beyond Jurassic Park II with "dino-art," visits to digs, and more. http://www.dinosociety.org/homepage.html

**Volcano World.** Learn about volcanoes around the world while viewing awesome photos and movies Part of NASA project http://volcano.und.nodak.edu/ ■

PATRON PROFILE
by Bernadette Duvernoy, Library Assistant

Living here in Alton, it is easy to daydream of the allure and romance of working on the river. Samuel Clemens' experiences on the Mississippi River in his youth provided inspiration for several of his great works. He even used the river to inspire his pen name, Mark Twain. ("Mark Twain" was the riverman's term to identify when the river bottom is at a depth of two fathoms, or 12 feet.)

The Alton/Godfrey area is home to a sizeable community of river pilots, and I was anxious to learn about this fascinating life from Michael Brinkman, a lineboat pilot with over 30 years of experience on the river. A Godfrey native, Michael started on the barge line as a deckhand in 1964 and became a pilot in 1967. His work schedules require that he be on the boat 30 days, then 20 days off. While on the boat, he works 12-hour shifts (usually midnight to 6 a.m. and then noon to 6 p.m.). Michael admits that the schedule doesn't make it easy to get much rest, and one never quite adjusts to so much time away from family (he has four children and four grandchildren), but he loves the river which he finds incredibly beautiful. He also describes some storms as "quite humbling." Michael remembers one time when he was on the lower end of a tornado outside of Hamburg, Illinois. The entire barge was blown up against the bank and the rain was blowing up the windshield and through the door.

Michael describes the fiberglass covers on a barge as 32 feet wide and over a ton in weight. During another storm, the high winds caused a cover to lift off the barge and sail through the air like a frisbee!

Michael normally pilots a 15-barge tow with a 10-11 man crew. The cargo may be grain, steel, or sometimes chemicals. Each of the barges has a holding capacity equal to 15 railroad cars or 80 big tractor trailers. When running full, the tow will require 5000 gallons of fuel per day.

Michael says one of the big challenges of his job is the fact that the river system here was really designed

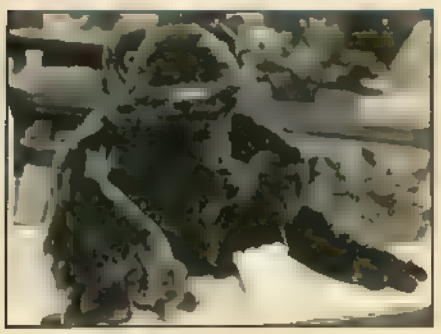
for the old steamboats (packet boats) of the 1940s. These boats were 25-35 feet wide and 120-130 feet long. Today's 15-barge tows are 105 feet wide and over 1000 feet long. Piloting up the river and through locks can have some tight moments! The Melvin Price Lock and Dam is 110 feet wide; since the barge is 105 feet wide, this leaves only 2-1/2 feet of clearance on each side of the barge—like threading a needle with a very large thread!

Another concern of the pilot is managing the strong, changeable currents of the river, as well as avoiding the large amounts of debris that find their way to the river--particularly during flood stage.

One of the biggest dangers (and aggravations) on the river is the power craft and pleasure boaters who have no knowledge of the "rules of the road." Says Michael, "They don't know how dangerous it is to be close to a barge--if they can't see the captain, he can't see them. I have at times had to post a lookout."

Michael has had so many varied experiences on the river, including running a 14th-century replica of the *Nina* from Peoria, Illinois to Owensburg, Kentucky. It's clear from talking with Michael that he has a great love for the beauty and adventure of the river—and he certainly must have nerves of steel to deal with the temperamental whims of Mother Nature!! ■

## *NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK PUPPET WINNERS*



During National Library Week, April 19-25, 1998 library users visiting the library were encouraged to register for a drawing of a **frog hand puppet** at Hayner's three locations. The winners of the loveable frogs were John Mulrean from the Youth Library, Dot Minks from the Branch Library and Rita Backstrom from the Adult Library. Congratulations, winners and we hope you are enjoying your frog with family and friends.

Other activities during the week included a family storytelling program in the Youth Library garden featuring Marilyn Kinsella, storyteller and the River City Ramblers presented an evening of Dixieland music in the Jimmie Keller Reading Room of the Main Library ■

*Marilyn Kinsella, storyteller, entertained families with her "Stories for Spring" in the youth library garden during National Library Week*

*River City Ramblers presented an evening of "Dixeland...Rollin' Up The River" in the Jimmie Keller Reading Room of the Main Library.*

## OPEN HOUSE AT HAYNER BRANCH *continued*

books, they also serve as a place where ideas can be explored and nurtured." In a letter received from the Secretary of State and State Librarian George Ryan it was stated "I commend you in providing a facility that will meet the information and education needs now and in the future for our ever changing society."

The next time you are at the mall stop in and check out our

*Computer Area*

newly expanded facility. The branch library is open seven days a week for a total of 78 hours to serve your needs. Come in and check us out. ■

## BOOKPAGE NOW AVAILABLE AT HAYNER

BookPage, a monthly news digest featuring authors and new books, is now available free of charge at the Main, Youth, and Branch Libraries. Each issue features interviews with authors as well as in-depth book reviews of the latest fiction and nonfiction releases. Sections on audiobooks and children's books are included as well.

Pick up a copy of BookPage the next time you visit the library, and let us know how you like it! ■

*More than 60 percent of new jobs in the next century will require computer skills. Today, only 22 percent of adults have those skills.*

## MORE ON INFOPASS PROGRAM

As we mentioned in the Spring 1998 newsletter, the InfoPass program is now available through the Reference department of Hayner Library. In order to use this program, you must have a specific need for materials not available at Hayner. You may then use your InfoPass **one time only** to check out materials in person at **one** of the participating libraries.

The following libraries participate in the InfoPass program:

Belleville Area College
Brentwood Public Library
Concordia Seminary
Covenant Theological Seminary
Eden-Webster Libraries
Ferguson Municipal Public Library District
Festus Public Library
Fontbonne College
Greenville College
Harris-Stowe State College
Jefferson County Library System
Kirkwood Public Library
Lewis & Clark Community College
Lindenwood College
Logan College of Chiropractic
Maplewood Public Library
Maryville University
Missouri Baptist College
Nokomis Public Library
North County Technical School
Principia College
Richmond Heights Public Library
St. Charles City-County Library Dist.
St. Charles County Community College
St. Louis College of Pharmacy
St. Louis Community College (all locations)
St. Louis Univ. Law Library
St. Louis Univ. Medical Center Library
St. Louis Univ. Library
Sanford Brown College
SIUE--Lovejoy Library
University City Public Library
Univ. Of Missouri—St. Louis
Valley Park Community Library
Washington University Medical Library
Washington University Libraries
Webster Groves Public Library

For more information on the InfoPass program, please contact Susan or Katie at 462-0651 ■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MAILING LIST UPDATE
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HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays: Sunday and Monday, September 6 & 7 (Labor Day); Wednesday, November 11 (Veteran's Day); Thursday, November 26 (Thanksgiving Day).

BIKE RACKS
The next time you visit the library check out the new bike racks that are available for our cycling patrons. A bike rack has been placed at the Youth Library and there is also one in the parking lot for patrons using the Main Library.

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## *HAVE WE BEEN HERE BEFORE?*

Fifty years ago, in 1946, there were 6,000 black and white TVs in the entire country, mostly in well-to-do homes. Three years later, in 1949, there were three million TVs, and, in 1951, there were 12 million. Today, more Americans have TVs than have telephones.

Fifty years ago, people argued about whether TV was a tool or a toy: would it just provide mindless entertainment, or teach our children and bring the world closer together? People had asked similar questions about the radio, movies, the telephone, and even the telegraph in the 1840's! Today, they are asking the same kinds of questions about computers and the information superhighway.

But the answer is always the same: it isn't the technology. It's the way people use the technology that makes the difference.

A lot of people believe that television could have been much better for children if parents had gotten involved back in the 1940's and early 1950's, letting the networks know what they wanted for their children. If you want the information superhighway to be something other than home shopping and video games, now is the time to get involved.

The library can provide you with helpful guidelines in using the information superhighway; what to look for when purchasing a computer; what it involves to become connected to the Internet and many other helpful hints.

Following is a look at technology over the last 100 years:

Parents and New Technology:
The Last 100 Years

1890's: How can I afford a telephone at home?

1900's: Why do my children know more about automobiles than I do?

1910's: Should I take my children to the moving pictures?

1920's: Why do my children know more about radio than I do?

1930's: Are radio programs too violent?

1940's: Are comic books a bad influence on my kids?

1950's: Is TV good for my child—or not?

1960's: What are my children learning from rock & roll?

1970's: Are TV programs too violent?

1980's: Is my child playing too many video games?

1990's: Is being online safe and beneficial for my child?

The above article has been taken from the The Children's Partnership Internet site: http://www.childrenspartnership.org/pguide-98/part1198.html. This site provides many other helpful guidelines for parents and children using the Internet.

# LIBRARY
## THE FORMULA FOR LIFELONG EDUCATION

As everyone is gearing up for back to school activities, the library will be distributing **bumper stickers** promoting the idea that the library is the place for ***lifelong education.*** All you need to do is show your Hayner library card to receive a bumper sticker. If you do not have a library card, all you need to do is fill out an application and provide proof of residence within the library district. Any of our circulation desk staff can assist you in getting a library card or renewing your current one.

September is designated as ***National Library Card Sign-Up Month.*** Every child or young adult (ages birth-fifteen years) who signs up for a library card at the Youth Library or Alton Square Branch Library for the first time in September will receive a free paperback book.

### *"Fall Into Books" Preschool Story Time*

Registration for the fall session of Preschool Story Time for ages 3-5 will open Saturday, September 5 at the Youth Library. We offer two groups, meeting on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. The session runs for six weeks, from September 15/16 through October 20/21. Children must be three years old by September 1, 1998 to attend this session of story time. There is a limit of 20 children in each group, and we will take registrations in person or by phone until all available places are filled. The program includes stories, rhymes, songs, fingerplays, puppets shows, rhythmic activities and videos. For more information call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

### *"Treehouse Tales" Preschool Story Time Starts At Branch*

Preschool Story Time for ages 3-5 starts this fall at our remodeled and expanded Alton Square Branch Library. The group will meet on Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. The session runs for six weeks, from September 17 through October 22. Children must be three years old as of September 1, 1998 to attend this session of story time. There is a limit of 20 children in the group, and we will take registrations at the Branch Library in person or by phone, starting Saturday, September 5, and continuing until all available places are filled. For more information call Rhoda Cairns at the Alton Square Branch, 463-1276

### *Holiday Session of Story Time*

Registration for the Holiday Session of Preschool Story Time will open Saturday, October 31 at the Youth and Branch Library locations. For more information, call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0652 or Rhoda Cairns at the Branch Library, 463-1276.

### *"Mr. Sandman's Bushel Basket Of Sleepy Stories"*

Our Bedtime Family Story Time for children ages 2-5 and their parents meets at the Youth Library on Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m. Registration for the fall session opens Saturday, September 5 at the Youth Library. Children must be two years old as of September 1, 1998 to attend this session. There is a limit of 15 children plus adults for the group, and we will take registrations until all available places are filled. Meeting dates are September 15 through October 20. Children may come in their pajamas. Mr. Sandman and the Lullaby Ladies present a program of stories, songs, rhymes, and puppet shows. For more information call Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

There will also be a Holiday Session of Bedtime Story Time. Registration will open Saturday, October 31 at the Youth Library

### *"Apple-A-Day" After School Crafts*

Registration for the first semester series of After School Crafts for ages 6-11 opens Saturday, September 5 at the Youth Library. We have two groups, meeting on the second or third Thursday of each month from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. There is a limit of 20 children per group, and registations will be taken in person or by phone until all available places are filled. Parents are invited to participate with their children. Each month will feature a different apple craft. Meeting dates are September 10/17, October 8/15, November 12/19 and December 10/17. For more information call Heather Whiteside at the Youth Library, 462-0652

### *Epic Tales For Schools*

Youth Services Librarian Pam Klipsch will visit your school by appointment during October and November with her popular storytelling series for grades 3-5 and 6-8. This year Pam will be telling the stirring adventures of Gilgamesh, the hero-king of ancient Mesopotamia. This is one of the world's oldest stories, from the fabled land between the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers in what is now Iraq.

We will begin taking bookings for this program on Monday, September 28. We ask that teachers in the same building who wish to take advantage of this program should coordinate scheduling and have one teacher call to book for everyone. The program lasts 45 minutes, so up to three consecutive sessions can be booked in the same building on the same day. For more information on this program call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

### *Hayner Short Story Contest For Teens*

The library is sponsoring a short story contest for students with cash prizes of $50, $35 and $20 for the first, second and third place winners in each division: sixth-eighth grades and ninth-tenth grades. Stories may be on any subject, with a maximum length of 500 words. All entries must be submitted to the Youth Library no later than December 23, 1998. All students attending schools located in the library district are eligible to participate. Home schoolers who live in the district may also participate.

Entry forms will be available at the Youth Library beginning October 1. All submissions must be typed and double-spaced, and include permission for the library to publish the material, signed by the student's parent or legal guardian.

All entries will be published by the library in a book that will be distributed to all the participants. A committee appointed by the library will judge the winning entries. The prize winners will be announced and the books distributed at a publication party at the Youth Library in March 1999.

### *Teachers Please Note!*

The Youth Library provides many services for teachers, including our popular book boxes for classrooms, booklists and videographies to order, teacher materials, Internet searches, school visits and library tours by appointment for classes, teacher in-services and parent groups. All of these services are also available for homeschoolers. Please call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652, for more information.

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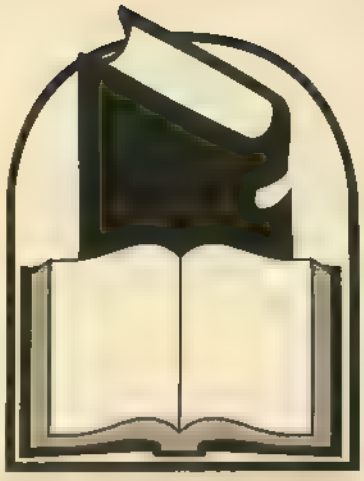

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: FICTION*

Ambrose, David. SUPERSTITION

Baldacci, David. THE SIMPLE TRUTH CUTTING EDGE BEST AND BRIGHTEST MYSTERY WRITERS OF THE 90'S

Egleton, Clive. BLOOD MONEY

Gash, Jonathan. PREY DANCING

Jakes, John. AMERICAN DREAMS

McGraw, Milena. AFTER DUNKIRK

Maron, Margaret. HOME FIRES BURNING

Michaels, Fern. FINDERS KEEPERS

Norman, Howard. THE MUSEUM GUARD

Peck, Richard. LONDON HOLIDAY

Pronzini, Bill. BOOBYTRAP

Walsh, Michael. AS TIME GOES BY

Wilson, Robert Charles. DARWINIA

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: NONFICTION*

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Ban Breathnach, Sarah. SOMETHING MORE EXCAVATING YOUR AUTHENTIC SELF

Chopra, Deepak. HEALING THE HEART A SPIRITUAL APPROACH TO REVERSING CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE

Davis, Linda H. BADGE OF COURAGE THE LIFE OF STEPHEN CRANE

Herrmann, Dorothy. HELEN KELLER A LIFE

MacMahon, Ed. FOR LAUGHING OUT LOUD MY LIFE AND GOOD TIMES

O'Donnell, Helen. A COMMON GOOD THE FRIENDSHIP OF ROBERT F KENNEDY AND KENNETH P O DONNELL

Rosenbaum, Ron. EXPLAINING HITLER THE SEARCH FOR THE ORIGINS OF HIS EVIL

Stein, Murray. JUNG'S MAP OF THE SOUL

Sudetic, Chuck. BLOOD AND VENGEANCE ONE FAMILY'S STORY OF THE WAR IN BOSNIA

## PATRON PROFILE: Dave Douglas

by Gwendolyn Duvernoy, Library Assistant

Godfrey native Dave Douglas is a staff favorite and the subject of this issue's Patron Profile. Dave works in Granite City at Chestnut Health Systems in the Mental Health Chemical Dependency Treatment Center. Dave's career has always focused on caring and tending to the needs of others. His vocation in great part was a result of a terrible accident in which Dave was involved when he was 19. While riding his motorcycle, Dave was hit head-on by a drunk driver. Dave's injuries included multiple fractures (he has a plate and 10 screws in one leg, and a plate and four screws in his arm), internal injuries and he required a tracheotomy. His near-death experience left him in a coma for three weeks, with doctors concerned for his chances of recovery.

Upon regaining consciousness, Dave suffered from memory loss and had to relearn how to walk and talk. He spent over three months in Barnes hospital getting "pieced back together." It was during this difficult recuperation period that Dave determined to pursue his interest in medicine. He also made a promise to himself that he would always treat his patients with the utmost care and respect

Dave started as a emergency medical technician in 1978. He has done residential counseling and has been a Head Start teacher's aide He earned his LPN degree in 1984 and returned to Lewis & Clark Community College in 1990 to complete an RN degree. Dave's nursing experience has been widespread from nursing home care, home health supervisor, surgical and psychiatric nursing, to his current role treating those suffering from mental illness. Dave says, "I have done everything in nursing from clamping the cords of newborn baby twins to holding the hand of a lady as she passed from this life to the next."

Dave's wife, Kristina, is a recreational therapist at Alton Catholic Children's Home. Dave credits their very close, supportive relationship as being critical to helping each other deal with their high level of job stress.

Dave's other outlet for stress is his art, on which he works every day. He primarily works with pen and ink as a cartoonist and character illustrator He has sold many of his illustrations and recently designed an award-winning beer label based on an idea from his stepson Adam, the label is being published in "Brew Your Own." He has also had several of his cartoons published in "Today's Advantage."

Dave says that it is "the aesthetics of the transitory" that makes his art so important to him--that is, the beauty of the process of creating art is the objective, not the finished product. Dave is also a "junk" sculptor, making art from anything and everything, "turning one man's trash into another's treasure." He sculpted a 10-foot globe from the steel bands that wrap lumber--this is now in his wife's herb garden. He has also built a fence and a bridge out of wooden pallets.

Dave and his wife live in Godfrey along with their chickens, four dogs,

*Dave Douglas Self-Portrait*

four cats and a peahen (a female peacock).

Dave has several other loves in his life, including time "hanging out at the library," cycling, and his pride and joy, Olivia Kay, his seven-month-old granddaughter.

Dave's parting message was to ask us to remember that mental illness is like any illness that affects an organ in the body. If the brain is the affected organ, the result is disruption to the cognitive and emotional processes, but this disease can be treated. Just as we maintain compassion and caring for someone affected by other diseases, so must we maintain compassion for those affected by a mental disease ■

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The Traveling Puppet Show is also available to visit preschools and kindergartens in the library district by appointment. Please call Gloria Mitchell or Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652, to book the Traveling Puppet Show for a visit to your classroom.

### SPECIAL EVENTS AT HAYNER MAIN/ALTON BRANCH

**September**

September is *National Library Card Sign-Up Month*. Every child or young adult (ages birth- fifteen) who signs up for a library card at the Youth Library or Alton Square Branch Library for the first time during September will receive a free paperback book to keep along with the new card.

*America Links Up: Kids Online Week* is September 14-20. Sponsored by the American Library Association, America Online, the Center for Media Education, the Children's Partnership, Enough Is Enough, Microsoft, and the U.S. Department of Education, and endorsed by the Illinois State Library. This is an opportunity for parents, teachers and kids to become more familiar with the resources of the Internet, and the ways in which parents can ensure that their children have safe and rewarding online experiences.

Hayner Public Library will participate by providing displays, brochures for parents, links to recommended resource sites for parents, teachers, children and teens at all three Hayner locations, and opportunities for parents and kids to check out the Internet together via Hayner's public Internet access.

*Freedom To Read Week* is September 27-October 3. This annual celebration of America's First Amendment freedom to read and view the great diversity of ideas and opinions is co-sponsored by the American Library Association, the American Booksellers Association, the Association of American Publishers, and the Library of Congress Center for the Book.

Hayner Public Library will participate by providing displays of books and other materials that have been the target of censorship attempts in school or public libraries during the past year. Brochures and related information will be available at all three Hayner locations. Stop by the library and find out what books some people think are too dangerous for you or your children to see!

**October**

Hayner Public Library will participate in the annual Lincoln-Douglas Days event in downtown Alton by providing crafts in the Children's Area on Saturday, October 3.

### *Area Violinist To Play At Adult Library*

*Pete Pancella*

On October 5, 1998, the Hayner Adult Library will feature a performance by violinist Pete Pancella. Mr. Pancella is the founder and director of the Lewis and Clark Camerata, now in its third year at Lewis & Clark Community College. Other groups that have been under his direction include the Louis IX Consort at the St. Louis Cathedral, the Greenleaf Madrigal Singers, and the Decatur Youth Symphony. He is also a member of IFDA, the International Folk Dance Association, and is a frequent guest fiddler in the area folk dance scene. Being familiar with a wide variety of styles, he is in high

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## *SPECIAL EVENTS (continued)*

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demand as a teacher and performer. He and his colleagues provide serious music at church and other formal settings, and everything from Cajun to Scottish at social functions.

Accompanying Mr. Pancella will be Mary Neist, currently the Director of Music and Liturgy at Holy Infant Church in Ballwin, Missouri. There she directs vocal and handbell choirs, and plays regularly her main instruments, organ and piano. A collection of her piano music, "Plainchant for Piano," was recently published by MorningStar Music. With a background in music education, Miss Neist enjoys teaching as well as performing. Her degree in music has been enriched over the years with a Masters in Liturgy from the University of Notre Dame and post-graduate study in voice and organ.

The concert will feature some of the most requested music from the violin repertoire, dance music from around the world, some bluegrass, and maybe even a little Dixieland. It will take place on Monday, October 5, at 6:30 p.m., in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room at the Adult Library. Seating will be limited, so please call the Adult Library to register at 462-0651.

Our Annual *Sparks & Spooks Halloween Story Telling* for children ages 6-11 accompanied by adults will be held Thursday, October 29 from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Youth Library. Join the Riverwind Storytellers for a program of spooky stories and songs told by firelight in the historic Hayner Memorial Building on State Street where the ghost of Jennie Hayner sometimes walks!

Registration for this program opens Saturday, October 17 by phone or in person at the Youth Library. Space is limited to 75 children, so we will take registrations until all available places are filled. Each child who attends the program will receive a Halloween treat to take home. For information call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

**November**

*National Children's Book Week*, November 15-21, is an annual celebration of children's books and reading sponsored by the Children's Book Council. The Youth Library and the Alton Square Branch Library will feature special displays and handouts for parents and children during this week.

As part of this week, the Illinois State Library sponsors *Family Reading Night at the Library*. Registration for Family Reading Night will open Saturday, November 7 at the Youth Library and the Alton Square Branch Library.

The Youth Library will hold its Family Reading Night on Wednesday, November 18, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Parents and Children Read Together Time is from 6:30 to 7 p.m., followed by Family Story Time with special guest Sergeant Charles Eschbach from the Alton Police (7-7:30 p.m.), with refreshments, free paperback books for all the children, and a prize drawing for a $25 gift certificate to finish up the evening.

The Branch Library will have a similar program on Thursday, November 19, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Our special guest for Story Time at the Branch will be Alton Fire Captain Michael Harvey. For more information on these programs call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652 or Rhoda Cairns at the Branch Library, 463-1276.

***Remember The Library Is Free For All!***

All library-sponsored activities are free of charge and open to all residents and cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District. For more information on the library and library activities check out our website at **http://www.altonweb.com/hayner**, our monthly column in the **Alton Telegraph,** or catch us on **WBGZ Radio's** morning call-in show! Or call the library: Main Library at 326 Belle Street (462-0651); Youth Library at 401 State Street (462-0652); Alton Square Branch Library (463-1276) ■

## NEW DATABASE AVAILABLE ON HAYNER PAC TERMINALS

Those of you who use Hayner's PAC terminals to find magazine articles may have noticed a change in our online database from InfoTrac to EBSCO. The new EBSCO MAS FullTEXT Ultra database, published by EBSCO, is now available on our public access catalog terminals through the Lewis & Clark Library System. The database indexes over 550 periodicals dating back as far as 1984, as well as 400 periodicals dating as far back as 1990. Many of the articles are available in full text and can be printed out right at the computer. The new database also includes the full text of over 5000 Magill Book Reviews.

Please ask a Hayner staff member if you would like help using the new database. ■

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BLOOD DRIVE AT THE LIBRARY
The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive at the library on Saturday, December 19th from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the conference room which is located in the lower level of the Youth Library at 401 State Street. A goal of 25 donors has been set for the day. Please stop by and donate a pint of blood on that day.

## *MEET THE LIBRARY BOARD*

All public libraries within the state of Illinois are governed by a Board of Trustees. Members of the board are elected by the residents within the library district. Terms of office are for six years. Every two years the library holds an election for library board trustees. In the April, 1999 election three seats on Hayner's board will be up for re-election. Any interested resident living within the library district is eligible to run for the election.

*From left to right David Roller, Nancy DeGrand, Francis Martin, Treasurer; Kevin Botterbush, President Jody Morrissey. Absent when photo was taken. Ann Sheppard, Secretary, Mark Repking*

Nomination papers for the April 13, 1999 Consolidated Election can be picked up from the library's business office during regular hours: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Signatures of fifty residents of the library district are required. Petitions can be filed beginning January 25, 1999 through February 1, 1999.

As a library board trustee, an individual has an opportunity to be part of a seven member board that helps plan the library district's future, develops policies, and has a voice in short term and long term planning. Monthly board meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month. A board member can take advantage of the various local and regional seminars held for library board trustees that discuss library issues. A library trustee can become as active as he/she wants on the regional, state and national levels.

Current members of the library board include Kevin Botterbush, President; Ann Sheppard, Secretary; Francis Martin, Treasurer; Nancy DeGrand, Jody Morrissey, Mark Repking and David Roller. Many of the members have served on the library board for a number of years. We appreciate the time and service that they have given to the library district. Present board members represent 36 years of service cumulatively. ■

## *FOOD FOR FINES DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON*

Beginning November 27 and continuing through December 31, 1998 anyone that has an overdue item checked out from the library can pay their fine with a canned goods food item. All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the local food pantry in the Alton area. Even if you do not have an overdue item feel free to donate items for the food drive. Happy Holidays! ■

## *WIN A ST. BERNARD PUPPET...*

Drop by the library during the holiday season to register to win one of three St. Bernard hand puppets that the library district will be giving away. Any Hayner library card holder is eligible (except employees and their family members). Winners will be announced live on the air on WBGZ on December 18th. Boxes for the drawing will be at all three Hayner locations: Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Youth Library at 401 State Street and the Branch Library at Alton Square. ■

## YOUTH LIBRARY

### *Youth Librarian Receives National Recognition*

Youth Services Librarian Pam Klipsch has been cited by the Illinois Library Association and the American Library Association for her leadership in intellectual freedom and public access issues in libraries. Pam is one of five librarians named by the Illinois Library Association for inclusion in a National Honor Roll celebrating the 30th anniversary of the ALA's Office for Intellectual Freedom and the Freedom To Read Foundation.

*Pam Klipsch*

Pam has been involved in ALA and ILA intellectual freedom activities throughout her library career, having served on both the state and national intellectual freedom committees and as chair of the ALA Intellectual Freedom Round Table. She has written articles and edited publications dealing with these issues, organized programs and continuing education activities for librarians, and participated as a speaker and trainer for librarians and library trustees at state and national conferences.

### *Youth Library Receives Literacy Award*

The Lewis & Clark Reading Council, local affiliate of the International Reading Association, has bestowed its 1998 Celebrate Literacy! Award on Hayner Youth Library, for promoting literacy through library services to children and families. The award was presented at the Reading Council's fall banquet, and accepted on behalf of the Youth Library staff by Hayner executive director Joyce Reid Jacquelyn Ruff, a teacher at Mark Twain School in Alton, is vice-president of the Reading Council. The Youth Library has partnered with the Adult Literacy Program at Lewis & Clark College and the Alton Public Schools in an on-going series of family literacy projects funded by grants from the Secretary of State's literacy initiative.

### *More Firefighting Books...*

Once again the members of the Alton Fire Fighters Local #1255 have donated money to purchase numerous educational books on firefighting. The fire engine and all the materials donated by Local #1255 have made a tremendous impact on the children. It has helped to further the idea that firefighting is indeed a noble profession. Thanks once again to a great bunch of guys! ■

*Captain Michael Harvey*
*Alton Firefighter*

## *ADULT LIBRARY*

### *NEW IN REFERENCE*

We are continually adding new titles in our Reference department to help you with your research. Come in and browse through some of our latest acquisitions:

**The Grolier Library of Science Biographies.** Biographies of scientists from all over the world. (R502.22 GRO)

**Lives and Works in the Arts: from the Renaissance to the 20th Century.** This beautifully illustrated set depicts the lives and works of famous artists, writers, and musicians. (R700.92 LIV)

**Notable Mathematicians From Ancient Times to the Present.** Biographical profiles of 303 mathematicians throughout recorded history; includes computer scientists. (R510.922 NOT)

**The Presidents.** This set contains biographical and statistical information about all the presidents from George Washington to Bill Clinton. The final volume includes election maps and returns from 1789 to 1996. (R973.099 PRE)

## *NEW COLLECTION ON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT*

The library has recently added twenty-five new titles dealing with the development of downtown areas, running your own small business, preserving old homes and planning festivals. These books were made available through the *National Main Street/ National Trust for Historic Preservation agency.*

Titles include the following:

Adams, Paul. 155 LEGAL DO'S (AND DON'TS) FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS

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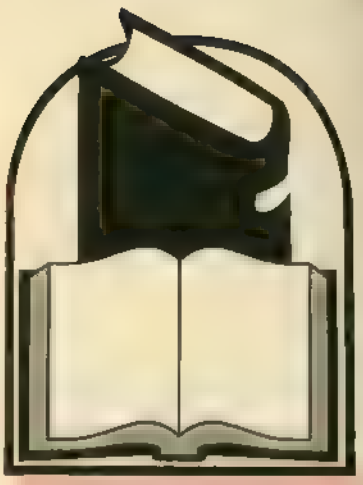


### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: FICTION*

Boyle, T. Coraghessan. T.C. BOYLE STORIES
Braun, Lilian Jackson. THE CAT WHO SAW STARS
Cameron, Stella. FRENCH QUARTER
Freemantle, Brian. GOLD
Gray, Zane. WOMAN OF THE FRONTIER
Griffin, W.E.B. IN DANGER'S PATH
Grimes, Martha. THE STARGAZEY
King, Stephen. LEGENDS
Lindsay, Johanna. SAVAGE THUNDER
Lovecraft, H.P. TALES OF THE CTHULHI MYTHOS
Oke, Janette. A SEARCHING HEART
Weldon, Fay. BIG GIRLS DON'T CRY
Woodwiss, Kathleen E. THE ELUSIVE FLAME

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: NONFICTION*

THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN BOOK OF VALUES CLASSIC MORAL STORIES
Bastianich, Lidia Matticchio. LIDIA'S ITALIAN TABLE
Berg, A. Scott. LINDBERGH
Carter, Jimmy. THE VIRTUES OF AGING
Chopra, Deepak. FINDING GOD: 100 DAYS ON THE QUEST
Evans, Harold. THE AMERICAN CENTURY
Frommer, Myrna Katz. IT HAPPENED ON BROADWAY AN ORAL HISTORY OF THE GREAT WHITE WAY
Jordan, Michael. FOR THE LOVE OF THE GAME
Patton, Sharon F. AFRICAN-AMERICAN ART
Rodale, Maria. MARIA RODALE S ORGANIC GARDENING YOU R SEASONAL COMPANION TO CREATING A BEAUTIFUL AND DELICIOUS GARDEN
Rushin, Steve. ROAD SWING ONE FAN'S JOU RNEY INTO THE SOUL OF AMERICAN SPORTS
Shabazz, Betty. A SISTERFRIENDS TRIBUTE IN WORDS AND PICTURES
Spoto, Donald. THE HIDDEN JESUS: A NEW LIFE

# Special Events at Hayner

## Saturday, December 5
## 3 p.m.

***Gifts of the Season***, an afternoon concert by the critically acclaimed a cappella singing group, **Pieces of Eight**, will be presented in front of the fireplace in the historic Reading Room of the Youth Library, deocrated in honor of the season. The program will include songs of Christmas, Hannukah, Kwanzaa and the Winter Solstice. Immediately following, refreshments will be served in the Metzger Conference Room on the lower level of the library.

The group previously performed at the library during National Library Week in 1997 and return by popular demand for this encore engagement. **Pieces of Eight** appears under the auspices of Young Audiences of St. Louis.

Registration for this program will open on Saturday, November 21. Because of space limitations, we can only accommodate 75 people.

Registration will be accepted in person or by phone until all available places are filled. This is a family program, suitable for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. To register, please call the Youth Library at 462-0652

## Saturday, December 12
## 2 - 3:30 p.m.

The annual **Children's Christmas Party** will be held at the Youth Library. This year our theme is ***An Animal Christmas*** and our tree and other decorations will carry out this theme. The party includes stories, a sing-along, a simple take-home craft, and a visit with Santa and his Elves. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Library and favors for all the children.

Registration for this program opens Saturday, November 28. Register in person or by phone at the Youth Library, 462-0652. This is a family program, suitable for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

## Monday, January 18, 1999
## 10 a.m.

The second annual **Martin Luther King Jr. Brotherhood Breakfast** will be held in the Multimedia Room of Advanced Technology Center (ATC) Building on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College. This event is co-sponsored by the Family Literacy Connection of LCCC and the Alton Housing Authority.

Breakfast includes juice, cereal, toast and bacon, sweet rolls and coffee. The library staff will provide a program of stories, crafts and puppet shows in honor of Dr. King and his principles of non-violence and brotherhood. Each child attending the program will receive a free paperback book as a memento

Registration for the program opens on Saturday, January 9, at the Youth Library at 462-0652. The program is limited to 100 people. Registrations will be accepted in person or by phone until all available spaces are filled. This is a family program, suitable for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

## Thursday, February 4, 1999
## 7 p.m.

**Second Annual Eunice Perry Memorial Program** will feature Clifton L. Taulbert, award winning author of *Once Upon a Time When We Were Colored. The Last Train North. Watching Our Crops Come In*, and *Eight Habits of the Heart*, as the featured speaker for the evening's events. The program will be held in the Hatheway Hall Auditorium at Lewis & Clark Community College.

*Clifton L. Taulbert*

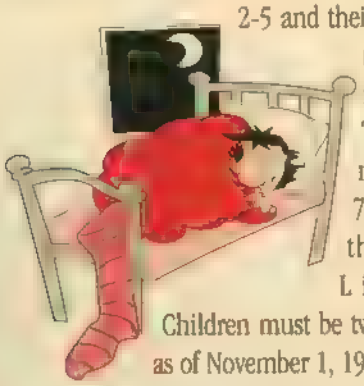
The program will open with a performance by the Alton High School Gospel Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Norma Jean Henderson. At the conclusion of the program Afrocentric Books of St. Louis will provide a book fair in the lobby of the auditorium. There will be a receiving line and Mr. Taulbert will autograph copies of his books on request.

The program is free of charge and open to all. Hayner Public Library established the Eunice Perry Memorial Program in 1997 in honor of the late Eunice Character Perry, a long time Alton resident and tireless community activist. A community advisory committee works with the library staff to plan the program.

## Pre-School Story Times: "Holi-Tales"

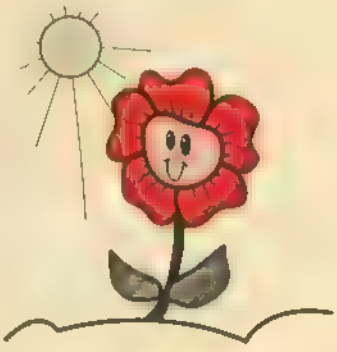
Pre-School Story Times for ages 3-5 are going on now at the Youth Library and the Alton Square Branch Library. Groups meet on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 9:30 at the Youth Library, and on Thursday mornings at 10 at the Branch Library. Children must be three years old as of November 1, 1999 to attend the holiday session of story time. There is a limit of 20 children per group. Registrations can be in person or by phone until all available places are filled. The program includes stories, rhymes, songs, fingerplays, puppet shows, rhythmic activities and videos. The six week session concludes December 15, 16, 17. To register call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0652 and Rhoda Cairns at the Branch, 463-1276.

## "Mr. Sandman's Visions of Sugarplum Stories"



Bedtime Family Story Time for children ages 2-5 and their parents is now meeting on Tuesday nights at 7:15 p.m. at the Youth Library. Children must be two years old as of November 1, 1999 to attend this holiday session of bedtime story time. There is a limit of fifteen children plus adults for this group. Registration will be taken in person or by phone until all available places are filled. Children may attend in pajamas. Mr. Sandman and the Lullaby Ladies provide a program of stories, songs, rhymes and puppet shows. The six week session concludes December 15. To register call Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## After School Crafts: "Flower Power"



Registration for the second semester series of After School Crafts for ages 6-11 opens Saturday, January 2, 1999 at the Youth Library. There are two groups, meeting on the second or third Thursday of each month from 3:30-4:30 p.m. There is a limit of 20 children per group. Registrations will be taken by person or by phone until all available places are filled. Parents are invited to participate with their children. Each month will feature a different "flower" craft. For more information call Heather Whiteside at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## "Elephantasies": Tales for Primary Grades

Youth Services Librarian, Pam Klipsch, will visit your school by appointment during February and March with her popular story telling series for grades K-2. This year Pam will be sharing tales–tall and not-so-tall–about elephants.

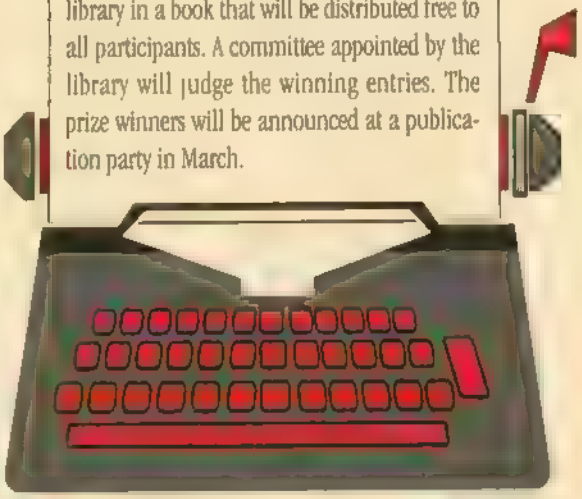
Booking for the program will begin Monday, January 25. We ask that teachers in the same building who wish to take advantage of this program should coordinate scheduling and have one teacher call to book for everyone. The program lasts 35 minutes. Three consecutive sessions can be booked in the same building on the same day. For more information on this program call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## Short Story Contest Deadline: December 23rd

December 23rd is the deadline for entries in the Hayner Short Story Contest for Teens Students in grades 6-8 and 9-10, who live or attend school in the Hayner Public Library District are eligible to participate. Cash prizes of $50, $35 and $20 will be awarded to the first, second and third place winners in each division Stories may be on any subject, with a maximum length of 500 words

Entry forms are available at all Hayner locations. All entries must be typed and double-spaced, and accompanied by permission for the library to publish the material, signed by the student's parent or legal guardian.

All entries will be published by the library in a book that will be distributed free to all participants. A committee appointed by the library will judge the winning entries. The prize winners will be announced at a publication party in March.



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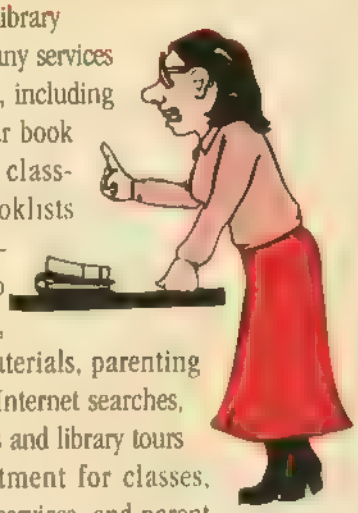

The Youth Library provides many services for teachers, including our popular book boxes for classrooms, booklists and videographies to order, teacher materials, parenting materials, Internet searches, school visits and library tours by appointment for classes, teacher in-services, and parent groups. All of these services are also available to homeschoolers. Please call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652, for more information.

The Traveling Puppet Show is also available to visit preschools and kindergartens in the library district by appointment. Please call Gloria Mitchell or Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## Remember the Library is Free for All!

All library-sponsored activities are free of charge and open to all residents and cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District. For more information on the library and library activities check out our website at **http://www.altonweb.com/hayner**, our monthly column in **The Telegraph**, or catch us on **WBGZ Radio's** morning call-in show. Or call the library.

**Main Library**
**326 Belle Street**
**462-0651**

**Youth Library**
**401 State Street**
**462-0652**

**Branch Library**
**Alton Square**
**463-1276**

## *PATRON PROFILE: Ed & Leah Meyer*

by Bernadette Duvernoy,
Library Assistant

About 4 years ago, Alton native Ed Meyer did something many of us dream about--he decided to turn his avocation into his vocation. He left a 15-year career as a river-boat pilot and now with his wife, Leah, owns and operates Summerfield Farm at 1704 West *Delmar Avenue. Their first year,* the Meyers sold pumpkins out of a tent. Now, after four years of hard work and long hours, you can visit Summerfield's large market-barn where homegrown and local produce, herbs, flowers, seasonal decorations, fine breads, jellies, gift baskets, even jewelry and ornaments are sold. Stopping by Summerfield is one of my favorite Saturday morning errands!

Leah is an artist and graphic designer and, with manager Carley Maholland, creates fun displays and decorations among the flowers and herbs, including some of the most original scare-crows (and scarecrowettes) you have ever seen (for sale, too!). Carley is also a floral designer. She and Leah create beautiful flo-ral arrangements and gift baskets. Summerfield market changes with each season. During the fall, you'll find apples, pumpkins, mums, Halloween decorations, corn stalks, gift baskets, jellies and more. Companion bread is available fresh on Saturday mornings. (This goes quickly!) Summerfield's hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10-6 and Sunday from 10-5.

From the day after Thanksgiving until Christmas the market will offer Christmas trees (multiple varieties), Christmas wreaths, pine rope, jewelry, ornaments, cit-rus, Amish jellies, and Christmas baskets. Ed and Leah contribute a portion of proceeds of all the Christmas tree sales to the Godfrey Volunteer Firefighters Association. Ed was a volunteer firefighter himself for six years.

The market's hours in November are Saturday 10-6 and Sunday 11-5. December hours include weekdays. On Christmas eve, the market closes for a few months, but Ed and Leah stay busy. Ed studies and attends seminars on farm marketing. He also volun-teers his time working for the University of Illinois Extension Council for Madison and St. Clair Counties. Leah maintains several clients from her graphic design business she developed in her "pre-farm days". She is also an artist--she paints watercolors and designs the jewelry and orna-ments sold at the market. Leah created the Summerfield farm logo, which won "Best Farm Logo in the State of Illinois 1996" at the Specialty Growers' Conference. She also gives gener-ously of her time to community service. She has made all the art-work and ornaments for the "Celebration of Christmas" at Rock Springs Park since the festi-val's inception until 1997.

Come the early spring, the mar-ket opens up with hydroponic tomatoes (raised in Pittsfield), asparagus, lettuce, greens, bed-ding plants, perennials, mulch, and landscaping supplies.

The farm grows its own tomatoes, which are available around July 1 (they're wonderful and they have a great salsa mix too!), beans,

*Leah & Ed Meyer*

peppers, and more. Through the summer, the market also carries local Calhoun peaches, sweet corn, melons and a great variety of all the local fruits and vegeta-bles we are lucky enough to enjoy in this area. The farm also offers cut flowers and herbs, or you can cut your own!

Ed and Leah have lots of plans for the future, too--Ed has planted blackberries, asparagus and red and white grapes to be available next year. They are also evaluat-ing building their own green-house and converting their farm-house into a gallery and garden shop. The phone number at the farm is 466-2678. Stop by any time and browse around--there's always something different. ■

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Berle, Gustav. THE INSTANT BUSINESS PLAN BOOK: 12 QUICK AND EASY STEPS TO A PROFITABLE BUSINESS

Edwards, John. PARKING: THE PARKING HANDBOOK FOR SMALL COMMUNITIES

Falk, Edgar. 1001 IDEAS TO CREATE RETAIL EXCITEMENT

Flanagan, Joan. SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING: A COMPLETE HANDBOOK FOR VOLUNTEERS AND PROFESSIONALS

Fleming, Ronald Lee. SAVING FACE: HOW CORPORATE FRANCHISE DESIGN CAN RESPECT COMMUNITY IDENTITY

Glanz, Barbara. BUILDING CUSTOMER LOYALTY: HOW YOU CAN HELP KEEP CUSTOMERS RETURNING

Grant, Jeff. THE BUDGET GUIDE TO RETAIL STORE PLANNING & DESIGN

HISTORIC BUILDING FACADES: THE MANUAL FOR MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION

Keegan, P. Burke. FUNDRAISING FOR NON-PROFITS

Kelly, Eric. SIGN REGULATION FOR SMALL AND MIDSIZE COMMUNITIES

Kunstler, James Howard. THE GEOGRAPHY OF NOWHERE: THE RISE AND DECLINE OF AMERICA'S MAN-MADE LANDSCAPE

LIVING ON MAIN STREET: LESSONS IN LIVABILITY FROM OREGON'S DOWNTOWNS AND COMMERICAL DISTRICTS

Long, Gianni. A GUIDE TO GREAT AMERICAN PUBLIC PLACES

Moe, Richard. CHANGING PLACES: REBUILDING COMMUNITY IN THE AGE OF SPRAWL

Powers, Mike. HOW TO OPEN A FRANCHISE BUSINESS

PRESERVATION YELLOW PAGES: THE COMPLETE INFORMATIONAL SOURCE FOR HOMEOWNERS, COMMUNITIES AND PROFESSIONALS

Schroeder, Carol. SPECIALTY SHOP RETAILING: HOW TO RUN YOUR OWN STORE

Schure, David. CREATIVE PROMOTION IDEAS FOR MAIN STREET

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S STANDARDS FOR REHABILITATION & ILLUSTRATED GUIDELINES FOR REHABILITATING HISTORIC BUILDINGS

SPEAKING OF MONEY: A GUIDE TO FUND RAISING FOR NONPROFIT BOARD MEMBERS (videorecording)

Stein, Debra. MAKING COMMUNITY MEETINGS WORK

Sucher, David. CITY COMFORTS: HOW TO BUILD AN URBAN VILLAGE

Wagner, Richard. MAIN STREET NEWS GUIDE TO BUILDING MAINTENANCE

West, Amanda. MAIN STREET FESTIVALS: TRADITIONAL AND UNIQUE EVENTS ON AMERICA'S MAIN STREETS

All of the above titles are available for checkout. These titles can also be found by doing a subject search under *"Main Street."* ■

# BEYOND WORDS CELEBRATING AMERICA'S LIBRARIES PHOTO CONTEST

Amateur and professional photographers are invited to capture the spirit of the library in the ***Beyond Words: Celebrating America's Libraries*** Photo Contest sponsored by Hayner Library in celebration of the Bicentennial of the Library of Congress in the year 2000.

Photos should demonstrate the best of what the library has to offer–whether it's a place to study, surf the Internet, enjoy a story, check out a new mystery or video,–and/or how the library makes a difference in a person's life. Today's libraries provide an array of resources to build a nation of readers and lifelong learners. Photos can be taken anywhere the library makes a difference.

The contest is open to photographers of all ages. Winners will be chosen in three divisions: professional, amateur/adult and amateur/youth (ages 6-17). Rules and entry forms will be available ***December 7, 1998*** at all three Hayner locations. Entries will be accepted from December 7, 1998 to April 2, 1999.

Prizes will be awarded in each division. They include: 1st place: $100; 2nd place: $50; 3rd place: $25 and honorable mention $10. Winners will be announced during National Library Week, April 11-17, 1999.

The top three winners in each division will be forwarded for judging in the national *Beyond Words: Celebrating America's Libraries* Photo Contest sponsored by the American Library Association and the Library of Congress

Contest rules and entry forms can be picked up at any three Hayner Library locations beginning Monday, December 7th. Get your cameras ready ■

## *DISPLAY WINDOWS AT BRANCH LIBRARY*

We would like to thank Grace Monroe and Charlotte Johnson for doing our display windows at the branch library in Alton Square Mall. All of the historic displays are being done by these two ladies. We appreciate them volunteering their knowledge, time and materials. The response to the local history has been overwhelming. ■

## L+I+B+R+A+R+Y: *THE FORMULA FOR LIFELONG EDUCATION*

During the library's past fiscal year (July 1997 through July 1998) a total of 334,900 items were checked out by circulation staff. During this same time period 325,464 people visited the library; 6,130 reference questions were answered. Over 20,000 items were added to the library's collection. The library has over 160,000 items in its total collection.

Keep up with the pack…use the library ■

***Boulder and Munchie***
***"The Library Dogs"***


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Alton, Illinois 62002

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Branch 463-1276
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Administration 462-0677

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Branch FAX 463-1277
Administration FAX 462-4919
Dial-A-Story 462-8253


Hours of Operation

Main & Youth Libraries
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# THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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## FRIENDS OF THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

How does one define a "friend of the library?" A Hayner friend can be defined as a concerned individual interested in making literature and reading available at a very reasonable price. A friend is also a person who collects peoples' treasures and shares them with others.

*Friends at work sorting books for their upcoming Spring Book Sale. From left to right: Sarah Kancurek, Sarah Huber, Pat Renault, Nancy Kremming, David Strasser, Nancy Boyd, Carole Mckenzie, Bill Winter, Pat Maher, Sona Winter*

The Friends group for Hayner began in 1981 with 9 members that has grown to 46 members in 1999. Every Monday morning a group of 12-15 friends are at the Barrett Building at 327 State Street sorting through donated items for their upcoming spring book sale.

At the outset of their existence, the Friends made a conscious decision that their focus would be to help the Youth Library with its end of summer reading program activities and holiday programs and to sponsor a fall and spring book sale each year. The Friends first book sale held in May, 1982 netted $350. Over the years book sale receipts steadily increased to over the $4000 range in 1998.

The library has been the recipient of these funds. Throughout the years the Friends have purchased such items as computers, printers, art prints, summer reading trophies, puppet theater, laminating machine, copy machine, Robert Wadlow films and videos of the new Clark Bridge.

Two often asked questions of the Friends group include "What do you do with the books left after a book sale?" The books are offered to teachers, nursing homes and nonprofit organizations--recycling in progress. The second question asked is "What types of books do you want for a book sale?" The Friends take any type of materials and will pick up from an individual's home if necessary. A person just needs to contact the library and arrangements will be made for any pickup of materials.

Officers of the Friends group include David Strasser, President; Susan Wilikinson, Vice-President; June Weinrich, Secretary and Pat Renault, Treasurer.

If you would like to become a Friend of Hayner Library contact one of the officers or you can mail a check for your membership to Friends of Hayner Public Library District, 401 State Street, Alton, IL 62002. Membership fees are $2 for students; $5 for an individual membership; $10 for a family membership; $25 for a patron membership, $50 for a contributor membership; and $100 for a life membership.

Come meet the Friends in action at their upcoming spring book sale that will be held on May 6th, 7th and 8th at 327 State Street. ■

**Things to Know...**
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list

HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays: Easter Sunday (April 4), Mother's Day (Sun., May 9), Memorial Day (Sun., May 30 and Mon., May 31).


BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Kevin Botterbush, President
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## AWARD WINNING AUTHOR SPEAKS AT EUNICE PERRY MEMORIAL PROGRAM

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*Clifton Taulbert*

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Families were entertained by stories of Martin Luther King and a puppet drama titled "Respect" performed by Steve Fahrig and Olivia Neal from the Youth Services department of the library. The program ended with everyone holding hands and singing "We Shall Overcome" led by Olivia Neal. ■

## STAFF PICKS - THIS IS WHAT WE'RE READING. WE LIKED THEM... YOU MIGHT TOO!

***Instruments of Night***
by Thomas H. Cook. Fiction
An author is called upon to use his imagination to solve a 50-year old murder. Full of twists and turns and riveting suspense –Bernie D.

***Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic***

***Expedition***
by Caroline. Alexander.
Non fiction
True story of famous explorer Ernest Shackleton's 1914 expedition to Antarctica and the two-year epic of survival when the crew's boat is crushed in ice. Includes remarkable photographs –Bernie D.

***Treks Not Taken***
by Steven R. Boyett.
Science Fiction
A hilarious parody of *Star Trek: The Next Generation*. "Episodes" are written in the style of famous authors such as Stephen King ("The Trekking"), Dr. Seuss ("Oh, the Treks You'll take"), Ernest

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Baker, Kevin DREAMLAND
Bradley, Marion Zimmer TRAITOR'S SUN
Braun, Lilian Jackson THE CAT WHO SAW STARS
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Cook, Robin VECTOR
Cornwell, Patricia SOUTHERN CROSS
Coulter Catherine THE EDGE
Griffin, W.E.B. IN DANGER'S PATH
Higgins, Jack THE WHITE HOUSE CONNECTION
Hoffman, Alice LOCAL GIRLS
Muller, Marcia DUO: STORIES
Parker, Robert B. HUSH MONEY
Roberts, Nora RIVER'S END
Sandford, John CERTAIN PREY
Wende., Tim CASTRO'S CURVEBALL

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: NONFICTION*

CIVIL WAR RECIPES Receipts from the Pages of Godey's Lady's Book
Davis, James E. FRONTIER ILLINOIS
Hagstrom, Robert G. THE WARREN BUFFETT PORTFOLIO
McMurtry, Larry CRAZY HORSE
MYTHS, LEGENDS AND FOLKTALES OF AMERICA An Anthology
Shulman, Seth OWNING THE FUTURE. STAKING CLAIMS ON THE KNOWLEDGE FRONTIER
Stahl, Lesley REPORTING LIVE
Wald, Elijah RIVER OF SONG A MUSICAL JOURNEY DOWN THE MISSISSIPPI

# Special Events at Hayner

## Tuesday, March 16
## 6:30 p.m.

**Irish Folk Music Program.** Start your St. Patrick's Day celebration early and join us here at the library for some great Irish music. On Tuesday, March 16, local musician Danny O'Dea will perform some of the best of Irish music during his program featuring the songs and stories of Ireland. Whether you're Irish or Irish at heart, join us Tuesday, March 16 at 6:30 p.m. for "Folk Music by Danny O'Dea." The program will be held in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room in the Adult Library downtown. Seating is limited, so please call the Adult Library at 462 0651 to make reservations.

## Wednesday, March 17
## 7-8 p.m.

**How Finn McCoul Defeated the Giant & Other Tales of Ireland** will be told by youth services librarian and storyteller, Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library. The program is designed for children ages 5 10 accompanied by an adult. Registration opens Saturday, March 13 in person or by phone at the Youth Library (462-0652). Refreshments will be served following the program.

## Thursday, March 25
## 6:30 p.m.

Attention Gardeners: **"Food for the Mind, Flowers for the Soul"** program will be presented by Leah and Ed Meyer, owners of Summerfield Farm in Godfrey at the **Adult Library** in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room. Seating will be limited. Please call the Adult Library to register for the program (462-0651). The Meyers were featured in the Winter 1998 newsletter.

## Thursday, March 25
## 7 p.m.

**Short Story Contest for Teens Winners** will be announced at a gala publication party in the **Youth Library**. Everyone who entered the contest will be invited to attend the party. First, second and third place prizes of $50, $35 and $20 will be awarded the contest winners in the two divisions: grades 6-8 and grades 9-10

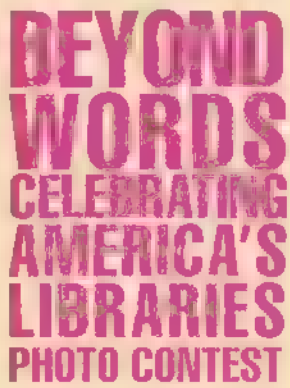
## Sunday, April 11
## 2 p.m.

Actor and story performer Scott Hanson will present his one man show ***Casey at the Bat*** at the **Youth Library** to kick off our celebration of **National Library Week** (April 11-17). Scott combines poetry, song, mime, juggling and even a touch of magic in Ernest Thayer's classic ode to the great American pasttime. Registration for this program opens Saturday, April 3 in person or by phone at the Youth Library. Space is limited and registrations will be taken until all available places are filled. This is a family program suitable for all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments will be served immediately following the program. Call the Youth Library to register (462-0652).

*Scott Hanson*

## Thursday, April 15
## 7 p.m.

**Beyond Words Photo Contest Winners** will be announced in the Metzger Conference Room of the Youth Library (lower level). Prizes of $100, $50, $25 and $10 will be awarded to the first, second, third and honorable mention categories in three divisions. Photos from the contest entries will be on display for viewing.




## "Time To Wake Up, World!" Preschool Story Times At Youth And Branch

*Time To Wake Up, World!* is the theme for the spring session of preschool story time for ages 3 5. Registration opens Saturday, March 6. We will take registrations in person or by phone until all available places are filled. Please register at the location where your child will be attending the program. We are offering two groups, one on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Youth Library and one on Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Children must be three years old as of March 1, 1999 to attend this session of story time.

The program includes stories, rhymes, songs, fingerplays, puppet shows, rhythmic activities and videos. The **six week session** runs from **March 16/18 through April 20/22**. To register, call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library (462-0652) or Rhoda Cairns at the Branch Library (463-1276).

# Special Events at Hayner

## Family Bedtime Stories At Youth Library

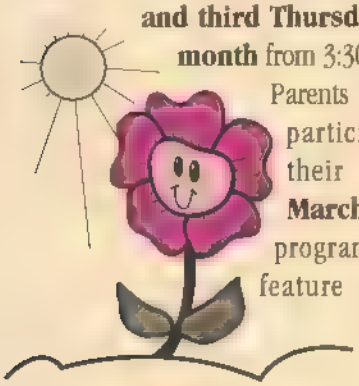
Mr. Sandman and the Lullaby Lady are going on a story hunt this spring at the Youth Library!

Registration for the spring session of family bedtime story time opens March 6 for children ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult. We will take registrations in person or by phone until all available places are filled. The group meets on **Tuesday evenings at 7:15 p.m.** at the Youth Library. Children must be two years old as of March 1, 1999 to attend this session.

Mr. Sandman and the Lullaby Lady provide a program of stories, songs, rhymes and puppet shows. Children may attend in their pajamas. The **six week session** runs from **March 16 through April 20**. To register call Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library (462-0652).

## "Flower-Power" After School Crafts Continue

Places are still available for the after school craft series for ages 6-11 at the Youth Library. There are two groups meeting on the **second and third Thursdays of each month** from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.



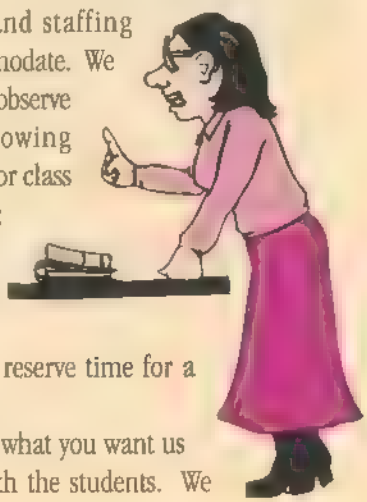
Parents are invited to participate with their children. **March and April** programs will each feature a different "flower-power" craft. For more information call Heather Whiteside at the Youth Library (462-0652).

## Traveling Puppet Show Available For Preschool And Kindergarten Visits

Our traveling puppet show has prepared a special program called ***Ready, Set, Read!*** for visits to preschools, day cares and kindergarten classes located in the library district. We will begin taking bookings for this program on Monday, March 22. We ask that teachers in the same building who want to take advantage of this program should coordinate scheduling and have one teacher call to book for everyone. The program lasts about 40 minutes, up to three consecutive sessions can be booked in the same building on the same day. We will take bookings until all available time slots are filled. For more information on this program please call Gloria Mitchell or Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library (462-0652).

## Library Field Trips... Teachers Please Note!

Many teachers want to bring their classes to the Youth Library for field trips during the last two months of the school year. We are pleased to welcome as many classes as our schedule and staffing can accommodate. We ask you to observe the following guidelines for class field trips: call at least two weeks in advance to reserve time for a field trip



Tell us what you want us to cover with the students. We offer a tour and brief history of the lib building; or a short, general introduction to the organization of the library and an overview of the kinds of materials and services we provide; or a story time and puppet show along with a talk about how to take care of library books. Due to limited space and equipment we are not able to provide in depth instruction on the library's automated catalog or Internet access.

Groups should be limited in size to 30 children or less, and each group should be accompanied by at least three adults (one adult for every ten children). For more information please call the Youth Library (462 0652).

## Remember the Library is Free for All!

All library-sponsored activities are free of charge and open to all residents and cardholders of the Hayner Public Library Di
For more information on the library and library activities check out our website at **http://www.altonweb.com/hayner**, our monthly column in **The Telegraph**, or catch us on **WBGZ Radio's** morning call-in show. Or call the library.

**Main Library**
**326 Belle Street**
**462-0651**

**Youth Library**
**401 State Street**
**462-0652**

**Branch Library**
**Alton Square**
**463-1276**

## *PATRON PROFILE: Dianne Burton*

by Bernadette Duvernoy,
Library Assistant

Dianne Burton is the subject of this issue's patron profile. She is a business woman who has contributed in many ways to the Alton community.

Dianne began her professional career as a manager at Towata Art Gallery in downtown Alton. There, she started framing for artists and antique dealers on a wholesale basis. Upon obtaining a Master's Degree in Business Administration, Dianne worked for the May Company as a Visual Merchandising Consultant and also designed model home interiors for construction companies. Through word of mouth she was sought out to continue framing for individual residences and interior design firms. Following the flood of 1993, Dianne opened her own retail art gallery, representing local artists.

This past summer, Dianne decided to re-focus her business on the individual customer (as opposed to artists), providing a variety of services including framing, installation, restoration, and appraisals. She hopes this will also allow her to spend more time with her daughter, Kate, before she goes off to college in just two more years!

Dianne has moved her home and business, Burton Art Services, to a new location at 908 State St. Dianne is really excited about her new home. Built in 1826 and made of native limestone, the house was a grocery store during the Civil War. From the street side, the structure looks to be a one-level building, but it is built against the hill and is actually a three-story structure, the back of which looks into woods Dianne says, "It's like living in a tree house!"

Dianne is also an Illinois State Nature Reserves Commissioner. Commissioned by the Governor's office, the responsibility of this position is to steward all nature preserve properties in the state, including the 400-acre Olin Nature Preserve. Additionally, Dianne is a member of the River Bend Growth Association and recently helped develop a seminar geared towards success and the small business.

*Dianne Burton*

Dianne really likes to focus on preserving early Alton painting and artwork. She recently finished a project for Hayner Library, mounting framing and hanging maps from an original 1873 Madison County almanac. You can see these works in the Illinois Room at the Adult Library. She is in the process of restoring other artwork in the Library, including some early Alton watercolors. Take a look at these the next time you're in the Library. ■

## *"CABIN FEVER"*

In the weeks after Christmas
Cabin fever took hold.
Snow and sleet pelted.
It was horribly cold.

The north wind kept blowing
the skies were all gray.
The snow and the ice
just would not go away.

We're trying to deal with
the weather we've got.
We sip mugs of cocoa—
the kind that is hot.

We sniffle and sneeze
and long for the day
Blue skies will appear
as the clouds go away.

We're stuck in our houses—
sidewalks are all covered
And yet overhead
even more snow clouds
hovered.

We've twisted our ankles
and bruised our behinds
Cabin fever is trying
to mess with our minds.

The streets have been
salted—
our cars are a mess.
At least we can travel
around more or less.

We think about springtime
and peek out the door.
The snow is now melting...
What?! the forecast says
MORE? ■

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Hemingway ("The Ship Also Rises"), and Michael Crichton ("Jurassic Trek"). *Star Trek* fans shouldn't miss this! –Susan K.

***Open Your Eyes***
by Alexandra Stoddard.
Non-fiction
Well-known interior decorator Stoddard uses the principles of sight as well as her own personal knowledge and experiences to help us experience the interiors of our homes and personal spaces in a different way. Her goal is to teach us not just to look at, but to see the spaces around us and learn how to make them more pleasant both visually and spiritually
–Susan K.

***Yankee Doodle Dead***
by Carolyn Hart. Mystery Fiction
Newest in the Annie and Max Darling series. Annie owns a resort bookstore called Death on Demand. Here the town's mystery readers gather to discuss mysteries as well as help solve the ones Max and Annie find themselves in. Fun writing with mystery author name-dropping throughout and characters that become your friends, Hart's series is perfect for readers who like their mysteries cozy
–Stephanie M.

***Free Man of Color and Fever Season*** by Barbara Hambly. Mystery Fiction
Mystery series featuring antebellum New Orleans and Benjamin January, accomplished musician, trained surgeon and reluctant investigator. January returns to his native city after 20 years in Paris and is having a hard time readjusting to the restricted world of the "Free colored". In Man of Free Color, January finds himself accused of murdering the greedy mistress of a member of one of New Orleans' most powerful Creole families. To clear

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himself, January must discover the real murderer-and the real motive-for her death. Fever Season finds January risking both his freedom and his life to solve a disappearance and find out the horrible secrets behind the locked doors of a New Orleans mansion –Pam K.

***We Interrupt This Broadcast***

by Joe Garner. Non-fiction

Collection of dramatic events that stopped radio, television and our lives. Presented in a book/CD format with narration by Bill Kurtis. Audio from the actual events themselves and powerful photographs makes these history-changing events come alive again –Katie S

***The Light of Falling Stars***

by J. Robert Lennon. Fiction

A commuter plane crashes in a small Montana town. Author Lennon tells the stories of those affected by it–the couple who witness it, the survivor, those left waiting for someone who will never arrive. In strong, clear prose Lennon examines feelings of loss, love, regret and finally being able to carry on again –Katie S.

***Marrying Mom***

by Olivia Goldsmith. Fiction

Olivia Goldsmith gives her readers a new twist on dealing with death in the family. Phyllis Geronomous' grown children take us along on their mission to get Mom married and off their hands! Readers will be able to relate to the characters in this hilarious book that will keep them laughing from cover to cover! –Jeff O.

***Evening***

by Susan Minot. Fiction

A woman on her deathbed vacillating between consciousness and unconsciousness revisits the great passions of her life. A haunting novel –Bernie D.

***Ingenious Pain***

by Andrew Miller. Fiction

A novel about an English surgeon who is impervious to physical pain. Offers exposure to 18th century philosophical thought, medical practice and historical events –Bernie D. ■

# BEYOND WORDS CELEBRATING AMERICA'S LIBRARIES PHOTO CONTEST

Amateur and professional photographers are invited to capture the spirit of the library in the ***Beyond Words: Celebrating America's Libraries*** Photo Contest. It is being sponsored by Hayner Library in celebration of the Bicentennial of the Library of Congress in the year 2000.

Photos should demonstrate the best of what the library has to offer–whether it's a place to study, surf the Internet, enjoy a story, check out a new mystery or video, and/or how the library makes a difference in a person's life. Today's libraries provide an array of resources to build a nation of readers and lifelong learners. Photos can be taken anywhere the library makes a difference.

The contest is open to photographers of all ages. Winners will be chosen in three divisions: 1) professional; 2) amateur/adult; and 3) amateur/youth (ages 6-17). Rules and entry forms are available at all three Hayner locations. Entries will be accepted through ***April 2, 1999***

Prizes will be awarded in each division. They include $100 for first place; $50 for second place; $25 for third place and $10 for honorable mention. Winners will be announced on Thursday, April 15 at 7 p.m. in the Metzger Conference Room located on the lower level of the Youth Library.

The top three winners in each division will be forwarded for judging in the national Beyond Words Photo Contest sponsored by the American Library Association and the Library of Congress. Start snapping those pictures. ■


THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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Alton, Illinois 62002

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# The Hayner Public Library District

Summer 1999

## THE TELEGRAPH INDEX — HAYNER'S RESEARCH GEM

One of Hayner Library's most unique and valuable resources is its *Alton Telegraph* index. This index to Alton's newspaper offers a wealth of information to genealogists and local history buffs and a timesaving tool to the patron who just needs to find an obituary.

The index currently covers the years 1836 to 1939 and 1970 to 1989. It can be used to help locate not only personal names in the *Telegraph*, but also subjects such as businesses, organizations or historical events from the Alton area. If an article has been cited, the index lists the date, section, page and column where the story can be found and whether or not a picture is included. Hayner holds the newspaper itself on microfilm, from 1836 to current, so the entire article can be easily read or printed out.

The original *Telegraph* index began as a Work Projects

*Staff members that index the* ***Telegraph***--
*Martha Fry (sitting), Marjorie Hallett, Pam Smith*

Administration activity in the 1930's. Workers indexed the years 1836-1933 on cards. These cards seemed forgotten until the 1970's when they resurfaced during a renovation project at the newspaper. At that time, the library and the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association published the index in book form. The library also picked up where the WPA left off, completing the indexing of the 1930's while simultaneously indexing the current newspapers.

The index project continued with generous support from the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association and help from the Alton Foundation until it came under the library itself. The project is now computerized and employs three Hayner staff members with the finished index produced on microfilm. Currently the early 1990's are being indexed with plans to go back and cover the earlier years that have not been done.

The *Telegraph* index and the Telegraph on microfilm are located at the Adult Library downtown. There are two microfilm readers at that location and staff that can show researchers how to use them. Both microfilm readers have printing capability with copies $.10 per page. Whether you're doing detailed research or just need an obituary fast, try the *Telegraph* index first and see if it can do some of the hard work for you ■

## NEW STAFF AT THE YOUTH LIBRARY

*Geralyn Lindow*

Please join us in welcoming Geralyn Lindow to the staff of the Youth Library. Geralyn is a transplant from Minnesota. She and husband Paul and their four children live in Bethalto now. Geralyn has been a teacher and a home school mother for the past nine years. In her mythical spare time she enjoys crafts and sewing. Geralyn will be doing our craft programs and story times at the Branch Library. She succeeds (because no one could possibly replace) Heather Whiteside, who is leaving the Youth Library to get married and move to Tennessee. A warm welcome to Geralyn and best wishes for all future happiness to Heather! ■

**Things to Know...**
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays
Memorial Day (Sunday, May 30 and Monday, May 31)
Father's Day (Sunday, June 20)
Independence Day
(Sunday, July 4)

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## STAFF PICKS - WHAT WE'RE READING...

***Do I Know You ?: Living Through the End of a Parent's Life***

by Betty Ann Moskowitz. Non-fiction

The author takes the reader through stages of denial to gradual acceptance of facts and role reversal with a parent's mental decline She discusses the doubts we have concerning the decision to place a loved one in a care facility and the skepticism and mistrust of the actual care delivered and supports readers in the emotions they have at this time and lets them know these feelings are not unique –Cathie L.

***The Elegant Universe: Superstrings, Hidden Dimensions, and the Quest for the Ultimate Theory***

by Brian R. Green. Non-fiction

Presents an intelligent explanation of the theories of scientific law that govern the universe. Clearly written and easy to understand by the average person –Cathie L.

***Saga of a Wayward Sailor***

by Tristan Jones. Non-fiction

Autobiographical sketches of Jones' adventures–both the dangers he encounters and the characters he meets during his small boat seafaring with his three-legged dog Nelson. From the Baltic Sea to the Atlantic and beyond, Jones salty tales are full of humor but also offer the philosophy of overcoming adversity. Jones has written several nonfiction and fiction books –Jan H.

***Dave Barry in Cyberspace***

by Dave Barry Non-fiction

Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Dave Barry takes a hilarious look at the Internet, computers, and his lack of ability to use both. Computer lovers and haters alike will laugh out loud reading about Dave's attempts at using the World Wide Web to access web sites, chat rooms, and his misadventures in buying his own PC. This book is a definite "must read" for anyone thinking of entering the computer age – Mary P.

***Darkness Take My Hand***

by Dennis Lehane. Fiction

A Boston PI tracks down a serial killer...grizzly violence and suspense...a real page turner but definitely NOT for the squeamish. Great characters and wisecracking dialogue. If you are a John Sandford or Thomas Harris fan, I'm betting you'll love Lehane – Bernie D.

***Nice Work if You Can Get It: My Life in Rhythm and Rhyme***

by Michael Feinstein. Non-fiction

Michael Feinstein's autobiography chronicling his growth and development as a performer including the six years he spent working with Ira Gershwin. Lots of fascinating anecdotes of some of the great contemporary composers including the Gershwins, Harry Warren, Harold Arlen, Irving Berlin and more. You can check out Mr. Feinstein's CD s and video at the library too! – Bernie D.

***Outlander***

by Diana Gabaldon. Fiction

An oldie, but good. If you like adventure and period settings, this series by Diana Gabaldon, Outlander, Dragonfly in Amber, Voyager and Drums of Autumn will keep you riveted. Remember, be careful of the Stones...– Ginger T.

***My Master's Touch***

by Lynda Nelson. Fiction

A heartfelt story of Jesus as told by a tiny burro, this beautifully written story, My Master's Touch, is a "master's piece." A powerful story in a tiny book – Ginger T.

***The Hairstons: an American Family in Black and White***

by Henry Wiencek. Non-fiction

A fascinating look at slavery and its legacy as shown through the black and white members of the Hairston family, one of the wealthiest and largest slave holders in pre-Civil War America. Plantation accounts, family papers and oral histories document plantation life for both groups. Wiencek spent seven years researching and writing what happened to the family lines down through modern descendants today with the mystery of a lost child at the center of this very readable story –Katie S

***Cold Sassy Tree***

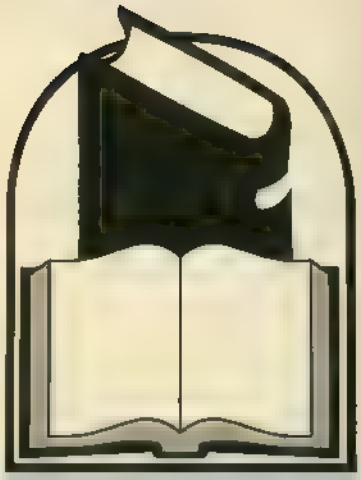
by Olive Ann Burns. Fiction

An older book but still wonderful. It's the turn of the century in Georgia. 14-year-old Will Tweedy's grandfather owns the town's general store. When Grandpa elopes with a lady half his age three weeks after his wife's death, Will watches his family and the town react the way families and small towns do. Warm, honest, funny – you'll love Burns' characters and the town she creates. This is one of those books you hate to see end Katie S.

***In the Lake of the Woods***

by Tim O'Brien. Fiction

After an unsuccessful bid for U.S. Senate, a bid destroyed by his hidden past in Vietnam, John Wade and his wife Kathy seek refuge in a cabin on the shore of a Minnesota lake. Kathy disappears. Is she in the lake or did she escape John and his past? In this psychological thriller, Pulitzer Prize winning author Tim O Brien takes us into the mind of a person able to hide the truth even from himself. Haunting and beautifully written. I couldn't put it down –Katie S. and Bernie D



### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: FICTION*

Block, Lawrence. BURGLAR IN THE RYE
Brand, Max. STOLEN GOLD
Cornwell, Patricia. BLACK NOTICE
Coulter, Catherine. THE EDGE
D'Amato, Barbara. HARD EVIDENCE
Delinsky, Barbara. LAKE NEWS
Dickey, Eric Jerome. CHEATERS
Eagle, Kathleen. WHAT THE HEART KNOWS
Ellison, Ralph JUNETEENTH
Hemingway, Ernest. TRUE AT FIRST LIGHT
Higgins, Jack. THE WHITE HOUSE CONNECTION
Kienzle, William X. NO GREATER LOVE
Oates, Joyce Carol. BROKE HEART BLUES
Pearson, Ridley. THE FIRST VICTIM
Roberts, Nora. CARNAL INNOCENCE
Sanders, Lawrence MCNALLY S DILEMMA
Turtledove, Harry. INTO THE DARKNESS
Vonnegut, Kurt. BAGOMBO SNUFF BOX
Zahn, Timothy. ICARUS HUNT

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: NONFICTION*

Cramer Richard Ben. JOE DIMAGGIO THE HERO'S LIFE
Dent, Harry S. THE ROARING 2000S
Fisler, Benita Byron CHILD OF PASSION FOOL OF FAME
Ginsberg, Allen DEATH AND FAME. LAST POEMS 1993-1997
Jewel. LIFE STORIES
Owen David. THE MAKING OF THE MASTERS: CLIFFORD ROBERTS, AUGUSTA NATIONAL, AND GOLF'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS TOURNAMENT
Reynolds, Michael Hemingway THE FINAL YEARS
Solomon, Burt. WHERE THEY AIN'T THE FABLED LIFE AND UNTIMELY DEATH OF THE ORIGINAL BALTIMORE ORIOLES, THE TEAM THAT GAVE BIRTH TO MODERN BASEBALL
Stewart, Martha. MARTHA STEWART'S HORS D OEUVRE HANDBOOK
Stone, Steve. Where s Harry? STEVE STONE REMEMBERS HIS YEARS WITH HARRY CARAY

# Special Events at Hayner

## Trek On Down To Hayner And Read The Summer Away!

Sign up for the 1999 summer reading club — **Time Trek Readers** — between June 5 and July 3 at the Youth Library or the Alton Square Branch Library The **original** virtual reality device is waiting for you at the library a compact, *portable, interactive* laptop unit called **The Book!** Just plug in your imagination and you have total access to any thing, any time, any where. Reading club is open to all kids ages 0-15. Even prereaders can participate if an adult agrees to read to them.

Children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent or other adult caregiver who can co-sign the registration. Teens (ages 12-15) can register on their own. Registration for all summer programs is in-person only; we regret we cannot accept telephone registrations.

Those who complete at least 6 hours of reading and turn in their time slips by August 2 win a free paperback book reading award. Books will be distributed at the End of Summer Party on August 5 at the Riverbend Arena, Lewis & Clark Community College. If you can't make the party you can pick up your book at the Youth Library any time between August 6 and August 28.

Reading club members also receive incentive prizes for every 6 hours of reading completed up to 30 hours. Those who read 30 hours or more will have their names posted on the **Century Readers** display at the Youth Library. Those who read the most hours in each age division are declared our **1999 Reading Champions**. The school with the highest percentage of students completing the reading program will win the Friends of the Library **Traveling Summer Reading Trophy**.

Summer schools and day care centers can partner with the library as outreach sites and participate in the summer reading program at Hayner. Call Pam Klipsch at Hayner Youth Library (462-0652) for more information.

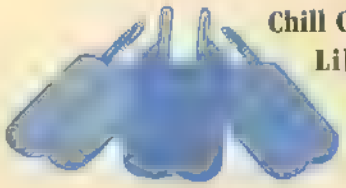
## Activity Programs

In addition to the summer reading club, the library provides a variety of activity programs for children and teens. All library programs are free and open to any resident or cardholder of Hayner Public Library District. Some programs have age limits, and the number of participants may be limited due to available space. Registration for all programs opens June 5 unless otherwise noted. Register in person only at the location where you plan to attend the program. Registration for each program closes when all available places are filled. No activity programs meet during the week of July 4-10.

## J.D. Junior Volunteers

Our summer service project for ages 12-15 provides an opportunity to teens to volunteer one day a week at the Youth Library during the summer. You can pick up an application packet at the Youth Library beginning May 3. We will begin accepting volunteer applications at the Youth Library on Tuesday, June 1. Enrollment is limited to ten volunteers.

## Saturday, June 12
## 9 a.m.



**Chill Out At The Library** on Saturday, June 12th The first 100 children (ages 0-15) who check out books from the Youth Library will receive a free frozen juice popsicle. The funs starts when the library opens at 9 a.m.!

## Wednesday, July 7
## 6:30 p.m.
## Ghost Author at Adult Library

Ghosts don't appear just at Halloween, and to prove it, local author, Troy Taylor will be talking about ghosts in general and local at 6:30 p.m. in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room of the Adult Library. Taylor, originally from Decatur, Illinois, owns and operates *Riverboat Molly's Book Company* in Alton. He has written nine books about ghosts and hauntings in America, including **The Ghost Hunter's Handbook** and his latest book, **Haunted Illinois**. He is also the editor of *Ghosts of the Prairie* Magazine, a travel guide to haunted places in America; and president of the American Ghost Society, a network of ghost hunters from the U.S. and Canada. Copies of Mr. Taylor's books will be available for purchasing after the program. Seating is limited. Please call the Adult Library to register at 462-0651.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Sunday, July 25, 2 p.m.

**Santa In The Summer Sunday** a program of stories, songs, simple crafts and refreshments with a special guest appearance by the Ho-Ho-Ho Guy will be presented Sunday, July 25 at 2 p.m. at the Youth Library This program is designed for children of all ages accompanied by an adult. Due to space limitations we can take only 20 children for this program. Registration will open Saturday, July 17 and close when all available places are filled.

## Story Time eXpress

Our preschool story time for ages 3-5 will be held on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Youth Library and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. There is a limit of 20 children at each location. Program dates are June15/17, 22/24, 29/July 1, 13/15, 20/22, 27/29. Activities include stories, songs, fingerplays, exercises, puppet shows and video films.

## Mr. Sandman eXplores Time

Our bedtime story time for ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. at the Youth Library. Attendance is limited to 15 children plus adults. Program dates are June 15, 22, 29; July 13, 20, 27. Mr. Sandman and the Lullaby Lady provide a program of stories, songs, fingerplays, rhythmic activities, and puppet shows. Children may attend in their pajamas.

## X Crafts: Alien Artifacts Around The World

Our family crafts and activities program for ages 6-11 will feature amazing crafts from many worlds. We have scheduled three sessions: Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 10:30 at the Youth Library, and Thursday mornings at 11 at the Alton Square Branch Library. Attendance in each session is limited to 20 children; adults are welcome to attend with their children and help with the crafts. Program dates are June 15/16/17, 22/23/24, 29/30/July 1, 13/14/15, 20/21/22, 27/28/29.

## eXcentreks: Traveler's Tales Video Festival

Our summer video festival is for children of all ages accompanied by an adult. Programs are held on Thursday afternoons at 2 p.m. at the Youth Library, and generally run about one hour. No registration is required. Program dates are June 17, 24, July 1, 15, 22, 29. The list of films scheduled will be available at the library beginning June 5.

## The Secret Garden Read-Aloud

Library staff will read aloud from favorite stories on Thursday mornings at 11 a.m. in the Youth Library Garden. This program is for children of all ages accompanied by an adult. No registration is required. Program dates are June 17, 24, July 1, 15, 22, 29. Please bring cushions, towels or blankets to sit on, and the library will provide something cool to drink!

## Book Previews: New Book for Kids for Adults Who Work With Them

Teachers and other adult caregivers who work with kids will have an opportunity to view and discuss recent fiction and nonfiction books for children and teens available at Hayner Youth Library. Hayner has one of the largest collections of materials for kids in the Metro East area. We will offer two sessions on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at the Youth Library: Session I will be held June 16 and 23, Session II will be held July 14 and 21. Each session is limited to 12 participants. Learn more about the resources available to you and your students at the library.

## Remember the Library is Free for All!

All library-sponsored activities are free of charge and open to all residents and cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District. For more information on the library and library activities check out our website at: **http://www.altonweb.com/hayner**, our monthly column in **The Telegraph**, or catch us on **WBGZ Radio's** morning call-in show. Or call the library.

**Main Library**
**326 Belle Street**
**462-0651**

**Youth Library**
**401 State Street**
**462-0652**

**Branch Library**
**Alton Square**
**463-1276**

# JENNIE D. HAYNER LIBRARY ASSOCIATION GIFT BOOKS

On different occasions the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association gives books to the library in appreciation and in memory of individuals that have given of their time to the library association. The following booklists honor some of these individuals

Books ordered in **appreciation of Charles Godfrey's** many years of professional service on behalf of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association include:

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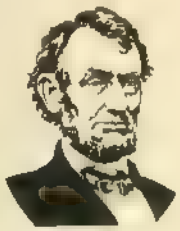
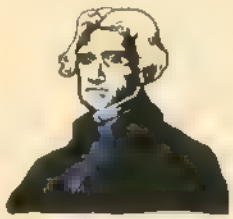
| Brown, R.B. | LINCOLN LORE: LINCOLN IN THE POPULAR MIND |
| Byrd, Max | JEFFERSON (Large Print) |
| Fehrenbacher, D.E. | PRELUDE TO GREATNESS: LINCOLN IN THE 1850'S |
| Fletcher, George | BASIC CONCEPTS OF LEGAL THOUGHT |
| Neely, M.E. | THE LAST BEST HOPE OF EARTH |
| Scheurman, W.E. | THE RULE OF LAW UNDER SIEGE |





Books ordered in **memory of Mary Ellen Griswold Middleton**, who was a devoted, active member of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association board from 1957 until 1997 include:

**Subject Matter: France–**

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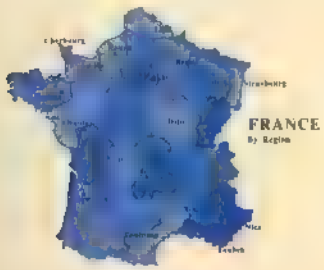
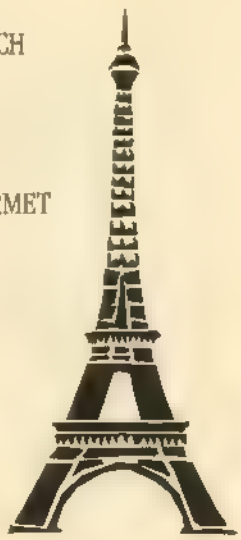
| Ardagh | CULTURAL ATLAS OF FRANCE |
| Bentley | TO LIVE IN FRANCE |
| Cameron & Salinger | ABOVE PARIS |
| Hyde | IMPRESSIONISTS FOR KIDS |
| Kelder | GREAT BOOKS OF FRENCH IMPRESSIONISM |
| Phillipe | FRANCE FROM THE AIR |
| Price | FRANCE FOR THE GOURMET TRAVELER |



**Subject Matter: Contract Bridge–**

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| Goren | NEW BRIDGE COMPLETE (2 copies) |
| Goren & Sharif | THE FUN WAY TO SERIOUS BRIDGE |
| Kantar | BRIDGE CONVENTIONS |
| Kantar | BRIDGE FOR DUMMIES |

**Videos:**

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|---|---|
| Grant | GETTING STARTED (3 video set from the American Contract Bridge League) |
| | COMPUTERIZED MULTIMEDIA BRIDGE COURSE |
| Steves | FRANCE:BURGUNDY, PROVENCE, LOIRE |
| Steves | FRANCE: PARIS, NORMANDY, BRITTANY |

Books ordered in **memory of Gladys Levis Allen** include:

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| Audubon | WATERCOLORS FOR THE BIRDS OF AMERICA |
| Lansing | THE ENDURANCE:SHACKLETON'S INCREDIBLE VOYAGE |
| Catlin | LETTERS, NOTES ON THE MANNERS, CUSTOMS & CONDITIONS OF THE NORTH AMERICAN INDIANS |
| Truettner | THE WEST AS AMERICA |
| Tyler | AUDUBON'S GREAT NATIONAL WORK |
| Twain | LIFE ON THE MISSISSIPPI (Large Print) |
| Stewart | CARL WIMAR CHRONICLEER OF THE MISSOURI RIVER FRONTIER |

These booklists were prepared by Ella Anschuetz and Jody Morrissey, members of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association.

## NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Welcome to **Susan Huber** and **Rick Lauschke**, new board members, who join the Hayner Public Library District Board of Trustees. Susan and Rick were the elected candidates from a slate of six candidates running for library board trustee in the April 13th general election, along with incumbent **Kevin Botterbush**.

*New Board Members*
*Susan Huber & Rick Lauschke*

Susan is an Alton High School graduate with an associate's degree from Belleville Area College in physical therapy. She is a physical therapy assistant at Alton Physical Therapy PC and a member of the Friends of Hayner Library. Susan's mother, Sarah Huber, served on the library board for 12 years which sparked her interest in running for trustee. She states that "I just grew up at the library. It is a big asset for Alton and I have time to make the commitment to a good cause. We need to promote it better to the community. The present board and staff are doing a great job."

Rick is director of sales and marketing for Premier Air Center of Bethalto. He is a graduate of the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana and spent 16 years working for IBM in sales and marketing. Rick said he was raised to "give back to the community" and wants to do so by serving on the library board. He also served on the Alton School District's Facility (field house) Planning Committee. He feels that the library is a great facility and wants to do anything that he can to promote and improve it with his business experience. ■

## HAYNER HOMEBOUND SALUTES ITS VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers for Hayner's Homebound program make a difference with their special warmth and care. The library would like to say thank you for their services and for the extra time shared with the program's users. The volunteers are a shining inspiration for the work performed. They make a world a better place and we appreciate their efforts.

*From left to right (sitting) Jody Stuart, Ginger Thomaczek, Dr. Ned DuVivier*
*Standing: Stephanie Munson, Kathie Rain, June Weinrich*

A special luncheon served by Stephanie Munson, Homebound Program Coordinator, was given in honor of the thousand of hours the volunteers in the Homebound program give to Hayner Library's Homebound patrons during National Library Week.

The Homebound Program would not be functioning without the help of Dr. Ned DuVivier, Kathie Rain, Jody Stuart, Ev Keehner, Spiv Woelfle, June Weinrich and Iris Saaf ■

## NOVELIST DATABASE AVAILABLE AT HAYNER

*"I like to read mysteries set in Chicago with female protagonists." "Could I have a list of books written by Toni Morrison?" "I'd like to read some of the Nebula Award winners – which books have won?"*

If you've ever had a question similar to any of these, you'll love the NoveList database. Made available to Hayner Library through the Illinois State Library, this Internet reader's advisory database is the place to look for your favorite type of fiction books. You can look up books using any of the following methods:

Match a Favorite Author
Match a Favorite Book
Describe a Plot
Best Fiction
Explore Fiction

Once you have generated your initial list, you may choose to find similar books to the ones on your list, or browse through lists of books you've generated and save choices to a personal list.

Come in and try the NoveList database on the Internet at any of the Hayner locations. If you have any questions, feel free to ask Susan or Katie at the Adult Library for assistance. ■

## LET HAYNER HELP YOU PLAN YOUR FAMILY VACATION

Even at its best, a good vacation can be a lot of work–scheduling time off; finding and booking the cheapest flights, hotels, or rental vehicles; packing, and planning. Add children to this mayhem–packing toys, supplies, and clothing, plus worrying about how to keep them safe and entertained–and you may be tempted to throw in the towel and stay home! Don't despair, though–Hayner Library has plenty of resources on how to make the most of your family vacation this year.

Don't leave until you've looked at Claire Tristram's **Have Kid, Will Travel: 101 Survival Strategies for Vacationing with Babies and Young Children** (306.874 TRI). This gem covers everything: road, air and international trips, camping, hotels and restaurants, special situations, and emergencies. When you are ready to decide on a destination, try one of these: **Super Family Vacations Resort and Adventure Guide,** by Martha Shirk (917.04 SHI); **Great Family Vacations: Midwest and Rocky Mountain Region,** by Candyce H. Stapen (917.8 STA); **50 Great Family Vacations: Western North America,** also by Candyce H. Stapen (917.8043 STA); or **The Best Bargain Family Vacations in the U.S.A.,** by Laura Sutherland. More specialized information can be found in Herb Gordon's **The Joy of Family Camping** (796.54 GOR) or Rita Aero's **Walt Disney World for Adults and Families, Too!** (917.592 AER).

If you'd rather not stray far from home, you can still have fun outings with your kids. Lori Meek Schuldt's **Illinois Family Adventure Guide** (917.7304 SCH) covers attractions in Chicago and the vicinity, as well as in other areas of Illinois. If you want to stay even closer, try

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## *PATRON PROFILE: Robert St. Peters*

by Bernadette Duvernoy,
Library Assistant

Robert St. Peters, this issue's patron profile, is a true Alton Landmark! A native of Alton, Illinois, Bob has had a rich and varied career and has consistently given of himself to family, country, community and friends.

Bob attended Marquette High School, graduating with the class of 1942. In June, 1943 he was inducted into the Navy and served until April, 1946. He was an Electrician Mate 2nd Class serving on the USS Franklin CV-13 aircraft carrier. The Franklin served in the South Pacific and was in five major battles. It was the most decorated and most damaged ship in naval history to return to port under its own power, a trip of 13,000 miles. Bob has been President of the USS Franklin Museum Association since 1987.

After leaving the service Bob went to St. Francis Seminary for one year. He left the seminary, moved to Philadelphia and married a former Senior USO Hostess, Helen Lowrey, whom he had met while serving in the Navy. Bob and Helen moved back to Alton in 1952 and raised their family of four children - Robbie, Helen, Joan & Janice (twins). Bob worked for McDonnell-Douglas for 23 years as a Senior Design Engineer.

In 1970, Bob became a charter member of the Alton Area Landmarks Association. He has been President for 25 years. Bob led the fight to save the Alton Riverfront and thus the city named the former Front Street "Landmarks Blvd."

Bob's wife, Helen, was responsible for starting and developing the school library at Sts. Peter & Paul Grade School, which is now known as the Helen St. Peters Memorial Library.

Helen passed away in 1995. That was the same year Bob began studying the violin under Pete Pancella at Lewis & Clark Community College. Today, Bob plays once a month at St. Clare's Adult Day Care Center to "a most appreciative audience." Bob also plays percussion with the New Horizon Band at Lewis & Clark Community College. He has also performed the Hawaiian Guitar for audiences at Hayner Public Library and Red Lobster Restaurant.

*Bob St. Peters*

Bob is a wonderful friend to all of us in the library. He always has laughter to share and a great enjoyment of life that is contagious. Thank you, Bob, for all your contributions to the community and to your friends! ■

## *"NECESSITIES OF SPRING"*

*by Cathie Lamere*

Spring is upon us,
Winter is over,
Soon we'll be able
To romp in the clover.

The breezes are warmer,
The lawns are now greening.
Winter s damage is showing--
It's time for yard preening!

Garden beds to attend now -
We hoe and we rake.
It looks so much better,
But my muscles all ache!

I thought I could sit,
Relax and just read
A library book-
Is just what I need!

At the library,
I browsed and I wandered
An enormous selection--
I paused and I pondered.

The shelves were quite full.
It was really astounding.
The books and the music
And films were surrounding.

I forgot all my pains,
My tiredness abated
With all my great finds
I felt truly elated.

I made my selection,
Went home, had a look.
And the next thing I knew
I was lost in a book. ■

*VACATION continued*

Elizabeth Leiber's **Spending Time With Your Children St. Louis Style,** which covers fun activities you can do with your kids on both sides of the river.

For more tips on how to travel with kids, check out the **Yahoo! Family Travel** site on the Internet (http://dir.yahoo.com/Recreation/Travel/Family_Travel/). It has information on family camping, tours, planning, travel toys, and more, as well as tips and advice on how to travel with kids. ■

## *BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP AT HAYNER*

If you love books and love to read, join us for the book discussion group held once a month at Hayner Library.

The group meets from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M. on the fourth Friday of every month. Meetings are held in the Metzger Conference Room, located in the lower level of the Youth Library downtown. The group currently has about ten members who meet over coffee to discuss that month's book, choose future picks and exchange the names of good reads they have found. A staff member helps moderate the discussions, finding brief and sometimes offbeat biographical information about the authors and a few literary reviews.

The group has met at the library for over a year and book choices have included fiction, non-fiction and mysteries. Some group favorites: *A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest Gaines — profoundly moving; *Snow Falling on Cedars* by David Guterson — the group loved it and can't wait to read his new one; *No Ordinary Time* by Doris Kearns Goodwin, a non-fiction about the home front under F.D.R. — led to great personal reminiscences about the war years.

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Whether you just love books, want to try new authors, or would like to share the thoughts you have after you've finished the last page, join us for our book discussion group. New members are welcome. Upcoming titles and dates for discussion include:

**May 28th**

***Alias Grace*** by Margaret Atwood. Based on an actual 19th century murder case in which a young housemaid is convicted of killing her employer and his mistress. Offers a look at the developing fields of psychology and hypnosis.

**June 25th**

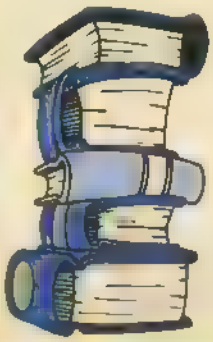
***Angle of Repose*** by Wallace Stegner. Stegner's masterpiece and a Pulitzer Prize winner, the story of four generations and the developing American West with a wheelchair-bound retired historian's quest to learn about his grandparents, now dead, at the story's heart.

**July 23rd**

***House of Mirth*** by Edith Wharton.

The story of Lily Bart's fall from New York society at the turn of the century because she did not fit its idea of what a woman her age should be.

Anyone interested in joining the book discussion group or just trying out a session can contact Katie at Hayner's Adult Library downtown or call the Adult Library at 462-0651. ■



## *BEYOND WORDS: CELEBRATING AMERICA'S LIBRARIES PHOTO CONTEST WINNER*

*"Delivery Day"*
*From left: Stephanie Munson, Homebound Program Coordinator, Pauline Seago, Pauline Wills, Stella Corn Mary St. Clair Agnes Short*

Gail Betts was the first place winner in the adult amateur division of the library's Beyond Words photo contest. Gail was awarded $100 for her winning photo of "Delivery Day" from Hayner Library at Hillcrest Apartments. Gail's photo has been forwarded to the national photo contest being sponsored by the American Library Association. Congratulations, Gail and good luck on the national level ■

GARDEN

## *GARDENING RESOURCES*

It's that time of year when everyone becomes obsessed with gardening. Here are some of our newer gardening books:

Ellis, Barbara W. **Taylor's Guide to Growing North America's Favorite Plants** (OVERSIZE 635.9097 ELL).
Lacy, Allen. **The Inviting Garden: Gardening for the Senses, Mind, and Spirit** (635 LAC).
McClure, Susan **The Midwest Gardener's Book of Lists** (635.0977 MCC)
Starting from Seed: **The Natural Gardener's Guide to Propagating Plants** (635.9 STA)
Tibbs, Mike. Growing Classing Orchids (635.9344 TIB)

For more specialized information on summer gardening, try one of these:

Better Homes and Gardens. **Gardening Weekends: Strategies for the Busy Gardener** (635 WOO)
Kulla, Patricia Shannon. **Make Your Summer Garden Last All Year** (635 KUL)
Midwest Gardening. **A Seasonal Video Guide** (VIDEO 635 MID)
Toogood, Alan R. **The Flower Garden: Summer Flowers from Seed** (635 WOO: at Branch)
Xerxes Society **Butterfly Gardening: Creating Summer Magic in Your Garden** (595.789 BUT)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Main & Youth Libraries
Mon - Thurs, 8 am to 8 pm
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# The Hayner Public Library District

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## BANNED BOOKS WEEK (SEPTEMBER 25 - OCTOBER 2)
## CELEBRATING OUR FREEDOM TO READ!

Hayner Public Library will participate in Banned Books Week with special displays and handouts at all three library locations. Banned Books Week is an annual national event co-sponsored by the American Library Association, the American Booksellers Association, the Association of American Publishers, the Library of Congress Center For The Book and other national groups that uphold the traditional and uniquely American values enshrined in the First Amendment: the right of every individual to decide for himself what he will read, hear, view, think and speak.

America's public libraries play an important role in maintaining the First Amendment rights of every citizen to share in the free and open exchange of information and ideas necessary for people to govern themselves. This summer at the American Library Association's annual convention in New Orleans, retired General Colin Powell, speaking at the opening general session, applauded America's libraries and librarians for the work they do, and especially their concern for the well being of families and children.

In a statement adopted this summer, *Libraries: An American Value*, ALA has reiterated its commitment to the people libraries serve. The Board of Trustees and staff of the Hayner Public Library District are proud to endorse this statement and adopt it as the policy of this library. Copies of *Libraries: An American Value* will be displayed at all Hayner locations to remind us that the people we serve are the reason we are here. ■

## SEPTEMBER SIGN UP AND WIN!!!!

Well, the summer's over, the kids are back in school and guess what? Homework, science projects, term papers, book reports are all looming on the horizon! Time to get that most important of school supplies . . . a library card. September is ***Library Card Sign-Up Month*** and we would like to see EVERYONE be able to take advantage of our wonderful collections. Students can check out materials to prepare their assignments. Business people can keep up to date with the current periodicals and business books or, if you're looking for a new job, maybe books on resume prep and interviewing techniques would be helpful. Of course there's nothing like having the latest best seller to read on a cool fall night. Whatever your reading needs, come to the library, let us show you around and sign you up for a card. For added encouragement during the month of September, every new card issued to a child or teenager at the Youth Library will come with a free paperback book to keep or get a free local area map when you sign up for a new card at the Hayner Main and Branch locations. To get a library card couldn't be easier. Just bring proof of residency in Alton, Godfrey or Fosterburg (drivers license or checkbook or tax bill etc.) to any Hayner location. It only takes a few minutes... Remember if you are under eighteen, parent or guardian signature is required. Your new card can be used at all three Hayner locations, at any public library in the Metro-East area and throughout the entire state of Illinois. Come to the library and WIN ! ■

**Things to Know...**
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Labor Day
Monday, September 6,
Veteran's Day
Wednesday, November 11,
Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 25

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Kevin Botterbush, President
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Jody Morrissey, Secretary
Nancy De Grand
Susan Huber
Rick Lauschke
David Roller

## *FIDDLE MUSIC RETURNS!!*

Last fall, the library featured violin and fiddle music by Pete Pancella and Mary Neist. They return this year on November 9, 1999.

*Pete and Mary Pancella*

The founder and Director of the Lewis and Clark Camerata, Pete Pancella has been performing and teaching in the region since 1985. In recent years, he and Mary (now husband and wife), have collaborated on a number of projects. Holding a Masters in Liturgy from the University of Notre Dame, Mary, now Mary N. Pancella, is organist and Director of Choirs at Holy Infant Church in Ballwin. Although her major instruments are piano and organ, her role in the duo includes vocals and guitar as well as keyboards. Their polkas, tangos and waltzes were featured last year at First Night River Bend. In January, both were involved in the festivities surrounding the Pope's visit to the United States — Mary in the Archdiocesan Choir and Pete as Director of the Louis IX Consort. From there it was on to the Christopher Radko Ornament promotion for several hours of Irish music.

As a special guest this year, the library welcomes a young but seasoned fiddler. Aaron Hummert, a freshman at Belleville West, has been studying violin for nine years and piano for six years. He also plays guitar and five-string banjo. In addition to playing the violin with the Metro-East Junior Philharmonic Orchestra, he is very active in the local bluegrass and traditional music community. He has won several awards for fiddling including first place at the O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Old Time Fiddling Contest. He was honored with the Pappy's Choice Award for dedication to the art of fiddling at the 1998 Pappy Wade Ray Fiddling Contest. He also won first place in the Illinois State Fair Junior Fiddling Championship in 1998.

The centerpiece of this year's program will be American style traditional string music. Improvisation is the main ingredient in the old style folk music, whether it comes from the Appalachian Mountains or the plains of Texas. Out of Kentucky came Bill Monroe, who with his "Bluegrass Boys" became a chief ambassador of this difficult-to-categorize music. Up-tempo arrangements with vocal harmonies gave Monroe's music enough commercial appeal to create a whole new genre of music. The trio will perform this "bluegrass" music as well as what some prefer to call "old time" or "old style" music.

*Aaron Hummert*

You do not want to miss this exciting evening of foot stamping, hand clapping musical entertainment. There is no charge for the show but seating is limited so please call the Adult Library to register at 462-0651. The performance will be held at 6:30, Nov. 9, 1999 in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room of the Adult Library. ■

## *SUNDAY MATINEE AT HAYNER — INTERNATIONAL & INDEPENDENT FILM SERIES*

International and independent films will be the focus of a new film series on Sunday afternoons at Hayner Public Library this fall. Starting Sunday, October 17 and running through December 5, new films added to the Hayner video collection will debut on the widescreen television in the Metzger Conference Room, located on the lower level of the Hayner Memorial Building, 401 State Street. Films will start promptly at 1:30 p.m. A list of films and showdates, with brief descriptions of the films, will be available at all Hayner locations beginning October 1. No registration is necessary to attend.

Over the last eight years the library has developed an extensive collection of international and independent films on video as part of its participation in a regional cooperative project with other Metro East libraries. Some titles are unique, not readily available anywhere else in southern Illinois. Many Hayner patrons appreciate the chance to view films from around the world, as do library users throughout the region, who make use of Hayner's collection via interlibrary loan and reciprocal borrowing.

In keeping with library policy, parents make the final decision regarding their children's use of the library and its resources, including their attendance at library-sponsored programs. ■

***NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: FICTION***

Block, Lawrence. BURGLAR IN THE RYE

Brown, Sandra. IN A CLASS BY ITSELF

Christie, Agatha. THIRTEEN PROBLEMS

Clarke, Arthur C. Greetings, CARBON BASED BIPEDS

Coonts, Stephen. CUBA

Cornwell, Patricia. BLACK NOTICE

Dickey, Eric Jerome. CHEATERS

Dickey, James. THE JAMES DICKEY READER

Gear, Kathleen O Neal THE VISITANT

Hemingway, Ernest. TRUE AT FIRST LIGHT

Paretsky, Sara. HARD TIME: A V I. WARSHAWSKI NOVEL

Steel, Danuelle. IRRESISTABLE FORCES

***NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: NONFICTION***

Canfield, Jack. CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE UNSINKABLE SOUL

Child, Julia. JULIA AND JACQUE'S COOKING AT HOME

Clooney, Rosemary GIRL SINGER

Gabaldon, Diana. THE OUTLANDISH COMPANION

Glenn, John JOHN GLENN A MEMOIR

Kincaid, Jamaica. MY GARDEN (BOOK)

Least Heat Moon, William. RIVER HORSE

McCartney, Linda. WIDE OPEN

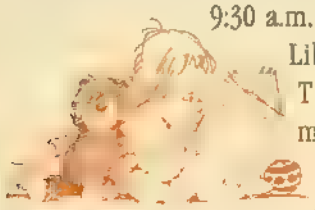
Russell, Jan Jarboe. LADY BIRD: A BIOGRAPHY OF MRS JOHNSON

Shipton, Alyn. GROOVIN' HIGH THE LIFE OF DIZZY GILLESPIE

# Special Events at Hayner

## Preschool Story Times for Ages 3-5

Registration for the Fall Session of Preschool Story Time opens Saturday, September 4. Children must be three years old as of September 1, 1999 to attend this session. Story Times are held on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. at the Youth Library, and Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates for the fall session are September 14/16, 21/23, 28/30; October 5/7, 12/14, 19/21. Programs include puppet shows, stories, songs, rhymes, finger plays, rhythmic movement, and videos. Space is limited and registrations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis . To register call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0652 or Rhoda Cairns at the Branch Library, 463-1276.



Registration for the Holiday Session of Preschool Story Time will open Saturday, October 30. Meetings for this session will run from November 9/11 through December 14/16. Children must be three years old as of November 1, 1999 to attend this session.

## Bedtime Stories for Ages 2-5

Mr. Sandman and the Lullaby Lady are back with another session of their popular Bedtime Story Time this fall! Registration opens September 4 for this program, held on Tuesday nights at 7:15 p.m. at the Youth Library. Space is limited to 15 children, accompanied by an adult. Meeting dates are September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19. To register, call Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

Mr. Sandman and the Lullaby Lady will also have a Holiday Session of Bedtime Stories. Registration opens October 30 at the Youth Library. Meeting dates run from November 9 through December 14.

CRAFTS, CRAFTS, CRAFTS

## Special Wizard Of Oz Centenary Craft Series for Ages 6-11

To celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Illinois author L. Frank Baum's classic children's story, the Youth Library is offering a special year-long craft series, developed and presented by local artist and therapist Lisa Kay. Registration opens Saturday, September 4, and is limited to 20 children. We will take registrations until all available places are filled. Parents are welcome to attend with their children and help with the activities. Programs will be held on the second Thursday of each month from October through April, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Youth Library.

Because of limited space and anticipated demand for this program we ask parents to be reasonably sure your children will be able to attend all the monthly programs in this series before you sign up. We don't want to turn children away because registration has closed and then have empty places at the programs when those who registered don't show up.

## Make Mine Music! After School Crafts for Ages 6-11

Registration for the Fall/Winter Series of After School Crafts also will open September 4. This series will meet on the third Thursday of the month, October-January, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Youth Library. Again, space is limited. Parents are welcome to attend with their children and help with the craft activities.

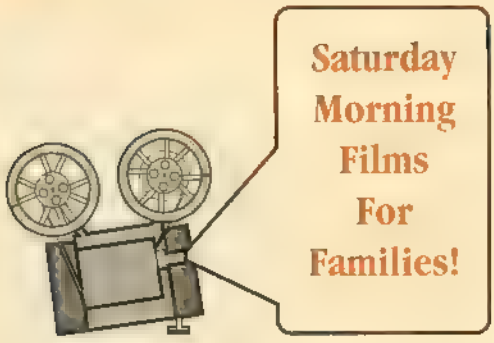
To register for either the Wizard of Oz or the Make Mine Music! Craft Series please call Geralyn Lindow at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## Traveling Puppet Show

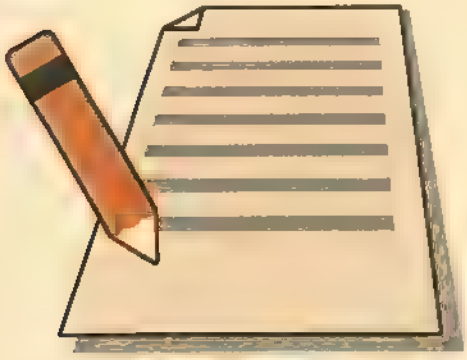
The Traveling Puppet Show is available to visit day care centers, preschools and kindergarten classes during the school year. We will begin accepting bookings for the fall semester on Monday, September 13. Our traveling show is enhanced this year by a beautiful new portable puppet stage painted to look like the facade of the historic Youth Library building, with Jennie D. Hayner looking out the library's window! To book a visit to your classroom call Gloria Mitchell or Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

COME JOIN THE FUN!

# Special Events at Hayner




The library recently received the gift of a 60 inch widescreen television for video film programming! Those who attended our summer story time and film programs can attest to the enhanced enjoyment of films viewed on the big screen! This fall we are starting a Saturday morning film series for families: Specially For Kids: Award-Winning Films From Around The World, at 10:30 a.m. at the Youth Library. The list of films and show dates, with descriptions of each film, will be available beginning October 1 at all Hayner locations. Children of all ages, accompanied by an adult, are invited to attend. No registration is required. For more information call Pam Klipsch.



## Teen Read Week
## October 17-23

To celebrate Teen Read Week locally, the library is repeating its Short Story Contest for Teens this fall. Teens in grades 6-8 and 9-12 are invited to submit short stories on any subject or theme, 500-750 words in length. Entry forms will be available at all Hayner locations beginning October 17; the deadline for submitting your stories is December 23 at the Youth Library. The library will include all entries in a book published in the spring of 2000. First, second and third place prizes with cash awards of $50, $35 and $20 will be awarded to the best three stories in each division (grades 6-8 and 9-12). A committee of library staff will select the winning entries.

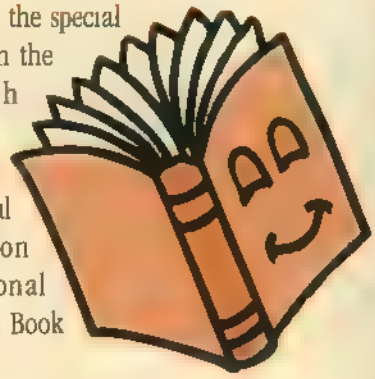
Student representatives from Hayner area high schools are invited to pose for photos promoting their favorite books to other teens. The photos will be blown up to poster size and displayed at the Alton Square Branch Library during Teen Read Week, then presented to the student's school to display throughout the year. If you are interested in participating, call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## Sparks & Spooks
## Halloween Story Telling
## October 28

Our annual Halloween program for kids ages 6-11 accompanied by adults will be held before the fireplace in the Youth Library on Thursday evening, October 28, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The Riverwinds Storytellers will present a program of spooky tales, and every child will receive a Halloween favor to take home. Registration opens Saturday, October 16. Call the Youth Library at 462-0652.

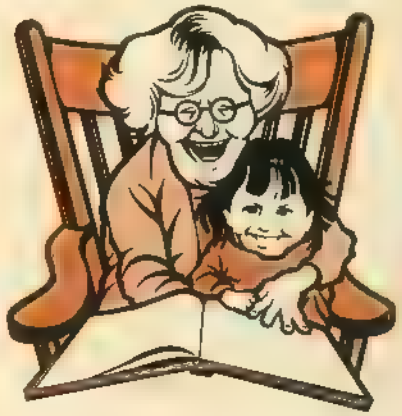
## Children's Book Week
## November 14-20

Check out the special displays in the Youth Library during our annual celebration of National Children's Book Week.



## Family Reading Nights
## November 17 & 18

Families are invited to join us in celebrating the special bond created when kids and parents share books and reading! The Youth Library will celebrate Family Reading Night on Wednesday, November 17, and the Alton Square Branch Library will celebrate on Thursday, November 18. Each evening begins with a parent-and-child reading together time from 6:30 to 7 p.m., followed by a family story time featuring a special guest-of-honor reader: Alton Mayor Don Sandidge at the Youth Library and Godfrey Mayor Mike Campion at the Alton Square Branch Library! Afterwards we'll draw names for the winners of $25 gift certificates and enjoy refreshments. Every child will receive a free paperback book to take home.



## A Reminder To Parents

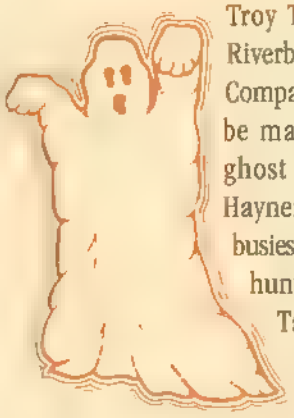
For their safety and your peace of mind, children under the age of eight must be accompanied by an adult (age 18 or older) while using the library. An adult must sit with any child under the age of eight when the child is using the library's computer equipment. Parents are responsible for supervising their children's use of the library and its resources. Library staff are happy to advise and assist parents and children in determining those resources most appropriate to their needs and interests.

Any person whose behavior disrupts the orderly conduct of the library will be asked to leave. Parents will be asked to remove children whose behavior is disruptive. Children of any age should not be left alone at the library for prolonged periods of time. If unaccompanied children are not picked up before the library closes, staff will attempt to contact the parent or guardian and arrange for the children to be picked up. If no one can be reached, or if the parent or guardian fails to arrive within twenty minutes of the posted closing time, library staff will call the police and ask them to assume custody of the children until the parent or guardian can be located.

These rules are designed to insure the safety and well-being of your children. The library staff appreciate your cooperation.

# HAYNER ADULT LIBRARY PROGRAMS

## MORE GHOSTS AND HAUNTINGS
## October 13



Troy Taylor, owner of Riverboat Molly's Book Company in Alton, will be making an encore ghost presentation at Hayner in October, the busiest month for ghost hunters. In July, Mr. Taylor awed an audience at the Library with his tales about ghosts, where to find them, and how to look for them. He is the author of several books on ghosts, edits ***Ghost of the Prairie*** magazine, and is the president of the American Ghost Society.

Mr. Taylor will be available after the program to autograph copies of his books, including his two new books, **Ghost Hunter's Guidebook** and **Season of the Witch**.

Join us for more ghost lore on Wednesday night, October 13, at 6:30 p.m., in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room of the Adult Library downtown. Seating will be limited, so please call the Adult Library to register at 462-0651.

## BLUEGRASS FEST
## November 9

Violinist Pete Pancella returns to Hayner Main Library for an evening of music and song. Accompanying Mr. Pancella will be Mary N. Pancella (vocals, keyboard and guitar) and Aaron Hummert (first place winner of the 1998 Illinois State Fair Junior Fiddling Contest). The trio will perform 'old time' and bluegrass music in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room at the Adult Library Nov.9, 1999 at 6:30. No charge for the show but please register your attendance by calling the Adult Library at 462-0651. This promises to be a great evening of exciting, lively entertainment....you don't want to miss it!!

## Remember the Library is Free for All!

All library-sponsored activities are free of charge and open to all residents and cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District. For more information on the library and library activities check out our website at: **http://www.altonweb.com/hayner**, our monthly column in **The Telegraph**, or catch us on **WBGZ Radio's** morning call-in show. Or call the library.

**Main Library**
**326 Belle Street**
**462-0651**

**Youth Library**
**401 State Street**
**462-0652**

**Branch Library**
**Alton Square**
**463-1276**

***Get a Life!***
by William Shatner. Non-fiction

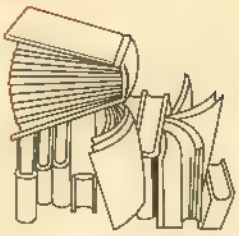
For all you Trekkies out there, this book is a treat! William Shatner, who played Star Trek's Captain Kirk for 30 years, delves into the culture of Star Trek, going undercover at conventions and talking to fans, dealers, and actors about why they thought Star Trek has been so popular. A fascinating mixture of Trek history and personal insight.
-Susan K.

***Amy and Isabelle***
by Elizabeth Strout. Fiction

Her teenage daughter's emerging sexuality forces single mother Isabelle to face her charged relationship with her daughter and the lies and secrets that have locked her own life. Beautifully written with characters the author cares about–I'll bet Oprah finds this one.
-Katie S.

***Girls' Guide to Hunting and Fishing***
by Melissa Bank. Fiction

A light, witty read that follows narrator Jane Rosenal from a teenager watching her older brother's relationships to an adult trying to wisely navigate her own, all the while wondering if there really are rules that make it work by telling you when to fish and when to cut bait.
-Katie S.



***A Prayer for the Dying***
by Stewart O'Nan. Fiction

In this novel which explores the nature of evil and the limits of human endurance, a Civil War veteran must save a small Midwestern town beset with fire and plague–or go mad trying. Written in the second person, you will shudder as you read this gothic tale.
-Bernie D.

***Timbuktu***
by Paul Auster. Fiction

Poignant and original novel told by a dog about his adventures following the death of his bestfriend, a deranged master.
-Bernie D.

***The Not So Big House***
by Sarah Susanka. Non-fiction

This sumptuously illustrated book focuses on homes for real people. Instead of spending money on a huge house, says the author, invest in the details of a home that are important to you. For example, rather than having a huge dining room that will never be used, why not make the kitchen large enough for your family to gather in? The philosophy of this book is that your house should focus on your needs, rather than size.
-Susan K.

***The Murder of Roger Ackroyd***
by Agatha Christie. Mystery

Hailed by critics as "the most famous deception of all," it's a book you won't want to put down. When murder makes it way into a small English village, only the famous detective Hercule Poirot can solve the baffling crime. But just who killed Roger Ackroyd? This is the question you'll ask yourself time and again as you turn the pages of this tightly written story. The characters come alive as the hero eliminates each suspect until only one remains. So who killed Roger Ackroyd? Check it out and see. I guarantee you won't be disappointed.
-Mary P.

***Arranging Flowers: How to Create Beautiful Bouquets in Every Season***
by James A. Baggett. Non-fiction

Part of Martha Stewart Living, this book has hundreds of full color photographs flood the pages of this helpful book of flower arrangements. From large and exotic to small and quaint, this book is a visual delight with detailed instructions on how to make each arrangement. The book also contains a wealth of information on the different types of flowers available during every season of the year. Whether you're a gardening expert or just a beginner interested in flowers, this is the book for you.
-Mary P.

***The Knowledge Web***
by James Burke. Non-fiction

Science author and TV host James Burke takes the reader with him as he explores how seemingly unrelated people, ideas and innovations form a "knowledge web" supporting his belief that everything is connected to everything else. Like the Internet, Burke sets out links that the reader can use to jump to his related topics, seeing for example, how Burke connects Joan of Arc and vaudeville. Not science so much as knowledge and a fascinating read just jumping to the topics that interest you.
-Katie S.

***Always Outnumbered, Always Outgunned***
by Walter Mosley. Mystery

Main character Socrates ("Socco") is trying to find some salvation for himself and make amends for the crimes in his past while struggling to survive the poverty, violence and despair of Watts in the nineties. Life is hard and his hands are anything but clean yet Socco never quits trying to claim his place as a human being.
- Pam K.

## PATRON PROFILE: Dr. Shirley Portwood

by Bernadette Duvernoy,
Library Assistant

Dr. Shirley Portwood, Professor in the Department of Historical Studies at SIUE is the subject of this issue's patron profile. Dr. Portwood is originally from southern Illinois. She received her BA and a Masters in History at SIUE. She continued her study of history at Washington University in St Louis, specializing in three distinct fields: African American History, American Woman's History and Modern Russia. Dr. Portwood obtained an additional Masters Degree as well as completed her Doctorate at Washington U. While she was working on these degrees, she was teaching at St. Louis Community College at Forest Park. She has been teaching at SIUE since early 1980s.

Driving on the River Road to do research on Alton history, Dr. Portwood and her husband sited the perfect spot for a house on the bluffs. They bought that lot, built their home and have been Altonians for the last seven years.

Dr. Portwood is extensively published. She wrote a fascinating paper titled "The Alton School Case and African American Community Consciousness 1897-1908" published in the Illinois Historical Journal (Spring '98.) It details the events and politics that were responsible for the segregation of Alton's schools in 1897 and the lawsuit championed by the black community to fight segregated schools. This suit went to the Illinois Supreme Court and the court found in favor of desegregation though it would be many years before the ruling would be achieved. A copy of this article is kept on file in our Illinois Room. Dr. Portwood did much of the research for this work here at Hayner using the library's city directories, census records, Illinois room materials etc.

Dr. Portwood has delivered professional papers in Canada, Sweden, Australia and throughout the U.S. on many different aspects of African American history. Under an Illinois Humanities Council Grant, She co-chaired a three day conference (Spring '97) titled "Community Building and Resistance: African-Americans in the Land of Lincoln". Dr. Portwood is the recipient of multiple grants and awards in recognition of her research and publication.

Dr. Portwood also has a book scheduled for publication in the spring of 2000, titled "'Tell Us a Story': An African American Family in the Heartland". As the family historian, Dr. Portwood was often telling family history/stories to her daughter and later to her grandchildren. It was for her grandchildren that she decided to write this book– she did not want their rich heritage to be lost to them. Her research included using state and local records from Illinois, Missouri, Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee. She has been able to document ancestor history all the way back to a great great great grandfather!

Dr. Portwood and her husband, Harry (retired engineer and manager) love to travel and have made multiple trips to Europe. This summer they spent ten days in Japan. The Portwoods also like traveling throughout the US south and wherever they go they are avid antique-ers!

Dr Portwood commented how much she and her husband love the library and appreciate the great variety and accessibility of even the newest (or most unusual) material. We are anxious to see her book on the shelves at Hayner! ■

## BOOKS ON TAPE

## BOOKS ON CD

If you like to listen to your books, check out these and the many other new fiction titles recently added to our collection of books on tape.

Harris, Thomas. HANNIBAL
Evanovich, Janet. HIGH FIVE
Bank, Melissa. GIRLS' GUIDE TO HUNTING AND FISHING
Ellison, Ralph. JUNETEENTH
Reichs, Kathy DEATH DU JOUR
Delinsky, Barbara. LAKE NEWS
Sandford, John. CERTAIN PREY
Fitch, Janet. WHITE OLEANDER
Peters, Elizabeth. FALCON AT THE PORTAL
Griffin, W E.B. THE SOLDIER SPIES
Mueller, Marcia. A WALK THROUGH THE FIRE
Roberts, Nora. RIVER S END
Karon, Jan. A NEW SONG
Crais, Robert. L.A. REQUIEM
Brown, Sandra. SEND NO FLOWERS
Koontz, Dean. SEIZE THE NIGHT
Plain, Belva. FORTUNE'S HAND
Binchy, Maeve. TARA ROAD
Clark, Mary Higgins. WE LL MEET AGAIN

Your car has a CD player? Hayner has recently begun collecting books on CD. Some new titles include:

King, Stephen. BAG OF BONES
Evans, Nicholas. HORSE WHISPERER
Binchy, Maeve. TARA ROAD
Brown, Sandra. UNSPEAKABLE
Grisham, John. TESTAMENT
Clancy, Tom. NET FORCE
Steel, Danielle. BITTERSWEET
Rice, Anne. VITTORIO
Patterson, Richard North. NO SAFE PLACE
King, Stephen. THE GIRL WHO LOVED TOM GORDON
Plain, Belva. FORTUNE'S HAND

## AS THE MILLENNIUM APPROACHES : WHAT WOULD YOU PUT IN A TIME CAPSULE?

Y2K, a new century, a time to look forward but also a time to reflect. The changes in our world over the last one hundred years are mind boggling. Cars, air flight, space flight...telephones, answering machines, faxes, pagers, portable phones....dictation machines, electric typewriters, business systems....phone mail....internet....television, film, vcrs.....not to mention social, political, financial revolutions. We thought it would be fascinating to create our own pseudo time capsule. What are the four things you feel belong in a capsule that represents our world today? What literature, art, events are the most memorable or important to having shaped the twentieth century? Who's your greatest hero? Mark McGwire, JFK or maybe a favorite uncle? What stands out about your school, town or family that you would want to share with people one hundred years from now?

If you are 8 or 88, we would love to hear from you. Look for our time capsule display in all the Hayner libraries throughout November and December. Fill out a capsule form with your thoughts, some of your favorite things about life today or a special memory of past times. Then, come the new year, we will share the results with you....and blast off into tomorrow! ■

## *HAYNER FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY FALL BOOK SALE*

The Friends Fall Book Sale will be held Oct. 7 - 9. Thursday, Oct. 7, will be 'preview night' from 6:00 PM till 8:30 PM. ($5.00 admission fee this night only.) Friday, Oct. 8, the sale will be open 9 AM till 7 PM - free admission. Sat, Oct. 9, hours are 9:00 AM till 2:00 PM - free admission. ■

## *LINCOLN DOUGLAS DAYS*

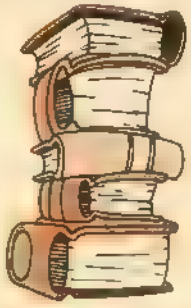
The festival for Lincoln Douglas Days will be held the weekend of Oct 9th and 10th. Hayner Youth and Adult Libraries will be participating with other downtown and civic organizations. There are going to be **LOTS** of fun activities for children and adults. Mark your calendar now - it's going to be a great family weekend!! ■

## *WHO WROTE THAT???*

Can you identify the source of this quote???

"On the rocks above the present city of Alton they found some rude and fantastic Indian paintings, which they describe. A short distance below "a torrent of yellow mud rushed furiously athwart the calm blue current of the Mississippi boiling and surging and sweeping in its course logs, branches and uprooted trees," This was the mouth of the Missouri..."

Hint: from the classic nonfiction work by one of America's greatest authors and humorist. Answer in next newsletter...and no fair calling the Reference Desk on this one! ■



## *BOOK CLUB NOTES*

Book lovers – check out the book discussion group at Hayner Library. The group meets on the fourth Friday of every month from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Frances Metzger Conference Room located in the lower level of the Youth Library downtown. New members are always welcome. Upcoming titles and dates for discussion include:

**SEPTEMBER 24th**
*Cat's Eye* by Margaret Atwood.
Returning to the city where she grew up for a retrospective of her paintings, artist Elaine Risley relives the joy and pain of friendships that are still shaping the person she is today.

**OCTOBER 22nd**
*All Over But the Shoutin'*
by Rick Bragg.
Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Rick Bragg's memoirs of overcoming poverty and an alcoholic father through the determination of his remarkable mother.

**NOVEMBER 19th**
*The Color Purple*
by Alice Walker.
Alice Walker's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel.

For more information, call Katie at Hayner's Adult Library at 462-0651. ■

## *"BUILD IT -THEY WILL COME"*

This past fiscal year at Hayner Public Library (July 1, 1998 - June 30 1999) is also the first full year of operation for the expanded and remodeled Branch Library. Strong growth is seen in all key areas and particularly in patron usage. In Fiscal Year (FY) 97/98, 325,464 patrons made use of Hayner Library (all locations). In FY 98/99 this number skyrocketed to 438,516 - a 35% increase in patron usage! This growth was predominately due to increased use of the new Branch facility at Alton Square Mall....proving "build it - they will come" applies to more than just ball fields!

Other areas of growth include circulation - up from 334,900 to 352,687 (+5%) and registrations are up from 2,213 to 2,421 (+ 9%). Additionally, over 4000 reference questions were answered and over 18,000 items were added to the library's existing collections. We are very excited to see the growth in patron usage. It represents increased service to the community and that is certainly one of our most important objectives.


# The Hayner Public Library District

401 State Street
Alton, Illinois 62002

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Branch 463-1276
Youth 462-0652
Administration 462-0677

Main FAX 462-0665
Branch FAX 463-1277
Administration FAX 462-4919
Dial-A-Story 462-8253

Hours of Operation

Main & Youth Libraries
Mon - Thurs, 8 am to 8 pm
Friday, 8 am to 5 pm
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Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm

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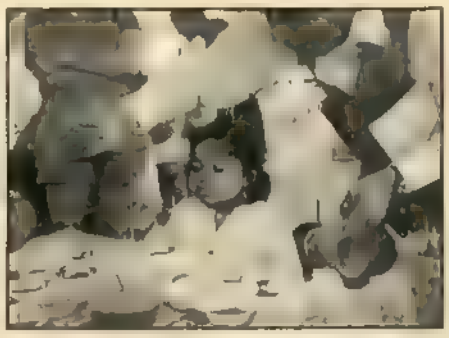
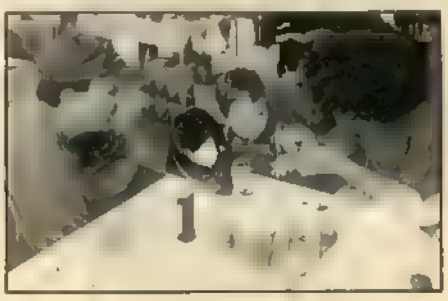
## LINCOLN DOUGLAS DAYS — A GREAT SUCCESS

On October 9th and 10th downtown Alton celebrated Lincoln Douglas Days. The festival featured musical programs, a basketball shootout, booths selling crafts and specialty items and lots of great food booths, too! Of course, we're especially proud to announce that the Children's Tent sponsored by Hayner Library was a great success. The theme was "Step into History...19th Century Crafts and Fun." For no charge, the children were provided the materials to make 19th century replica toys including yarn dolls, tumbling puppies and acrobats, floating balls and the hugely popular Piasa Bird mask. Volunteers from Hayner Library staff as well as Alton Memorial Hospital and the Alton Belle Casino staffed the tent for the two days teaching the children how to make the crafts and helping them just have fun! Also at the tent, the children could paint their own pumpkins or flower pots. They loved this activity and by Sunday we had to expand 3 times to accommodate everyone yielding a paint brush! And what creativity... kids of all ages were discovering their innate artistic nature (some more innate than others!) Linda Thomas from the Evangelical United Church of Christ also volunteered her skills as the tent's face painter- painting faces and hands with a design chosen by the child...this was popular with children and adults alike! The Abe and Mary Lincoln photo cut out board was also generating more than a few laughs. One 'more senior' couple had their picture taken as Abe and Mary and loved it so much they decided to use it in their Christmas Cards this year! A special thanks to Geralyn Lindow, Library Assistant in the Youth Library. Geralyn spent many hours researching and planning the crafts and activities as well as planning supplies, making prototypes and teaching the volunteers.





On Sunday, winners of the First Annual Lincoln Douglas Days Essay Contest were announced. Flyers for the contest were distributed to the local schools with three different themes. The grade school students were asked to write or illustrate "What I would do with a 500 pound pumpkin." The middle school topic was "Alton...Past Present and Future". High school grades were asked to write "Why the Downtown/Riverfront Area is Important to Alton". Judging of the essays was done by Hayner Library staff and funding for the Savings Bond Awards was provided by St. Anthony's Health Center. The essay winners were asked to read their essays at the main stage area as they were presented with their award. Winners were: (Grade School) Vanna Lenhardt- $100 savings bond, Angela Copeland and Nicholas Harris- $50 savings bond, Jessica Harder and Alyssa Wedding - $25 savings bond. No middle school entries were received. High school winners were: Rachel Kirchner and Drew Weaver - $100 savings bond, Susie Mook- $50 savings bond and to Mary Maggart a $25 savings bond. Congratulations all!!

Thank you again to all the volunteers and sponsors who helped out at the Hayner Children's tent. Your contributions put smiles on a lot of faces! ■

**Things to Know...**
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas
December 24, 25 & 26
New Year's Eve & New Year's Day
December 31 & January 1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David Roller


***HOLIDAY SURPRISE!***

A special donation was made to Hayner Library of beautiful library Christmas ornaments. We would like to share these with you, our patrons, and will be distributing the ornaments at each of the Hayner Library locations
***Happy Holidays to all!!!***

## *NEW LIBRARY STAFF POSITION*

On July 1, 1999, a new position was created for the Hayner Library staff: Public Relations Coordinator. That position was filled by Bernadette Duvernoy who has worked at the library

*Bernadette Duvernoy*

since 1996. This position is one that more and more libraries are instituting to help promote and increase library presence in the community. Bernadette's responsibilities include ensuring library involvement in community groups and events; writing and editing the quarterly newsletter; representing the Library to the media including press, radio and television; planning and executing special interest events; display designs, marketing of library services and directing development of library programs and activities that will provide benefit to the entire community. Bernadette comments that she is excited about this new opportunity at Hayner- a library that is "progressive, full service and an important part of the community."

Bernadette and her husband moved to Alton in 1993. Previously, Bernadette lived in New York City, Dallas and Chicago. She worked for the IBM Corporation for fifteen years in a variety of marketing jobs including five years as Marketing Manager to the Chicago Securities & Finance Industry. In 1989, she was recognized as IBM's Midwest Marketing Manager of the Year. Bernadette's interests include reading (of course!), music (she plays the viola and has recently acquired a cello) and playing with her two Bernese Mountain Dogs.

Since starting her new position, some of Bernadette's activities have included producing the library's newsletters, creating and maintaining displays for the branch and main libraries, writing and applying for marketing grants, managing Hayner participation at Lincoln Douglas Days, representing Hayner to local press and radio, planning programs for Women's History Month and the Library of Congress Bicentennial. She has also organized and presented multiple special interest programs for the main library. She has lots of plans for the new year and she also welcomes patrons' suggestions of programs they might like to see! ■

## *WIN A HOLIDAY-BEAR PUPPET . . . .*

Starting November 26th, you can drop by the library to register to win one of three Teddy Bear hand puppets that the library district is giving away....they're especially festive for the holidays! Any

Hayner Library cardholder is eligible (except for Hayner employees and their family members). Winners will be announced on WBGZ on December 17th. Ballot boxes for the drawing will be at all three Hayner locations: Main Library at 326 Belle St., Youth Library at 401 State Street and the Branch Library at Alton Square Mall ■

## *FOOD FOR FINES DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON*

Beginning November 26th and continuing through December 31, 1999, anyone that has an overdue item checked out from the library can pay their fine with a canned goods food item (one item each fine, current fines only, Hayner material only). All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the local food pantry in the Alton area. Even if you do not have an overdue item, feel free to donate items for the food drive. Happy Holidays! ■

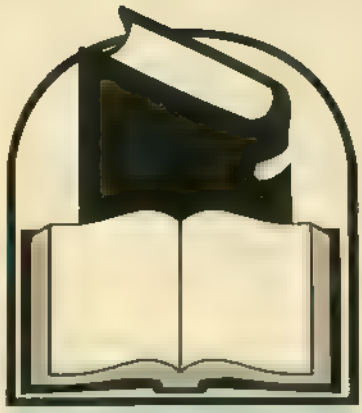
## *NEW EMAIL REFERENCE SERVICE*

Need to know the address of a company in California? The definition of a word? The birthday of your favorite celebrity? Find out without even picking up the telephone!

The Reference Department at Hayner Library is proud to announce another form of access: email reference service. If you have an answer you need looked up, you may email the Hayner Reference Department at hayneref@lcls.org. A reference librarian will try to respond to your question as soon as possible.

This service does not undertake in-depth research projects, and we cannot give out legal or medical information. However, we are happy to refer users to sources that might provide information on such issues.

For more information about our new service, please call Susan or Katie at 462-0651. ■



***NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS:***

***FICTION***

Brooks, Terry. ANGEL FIRE EAST
Caputo, Philip. THE VOYAGE
Chace, Rebecca. CAPTURE THE FLAG
Coel, Margaret. THE LOST BIRD
Connelly, Michael. VOID MOON
Fraser, Antonia. ELEVEN THAT WENT UP TO HEAVEN
Hillerman, Tony. HUNTING BADGER
Jensen, Jane. MILLENNIUM RISING
Jordan, Robert. THE FURTHER CHRONICLES OF CONAN
Kaminsky, Stuart M. HIDDEN AND OTHER STORIES
Keating, H.R.F. THE BAD DETECTIVE
Kunhardt, Philip B., Jr. THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT (COMPANION TO 10-PART PBS SERIES)
LaValle, Victor D. SLAPBOXING WITH JESUS
Nichols, Peter. VOYAGE TO THE NORTH STAR
Shreve, Anita. FORTUNE'S ROCKS
Siegel, Barry. ACTUAL INNOCENCE
Stewart, Fred Mustard. THE NAKED SAVAGES
Unsworth, Barry. LOSING NELSON
Vachss, Andrew. EVERYBODY PAYS

***NONFICTION***

Armstrong, Louis. LOUIS ARMSTRONG, IN HIS OWN WORDS
Atkins, Robert C. DR. ATKINS' AGE-DEFYING DIET REVOLUTION
Buchanan, Patrick. A REPUBLIC, NOT AN EMPIRE: RECLAIMING AMERICA'S DESTINY
Delbanco, Andrew. THE REAL AMERICAN DREAM
Dunn, Erica. BIRDS AT YOUR FEEDER: A GUIDE TO FEEDING HABITS, BEHAVIOR, DISTRIBUTION, AND ABUNDANCE
LETTERS OF THE CENTURY: AMERICA 1900-1999
Moyers, Bill. FOOLING WITH WORDS: A CELEBRATION OF POETS AND THEIR CRAFT
Murray, Stewart. AMERICA'S SONG: THE STORY OF YANKEE DOODLE
Scarry, Elaine. DREAMING BY THE BOOK
Stein, Fred. MEL OTT: THE LITTLE GIANT OF BASEBALL
Stewart, David. THE PBS COMPANION: A HISTORY OF PUBLIC TELEVISION
Taylor, Ann. WATCHING BIRDS: REFLECTIONS ON THE WING
Wamba, Philippe E. KINSHIP: A FAMILY'S JOURNEY IN AFRICA AND AMERICA
Wegman, William. FAY

**Jan. 30- "Eternal France"** - travel from the Roman ruins in Provence to L' arc de Triomphe in Paris. This beautiful film explores France's history, art and culture.

**Feb. 6- "Route 66-An American Odyssey"** - discover the thrills, laughs and sheer kicks of America's Main St.!

Film schedules are available at all Hayner locations - no registration required.

## Mardi Gras at Hayner - featuring "You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band" March 7 – 6:30 p.m.

Bud Shultz and the "You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band" will appear in concert for Mardi Gras at the Hayner Main Library on Tuesday, March 7, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. The "YCBEJB" is an organization of six musicians from the Greater St. Louis, Metro-East area. Specializing in Traditional and Dixieland Jazz, the group also treats more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Bud Shultz, of Godfrey, is the Leader. His clarinet and curved soprano sax have been heard by many music afficionados in the Riverbend area for many years. Besides leading the "YCBEJB", he has appeared at the Spring 1997 Alton Landing Jazz Fest and his "Marina Stompers" have been regulars in the Alton Halloween Parade for many years. Appearing with Bud will be Tom Wyatt of Alton playing trombone, Ted Vogel of St. Louis for keyboard and vocals, Linton Luetje of Florissant on the tuba, and Ken Link on the drums. There will also be trumpet accompaniment. Come celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style! It's going to be a great show! The program is free but advanced registration is required. Register by calling the Main Library at 462-0651.

## Remember the Library is Free for All!

All library-sponsored activities are free of charge and open to all residents and cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District. For more information on the library and library activities check out our website at: **http://www.altonweb.com/hayner**, our monthly column in **The Telegraph**, or catch us on **WBGZ Radio's** morning call-in show. Or call the library.

**Main Library • 326 Belle Street**
**462-0651**

**Youth Library • 401 State Street**
**462-0652**

**Branch Library • Alton Square**
**463-1276**

## *FROM THE ILLINOIS ROOM*

by Katie Schrimpf, Reference Librarian

***Did you know...***

At one time there were so many Altons that nearby settlers gave them the collective name of "Yankee-all-town". There were several Altons started about the same time; the Alton from Piasa to Henry; Joseph Meacham's Alton (Upper Alton); 'Alton on the River,' first known as Bates' farm, later purchased by Meacham and then by Maj. Hunter. Besides there was an Alton west of Piasa Creek and Salu north of Upper Alton. The adjacent settlers were in the habit of lumping these together and calling them 'Yankee-all-town.' Norton's *Centennial History of Madison County, Illinois and Its People*, p.468 (IR 977.3N88c)

From the same source a humorous story on p.611 reminds us that even heroes and martyrs have their weaknesses! "Mrs. (John) Bostwick, when a young girl, met Elijah P. Lovejoy, as she was returning from school at Jacksonville in a stage coach. On the journey Mr. Lovejoy produced a cigar and said to Miss Hingham, as she then was, 'Do you object to tobacco smoke?' She said she did, 'decidedly.' To this the future martyr replied, 'Some people do,' and proceeded to smoke his cigar."

Alton also has ties to a "Smiling Lincoln" through famous Alton tenant, Alban Jasper Conant. "It was Conant who painted Shurtleff's beloved 'Smiling Lincoln,' said to be the only portrait for which Abraham Lincoln actually sat. While Dr. Daniel Read was president of Shurtleff College, he saw this portrait exhibited...Since Conant lectured at the college at this time, Dr. Read invited him to bring the painting to Shurtleff. He did-and it was purchased for $125.00 with money donated by Mr. Kendall. Early in the 1890's, Paul Harney, Shurtleff art instructor, recovered this portrait. For years it had been rolled up, was dusty and dirty, after lying under the stairway in the Chapel building. He, under the close supervision of the now, almost blind, artist Conant, restored the 'Smiling Lincoln.' Countless students admired and enjoyed it in Carnegie Library -until 1971- when it was taken to the archives of Lovejoy Library at Southern Illinois University Campus in Edwardsville."

*Footprints and Echoes From Historical Alton Area by Viola W. Voss*, p.20 (IR977.38V96f)

There are many facts waiting to be uncovered in Hayner's Illinois Room at the main library. Come use our sources and find not only history, but the humorous facts and curiosities that make it interesting. ■

### *TRACK HAYNER EVENTS ON THE WEB!*

The Hayner Library home page **(www.altonweb.com/hayner)** has been modified to include a listing of coming events taking place at the library. Just click on Events Calender to check out what's happening. Make sure to stop here often so you don't miss any of the great programs available through the library, free of charge! You can also check us out on www.altonweb.com by clicking on the Community Calendar.

## STAFF PICKS - WHAT WE'RE READING

### *Chump Change*

by David Eddie. Fiction

Though I may be some years beyond 20-something, I really enjoyed this novel about the life and times of a lost member of Generation X. The protagonist is witty, wicked, smart, a bit of a brat and very funny! This was an honest book that made no excuses for this character's bad behavior yet I liked him-maybe because he so often made me laugh -Bernie D.

### *McNally's Dilemma*

by Lawrence Sanders. Mystery

The McNally series of mysteries are sheer fun! The stories revolve around Archy McNally, ne'er-do-well son of a brilliant lawyer, who is thrown out of Yale Law school. Dad sets him up in the investigative arm of the family law firm and Archy gets himself involved in all kinds of juicy Palm Beach scandals and crimes. Archy McNally reminds me a bit of Archie in the Nero Wolfe series...smart mouthed with an eye for the girls. Sadly, Lawrence Sanders has passed away so this may be the last in the McNally series...I'll miss Archy and the other eccentric characters who populate these books -Bernie D

### *The Third Heiress*

by Brenda Joyce. Fiction

Jillian Gallagher's life is just like a fairy tale-until her fiancé Hal is killed in a car crash, uttering the name "Kate" with his last breath. Returning his body to his home in England, Jill stumbles across a picture of an American heiress, Kate Gallagher, who bears a strong resemblance to Jill-and who disappeared in 1908. Increasingly certain that Kate was her great-grandmother, Jill searches to discover the truth about Kate-her disappearance, her fate, and Hal's obsession with her. As her search leads her closer to the truth, it leads her closer to danger and romance also. A riveting page-turner for lovers of romantic suspense -Susan K.

### *Murder with Peacocks*

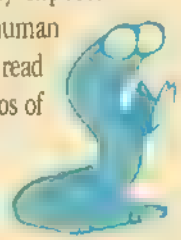
by Donna Andrews. Mystery

Poor Meg Langslow has been roped into being bridesmaid for-and chief organizer of-three weddings: her mother's, her brother's, and her best friend's. It's hectic enough having to arrange details for three women who pile heaps of work and last-minute arrangements upon her (Peacocks running around at a wedding?!), but now a wedding guest has been found dead-and it looks like murder. Meg's investigation, taking place amidst the antics of the largest and weirdest bunch of relatives you've ever seen, is not to be missed -Susan K.

### *T. S. Eliot: An Imperfect Life*

by Lyndall Gordon. Non-fiction

Lyndall Gordon's work on the definitive biography of T. S. Eliot, to date, is synthesis at its best. Gordon blends documental biography, literary interpretation and brilliant psychological insight as she unwaveringly exposes Eliot's most human flaws. A must read for afficionados of literary biography -Midge H.



### *Friday the Rabbi Slept Late*

by Harry Kemelman. Mystery

Rabbi David Small uses his "little gray cells" as well as Hercule Poirot. This first book in the Rabbi Small series emphasizes not the murder but the logical paths of Rabbi Small's thinking. We learn, too, about the Jewish faith as seen from the Rabbi's point of view-which can be very different from his congregation's. The Rabbi has such a reasonable path of thinking that you will wonder why you didn't see it yourself -Jan H.

### *Beachcombing For a Shipwrecked God*

by Joe Coomer. Fiction

If you have a "must read" list, this should be on it. A young archaeologist flees her home to escape her smothering in-laws after her husband dies. She takes a room aboard a houseboat, sharing quarters with a blue-haired widow, an abandoned teen, and a dog too ugly for words. Beautifully written, Coomer creates characters as real as they are touching. His story is funny and poignant with a bottom line of unconditional friendship and the strength it gives to face the past. Movie rights optioned by Jodie Foster -Katie S.

### *The Lighthouse Stevensons*

by Bella Bathurst. Non-fiction

The story of the Stevenson dynasty, the family that not only produced writer Robert Louis Stevenson, but also built the lighthouses along Scotland's coast. Not a book about engineering or even Scotland but about the strong personalities it took to overcome nature's obstacles and build these lighthouses that still light Scotland's coast today. Reads like fiction -Katie S.

### *The Talented Mr. Ripley*

by Patricia Highsmith. Fiction

Tom Ripley is a true sociopath. A little murder won't stop him if he wants something-and he wants to be someone else. Highsmith shows us the twists and turns of a mind that feels no guilt over murder and thrills at playing the game of getting away with it especially since he's assumed his victim's identity. Soon to be a movie starring Matt Damon and Gwyneth Paltrow. Highsmith also wrote Hitchcock's movie classic, Stranger on a Train -Katie S.

### *Big Trouble*

by Dave Barry. Fiction

In his first attempt at writing a novel, Dave Barry scores big in Big Trouble. The Pulitzer Prize winning newspaper columnist and author will have you laughing until you cry in his newest adventure. In Miami two Russian arms dealers, a pair of New Jersey hit men, two not-so-bright street thugs, the Miami police department, a man living in a tree, AND the FBI are all chasing after a local businessman who has gone off the deep end. The hitch? None of them know that the other people are involved. The result? The kind of madcap, hilarious adventure expected from one of America's funniest men. If you're a Dave Barry fan, you won't be disappointed in his newest literary avenue. If you're looking for a book to make you laugh, this is it! -Mary P.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library Special Events

All library programs are free of charge and open to any resident or cardholder of the Hayner Public Library District.

## Holiday Session of Preschool and Bedtime Story Times Now Meeting

The Holiday Session of Preschool Story Time is meeting on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Youth Library and Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch through December 14/16. There are still some spaces available in both groups. Children must be three years old by November 1, 1999 to participate in story time. If you are interested in joining the group, please call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0652, or Rhoda Cairns at the Branch Library, 463-1276.

Mr. Sandman's Plum Pudding Tales is meeting on Tuesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. at the Youth Library through December 14. There are a few places available in this group. Children ages two-five accompanied by an adult are eligible to attend this bedtime story time. If you are interested in joining the group, please call Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## Deadline for Teen Short Story Contest Is December 23

The last day to turn in entries for the Hayner Short Story Contest for Teens is Thursday, December 23 at the Youth Library. Entry forms are available at any Hayner location. Stories must be 500-750 words in length. There are two divisions: Middle School (grades 6-8) and High School (grades 9-12). Any student who attends a school located in the library district, or any homeschool student resident of the district, is eligible to participate. The library will publish all entries in a book in the spring. Library staff will select first, second and third prize winners in each division. Prize winners will receive cash awards of $50, $35 or $20. For more information please call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## CRAFTS, CRAFTS, CRAFTS

### Sign Up For Think Spring! Crafts Opens January 22

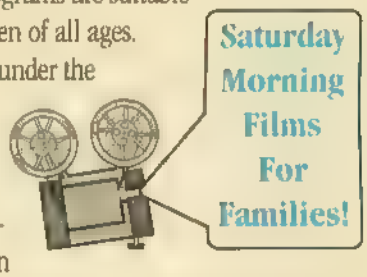
The cure for the winter doldrums is: Think Spring! Spring Crafts for ages six-eleven at Hayner Youth Library, that is! Registration for the second semester craft series opens Saturday, January 22 at the Youth Library. Programs are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month, February-May, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Space is limited so we will take registrations in person or by phone until all available places are filled. Parents are welcome to attend with their children and help with the crafts. Call Geralyn Lindow at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

## Traveling Puppet Show

The traveling puppet show is available to visit day care, preschools and kindergarten classes by appointment during the months of February and March. We will begin taking bookings on Monday, January 24. Please call Gloria Mitchell or Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652 if you would like the puppet show to visit your class.

## Saturday Morning Video Films for Kids Continues

Our Saturday morning video films for families start up again for another eight week series beginning February 6 and running through March 27. Video films are shown every Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m. on the big screen television at the Youth Library. These programs are suitable for children of all ages. Children under the age of eight must be accompanied by an adult. A list of the films and show dates will be available at the library in January. No advance registration is required.




## UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS AT HAYNER LIBRARY

### Annual Children's Christmas Party

*The Twelve Days of Christmas* will set the theme for decorations and festivities at the Hayner Youth Library this December. The annual Children's Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, December 11, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Activities include family face painting, stories and songs, a puppet show and a chance to visit with The Jolly Old Elf Himself. (Yes, you can bring your camera and take pictures.) The Friends of the Library provide refreshments, and every child receives a holiday treat to take home. Registration for the party opens Saturday, November 27. You may register in person or by phone at the Youth Library, 462-0652. Space is limited so we will take registrations until all available places are filled.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Annual MLK Family Breakfast January 17

The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Family Breakfast will be held Monday, January 17 at 10 a.m. in the Multimedia Room of Trimpe Hall at Lewis & Clark Community College. This program is co-sponsored by Hayner Public Library, the Family Literacy Connection/LCCC, and the Alton Housing Authority.

Breakfast will be catered by the college food service, and a program of stories and songs, a puppet show and a take-home craft will be provided by the Youth Library staff. Every child attending the program will receive a free paperback book. Children of all ages accompanied by an adult are invited to attend. Because space is limited, advance registration is required. Registration opens Saturday, January 8 at the Youth Library. We will take registrations in person or by phone until all available places are filled. To register call the Youth Library at 462-0652.

## Actress/Activist Reanae McNeal in *Blues Women Don't Wear No Shoes* February 3

*Reanae McNeal*

Actress and community activist Reanae McNeal returns to Alton with her one-woman show *Blues Women Don't Wear No Shoes*, on Thursday, February 3 at 7 p m. in Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College. Ms. McNeal is the featured speaker for the third annual Eunice Perry Memorial Program co-sponsored by the library and Lewis & Clark Community College. The Allen Singers, a local women's choir, will open the program with a selection of inspirational songs.

Reanae McNeal is a writer, actress, singer, storyteller, minister and inspirational speaker who has performed her one-woman shows at colleges and community centers all over the country. She draws her material from the real life experiences of women trying to survive and succeed in a society that is often uncaring and brutal in its attitudes towards women and children. Adapting the methods of traditional African griots and African American preachers, she involves her audience not just as spectators but as part of the performance itself. Her goal is for the audience to share not just the experiences but the insights derived from the experiences she portrays.

In addition to her performance on Thursday evening, Ms. McNeal also will share her inspirational message *We Must Be Giants Too* with high school and college students at a lecture on Wednesday, February 2 at 10 a.m. in the Multimedia Room of Trimpe Hall. That afternoon at 2:30 p.m. she will present a diversity training workshop for community service providers, also in the Multimedia Room of Trimpe Hall. All of these programs are free of charge and open to the public. Registration in advance is required for the Wednesday afternoon workshop. Registration will open Monday, January 10. Please call Bernadette Duvernoy at the Main Library, 462-0651.

## HAYNER MAIN LIBRARY EVENTS

## Quartet Seraphin Presents Music for the Season December 13 – 7 p.m.

Quartet Seraphin is an all-women string quartet featuring Wanda Becker and Rose Martin, violins; Sara Pandolfi, viola; and Mary Lou Gotman, cello. Formed in 1983, Quartet Seraphin has played numerous

*Quartet Seraphin*

programs in the St. Louis area, including the Sheldon Concert Hall, as well as many concerts throughout the states of Missouri and Illinois. They will present a program of classical music for the holiday season on Monday evening, December 13 at 7 p.m. in the Jimmie Keller Reading Room of the Main Library. Space is limited so registration is required. To register please call the Main Library, 462-0651 beginning Saturday, November 27.

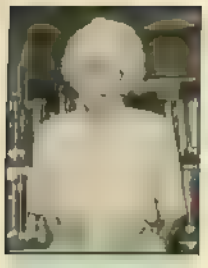
## Arm Chair Traveler - Film Series

Beat the January blues by getting away from it all...for a little while at least. Commencing Jan. 9th Hayner Main Library will sponsor a film series of first run travel videos. Each Sunday at 1:30 p.m. a different film will be shown on the big screen television in the Metzger Conference Room (lower level of the Hayner Youth Library). This series will be presented over the course of 5 successive Sundays. The videos are approximately one hour in length and will include:

**Jan. 9th- "Alaska- Spirit of the Wild"** an epic adventure into the untamed grandeur of Alaska. Nominated for 1998 Academy Award (Documentary) Short Subject .

**Jan. 16th- "The Living Edens-Namib, Africa's Burning Shore"** Namib, the hottest of lands is obscured in mist created by the Benguela, one of the coldest ocean currents. See how the inhabitants of this torturous climate have adapted and survive.

**Jan. 23- "Touring Italy"**- Italy comes alive in fabulous photography. Visit Naples, Pompeii, Venice, Rome, the Riviera and more!



## PATRON PROFILE: Mrs. Eleanor Perry

by Bernadette Duvernoy,
Library Assistant

It was such a pleasure to meet Hayner Library Branch patron, Mrs. Eleanor Perry...but it wasn't easy. This lady's schedule is FULL! She belongs to three golf leagues, playing Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and also belongs to several bridge clubs. She sings in her church choir (and has for the last 52 years) and volunteers several afternoons every other week to staff the church business office. Until just this past year, she also did volunteer work for the Crisis Food Center, Meals on Wheels and Alton Memorial Hospital. Oh, did I mention that Mrs. Perry celebrated her nineti-eth birthday this past July?

Born in Spokane, Washington, Mrs. Perry grew up in Texas and Kansas. Her dad's uncle was Governor of Kansas and while in term, Mrs. Perry's dad would manage the governor's ranch in Texas. A love of farming resulted in the Perrys ultimately moving to Emporia, Kansas where Mrs. Perry and her two sisters grew up.

Mrs. Perry attended College of Emporia and obtained a degree in English. Upon graduation, sever-al coincidences were to shape her life. The Superintendent of schools in Clayton, Mo. was also an alum of College of Emporia. In need of a qualified English teacher, he contacted his Alma Mater for prospective candidates and Mrs. Perry took the job!

Moving to Clayton, she joined the Kingshighway Presbyterian Youth Group, as the group's Director was also from Emporia. Involving herself in the group's music pro-grams (she is an accomplished singer having formally studied voice for nine years) she met the piano player, Ralph Perry, who would become her husband of 46 years.

Ralph's job in advertising required the Perrys to move from Clayton to Minneapolis then to Kansas City (Mo.) and ultimately, in 1947, to Alton.

As newcomers to Alton, one of Mrs. Perry's first impressions of the area was the beauty of the campus of Monticello Girls School (now Lewis and Clark Community College). Thinking it would be a fun place to work, she inquired as to any openings for an English teacher. She met with the school president who informed her that the only avail-able opening was to replace a Spanish teacher on leave of absence. Well, Mrs. Perry read for him from a Spanish book and was hired on the spot! (She also has a degree in Spanish.) Mrs. Perry related that during meal-times at Monticello, one teacher would eat at each table of eight girls and each day, a different girl would serve as hostess- this was part of the students' training!

Mrs. Perry subsequently taught American Literature at Alton High School where she worked for 23 years until she and her husband retired to enjoy a favorite hobby: travel. They toured Europe, Canada and visited Hawaii. Sadly, Mr. Perry passed away in 1981.

After her husband died, Mrs. Perry maintained her own home doing all the mowing, hedge clipping and upkeep until a couple of years ago when she said to herself "Eleanor, this is enough." She sold her home and moved to United Methodist Village in 1998. She loves it there for both the free-dom of the lifestyle and the people she's met.

Mrs. Perry keeps so busy with her volunteer work, bridge and golf, yet she also is an avid reader and regular patron of the branch location which is so convenient for her. Asked what she likes to read, Mrs. Perry mentioned authors Mary Higgins Clark and John Grisham as favorites and she loved reading the Jan Karon 'Mitford-series' books.

Mrs. Perry also is busy staying in touch with her nieces, nephews and their families. This past sum-mer the families (including a great, great niece) converged from all around the country to celebrate with her on her nineti-eth birthday. All of us at Hayner library also wish belated best wishes to this delightful lady who (inclement weather aside) is more than likely out on the golf course!! ■

### NEW MUSIC CDs

Hayner's CD collection includes many of the great 20th century composers (Copeland, Barber, Bernstein, etc.). Recently, the collection has been upgraded to include many more 20th century composers of perhaps lesser known reputations but great talents, all These additions include many contem-porary women composers and African-American composers. Titles include

*Overstepping* - Eve Begarian
*Desertscapes - a Portrait of American Women Composers* - Various
*Works by Michelle Ekizian*
*Dreaming the World* - Sorrel Hays
*Journeys*- Various
*Music of Barbara Kolb*
*Shamansong* - Joan La Barbara
*Character Sketches*- Various
*Music by American Women* - Various
*Kaleidoscope - Music by African American Women* - various
*Watch and Pray Spirituals and Art Songs* - Various
*American Voices* - Various
*24 Negro Melodies* - Various
*Piano Music by African American Composers* - Various
*Witness - the Music of William Grant Sid.*
*Symphonic Brotherhood* - Various

and even more waiting for you to check out!

## NOTES FROM HAYNER HOMEBOUND

I wanted to let our readers know what some of my Homebound Patrons have been doing to keep busy this month. I am on a com-mittee this year for the Celebration of Christmas at Rock Spring Park. The committee was in a bind and needed some help untangling and testing the Christmas tree lights from last year. So I contacted the Hillcrest and Skyline Apartments and asked for some volunteers...well, they all did and OUTSTANDING JOB!!! We are so lucky to have our Seniors....They are a wealth of resources. My hat is off to all of you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart! - Stephanie. ■

## *HIGH HONOR TO HAYNER PATRON*

Congratulations to Robert E. St. Peters (Hayner Patron Profile - summer 1999) on being awarded the 1999 Studs Terkel Humanities Service Award. The Illinois Humanities Council initiated this awards program to honor individuals who have encouraged greater public understanding of the humanities in their communities. Bob was honored particularly for using his "leadership skills and volunteer energy to enrich the cultural life in Alton especially through heritage and preservation." Alton Mayor Sandidge also proclaimed Thurs. Oct. 14, 1999 as *Robert St. Peters Day*.

As part of Bob's continuing efforts to contribute to the cultural growth of our community, Bob has donated to Hayner Public Library several copies of his wife's (Helen L. Lowery St. Peters) poems titled *First Times and Other Poems*. Bob has presented the library with a copy of a video entitled *Lower State Street Tour*. This video is actually an enhanced copy of a 16 mm film made in the 1970's (audio also enhanced) and presents a walking tour through the Christian Hill Historic District. You can check it out of the library and revisit Alton twenty- five years back!!

## *BOOK CLUB NOTES*

The book discussion group at Hayner Library is two years old this winter. The group meets once a month to discuss books, learn about authors, exchange good read recommendations and share discussions mixed with personal insights and laughter. In December the group meets for a Christmas luncheon and exchanges paperbacks.

New members are always welcome. The group meets the fourth Friday of every month from 9:30 to 11:00 AM in the Metzger Conference Room located in the lower level of the Youth Library downtown. For more information call Katie at 462-0651. Upcoming titles and dates for discussion include:

**November 19th**
*Tara Road* by Maeve Binchy. Binchy's bestseller and Oprah Book Club pick. Group meets at TR's Café for this discussion.

**December** No discussion held.

**January 28th**
*The Color Purple* by Alice Walker. Set in the early 1900's, the story of a poor, uneducated woman's struggle to overcome cruelty and abuse from the men in her life. Bold and dealing with mature themes, it won the Pulitzer and American Book Award.

## WOMEN WHO SERVE - HONORING OUR LOCAL HEROS

March 2000 is Women's History Month and Hayner Public Library has a special program idea for which we need your help. We would like to give special recognition to the women of our community who have served in the armed forces. We would like to compile a diary of experiences of the women of Alton/Godfrey/Fosterburg who served our country both during war time as well as peacetime. Photos (now and then) would be wonderful! The stories we collect will be displayed (with photos) in the library during Women's History Month and ultimately bound in a book-like format. But we need your memories. It doesn't have to be your personal story, it could be mother, grandmother, sister, aunt or friend. Help us preserve our important history by sharing your history with us! Please fill out the Military Service Form available at all Hayner Library locations. If you have any questions, please call Bernadette at the Hayner Main library at 462-0677.

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## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK / LIBRARY OF CONGRESS BICENTENNIAL

The week of April 9-15 is National Library Week. Today, America's libraries serve as dynamic community centers for learning, information and entertainment. In the Hayner Public Library District you can find the latest best seller, surf the internet, send grandma in Arizona an email, fax that important sales contract, develop your family tree, research investment opportunities, check out your favorite CD or video, research local history, submit your reference questions online, attend free musical events and special programs... the list goes on and on. Here are some interesting library facts:

- Americans check out an average of six books a year and spend an average of $18.73 a year in taxes for public library service - less than one hardcover book.
- Public libraries receive less than 1 % of all tax dollars and are used by more than 50% of the population.
- More children participate in summer reading programs at libraries than play Little League baseball
- Federal spending on libraries totals only 57 cents per person
- The nations reference librarians answer 295 million questions annually.
- There are more public libraries than McDonald's - a total of 15,872 including branches.
- Americans make some 3.5 billion visits to school, public and college libraries each year - about three times the attendance at movie theaters
- Public libraries circulate more than 1.6 billion items per year.

Hope to see you at the library to help us celebrate National Library Week!!*

The Library of Congress is the national library and serves all Americans. It maintains a collection of more than 115 million items in 460 languages and contains many of our national treasures. The Library of Congress will celebrate its Bicentennial on April 24, 2000 What is incredibly exciting is that the Library now makes it possible for millions of people throughout the country and around the world to use its resources through its widely acclaimed Web site at **www.loc.gov**. With more than 3 million 'hits' per working day, the Library's Web site has been named among the best sites on the Internet by *Time* and *PC World* magazines, and has been called "remarkable" by the *New York Times*. You can see photos from the Civil War, listen to folk music from the 1930s, learn the story of baseball legend Jackie Robinson or see early films made by Thomas Edison. Next time you're on the internet, log onto this wonderful site to help celebrate your national library's 200th birthday!

*Source: ALA Office for Research and Statistics, ALA Washington Office Library Research Service/Colorado State Library

## WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH - Honoring Women Who Helped Build Alton

In honor of Women's History Month, Hayner Library salutes the women who helped build Alton. Many of the institutions, cultural programs and community services that we enjoy today resulted from the generosity, dedication and hard work of remarkable women throughout Alton's history.

One of Alton's most important benefactors was Eunice Smith. The daughter of William Eliot Smith, co-founder of the Illinois Glass Co., Miss Smith shared generously with the community the fortune she inherited. Alton Memorial Hospital is the result of that generosity and the fulfillment of her parents' wish to have a hospital that served the area. It was Miss Smith, along with her sister, Ellen Smith Hatch, who provided most of the 107 acres and the principal funds to build the facility. Miss Smith was said to have taken an active interest in the construction of the hospital, which was completed in 1937, and in the landscaping and maintenance of the surrounding wooded grounds. She was a member of its board of

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**Things to Know...**
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday
April 23
Mother's Day
Sunday, May 14
Memorial Day
Sunday, May 28 &
Monday, May 29

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## *BUSINESS BY THE BOOKS*

Do you own a small business or perhaps run a home based business? If so, do you realize that you have a silent business partner at Hayner Public library? If you are not aware of the many different ways the library can help support your business' growth, we would welcome your attendance at a special program developed just for you. On Tuesday, April 11, 5:30 - 7:00 Hayner Main library will host a program for small business owners titled Business by the Books. There will be a closed reception at 5:30 in the Jimmie Keller reading room. Hors d' oeuvres will be served and a guest speaker will kick off the session. Our guest speaker is Richard Lumma from SIUE where he is the Director of the Small Business Development Center. Following Mr. Lumma's opening remarks, there will be an open house for you to explore the library. Road maps will be provided highlighting the many services and business tools available for your use at the library. Other documentation provided will highlight such information as the best Websites for the small business owner and other organizations that are available to help you grow your business. Members of SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives) will be available to answer specific questions or sign you up for one-on-one private (no charge) counseling.

Be sure to put this date on your calender! For registration or information, call Bernadette Duvernoy at 462-0677. ■

## *STAFF PICKS - WHAT WE'RE READING*

### *Plainsong*

by Kent Haruf. Fiction

Plainsong is a book about the gift of family, no matter what form it takes. The writing is lyrical yet spares enough to create a town on the plains of Colorado and characters that are simple and decent. Be prepared to fall in love with the McPheron Brothers -two old bachelor farmers who know more about than cows than people but are willing to give people a try. It's a story about how lives intersect and families form when decent people reach out. Heartwarming without sentimentality, this is a book that stays with you.
- Katie S.

### *Life: Our Century in Pictures*

Richard B. Stolley (ed.).
Non-fiction

From the archives of *Life Magazine*, this collection of 770 photographs captures this century with pictures that range from beautiful to haunting with text that puts the photos into perspective with their time and culture. Plan on losing several evenings to this book with family members hanging over your shoulders.
- Katie S.

### *Murder on the Gravy Train*

by Phyllis Richman. Mystery

Chas Wheatley, a food writer with a taste for sleuthing, takes on the scandalous world of Washington tongue waggers and the deep-throated secrets of the restaurant business...for anyone who enjoys food and foul play.
- Bernie D.

### *The Long Home*

by William Gay. Fiction

The devil comes to Tennessee in the form of one Dallas Hardin, a vile and violent man who brings tragedy in his wake. A powerful and unsettling novel of the backwoods south in the 1940's, Gay balances the horror of sheer evil with moments of great beauty. William Faulkner fans will love this novel.
- Bernie D.

### *Landing It*

by Scott Hamilton. Non-fiction

Olympic gold medalist Hamilton tells the amazing story about his progression from a deathly ill child to a figure skating superstar. As a child, Hamilton suffered from a number of diseases, leaving him sickly and unable to grow. It wasn't until he began to skate at the age of seven that he finally began to recover. As he grew older, he progressed through the skating ranks of national, world and Olympic champion and founded the "Stars on Ice" show, turning in some of the most fantastic skating performances of his era. This fascinating book, filled with lots of inside information on the figure skating world, is framed by Hamilton's story of his recent battle with cancer.
- Susan K.

### *The Pact: A Love Story*

by Jodi Picoult. Fiction

This book gets better each time I read it! A bittersweet tale of friendship, family, and first love, this book involves us in the lives of two families, best friends raising their children together. The families are thrilled when Chris and Emily's friendship blossoms into romance, but this perfect life shatters when Emily is killed and Chris is on trial for murder. This beautifully written, heartwarming modern day *Romeo and Juliet* will make you question how well you really know family and friends. You will not be able to sleep until you finish this wonderful book!
- Libby M.

### *Biggie and the Meddlesome Mailman*

by Nancy Bell. Mystery

Mystery lovers rejoice! Biggie is back and that can only mean one thing-there's a mystery to solve in Job's Crossing, Texas! When Luther Abernathy (the town's nosy and only mailman) is murdered, Biggie and the gang go on the prowl to find the killer. But as the mystery begins to unfold, they find they may be next. This is a charming and funny mystery that should definitely be on your "to read" list. Just make sure you read the rest of the Biggie series starting with *Biggie and the Poisoned Politician*. And remember to look for Willie Mae's famous recipes in the back of the book!
- Mary P.

### *The American President*

by Philip B. Kunhardt.
Non-fiction

This book takes an engaging look at the lives of the men who have served in the highest office in the nation. Meticulously researched, the authors present a fascinating biography of the men who have led us through Revolution, World War, economic depression and socio-political change to become the most powerful nation in the world. We see the personal and political lives of these men and discover what drove them to run for office. Unlike most biographies of the presidency, this book is presented in thematic rather than sequential order. Hundreds of photographs, drawings and paintings illustrate the story and make this the definitive guide to the presidency.
- Mary P. ■

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library Special Events

### Youth Library Adds New Lapsit Story Time For Toddlers

Lots For Tots is our newest story time at the Youth Library, a "lapsit" program for toddlers, ages 18 to 36 months, accompanied by an adult. The program offers parents and care givers an opportunity for one-on-one interaction with their children, sharing stories, songs, rhymes and activities with the guidance of library staff The program will be offered on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m., and the spring session will run from March 15 through April 19. Registration opens Saturday, March 4. To register call Geralyn Lindow at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

Our regular preschool story time for ages 3-5 also returns for the spring with two groups, one meeting on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. at the Youth Library, and one meeting on Thursday mornings at 10 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. The spring session runs from March 14/16 through April 18/20. Children must be three years old as of March 1, 2000 to register for this session. Registration opens March 4. To register call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library or Rhoda Cairns at the Branch Library, 463-1276

Bedtime story time with Mr Sandman and the Lullaby Lady resumes on Tuesday evenings at 7:15 p.m. at the Youth Library for ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult. Pajamas are optional. The spring session runs from March 14 through April 18 Registration opens March 4. To register call Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

### Think Spring! Afterschool Crafts for Ages 6-11

Places are still available for our spring session of afterschool craft programs on the third Thursday of the month at 3:30 p m. at the Youth Library. The program dates are March 16, April 20 and May 18. The crafts are designed for children ages 6-11, and parents and caregivers are welcome to stay and help. If you'd like to register for this program call Geralyn Lindow at the Youth Library, 462-0652.

### Winners Announced for Teen Short Story Contest

We are pleased to announce the prize winners for this year's short story contest for teens. Winners were selected by a committee of library staff who read all the entries and selected one winner in each division: grades 6-8 winner is Thomas Haine, an eighth grader at St. Mary's School in Alton; grades 9-12 winner is Jennifer Scroggins, a junior at Alton High School. Each winner will receive a cash prize of $50.

All of the stories entered in the contest will be published in a booklet by the library, and the teens and their families will be invited to a publication party at the Youth Library on March 29. Each participant will receive a copy of the booklet, and the winners will receive their prizes that night.

### Traveling Puppet Show Available for School Visits

Our traveling puppet show will be available for school visits to preschool and kindergarten classes during April and May to promote summer reading. If you'd like the library puppets to visit your class, please call Steve Fahrig at the Youth Library, 462-0652. We will start taking bookings on Monday, March 13 and continue until all available times are filled. If more than one class in the same school wants a visit, we ask teachers to coordinate and have one teacher call and book all the classes at that school for the same day. This will allow us to visit the maximum number of classes in the time we have available

### Cinema for Teens Continues Through March

Join us for video films on the big screen tv on Saturday mornings at 10:30 a.m. at the Youth Library. Our winter/spring series continues through March with the following films of live theater from the *Globalstage Series*: March 4: an English language version of Rostand's *Cyrano de Bergerac*; March 11: H. G. Wells' classic *The Island of Dr. Moreau*; March 18: Thomas Hardy's Victorian elegy *Far From The Madding Crowd*; March 25: Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*. No registration is required. Teachers: why not give your students extra credit for attending these films? The library will provide students with letters verifying their attendance.

### Wizard of Oz's Great-Granddaughter Appears at Hayner!

Gita "Dorothy" Morena Ph.D., great-granddaughter of L. Frank Baum, *The Man Who Created Oz*, will speak about her great-grandfather's life and the inspiration for his writing on Friday, March 31 at 7 p.m. in the Jimmie Keller Reading Room of the Main Library. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the publication of Baum's much loved classic, **The Wizard of Oz**. Dr. Morena has written her own book, **The Wisdom of Oz**, combining family recollections with her own insights and suggestions for discussions and activities. Copies of her book will be available for purchase that evening and she will autograph them on request. Dr. Morena is visiting Alton that weekend for a workshop sponsored by Alton Memorial Hospital and Pathways To Wellness, Inc. Because our space is limited, registration in advance is required. Please call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library, 462-0652, beginning Saturday, March 18, to register for this event. For further program information, you can also contact Lisa Kay at 1-800-392-0936

# Special Events at Hayner

## National Library Week
## April 9-15, 2000 Activities

The Youth Library and Alton Square Branch Library will celebrate with Family Reading Nights on Wednesday, April 12 at the Youth Library and on Thursday, April 13 at the Branch Library. Activities begin with parent and child read together time from 6:30 to 7 p.m., followed by a special NLW puppet show and story time at 7 p.m. Refreshments and attendance prize drawings will follow. Every child will receive a free paperback book to take home, and one winner at each location will receive a $25 gift certificate from Alton Square Mall. This program is open to children ages 3 to 11 accompanied by an adult. Registration opens Saturday, April 1. Please call to register at the location where you plan to attend the program. Call Gloria Mitchell at the Youth Library, 462-0652, or Rhoda Cairns at the Branch Library, 463-1276.

## HAYNER MAIN LIBRARY EVENTS

### Mardi Gras at Hayner - featuring "You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band"
### March 7 - 6:30 p.m.

*Bud Shultz*

Bud Shultz and the "You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band" will appear in concert for Mardi Gras at the Hayner Main Library on Tuesday, March 7, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. The "YCBEJB" is an organization of six musicians from the Greater St. Louis Metro-East area. Specializing in Traditional and Dixieland Jazz, the group also treats more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Bud Shultz, of Godfrey, is the leader. His clarinet and curved soprano sax have been heard by many music afficionados in the Riverbend area for many years. Besides leading the "YCBEJB", he has appeared at the Spring 1997 Alton Landing Jazz Fest and his "Marina Stompers" have been regulars in the Alton Halloween Parade for many years. Appearing with Bud will be Tom Wyatt, of Alton, playing trombone, Ted Vogel, of St. Louis, for keyboard and vocals, Linton Luetje, of Florissant, on the tuba and Ken Link on the drums. There will also be trumpet accompaniment. Come celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style! It's going to be a great show! The program is free but advanced registration is required. Register by calling the Main Library at 462-0651

### Great Irish Music Here Again!

Celebrate the wearin' of the green and join us at Hayner for some great Irish music. On Wednesday, March 15, Irish folk singer Danny O'Dea returns with a program featuring the best songs and stories of Ireland. Danny's traditional folk songs and ballads packed the library last year so make your reservations early! Join us March 15th at 6:30 p.m. in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room, Hayner Main Library. Call 462-0651 to register.

### Celebrating Women - Film Series

On Sundays throughout the month of March, Hayner will be sponsoring a film series featuring the achievement of women. These first run videos will be shown at 1 p.m. on the wide screen TV in the Metzger Conference Room (lower level of Hayner Youth Library). The series is free and does not require registration. Films include:

**March 5 - "A Midwife's Tale"** Experience 18th century American life through the remarkable story of midwife and healer Martha Ballard.- from the Pulitzer Prize winning biography. Run time: 88 minutes

**March 12 - "Susan B. Anthony Slept Here: Celebrating America's Great Women"** This highly acclaimed program takes a lively trip across America to celebrate famous American women. This film won the Twenty-First Annual American Women in Radio and Television Award. Run time: 47 minutes

**March 19 - "Fly Girls: The American Experience"** The story of the 1000 American women that became the first female pilots to fly for the U.S. military during WW II. Run time: 60 minutes

**March 26 - "Around the World in 72 Days"** The story of the courageous and amazing Nellie Bly. She became the "best reporter in America," committed herself to an institution to expose the abuse of the mentally ill and traveled the world in 72 days Run time: 60 minutes

### Business by the Books
### April 11 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

A special program designed for the small business person A reception will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room featuring keynote speaker Richard Lumma from SIUE (Director of Small Business Development). Then there will be an open house to demonstrate the many services and tools available at the library to support your business development. See article, page 2, for program details. To register, call Bernadette Duvernoy at 462-0677.

### Dueling Dulcimers
### April 18 - 6:30 p.m.

*Cathy Croxton*

Two local musicians will be performing traditional music, early american folk tunes, hymns and more on the beautiful instrument, the dulcimer. Cathy Croxton will be performing on the Mountain Dulcimer and Thora Buis will perform music on the Hammered Dulcimer. Come hear these two accomplished artists demonstrate the differences and similarities of these related instruments that have been such an important part of America's musical heritage

*Thora Buis*

To register, call the Main Library at 462-0651

**Main Library • 326 Belle Street**
**462-0651**

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**462-0652**

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## *PATRON PROFILE: Ms. Mary Ann Mazenko*

by Bernadette Duvernoy,
Library Assistant

"Hayner library has been important to me all my life. As a child, I was always at the Children's Library just taking out stacks of books....(the current collection) is enormously wide ranging. If I need a book that Hayner doesn't hold, you can always find it for me in no time. The library is good for the soul!" So speaks Mary Ann Mazenko, subject of this issue's patron profile. If that name is familiar to you it may be that you've seen Mary Ann's byline on the pages of the Alton Telegraph. Until her retirement in 1997, Mary Ann was the Lifestyle writer for the Telegraph. She has also worked as a Health and Medical reporter, reported hard news, handled government and police briefs...in short, Mary Ann knows her way around the newsroom.

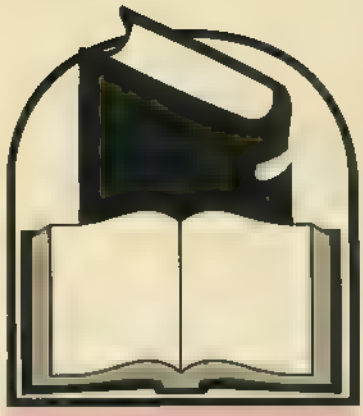
Born and raised in Alton, Mary Ann attended Saints Peter and Paul Grade School and Marquette High School and went to University of Illinois where she earned her degree in Journalism. She came back to Alton to work as a copywriter in a St. Louis department store, moving on to work at Stix, Baer & Fuller as a fashion writer. Mary Ann noted that was a fun assignment but it had its perils as she spent every penny she earned on the clothes she was writing copy for! She joined the staff of the Alton Telegraph as a reporter in 1962 primarily covering the society desk. Mary Ann described that at the time there were only three women in the newsroom: her and another women to cover the society page and a woman who prepared the obituaries. "Times certainly have changed" she comments. During this period, Mary Ann met her husband, Fran, on a blind date. They married and soon started their own family. Mary Ann left the telegraph in 1965 shortly before the birth of her first child. Mary Ann and Fran have three children -two girls and a boy.

By 1976, Mary Ann was ready to go back to work and took the position of Public Relations Coordinator for St. Joe's Hospital (now St. Clare's). She enjoyed the job as she has always had an interest in medicine. The allure of the press was too great and Mary Ann returned to the Telegraph in 1981 as the Health and Medicine Reporter, though she covered a wide variety of assignments. Mary Ann, of course, has many fascinating recollections. She described the newsroom the day President Kennedy was shot. Breaking news still came in over the wire and one of the reporters read the print out loud "the president has just been shot". "At first we didn't know if it was some kind of bad joke and then everything just erupted - it was pandemonium" she recalls. She also recalls what a huge story the Paula Sims case was and how her assignment had been to interview some of Sims' neighbors in upper Alton. Of course, the Flood of '93 was both a national and international story and the Telegraph served as home base for reporters from all over the world.

Mary Ann also covered many art and entertainment stories and recalls a telephone interview with Naomi Judd which lasted 45 minutes. She has interviewed Robert Wagner, Stephanie Powers, Linda Evans, Molly Ivans, Mary Engelbreit, Howie Mandell, the Maguire Sisters, Dr. Henry Heimlich and many other entertainers, comedians and authors. She has found most of these interviewees to be unfailingly kind, professional people. Mary Ann admits to being a shy person by nature but the role of press allows you to "assume a mantle- you have a different persona when you are doing your job- you take on a different skin that's empowering whether you are interviewing artists, local political officials, business leaders, whoever."

During Mary Ann's last few years at the Telegraph she was the lifestyle feature writer. Mary Ann loved this assignment, meeting and reporting on a wide variety of people throughout the area. Mary Ann says she always learned something from the people she interviewed- regardless of their station in life. Most of us remember many of Mary Ann's popular feature articles- they consistently exhibited her personal philosophy of responsible journalism, that being 1) respect the person you're writing about as this person is putting their trust in you and 2) make SURE you quote correctly!

Now retired, Mary Ann and Fran (Fran worked for Owens-Illinois as Regional Recycling and Public Affairs Manager) enjoy spending time with their five grandchildren. Mary Ann is a life long gardening enthusiast ("I never met a flower I didn't like") and of course enjoys the time to indulge her passion to read. When asked if she missed the reporter's life, Mary Ann admitted that, while it's nice to be free of the stress of the job, she did miss the adrenaline rush of working under constant deadlines. "There is an excitement in the newsroom that gets in your blood," says Mary Ann. She also misses the people interaction. Over the years she has met and interviewed "so many special people." We miss Mary Ann's feature articles but always enjoy her visits to the library! ■



### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS:*

#### *FICTION*

BEST AMERICAN MYSTERY STORIES 1999
Clancy, Tom. THE BEAR AND THE DRAGON
Cook. Robin SHOCK
Cornwell. Patricia. THE LAST PRECINCT
Coulter, Catherine RIPTIDE
Estleman, Loren JOURNEY OF THE DEAD
Faulks, Sebastian. THE GIRL AT THE LION D'OR
Hoffman, Alice. THE RIVER KING
Least Heat Moon, William RIVER HORSE
Roy, Lucinda. THE HOTEL ALLELUIA
Sandford, John EASY PREY

#### *NONFICTION*

Bonington, Chris. TIBET'S SECRET MOUNTAIN THE TRIUMPH OF SEPU KANGRI
Carr, Ian. MILES DAVIS. THE DEFINITIVE BIOGRAPHY
Dent, David J IN SEARCH OF BLACK AMERICA. DISCOVERING THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN DREAM
Ellegard, Alvar JESUS--ONE HUNDRED YEARS BEFORE CHRIST A STUDY IN CREATIVE MYTHOLOGY
Nunley, John W. MASKS: FACES OF CULTURE (based on exhibit at St. Louis art museum)
Pruett, Kyle D. FATHERNEED
Sforza, John. SWING IT: THE ANDREWS SISTERS STORY
Wilcockson, John. LANCE ARMSTRONG & THE 1999 TOUR DE FRANCE

### *ILLINOIS MARRIAGE INDEX AVAILABLE AT HAYNER*

The **Illinois Marriage Index** on CD-ROM is now available at the Reference Desk at the Main Library downtown. Published by the Illinois State Genealogical Society, the CD lists over 850,000 marriages that took place in Illinois from the earliest to 1900. A total of 82 Illinois counties are represented, including complete lists for 41 of the counties. The marriages are listed alphabetically by both bride and groom. Each marriage entry includes the date of the marriage, the county in which it took place, and, when available, the source of the information.

For further information, please stop by the Reference Desk downtown, or call Susan or katie at 462-0651 ■

directors and after her death left the hospital an endowment fund. Miss Smith died June 7, 1955 in the hospital she helped build.

Alton's cultural life is richer because of Dorothy Colonius. In 1933, this dedicated English teacher founded Alton Little Theater, making her dream of a community theater for the area a reality. The next year she took on the role of director, a role she kept for almost all of the theater's major productions until shortly before her death in 1979. Under her guidance, the theater group grew and with the help of volunteers and faithful members was able in 1960 to build its own showcase. Since then the theater has been expanded with the old area named "The Dorothy Colonius Foyer." A Telegraph article named Alton Little Theater as the second-oldest theater group in Illinois and one of the ten oldest in the country. Miss Colonius and her devotion to Alton Little Theater set the standards for the quality performances the community still enjoys today.

Many who were hungry and in need found help in the community because of the work and dedication of Frances Jackson. In 1977, Mrs. Jackson established the Crisis Food Center and worked to feed the hungry in the community until a stroke slowed her down. She saw the organization grow from a small group formed in her home to a center that serves over 18,000 people each year with the help of generous donations from individuals an organizations. The center also operates the Nearly New Shop that distributes clothes and school supplies to families in need. Mrs. Jackson, called a friend to the hungry and homeless, died in 1999 at the age of 90, but her gifts of help and hope to the community continue on through the work of the Crisis Food Center.

Hayner salutes these and all the women whose drive, determination and love of community helped build Alton. ■

## THANK YOU FRIENDS!

The Friends of the Library continue to enrich the Hayner Library District each year through their hard work and consistently successful biannual book sales. Over the last five-plus years, their purchases on behalf of the library have included: flowers and shrubbery, microwave ovens (3 locations), extensive building renovation, multiple IBM computers and printers/ Macintosh computers and printers (3 locations), laminating machine, historical art prints/books and videos, barcode readers, laser printer, wooden library chairs, copier, annual children's Christmas party and Reading program parties ...the list goes on and on. Thank you Friends for all your help and support and we hope everyone can attend the next Friends of the Library Book Sale on May 11, 12 and 13. Watch for details at all library locations. ■

## FOR WOMEN BY WOMEN

The Riverbend Growth Association and SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives) are developing a half day seminar titled "For Women By Women" to be held the end of March, 2000. Hayner Library has been participating in this effort. This seminar will provide topics of professional development for women in business with a focus on all types of communication. Please watch local news sources for further details or call either the RBGA at 467-2280 or Bernadette Duvernoy at Hayner Library Office, 462-0677. ■

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# The Hayner Public Library District

Spring 2000

**Things to Know...**
About The Hayner Public Library District

MAILING LIST UPDATE
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

HOLIDAYS
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Memorial Day
Sunday, May 28 &
Monday, May 29
Father's Day
Sunday, June 18
Independence Day
Tuesday, July 4

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## *DID YOU KNOW...? REFERRING TO REFERENCE*

Do you know.... what you call the stringy parts that peel away from the inside of the banana peel? (Rags) If Charlotte Bronte had a pen name? (Yes, several: C.B., Currer Bell, Marquis of Douro, Genius, Lord Charles Wellesley) The number of acceptable two-letter Scrabble words? (86) What are they? (Oh, please...) Actually, rather than knowing all the answers, the really smart people just know where to find them! And one of the best resources in town is the Reference Department for the Hayner Public Library District. The reference staff is located at the Main Library, downtown, but is available to patrons using all three Hayner locations. The staff consists of Reference Librarians Susan Kulasekara and Katie Schrimpf. Susan and Katie both hold Masters Degrees in Library and Information Science (Susan from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and Katie from University of Missouri, Columbia ) and are thus trained in how best to research a tremendous range of information and materials. Whether you need to look up a statistic, find a quick answer to a query or get started on a research project, the Reference Department can help. Here are some other things you may not know about Hayner's Reference services:

*Reference Librarians*
*Katie Schrimpf & Susan Kulasekara*

- Reference staff is available the following hours: Mondays 8-5, Tuesdays 8-5, Wednesdays 8-8, Thursdays 8-5, Fridays 8-5 and Saturdays 9-5.
- Reference can be reached 24 hours per day, 7 days per week at their e-mail address: hayneref@lcls.org. A reference librarian will respond to your query as soon as possible.
- The Reference Department can acquire books for you on interlibrary loan from all over the country.
- Reference provides the InfoPass service, which lets you check out books from libraries all over the St. Louis metro area on a one-time, specific-need basis.
- Hayner Library has a large, up-to-date, always growing reference collection as well as a direct connection to the Internet to help you with your reference needs.

Susan and Katie welcome your reference questions whether by e-mail, phone (462-0651) or in person ...and they're pretty darn hard to stump! ■

## *HEARTLAND CHAUTAUQUA*

Heartland Chautauqua is coming to Alton June 26 - July 1, 2000. What is a Chautauqua? It started as religious training programs for Sunday School teachers in New York and later evolved to include educational and entertaining speeches from famous orators and entertainers. As popularity increased, a traveling Chautauqua was formed. They were not only about intellectual stimulation, but became places to socialize and converse about politics, economics, religion and other issues. The Heartland Chautauqua coming to Alton carries on this 127 year tradition with historic scholars, food, music and fun. Starting with a community tent raising in Haskell park on June 26, the week's shows will feature music followed by a performance by a scholar/actors (a different character each night). Each day, selected actors will be putting on additional performances at both the Hayner Youth and Main libraries. Be sure to check both the Youth and Main Events Calender for performance description and schedules! The Heartland Chautauqua in Alton is sponsored by the Illinois and Missouri Humanities Council and the Alton Main Street Program. All performances are free of charge. ■

# Special Events at Hayner

## YOUTH LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Registration for summer reading club and activity programs opens Saturday, June 3 unless otherwise stated. Register in person only at the location where you plan to attend the program. We regret we cannot accept registrations by phone for summer programs.

Children under twelve must be registered by a parent or guardian. Teens, ages 12-15, may sign up on their own. Summer reading club registration closes Saturday, July 1. Registration for activity programs close when all available places are filled. All programs at the library are provided free of charge. Due to space limits only residents or cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District may attend summer programs at the library.

### Read For The Fun Of It!

Kids from birth through fifteen are invited to participate in the **Read For The Fun Of It!** Summer Reading Club at Hayner Public Library this summer. Prereaders may participate if an adult agrees to read to them. Families can sign up as a group and everyone — including Mom and Dad — is eligible to win prizes for summer reading. This is a great opportunity for parents to teach kids by their own example the importance of reading both as a skill and a source of lifelong enjoyment and learning.

Participants agree to read at least six hours to complete the program and win a free paperback book of their choice. Time sheets must be returned to the library no later than Monday, July 31, in order to qualify. There are additional small prizes for those who read 12, 18, 24 and 30 hours. Those who read 30 hours are listed on the *Famous Fun Readers* display at the Youth Library all summer. If all members of the family complete 30 hours each the family will be listed on the *WE READ Family Hall of Fame* display at the Youth Library all summer. Kids and families can submit photos of themselves to be posted along with their names in the library display.

Award books and prizes will be distributed at the End of Summer Reading Party on Thursday, August 3 at the Riverbend Arena, Lewis & Clark Community College. If you cannot attend the party, you can pick up your certificate and award book at the Youth Library any time between August 4 and 31.

Summer schools and other community agencies that provide summer activities for kids can partner with the library and participate as outreach sites for the summer reading club. Please call Pam Klipsch at the Youth Library (462-0652) for more information about the Community Reading Partnership program.

## SUMMER ACTIVITY PROGRAMS

To register for activity programs children must be the age specified by June 1, 2000. Programs do have limited seating so registration is necessary. Please register at the location where you plan to attend the program. There is no charge to participate in any library-sponsored program. No activity programs meet July 3-8.

### Look For Books! Preschool Story Times

We offer preschool story times for ages 3-5. There are two groups, one meeting on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Youth Library, and one meeting on Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Registration is limited to 20 children in each group. Parents or other adult care givers must remain in the library during the program. Meeting dates are weekly from June 13/15 through July 25/27.

### Nighty-Night Books with Mr. Sandman & The Lullaby Lady

Ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult. The group meets on Tuesday nights at 7:15 at the Youth Library. Pajamas are optional! Meeting dates are weekly from June 13 through July 25.

### Yummy-Nummy Books in Lots For Tots Lapsit Story Time

Ages 18-36 months accompanied by an adult. The group meets on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are weekly from June 14 through July 26.

### Inventioneering! Summer Crafts

**CRAFTS, CRAFTS, CRAFTS**

We offer weekly summer craft programs for ages 6-11. Adults are invited to assist at craft programs. There are two groups: one meets on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Youth Library, and one meets on Thursdays at 11 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates are weekly from June 13/15 through July 25/27.

### Dramatic Play: Magical, Mystery Puppetry

Our puppetry program includes making the puppets, preparing a script and performing a puppet play. Ages 6-11. Adults are invited to assist. The group meets on Wednesdays at 3 p.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are weekly from June 14 through July 26.

### Meet The Author: Authori-Tea Parties

New this summer, a series offering kids a chance to learn about some of their favorite authors! Ages 6-11, and adults are invited to attend with their children. Watch videotaped interviews with the authors, look at some of

# Special Events at Hayner

their books, and enjoy other reading-related crafts and activities, along with refreshments. Each participant may register to attend two programs in the series, one in June and one in July. Programs are held on Tuesdays at 3 p.m.-Youth Library. Dates and featured authors are:

June 13 - *Eric Carle*
June 20 - *Tomie dePaola*
June 27 - *Ann McGovern*
July 11 - *Patricia & Fredrick McKissack*,
July 18 - *Eve Bunting*
July 25 - *Roald Dahl*

## Harry's Read-Aloud Lunch Bunch

If you love Harry Potter you'll enjoy other books about young adventurers, like Joan Aiken's *Dido Twite Series*, Lloyd Alexander's *Prydain Chronicles*, Helen Cresswell's *Bagthorpe Saga* and more including a preview glimpse of Harry Potter's fourth adventure, due out in July! Ages 6-11, and adults are also invited to attend with their children. Bring your sack lunch and the library will supply cold drinks. The group meets weekly on Wednesdays at noon at the Youth Library. Program dates are June 14, 21, 28; July 12, 19, 26.

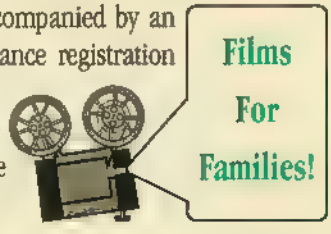
## J.D. Junior Volunteer Program

Teens, ages 12-15, have an opportunity to volunteer to work one day a week in the Youth Library, helping with our summer programs. Application packets will be available at the Youth Library starting May 1. **We begin accepting completed applications at the Youth Library on Tuesday, May 30.** We accept the first ten applicants we receive. Volunteers also are expected to sign up for the summer reading club and read at least 30 hours. Volunteers who complete 40 hours of volunteer time at the library by August 4 receive a J.D. Jr. tee shirt and a certificate of appreciation from the library.

## Read & Rant Book Discussion Group for Teens

Ages 12-15 can sign up for the book discussion group on Wednesday nights at 7 at the Youth Library, meeting weekly from June 14 through July 26. We will read and discuss three books selected from the AR lists. (Titles will be available June 1.)

## Films For The Fun Of It! Family Video Series




Various age groups. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult. No advance registration is required. Video films are shown on the big screen on Thursdays at 3 p.m. at the Youth Library. Show dates and films are as follows:

June 15:
(preschool/primary)
Animated Dogs featuring Cannonball, Angus, and Officer Buckle's Gloria
(63 minutes)

June 20:
(primary/intermediate)
How Dinosaurs Learned To Fly, How To Build A Dinosaur, Digging For Dinosaurs
(72 minutes)

June 29:
(intermediate/young adult)
Sandcastle Secrets, Sandsong, At The Stonecarver's Studio (71 minutes)

July 13:
(preschool/primary)
Tales For Folks featuring Chicken Little, Enough Already and The Bremen Town Musicians (65 minutes)

July 20:
(primary/intermediate)
Linnea In Monet's Garden and Kristen's Fairy House
(70 minutes)

July 27:
(intermediate/young adult)
Word's Up and The Devil & Daniel Mouse
(74 minutes)

## SPECIAL EVENTS!

### Chautauqua Week: June 26-30

For ages 8 and up accompanied by an adult. Monday-Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the Youth Library. Five Chautauqua historic impersonators will present each day a program specially designed for youngsters. Dates and programs are:

**Monday, June 26**
*The Making of a Photographer: Matthew Brady and Levin Hardy*

**Tuesday, June 27**
Spy Elizabeth Van Lew presents: *I Spy*

**Wednesday, June 28**
Louisa May Alcott presents: *Stories From The Civil War*

**Thursday, June 29**
Harriet Tubman presents: *Life As A Slave*

**Friday, June 30**
Confederate General James Longstreet presents: *Why They Fought*

### Madcap Puppet Theatre Presents Three Tales With Tails

For children of all ages accompanied by an adult. **Registration opens July 1; performance is scheduled for Thursday, July 20 at 7 p.m. in the Jimmie Keller Reading Room of the Main Library.** On tour from Cincinnati, Ohio, Madcap combines live actors and giant puppets in this fractured fairy tale about pigs, goats, bears and a girl named Goldilocks!

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## HAYNER MAIN LIBRARY EVENTS

*The following events will all be held in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room of the Main Library. They are all free of charge but require registration. Call Reynae at 462-0677 to register.*

### Native American Flutes
### James Skjerseth
### May 23 - 6:30 p.m.

James Skjerseth of Medora, Il. carves and plays authentic Native American flutes. He will perform authentic music as well as contemporary pieces and also describe the history and rituals of the Native American tribes that originally used the flutes. Please call Reynae 462-0677 to register.

### "The Roots of Jazz"
### Jean Kittrell
### June 13 - 6:30 p.m.

Nationally known pianist, band leader and vocalist Jean Kittrell (recipient of the 1998 "Great Ladies of Jazz" award) will perform her one-woman show, "The Roots of Jazz". Ms. Kittrell has presented this show across the USA, Canada, Europe and Japan. Don't miss this unique performance experience. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### "Songs of Yesteryear"
### Phil Capello
### June 20 6:30 p.m.

Phil Capello, a St. Louis favorite, will perform "Songs of Yesteryear". Accompanying himself on the piano, Mr. Capello will sing songs of the 1940s through today. He will also perform audience requests. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Chautauqua Week
### June 26-30 3:00 p.m.

In cooperation with Alton Marketplace Association, one of the five actors/scholars visiting Alton for Chautauqua Week will appear each afternoon Monday-Friday at 3 p.m. In a series entitled *From Page to Stage*, each will discuss how they researched and created their historic impersonations. Programs are scheduled as follows:

June 26
Shene King as Harriet Tubman

June 27
Gayle Stahlhuth as Louisa May Alcott

June 28
Danney Goble as General James Longstreet

June 29
Annette Baldwin Kolasinski as Elizabeth Van Lew

June 30
Dave Dickerson as Matthew Brady

To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Beginning Genealogy
### July 12 6:00 p.m.

A member of the Madison County Genealogy Society will conduct a beginning class in how to research your family tree. This class will deal with the basics of starting your genealogical research. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### "Songs of the Sweet Water Seas"
### Lee Murdock
### July 18 6:30 p.m.

A great Lakes and Maritime Musical performance by Chicago musician, Lee Murdock.

The program also traces the history of settlement of the Great Lakes region. Mr. Murdock is noted as a fluent instrumentalist on the six and twelve string guitar. He has released eight CDs and cassettes. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Wilma and the Messengers
### Tessa Wittfield
### August 8, 6:30 p.m.

A six women gospel group from Saint Louis will perform a combination of contemporary and classic gospel music while accompanying themselves on guitars, keyboard and drums. Sure to be an inspiring and exciting evening! To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### "Hot Music for a Hot Summer Night"
### Bud Shultz
### August 15, 6:30

Bud Shultz and the "You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band" return for an encore performance! This band of six musicians promises a great evening of Traditional and Dixieland Jazz and more modern pieces with a Dixie land flavor. They will get you moving - guaranteed! To register, call Reynae at 462--0677.

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**462-0651**

**Youth Library • 401 State Street**
**462-0652**

**Branch Library • Alton Square**
**463-1276**

## *PATRON PROFILE:*
## *Marvin Flowers*

by Bernadette Duvernoy
Public Relations Coordinator

I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Marvin Flowers at the Hayner Branch Library in the Mall for this edition's Patron Profile. Marvin and his family moved to Alton two years ago from Mt. Pulaski Il. Martin has also lived in Elgin, Il and Terra Haute, Indiana and is a native of Indianapolis, Indiana. Marvin is the Senior Minister at the Community Christian Church at 2345 Union School Road and has been preaching for twenty seven years. He attended Ozark Christian College in Joplin and in 1994, he completed a Masters degree from Cincinnati Bible Seminary. Marvin says "I am always studying, which is why I am so involved in the library."

Marvin is a great supporter of the library, commenting that "it is the best library system, the cooperative spirit and ease of use are wonderful". Well, the library is a great fan of Marvin's also. He has become our resident Mac computer Guru. Marvin has been involved with Macs since 1984 when he bought his first PC. It was because of the Macs installed at the branch that Marvin got to know the staff there. He relates that he walked into the branch one day and the staff was rather distressed. It seems that someone had programmed the Macs sound system to keep repeating swear words and no one knew how to stop it! Needless to say, the staff was very concerned that this was not exactly the environment they had visualized for the beautiful newly renovated branch facility. Marvin volunteered "hey, I love those computers and I can fix it for you if you want". Marvin has made sure that the Macs will never have THAT problem again! Since that time, whenever Marvin is in the Mall, he stops by the branch to make sure the Macs are all doing ok and if there should be some kind of problem he fixes it!

Marvin shares his love of computers with his ministry also. He keeps a couple in the back of his car and has been known to make calls on several senior citizens to set the computer up and teach them to use Internet and e-mail He also volunteers at his church and the library to teach people how to use the computer. Some day he envisions a computer lab at the church for public use, particularly aimed at helping seniors get online.

Along with his church work (which includes counseling and Bible Study), Marvin does a lot of hospital and nursing home visitation. He is a friendly, soft-spoken man that certainly would be a great comfort to the sick or elderly. Marvin has also recently completed a short-term mission in the Dominican Republic. His church supports a missionary, Rick York, who has planted fifty churches in the Dominican Republic with approximately 3000 members. During Marvin's mission, he trained the local preachers on leadership and church growth.

Marvin and his wife, Marge (Marge is a Medical Transcriptionist and an RN) have three children-two daughters in Bible College, Jodi and Misty and a son, Matthew, who is a junior at Alton High School. Marvin is very proud of his family He said both daughters will likely go on with mission work. Misty is studying to become a surgical assistant and is looking forward to going to Mexico as a Medical Missionary. Jodi has been to the Dominican Republic twice on missions. She is studying "TESL" - Teaching English as a Second Language. She has had offers to go to Japan to teach, in which case Marvin says he will have to stop buying computers so he can afford to visit her! The Flowers also have two dogs which are also 'just part of the family'.

Along with his family, church, reading and computers, Marvin has a great love of all sports. He played sports in high school and college but now is mainly a spectator. He did admit, rather quietly, to being an avid fan of the Chicago Cubs which "doesn't really work down here"

While we were chatting, Marvin's dear friend of twenty years, Ken Rutledge, came into the library. Their mission that afternoon was to buy Ken a new (guess what?) Mac computer. Marvin said he is willing to help anyone out who has a computer problem, so if you're a Mac user and have a question, Marvin's the man to see. He has been a huge help to the Library where both IBM-like PCs and Macs are installed. We couldn't be more thankful for Marvin's help and it's always a pleasure to see him at the library. ■

### *NEW UNABRIDGED BOOKS ON TAPE!*

Come check out the large selection of new, unabridged books on tape recently added at Hayner's Main Division. New and forthcoming titles include:

Albom, Mitch. TUESDAYS WITH MORRIE

Allende, Isabel. DAUGHTER OF FORTUNE

Ansay, A. Manette. VINEGAR HILL

Austen, Jane. PRIDE AND PREJUDICE

Barr, Nevada. LIBERTY FALLING

Bragg, Rick. ALL OVER BUT THE SHOUTIN

Byatt, A. S. POSSESSION

Christie, Agatha. UNEXPECTED GUEST

Cornwell, Patricia. LAST PRECINCT

Gilman, Dorothy. MRS. POLLIFAX UNVEILED

Greenlaw, Linda. THE HUNGRY OCEAN

Grisham, John. THE BRETHREN

Guterson, David. SNOW FALLING ON CEDARS

Haruf, Kent. PLAINSONG

Hillerman, Tony. THE FIRST EAGLE

Keillor, Garrison. PRAIRIE HOME COMPANIONS 25TH ANNIVERSARY COLLECTION

King, Stephen. THE BODY

Ludlum, Robert. ROBERT LUDLUM'S COVERT-ONE THE HADES FACTOR

Muller, Marcia. LISTEN TO THE SILENCE

O'Brian, Patrick. BLUE AT THE MIZZEN

Parker, Robert B. HUGGER MUGGER

Rice, Luanne. FOLLOW THE STARS HOME

Roberts, Nora. CAROLINA MOON

Scottoline, Lisa. MOMENT OF TRUTH

Steel, Danielle. THE WEDDING

Steel, Danielle. HOUSE ON HOPE STREET

Turow, Scott. PERSONAL INJURIES

Woods, Stuart. THE RUN

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### American Hollow

By Rory Kennedy. Non-fiction

An extraordinary portrait of a nearly extinct way of life, "American Hollow" profiles in word and pictures the story of seven generations of one family living in Appalachia. This is a moving documentary of how relentless life can be "in the hollow."

Bernie D.

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By Nelson DeMille. Fiction

A bloody trail of terror streaks across the country and John Corey, ex-New York City policeman and now member of the elite Anti-terrorist Task Force is on the case. Plot twists, sardonic humor, great characterizations and harrowing suspense make this page-turner sizzle! Hayner holds both book and unabridged audio. Don't miss this one. –Bernie D

### Daughter of Fortune

By Isabel Allende. Fiction

Romance and adventure in a beautifully written story set against the backdrop of fascinating cultures. Young, headstrong and pregnant, Eliza's passion for her lover lures her from upper class Chile to the California gold rush where she learns that following your heart sometimes means just opening your eyes. Allende's characters are strong and appealing and the surprises she drops throughout the story will catch you off guard. Hayner holds both book and unabridged audio. –Katie S.

### Girl With a Pearl Earring

By Tracy Chevalier. Fiction

History and fiction blend in Chevalier's story about the girl whose haunting eyes stare out from Johannes Vermeer's famous painting, often called the Dutch Mona Lisa. Chevalier offers a fascinating look at the artist's world, the master-servant social structure, and the workings of a young girl's heart. –Katie S.

### The Ultimate Decorating Book: Over 1,000 Decoration Ideas for All the Rooms in Your Home

By Judy Spours. Non-fiction

Come check out one of the latest additions to our interior decorating collection. This oversized book is stuffed with color photos and easy do-it-yourself decorating projects. Sections include "Decorating with Style," "Decorating with Soft Furnishings," "Decorating with Paint and Paper," and "Decorating Solutions." –Susan K.

### Motherless Brooklyn

By Jonathan Lethem. Fiction

Lethem offers murder, mobs and humor in a great mystery with a very unusual detective, a young P.I. with Tourette's syndrome. This book has a good story line—the P.I. investigates his boss' murder, but it is Lethem's good insights about the young detective with Tourette's that make this book so remarkable. Very enlightening. Motherless Brooklyn won the National Book Critics Circle Award for Best Novel in 1999.–Ginger T.

## R HOMEBOUND

by Stephanie Munson, Homebound Coordinator

Spring has sprung all over Alton. Have you taken a ride and looked at all the lovely flowering trees? We are very lucky to have the tree program in Alton.

Did you see the article in the Telegraph about Dr. Ned DuVivier (one of our very special Homebound Volunteers)? He is representing Illinois' 20th Congressional District. The top priority resolutions of this year's session included Older American Act Reauthorization, geriatric training, Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage, Social Security and Alzheimer Disease research funding. It's nice to know that Dr. Ned is looking out for us! We have some new Large Print books just out: *The Sacred Shore* by Janette Oke, *Young Wives* by Olivia Goldsmith, *Agatha Raisin and the Witch of Wyckhadden* by M.C. Beaton and *The Great Republic* by Sir Winston Churchill. I leave you with a little thought: Friendship is a priceless treasure never to be bought or sold - it can only be cherished. Have a great summer! - Steph ■


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## MEET NEW STAFF AT HAYNER MAIN LIBRARY

We want to introduce you to some of the new faces you have noticed at the Hayner Main Library. Julie Belk started part-time this past March working as a Library Assistant. Julie, a Godfrey resident, graduated from Lewis and Clark Community College with a degree in Business Management. She and her husband, Brian, are expecting their first child in September (just in time for Library card Sign up month!).

Twila Liley also joined the library staff this past March. Twila is a part-time Library assistant. Previously, she had worked as the secretary for First Christian Church in Bethalto. Twila has four grown children (three boys and a girl) and two granddaughters. Twila enjoys reading romance novels as well as working in her garden, travel and crafts and says she absolutely "loves working at the library".

Mary Paddock is not technically "new" staff. Mary first came to work at the Main Library as a page in 1995, while a junior in Alton High School. In the Spring of 1998, Mary was promoted to part-time Library Assistant and this past spring, she was promoted again to full-time Library Assistant. While at Alton High School, Mary was President of Future Business Leaders of America and won The Partnership with Business Project award. Mary has completed her associates degree at Lewis and Clark Community College and is continuing her studies in Political Science at SIUE. Mary's reading tastes run to politics, current events, gardening and mysteries. Mary is also our resident trivia expert!

Reference Librarian Katie Schrimpf has also assumed responsibility as Department Head of the Main Library. Welcome and congratulations all! ■

## SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

Do your children have library cards? It has been proven time and time again that children who read are better students. Make sure you give your child the competitive advantage. Get him a library card and encourage him to use it. Better yet, use the library together. During the month of September, the Youth Library will be giving out a free paperback book to every child who signs up for a new library card. Also, for tips on how parents can help their children make the most of the library, check out the American Library Association's Web site at http://www.ala.org/parentspage.

### Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

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Labor Day
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Monday, September 5
Veteran s Day
Friday, November 10
Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 23

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## ST. LOUIS DUO TO PERFORM FOR HAYNER

We are so excited that the widely popular duo of Miller and Eaton will be performing on October 3, 2000 at 6:30 p.m. in a special program presented by the Hayner Public Library District. Marion Miller, pianist, arranger and composer teamed up with vocalist Edward A. Eaton in 1972. For many years, they have been a regular feature performing at the Adams Mark Hotel in St. Louis. They have performed at many clubs throughout the St. Louis area as well as Naples, Florida. They also enjoy performing on cruises and for private groups. Their repertoire includes the blues, show tunes, jazz, pop and the standards of composers such as Porter, Ellington, Arlen and Gershwin.

For this special event, the Library has reserved the Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, IL. The program is free of charge but registration is required. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677. Don't miss the opportunity to see these wonderful performers. We promise you will enjoy a special evening of fine music and entertainment! ■

## *STAFF PICKS - WHAT WE'RE READING*

### *Name Dropping*

by Jane Heller. Fiction

The latest murder mystery from Heller has pre-school teacher Nancy Stern wishing there was more to her existence than four-year-olds and play-doh. When a celebrity journalist with the same name moves into her apartment building, our Nancy is dazzled by the glitzy life until murder and mayhem step in. A witty and entertaining summer read. –Martha F.

### *Death on a Silver Tray*

by Rosemary Stevens. Mystery

If you like your mysteries historical, Rosemary Stevens serves up a refreshing debut with *Death on a Silver Tray*. It's set in Regency England and features as its sleuth none other than "the Beau" himself, George Beau Brummell. When asked by the Duchess of York to help clear her friend of a murder charge, George finds time to do some first-rate detective work despite a busy schedule of dictating fashion, gambling and hobnobbing with the Royals. Historical atmosphere, a touch of humor and the compelling character of Beau with all his flaws and graces will leave you hoping that Rose-mary Stevens writes quickly.
–Katie S.

### *Jemima J: a Novel About Ugly Ducklings and Swans*

by Jane Green. Fiction

Hooray for Jemima J! In Jane Green's sparkling debut novel about life, love and stereotypes, we delve into the world of Jemima Jones. Jemima is an overweight, unhappy wallflower who writes household hints for a dumpy London newspaper. She wants only three things in life: a body like the models she sees in fashion magazines, a chance to leave her awful job and actually write for one of these magazines, and last but certainly not least, a date with the office hunk Ben Williams. This book is much more than a story of one woman's struggle to make her dreams come true. It is a story of heartache, hidden meanings, and self-acceptance told with heartbreaking honesty and a good dose of humor! One thing is for sure, no matter what happens (you'll have to read it to find out!), Jemima J. will leave readers cheering for more!
–Mary P.

### *The Raven and the Nightingale*

by Joanne Dobson. Mystery

When Enfield College windbag professor Elliot Corbin is murdered, the faculty is horrified even though none of them truly miss him. Professor Karen Pelletier, appearing here in her third mystery, is called in by attractive police Lieutenant Piotrowski to help investigate the murder. She discovers that Corbin's death may be connected to the "Raven"–Edgar Allen Poe himself–and a woman poet of Poe's time who may have killed herself for the love of Poe As Karen delves more deeply into the puzzle, she unearths secrets about the Enfield faculty that some people would kill to cover up. –Susan K.

### *The New Family Home*

by Jim Tolpin. Nonfiction

The modern family home has changed dramatically in the last generation, and to prove it, here is a portrayal of 24 homes and how each one works for its family. This beautiful coffee-table-sized book has lots of color photos, floor plans of the homes portrayed, and stories about the situation and needs of each owner. If you liked *The Not So Big House*, this book is a great choice.
–Susan K.

### *When the Air Hits Your Brain: Tales of Neurosurgery*

by Frank T. Vertosick, Jr.
Nonfiction

A fascinating account of the training and practice of a neurosurgeon–a poignant and sometimes funny account of the mysteries of the mind and the operating room.
–Bernie D. ■

## *BANNED BOOK WEEK*
### *SEPTEMBER 23-30, 2000*

Why Banned Book Week? Quite simply, it is to celebrate the freedom to read. This freedom, not only to choose what we read but also to be able to select from a full array of possibilities, is firmly rooted in the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which guarantees freedom of speech and freedom of press. Even as we revel in the increasing quantity and availability of information and reading material, we must maintain vigilance to assure that access to this material is preserved. Threats against the freedom to read still exist and come from all quarters and from all political persuasions. Censors are those who try to limit the freedom of others to choose what they read, see or hear, even if the motivation for the restriction is well intentioned. Individuals may restrict what they themselves or their children read, but they must not call on governmental or public agencies to prevent others from reading or seeing that material.

*-American Library Association*

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library
### SPECIAL EVENTS

Registration for fall activity programs opens Saturday, Sept. 2. Children under 12 must be registered by a parent or guardian. Teens, ages 12 - 15 may sign up on their own. Programs have limited seating so registration is required. Registration closes when all available places are filled. Please register at the location where you plan to attend (Youth Library: 462-0652, Branch Library: 463-1276). All programs at the library are free of charge.

### Read and Rant Book Discussion

Ages 12-15 can sign up for the book discussion group meeting monthly in the Youth library at 6:45. We will read and discuss books selected from AR lists. The meetings will be held on Thursdays, September 7, October 5, November 2 and December 7.

### Traveling Puppet Show

The Traveling Puppet Show is available to visit day care centers, preschools and kindergarten classes during the school year. We will begin accepting bookings for the fall semester on Monday, September 11.

### Preschool Story Times for ages 3 - 5

Story Times are held on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 at the Youth Library and Thursday mornings at 10:00 at the Branch Library. Meeting dates for the fall session are: September 12/14, 19/21, 26/28; October 3/5, 10/12, 17/19. Programs include puppet shows, stories, songs, finger plays and videos.

### Bedtime Story Time Ages 2 - 5

Enjoy the magic of a bedtime story! The group meets Tuesday nights in the Youth Library at 7:15 p.m. Pajamas optional! Meeting dates are weekly from September 12 through October 17.

### Lapsit Story Time Ages 18 - 36 Months

The group meets Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in the Youth Library. Meeting dates are weekly September 13 through October 18.

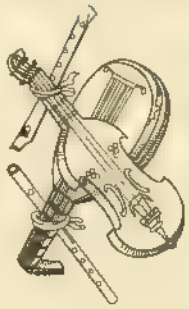
### Mad Scientist Crafts for Ages 6 - 11

Ever wonder what makes things work or why things work the way they do? Register your inquisitive child to explore scientific principles through a crafty medium. Sessions will meet monthly at 3:30 p.m on Thursdays; September 14, October 12, November 9 and December 14.

## Hayner Main Library Events

There are lots of exciting new programs this fall...lectures, music, performers...don't miss one! They are all free of charge but do require registration. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677. Unless otherwise stated, all events will be held in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room at the Main Library. See you at the show!

### Scottish Fiddling & English Dance Thursday, September 7, 6:30 p.m.



There is much music to be explored in the land of Arthurian legend, Robert Burns and Sherlock Holmes. Popular veterans of Hayner Library's recital series, Pete and Mary Pancella will be joined by local artist Lindell Blackford for a sampling of Scottish fiddling and elegant dance music of England. Join us for an evening of musical story telling. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Lance Brown's Tribute to Will Rogers Wednesday, September 13, 6:30 p.m.

Performer Lance Brown presents his one man tribute to famed Will Rogers - recreating Rogers' humor and wisdom and exploring the music and folklore of the late 19th century cowboy. Joseph Carter, Director of the Will Rogers Memorial, says "Absolutely the best one-man show I have ever seen." To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Genealogy Series Thursday, September 21, 6:30 Frances Metzger Conference Room, Hayner Youth Library

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is sponsoring a genealogy series that will be kicked off at Hayner Library. The first session, to be held in the Frances Metzger Conference Room in the Youth Library, will be a general introduction to research. The following sessions include: 1) a visit to the genealogy library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 2) how to use the Internet to do genealogical research and 3) a day trip to the St. Louis Library. Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Meet the Author: Charles Bosworth Jr.
### Tuesday, September 26, 7:00 p.m.

Charles Bosworth, an award-winning investigative reporter for the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* and perhaps best known in this area as the coauthor of *Precious Victims* (the story of Paula Sims), will discuss how he researches his books and talk about the different cases. His latest book is *Who Killed JonBenet Ramsey*. Join us for this fascinating, possibly chilling, discussion. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

## A Very Special Evening!!

## The Music of the Miller-Eaton Duo
### Tuesday, October 3, 6:30 p.m.
***Location: Benjamin Godfrey Chapel, Campus of Lewis and Clark Community College***

Pianist Marion Miller and vocalist Edward Eaton (for many years, regular performers at the Adams Mark Hotel in St. Louis) give us an evening of favorite popular songs, jazz, show tunes and even a little trivia! They will be performing on stage in the beautiful Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on Godfrey Road. This promises to be a magical evening. Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.

## Flu Clinic
### VNA Healthcare, Inc.
### Saturday, October 7, 2000

VNA Healthcare, Inc. will be at the Main Library administering flu shots from 10:00 a.m till 2:00 p.m.. There is a $12.00 charge to receive the vaccination shot.

## Automotive Mechanics Especially for Women!
### Gloria Dooley
### Thursday, October 12, 6:30 p.m.

Is talking to your auto mechanic like being dumped in a foreign country? Do auto maintenance or repair requirements leave you baffled? Gloria Dooley, Assistant Manager at Drake Tire, helps explain the mysteries of cars and their care in words we can all understand! Don't be intimidated by the service station experience any longer. Attend this fun and informative talk by Gloria (who rebuilt her own Opel one wrench at a time). Oh, men are also welcome. Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.

## Ghosts, Spooks and Hauntings
### Troy Taylor
### Tuesday, October 17, 6:30 p.m.

Troy Taylor, owner of Riverboat Molly's Book Company in Alton is returning! Always one of our most popular speakers, Troy will be discussing Illinois ghosts and hauntings. Troy is an expert on such subjects. He has written many books on haunted happenings, including his latest, *Haunted Alton*. This past summer, he hosted (in Alton) the American Ghost Society National Conference 2000. He is also president of the society. Happy Halloween! Call Reynae to register. 462-0677.

## Mike and Company
### Mike Gerstenecker
### Thursday, November 9, 6:30 p.m.

Mike Gerstenecker has been performing as a ventriloquist for over 35 years. He has opened

for many top names including Roberto Clemente, Tony Orlando and Dawn and the Oakridge Boys. Come and be entertained by Mike and his "friends" at the library. Bring the family for a fun and decidedly different event! Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.

## Alton Area Dulcimer Players
### Tuesday, November 21, 6:30 p.m.

Ready to get in the holiday mood? The Alton Area Dulcimer Players will help you do just that! Along with dulcimers, this unique group includes a cello, guitar and autoharp, producing a unique and beautiful sound. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

## Lewis and Clark String Quartet
### Tuesday, December 5, 6:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening of enchanting chamber music and perhaps some holiday surprises. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

**Main Library • 326 Belle Street**
**462-0651**

**Youth Library • 401 State Street**
**462-0652**

**Branch Library • Alton Square**
**463-1276**

## PATRON PROFILE: John Ponivas

by Bernadette Duvernoy

As back to school time is here, it seemed appropriate that we should look to the Youth Library to identify this issue's "Patron Profile" personality. And so, we would like to introduce you to John Ponivas. John, who is a tenth grader at Metro East Lutheran High School, is not only a frequent patron of the library, but has also been a summertime volunteer for the last three years. The Youth Library Volunteer program is open each summer to 10 children between the ages of twelve and fifteen. The responsibilities of the volunteers include the yearly washing of all the library shelves, helping with the summer reading programs and shelving books. They work one day a week from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The library staff greatly appreciates the help provided by volunteers such as John.

John, who lives in Alton with his parents, keeps busy with many other activities as well. He is back in school where his favorite subjects are math and science. He is going out for cross country track and also enjoys playing baseball. John has a paper route which requires a 6 a.m. wake up call every morning. He also has a lawn care service, mowing yards in the neighborhood, and occasionally baby-sits. He likes collecting "stuff" and is an avid science fiction reader.

The staff has really enjoyed working with John. He is described as "bright, dependable, helpful and hard working" by Youth Library personnel. Even though the Summer Volunteer program is over, we know we'll still see lots of John as he is a frequent user of all three Hayner Library locations. ■

## PROJECT READ

An estimated 4 million Illinois adults have low skills in performing reading and math tasks. At present time, an estimated 60,000 people in the Madison County area alone are classified as "functionally illiterate." They are unable to do such necessary tasks as total a bank deposit, use a bus schedule, complete job applications or even write a simple letter. Lewis and Clark Community College's Project Read exists to provide such people with help learning to read and comprehend. But Project Read also needs our help. They need volunteers to work with these adults. Anyone can volunteer. Training is provided by the programs' reading specialist and all materials are provided. Tutors work with students at libraries, churches, community buildings and malls. Imagine the rewards of helping another person realize the satisfaction of reading! To volunteer, or for more information, call the Project Read office at 468-4144 ■

## LIBRARY BOARD ELECTIONS

This year two seats on the Hayner Public Library District Board of Directors come up for election in April 2001. Both seats are for six year terms. For those interested in running for a seat, petitions and information packets will be available after November 1, 2000. ■

## HAYNER RECEIVES ILLINOIS STATE LIBRARY GRANT!

We are excited to announce that the Hayner Public Library District has been awarded a Federal FY2001 Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant! These grants are administered by the Illinois State Library, a division of the Secretary of State's office. The grant was applied for under the LSTA goal to "develop training methods and activities that will allow library personnel and Illinois citizens to become technologically literate." With the awarded grant monies ($5600), the library will be able to develop Internet training courses for our patrons. The purchase of a multipurpose projector will facilitate the development of "real time" course instruction. Watch the newsletter for announcement of future class schedules ■

## FOR WOMEN BY WOMEN CONFERENCE

Hayner Library staff has been working with the River Bend Growth Association and Service Corps of Retired Executives to develop the second seminar in the For Women By Women Career Development Conference Series. The theme of this seminar will be "Styles for Success" and will be held September 28th at the Alton Holiday Inn. For more information, contact the RBGA at 467-2280 ■

***NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: FICTION***

Ambrose, Stephen E. NOTHING LIKE IT IN THE WORLD: THE MEN WHO BUILT THE TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD, 1865-1869
THE BEST OF GOURMET 2000
Grizzle, Ralph. REMEMBERING CHARLES KURALT
Cruver, Edward. KOUFAX
THE MONITOR CHRONICLES: ONE SAILOR'S ACCOUNT, TODAY'S CAMPAIGN TO RECOVER THE CIVIL WAR WRECK
Payton, Walter. NEVER DIE EASY
Thomas, Evan. ROBERT KENNEDY: HIS LIFE

***NONFICTION***

Atwood, Margaret. THE BLIND ASSASSIN
Auchincloss, Louis. HER INFINITE VARIETY
Cannell, Dorothy. BRIDESMAIDS REVISITED
Evans, Richard Paul. THE CAROUSEL
Gear, Kathleen. THE SUMMONING GOD
Hoag, Tami. DUST TO DUST
Joyce, Brenda. HOUSE OF DREAMS
LeGuin, Ursula. THE TELLING
Leonard, Elmore. PAGAN BABIES
McCaffrey, Anne. ACORNA'S WORLD
McCollough, Colleen. MORGAN'S RUN
Oke, Janette. BEYOND THE GATHERING STORM
Perry, Anne. SLAVES OF OBSESSION
Pilcher, Rosamunde. WINTER SOLSTICE
Roberts, Nora. TEARS OF THE MOON
Sheldon, Sidney. THE SKY IS FALLING
Siddons, Anne Rivers. NORA, NORA

## Pardon our Mess

Construction has begun on the renovation of the circulation desk at the main library - we are so excited. With the myriad of changes in library technologies (computers, high speed printers, scanners) our old desk was becoming a jumble of wires and equipment with little room for serving our patrons. The new circ desk will allow us to be more efficient and have more space to attend to our expanding services (and there will be a book drop, as many of you have requested!) So, please be patient with us as we gear up to provide you the best service possible!

## *FROM THE ILLINOIS ROOM*

*by Katie Schrimpf, Reference Librarian*

Alton has proud ties to the fight against slavery. Did you know that Alton was home to the Senator who wrote the amendment abolishing slavery? It was Sen. Lyman Trumbull, U.S. Senator from Illinois, 1855-1873, who submitted the resolution that became the Thirteenth Amendment. Sen. Trumbull wanted to be sure that slavery was abolished in all states, not just the Confederate states under the Emancipation Proclamation. His words, adopted as the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution, prohibited slavery in every state. Sen. Trumbull moved to Alton in 1849 and lived there until close to the end of his second senate term. His house is included on historic and Underground Railroad tours. Learn more about Sen. Trumbull from these Illinois Room sources: *The Life of Lyman Trumbull* by Horace White (IR B Trumbull) and *Lyman Trumbull: Conservative Radical* by Mark K. Krug (IR 973.7K941).

Alton is also believed to have been an important route along the Underground Railroad that offered safe "stations" to slaves escaping to freedom in the North. The need for secrecy left few sources for historians, but several local sites are linked by legend to this railroad. It is harder to know who the conductors may have been, but a source from the Illinois Room lists three— Major Charles Hunter who established Hunterstown, a sheriff, and a freed slave, showing how varied the conductors on this railroad might have been. "Among such conductors was Major Hunter. He drove a team of his own, frequently brought back with him from St. Louis, under the wagon seat, an 'invisible passenger' ticket for Canada. George Weigler, his neighbor, and long time honored citizen was in the same profession, notwithstanding the fact that at the very time he was one of the High Sheriffs of the area. Also, one Issac Kelly, 'a vigorous and highly respected colored barber,' was a sure conductor on this famous North Star Route." *Footprints and Echoes From Historical Alton Area* by Viola W. Voss, p 28.

Browse these and other sources that make our local history interesting in Hayner's Illinois Room, located in the Adult Division downtown. ■

## *VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE*

Hayner Library will be sponsoring a Voter Registration Drive in conjunction with the Metro East Consumer Leadership Council. The kickoff date will be Wednesday, September 6, 2000 at the Main Library located at 326 Belle St.

October 6, 2000 is the registration deadline for anyone wishing to vote in the Presidential election on Tuesday, November 7, 2000. Two forms of identification (one of which needs to be a photo ID) with a current address is required for voter registration. Library staff at the Main Library and Branch Library can register patrons to vote.

## *FRIENDS OF HAYNER LIBRARY FALL BOOK SALE*

Mark you calender for the Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale. Preview night will be Thursday, October 5 from 6:00 p m till 8:30 p.m For this first night only, there is a $5 00 admission fee. The sale continues on Friday, October 6 (9:00 a.m.- 7:00 p m ) and Saturday, October 7 (9 00 a.m - 2:00 p.m ) Both these days, admission is free of charge We guarantee you will find bargains galore! ■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## HAYNER'S NEW YOUTH SERVICES LIBRARIAN

by Joyce Reid, Director

Carol Brockmeyer began her duties as Youth Services Librarian on October 23rd. Carol brings an enthusiastic, energetic presence to the position. With the departure of Pam Klipsch, the former Youth Services Librarian at Hayner for sixteen years, to accept the position as Assistant Director at Kirkwood Public Library in Missouri to further her library career, the search began in early June for a replacement. In today's job market there is a shortage of youth services librarians, especially those with experience. In conducting the search for a Youth Services Librarian the qualities that were being sought not only included a knowledge of children's literature and collection development but also the ability to apply strong customer service and technology skills and to work with various community groups and schools in promoting children's and young adult library services. The chosen candidate for the Youth Services position would need to bring a new energy and vitality to the youth services department with new program offerings and to continue established successful programs.

Carol has these qualities that are necessary for the Youth Services department at Hayner. Carol's background is in Early Childhood and elementary education. She brings six years of past experience as a youth librarian and most recently has been working as an early childhood educator. The next time you visit the Youth Library introduce yourself to Carol.

## FOOD FOR FINES DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Beginning November 24, 2000 and continuing through December 31, 2000, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item (one item each fine, current fines only, Hayner material only). All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the local food pantry in the Alton Area. If you want to donate items such as toiletries, cleaning products, or even scarves or gloves (new) we will accept them for fines and of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.
Happy Holidays!

## WIN A HOLIDAY SHEEPDOG PUPPET

Starting November 24, 2000 you can drop by any Hayner Library location to register to win one of three Sheepdog hand puppets being given away by the library. These sweet puppies are looking for just the right owner to take them home for the holidays! Any Hayner Library cardholder is eligible (except for Hayner employees and their families) Winners will be announced live on WBGZ on December 22, 2000 Ballot boxes for the drawing will be at all three Hayner locations: the Main Library at 326 Belle St., the Youth Library at 401 State Street and the Branch Library at the Alton Square Mall.

Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
CHRISTMAS
December 24, 25, 26
NEW YEAR'S EVE AND
NEW YEAR'S DAY
December 31 and January 1

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### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: FICTION*

Archer, Jeffrey. **To Cut a Long Story Short**
Bradford, Barbara Taylor.
**The Triumph of Katie Byrne**
Brown, Rita Mae. **Claws and Effect**
Brown, Sandra. **Riley in the Morning**
Collins, Wilkie. **The Dead Secret**
Connelly, Michael.
**A Darkness More Than Night**
Cooper, J. California.
**The Future Has a Past**
Davidson, Diane Mott. **Sticks and Scones**
Hunter, Evan, and Ed McBain.
**Candyland: A Novel in Two Parts**
Koontz, Dean. **From the Corner of His Eye**
Macomber, Debbie. **Return to Promise**
McBain, Ed. **Money, Money, Money: A Novel of the 87th Precinct**
McMillan, Terry.
**A Day Late and a Dollar Short**
Plain, Belva. **Looking Back**
Quick, Amanda. **Slightly Shady**
Rendell, Ruth. **Piranha To Scurfy**
Spark, Muriel. **Aiding and Abetting**
Steel, Danielle. **Lone Eagle**
Wangerin, Walt Jr.
**In the Days of the Angels: Stories and Carols for Christmas**

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS: NONFICTION*

Carrier, Jim. **The Ship and the Storm: Hurricane Mitch and the Loss of the Fantome**
Carter, Jimmy. **An Hour Before Daylight: Memories of My Rural Boyhood**
Ehrlich, Paul R. **Human Natures: Genes, Cultures and the Human Prospect**
Gawain, Shakti. **Developing Intuition**
Large, David Clay. **Berlin**
Miller, Arthur. **Echoes Down the Corridor: Collected Essays 1944-1999**
Null, Gary.
**The Food-Mood-Body Connection**
Schwab, Charles. **You're Fifty – Now What? Investing for the Second Half of Your Life**
Stafford, David. **Roosevelt and Churchill: Men of Secrets**
Ziff, Larzer. **Return Passages: Great American Travel Writing, 1780-1910**

## *STAFF PICKS – WHAT WE'RE READING*

### *The Ginger Tree*

by Oswald Wynd. Fiction.

If you missed *The Ginger Tree* the first time around, don't miss it this time. It's the story of a young Scots girl who sails to China in 1903 to marry a British attache. An affair with a handsome Japanese count changes her life. Written in diary-form, we see a woman bound by the structures of society yet able to use her own strengths to make a life for herself.

Author Oswald Wynd blends good writing, a strong story and a look at China's culture and history in this book. –Katies S.

### *When I Was Five I Killed Myself*

by Howard Buten. Fiction

Winner of the Chevalier des Artes et Lettres, France's highest literary honor, American Howard Buten has written a modern classic in *When I Was Five I Killed Myself*. This book has sold over a million copies in France. It is the compelling study of the tragedy of a misunderstood young man, confined in a mental institution, who is trying to grow up around adults who seem to have landed from other planets. Written in the true voice of an 8 year-old, the story is provocative and disturbing. –Bernie D.

### *Creating the Not So Big House*

by Sarah Susanka. Non-fiction

If you've read Susanka's best-selling book *The Not So Big House*, you know you're in for a treat with this sequel. This time, Susanka closely examines 25 specific homes created along the "not so big" principle set forth in her first book: to build a house that isn't so big, but that uses quality design and materials in the smaller amount of space. The photographs are beautiful and inspiring, and floor plans are shown for all the houses. –Susan K.

### *Black Dog*

by Stephen Booth. Mystery

If you like your mysteries psychological, Stephen Booth's *Black Dog* is a strong, new offering. The search for missing teenager Laura Vernon pairs "local son" Detective Constable Ben Cooper with outsider Diane Fry. It is the interaction between these characters and the strong sense of atmosphere that lift this book above ordinary police procedural. Compared in reviews to Barbara Vine and Minette Walters, *Black Dog* has been nominated for the John Creasey award for best first crime novel. –Katie S.

### *Dave Barry Is Not Taking This Sitting Down*

by Dave Barry. Non-fiction

Dave Barry fans stand up and cheer! The Pulitzer Prize winning author is back with a whole new collection of writings guaranteed to tickle your funny bone. What hard-hitting subjects is Dave taking on in this book? Why, cruise ship buffets, the dangers of wasabi, and low-flush toilets among others, of course! And be sure to read the hysterical chapters on the IRS and SUVs! This is one of the best books I've read in a long time. I'm not making that up! –Mary P.

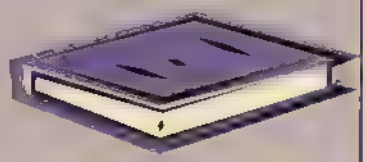
### *Under the Skin*

by Michel Faber. Fiction

*Under the Skin* by Michel Faber is a wildly imaginative, bizarre and grizzly first novel that is generating much critical praise. Faber reverses many roles: animals are humans, humans become animals and hitchhikers are victims rather than dangerous passengers. Though the novel's message is ultimately one of compassion, it is not for the squeamish! –Bernie D.

## *"ALTON MEMORIES" – A GREAT GIFT IDEA!*

Hayner Library staff was involved in a really fun project this year. Working with three local historians, Charlotte Stetson, Don Huber and Bob St. Peters, and G. Bradley Publishing, Inc., the Library assisted in the creation of a book titled "Alton Memories". The book recounts the stories of people, places and incidents in times past that give Alton its unique character and history. Available in December, 2000, it will be sold at Liberty Bank locations for $14.95. It will make a wonderful Christmas gift (or anytime gift!) for family and friends.



## *AT THE LIBRARY*

by Susan Kulasekara, Reference Librarian

Everyone knows that the library is a great place to come and check out books on virtually any subject imaginable. But did you know about the wealth of computerized resources we have available? If not, come in and check out some of these:

**American Business Disc:** A database of over 11 million publicly and privately-owned companies throughout the U.S. Listings include address, phone number, key contact, number of employees, annual sales volume, and more

**Ebsco MasterFile Select:** Available on all of our online catalogs, this index to magazine articles lets you search by subject and even print out the full text of many articles.

**Electric Library:** Use this database to find information about current events or just about any subject that interests you. It is unique in that it indexes not only print sources, but also nonprint ones like radio and television programs. It even includes maps and encyclopedia articles!

**Illinois Marriage Index:** Genealogy users will love this CD-ROM database of over 850,000 Illinois marriages, from the earliest to 1900. The marriages are listed in alphabetical order by bride and groom, and listings include the date and the county.

**NoveList:** This wonderful Internet database helps fiction readers find new authors and titles. You can make your own lists of fiction by subject or genre, or you can type in the name of an author or title you like and find similar books.

***For help with these or our other electronic resources, see Susan or Katie in the Reference Department at our downtown location; or call us at 462-0651. We will be happy to get you started in using any of these wonderful sources.***

## *FROM THE ILLINOIS ROOM*

by Katie Schrimpf
Reference Librarian

**Alton's "Chicken Artist"**

Paul E. Harney, 1850-1915, was one of Alton's most original and colorful artists, painting not only traditional portraits but also his favorite subjects, the monk's heads and barnyard chicken scenes for which he was so well-known.

It is not clear when Harney came to Alton from St. Louis, but it appears he and his family lived here from the early 1880's to the early 1890's. Alton's 1883 City Directory lists him as the Director of Shurtleff College Art School and as living on Jersey Street in Upper Alton. An Illinois Room source described Shurtleff's Department of Art as "languishing from time-to-time" but again lists Harney as its director in 1891-93 and as a teacher at the college through 1902.

Harney was an artist of distinguished credentials, having studied art at the National Academy in New York and also at the Royal Academy in Munich. He occupied a chair at the St. Louis School of Fine Arts and in the late 1870's shared a studio with famous artist and friend Alban Jasper Conant. Late in his life, when Conant was nearly blind, he called upon his old friend Harney to finish several portraits for him, including those of Abraham Lincoln and Henry Ward Beecher.

Despite his training and artistic talent, Harney struggled to support his family, often bartering his paintings for food and clothes. His obituary, published in the *Alton Telegraph* on November 27, 1915, says Harney "often expressed the opinion that after he was dead his pictures, which poorly repaid him, would be 'worth something,' but that he would not be there to see it." It described Harney as full of wit and humor but "devoid of any business instincts and never did take advantage of the opportunity he has to insist upon better prices for his work." Five years after Harney's death, the *Telegraph* published an article about the high demand and soaring prices for Harney's paintings (May 8, 1920).

Learn more about Paul Harney in the Illinois Room at Hayner Main Library with *Paul E. Harney*, compiled by Burton W. Morwood (IR B HARNEY).

## *EXCITING EVENTS TO BE HELD AT GODFREY CHAPEL!*

Two of our winter programs are going to be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College (5800 Godfrey Road).

The first will feature the wonderful music of Bud Shultz and the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*. This will be Bud's third return engagement for the Library. Bud's previous performances have been so popular, we've had to turn people away due to lack of space, so this time, we're taking Bud to the Chapel! What a great place for a rousing evening of New Orleans style jazz...and what better night than Fat Tuesday, February 27 (6:30 pm). Come and celebrate Mardi Gras. Costumes welcome...beads? Of course! This program is free of charge and registration is required. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

On Tuesday, March 27 at 6:30, we're back at the chapel with the Allen Singers. This well-known local ensemble of approximately 20 singers will inspire and delight you. The chapel will be the perfect setting for their beautiful chorale music. What a wonderful way to welcome spring!

This program is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

### Special Events

Programs have limited seating so registration is required. Children under 12 must be registered by a parent or guardian. Teens may register themselves. Please register at the location where you plan to attend (Youth Library: 462-0652, Branch Library: 463-1276). All programs are free.

### Preschool Story Time
### Ages 3-5

Story times are held on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 in the Youth Library and Thursday mornings at 10:00 at the Branch Library. Programs include puppet shows, stories, songs, finger plays and videos. Holiday session: November 28/30, December 5/7, 12/14

### Bed Time Story Time
### Ages 2-5

Enjoy the magic of a bedtime story! The group meets Tuesday nights in the Youth Library at 7:15 pm. Pajamas optional! Holiday session: November 28, December 5,12

### Toddler Lapsit Story Time
### Ages 18-36 months
(accompanied by an adult)

Group meets Wednesdays at 9:30 in the Youth Library. Holiday session: November 29, December 6, 13

### Mad Scientists Crafts - Series Two
### Ages 6 - 11

Have fun with after school crafts. Group meets at the Youth Library from 3:30 - 4:30. Holiday session: December 14

### Read and Rant Book Discussion
### Ages 12 - 15

Group meets in the Youth Library for book discussion from 6:45 - 7:45 on Dec. 7.

### Traveling Puppet Show

The traveling Puppet Show is available by appointment to visit day care centers, preschools and kindergarten classes. Bookings being accepted.

### Annual Children's Christmas Party

The annual Children's Christmas party will be held Saturday, December 9 from 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm.

There will be songs and stories and fun for all....and even a surprise visit from "you-know-who"!

Be sure to bring your cameras! The Friends of the Library provide refreshments and every child receives a holiday treat to take home.

### Annual MLK Family Breakfast
### January 15, 2001

The Annual Martin Luther King Family Breakfast will be held Monday, January 15, 2001 at 10:00 am. This event is held in the Multimedia Room of Trimpe Hall at Lewis & Clark Community College. Please contact the Youth Library to register (462-0652). Breakfast will be provided and there will be a program of stories, songs, a puppet show and more! This popular event is inspiring as well as fun. Children of all ages accompanied by an adult are invited to attend.

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Lots of exciting new programs to help brighten the grey months of winter! All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677. Unless otherwise stated, all events will be held in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room of the Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton.*

### Lewis and Clark String Quartet
### Tuesday, December 5, 6:30 pm

This wonderful quartet is well-known throughout the St. Louis area. Join us for an evening of enchanting music and perhaps some holiday surprises. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### A Life in Animation
### Tuesday, January 16, 6:30 pm

Larry Laurie is an award winning animator, director and educator. Learn about life as an animator as Larry discusses his career of 25 years, including his experience as a former Disney Institute animator. Larry has worked with such famed names as Chuck Jones, Ward Kimble and Tex Avery. This will be a fascinating evening - and we all love cartoons! Be sure to visit Larry's website at www.awn.com/tooninstitute. Register for this program by calling Reynae at 462-0677.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Music of the Angels
## Tuesday, January 30, 6:30 pm

Harps have always been associated with the angelic. Find out why when you hear wonderful Grafton harpist, Linda Elliot, playing the wide variety of music ranging from Irish Celtic music to contemporary-popular songs. Linda and her Celtic Harp

perform extensively throughout the Metro St. Louis area and she currently has released two CDs. As House Harpist for Principia College, she has performed for Henry Kissinger and Margaret Thatcher... and now she'll perform for you!! A celestial event! Register with Reynae at 462-0677.

## Meet Bobby Norfolk!
## Thursday, February 1, 6:30 pm

Internationally known, three-time Emmy Award winner and Parent's Choice Honoree Bobby Norfolk, is a hugely popular entertainer in the country today. He delights audiences of all ages with his energetic animated stories and concerts, enriched with language, movement and sound effects. Don't miss this unique chance to see one of our country's leading storytellers. Register with Reynae at 462-0677.

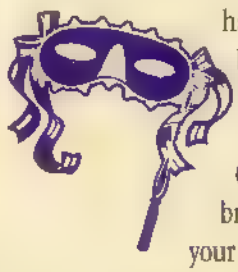
***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

## History of the Underground Railroad
## Wednesday, February 7, 6:30 pm

History Instructor, Eric Robinson, will share his extensive research into the history of the Underground Railroad. He will discuss the Railroad's existence in our own River Bend area and also how its history came to be passed on. Step back in time and experience this frightening yet often inspiring experience. Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.

## Celebrate Mardi Gras!
## Tuesday, February 27, 6:30 pm

Fat Tuesday is upon us and what better way to celebrate than a raucous, hand clapping, swinging evening of New Orleans style jazz with Bud Shultz and the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*. To celebrate this special evening, we have reserved the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College! Come celebrate Mardi Gras with your friends and family. Costumes welcome! Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.



## An Evening with Singer/Songwriter Michael Smith
## Wednesday, March 14, 6:30 pm

You may not realize it but you have heard lots of Michael Smith's music. His work has been recorded by such diverse performers as Jimmy Buffet, Jerry Jeff Walker, the Four Freshmen, the Kingston Trio, Steve Goodman, Tom Rush, Spanky and Our Gang and over 30 more artists. He has won four prestigious Jeff Awards (Chicago equivalent of the Tony) for his 1993 autobiographical play, *Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate*. *Chicago Magazine* wrote "One of the best songwriters in the English language...an enchanting and riveting performer." *Sing Out! Magazine* writes "Michael Smith stands out as one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer-songwriters." To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

## An Evening of Inspiration with the Allen Singers
## Tuesday, March 27, 6:30 pm

The Allen singers have been performing in the Alton Area for 40 years. Come hear the beautiful sounds of this multi-generational and interdenominational ensemble This concert will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College. Come hear the beautiful sound of approximately 20 treble voices performing chorale music. Their repertoire includes sacred, classical and secular music. This promises to be a moving evening. Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.

## *OUR COLLECTIONS CONTINUE TO GROW*

The library is constantly adding new material to all our collections but recently we made significant additions to both the Main Library and Branch collections that we're sure will especially interest you.

This year, the American Film Institute celebrated its 100th anniversary with a campaign commemorating great movie comedies. Using the theme "One Hundred Years, One Hundred Laughs" the AFI has published their listing of the top 100 funniest films. We did an inventory of our current video holdings and determined that we already held approximately 60 of the recommended titles. We have recently added the other 40 titles to our shelves in the Main Library. Be sure to check out such titles as *Tootsie, Airplane, It's a Mad Mad Mad Mad World, Horse Feathers, 9 to 5, Father of the Bride, Silver Streak* and many more! We also have added an eight part video series titled *Decades* which recounts the events and people who changed St. Louis in each decade from 1900 through 1980.

The Branch Library has added many new titles to their travel books. Check out some of the "Insiders Guides" to such locales as Austin, the Smokey Mountains, Myrtle Beach, Portland, Charleston, the Ozarks and many more. If you are going further afield, check out our new travel books for Barcelona, Brussels, Delhi, Scotland and more. These travel guides are extremely popular and have been flying of the shelves (pun intended).

The Branch has also added a series of "Girls Guides". These are books that address a variety of topics including the internet/ friendship/volunteering/eating well/making the most of life at school and more.

Remember, no matter which library location you prefer to visit, if the book or video is not on the shelf, you can request it from the owning location - just keep your library card handy to enjoy these wonderful additions.

## *AMERICAN HISTORY MUSEUM DECORATES HAYNER BRANCH WINDOW*

Be sure to stop by and check out the window display at Hayner Branch Library. Designed by Dr. Harvey Veit, President of the American History Museum, it is a fascinating collection of artifacts and replicas that reflect daily life in times past. The display include a reproduction of the Bedford Flag which was

flown at the Battle of Concord Bridge, sample clothes of the 1800s, moccasins from 1800, men's shoes from 1700s, butter churns and pottery of 1700-1800s, British coins and more. Once you've seen the window, you'll want to stop by the museum at 712 Willowood Lane in Godfrey.

BLACK HISTORY month

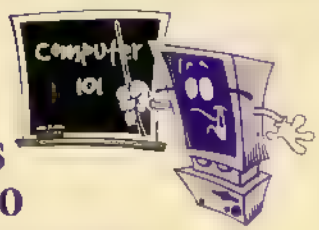
## DON'T MISS THESE ACTIVITIES!

February 2001 is Black History Month. We have some great activities planned and hope you will attend as many as possible.

On February 1st, at 6:30, Emmy Award-winner Bobby Norfolk will perform in the Reading Room of the Main Library. Bobby is renowned as one of the leading story tellers in the country. Bobby performs folktales that inspire humanity, cultural diversity, self-esteem, cooperation and more. He has won numerous awards and performed world wide. To register for this program, call Reynae at 462-0677.

On February 7, Eric Robinson will present a program *The History of the Underground Railroad*. This program will be in the Reading Room of the Main Library at 6:30 PM. Eric is a History Instructor at Lewis and Clark Community College. Eric also conducts the radio show, *Eavesdropping* for WBGZ. Based on his own research, Eric will discuss the history of the underground railroad, how this history was passed on, and local Alton area participation in Railroad activities. To register for this program, call Reynae at 462-0677.

On February 8, Coretta Scott King Award-winning illustrator Jan Spivey Gilchrist will visit the Alton-Godfrey area. The Coretta Scott King Award is presented each year to an African American Illustrator and/or author for outstandingly inspirational and educational contribution of their published work. Ms. Gilchrist has illustrated over 30 books in her 25 year career. This program is being jointly sponsored by the Hayner Public Library District and Lewis and Clark Community College. Location and time to be announced.




## PATRONS FLOCK TO INTERNET CLASSES

In October, we announced our first offering of classes on using the Internet (*Internet 101)*. The response was overwhelming! The classes were booked within days of the announcement and we have a significant waiting list. Consequently, after the New Year, additional classes will be scheduled. We will try to accommodate as many people as possible. If you are interested in being placed on the waiting list, please call the Reynae at 462-0677.

Internet 101 covers a basic introduction to the Internet, finding an Internet Service Provider, Search Engines, how to surf the Web and more. The classes have been made possible in part by a grant from the Illinois State Library .

## *PATRON PROFILE*
## *Hazel Killion*

by Bernadette Duvernoy

Some people just give and give and give to their communities and then they give some more! Such a woman is Hazel Killion, subject of this issue's Patron Profile. Many of us know Hazel as the organizer and president (for the last 40 years) of the choral group, the Allen Singers. The Allen Singers, now a YWCA organization, was organized in 1960 at the Allen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church. The original four woman group was an offspring of a choral group, the Mother Singers of Alton. As the group grew so did their mission to serve not only their church but the entire community. Today, the Allen singers is an interdenominational, interracial, intergenerational ensemble of approximately 20 members. Their concerts have benefitted multiple charitable organizations including The Delta Ministry of Mississippi, Local and National foundation for Sickle Cell Anemia, the NAACP, the Elijah P. Lovejoy Scholarship Fund, St. Joseph's Hospital Emergency Room, Alton-Godfrey Human Development Resource Center, Oasis Women's Center and the YWCA Scholarship Program. The Allen singers will be performing for Hayner Library on Tuesday, March 27. This performance will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College.

Hazel moved to Alton at the age of 12 years old and attended Alton public schools. She loves books. She recalls library visits as the highlight of her week's activities and she still carries a love of reading with her today.

Hazel married her husband, James H. Killion shortly after graduation from high school. Hazel and James were married 56 years (James passed away in 1997) and raised four children- James Killion III, National Sales Director, Strategic Accounts, General Electric, Carol Hudson, school nurse at the Thurgood Marshall Charter School in St. Louis, Dr. Cheryl Killion, Professor, School of Nursing, University of Michigan and Michele Keeper, Speech Therapist, Hazelwood East Senior High School. Hazel is also grandmother of six.

As her children grew and became more independent, Hazel became increasingly busy as a community activist. She has served on an impressive array of service organizations in many different capacities. She has always been very involved with her church serving for many different societies and committees. She was recognized with a Christian Service Award as well as a Brotherhood Award - recognition jointly shared with her husband.

Hazel has also worked with the Alton YWCA for over 20 years. She has chaired numerous YWCA committees and has been on the Board of Directors in multiple positions, including President from 1975-1977. She has also been a member of the Board of Directors of the United Way Partnership for 20 years and has served on multiple working committees. She received the United Way Division Chairman Award in 1976 and 1977. Other affiliations for which she has volunteered her time include Alton Community Unit School District, PTA Officer, Madison County Urban League, National Council of Negro Women, Inc. Board member (an organization of which she is the founder, organizer, past president and current Recording Secretary), University of Illinois Home Extension Council, Unit Chairperson for the Cancer Research Study for American Cancer Society, Federated Unity Club of Alton, Black Women in the Midwest Project - sponsored by the National Endowment for Humanities, Purdue University and more just too numerous to mention! She is also currently President of the Board of Directors for the Oasis Women's Center. Hazel's work has not gone unrecognized by her peers and community - a very abbreviated list of her recognitions includes multiple Community Service Awards, Recognition Award /Presidents Award/ Living Legend Award from the National Council of Negro Women, Book of Golden Deeds Award from the Alton Exchange Club, Recognition from Illinois State, Eighty-fifth General Assembly, Women of Accomplishment Award, Valiant Woman Award and still many more.

*Hazel Killion*

Hazel says "my participation and involvement in Church and other not-for-profit organizations has enhanced my life immeasurably. The catalyst for my involvement has been my desire to serve God and my deep concern for maintaining the integrity of the family. By recognizing and responding to the needs of others, particularly women and children, I have grown in wisdom, character and spiritual faith." Thank you so much, Ms. Killian, for your incredible contributions to our community. You are an inspiration to us all!

## *MAIN LIBRARY GETS NEW CIRCULATION DESK*

The Main Library has a beautiful new circulation desk. The old circulation desk had become increasingly problematic. With the growing number of computers, scanners, networking printers, fax machines, etc., we were just out of space to do our daily jobs. Desk Reference material was stored wherever we could find extra space (often without rhyme or reason), under the desk tops were masses of electrical and computer wires and there was increasingly less room to serve our patrons. The new configuration is wonderful! The area is larger (we actually are not bumping into each other any more!). Each Librarian now has their own desk space and files, our desk reference material is reorganized and more accessible, the mass of beneath-desk wiring is gone, and we finally have the room to do the daily job of sorting incoming and outgoing tubs of books and storing the material we hold for patron requests. Also, as per your requests, we now have a book drop at the desk so you don't have to leave returned materials sitting on counter tops! Thank you to all our patrons for your patience while the construction was taking place. We hope you'll find, as we do, that the new circ desk allows us to serve you much more productively!

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## Hayner Branch Library Celebrates Milestone Anniversary

As the saying goes, you've come a long way.

Fifteen years ago on November 22, 1985 the Hayner Branch Library opened its doors. The first month the Branch was open, the total number of items circulated was 1,218

By 1997, the Branch had outgrown its original space and expanded. Today, the monthly circulation for the Branch has reached as much as 16,473 per month. For the fiscal year July 1,1999 through June 30, 2000, the yearly circulation at the Branch was a whopping 160,949.

Many changes have taken place at the Branch to make this circulation figure possible. The first and foremost change is computers; they have made it possible to expand our borrowing potential. Library staff no longer needs to stamp a card for each book charged out, file a card for each item that is charged out, write a request for each item we borrow from other libraries.

The Branch library's staff is the main reason why it has been so successful. Two staff members have been with the Branch since its inception: Branch Manager, Beverly Schoeberle and Assistant Manager, Patricia Heffron. Today, the other friendly faces seen working in the Branch are: Rhoda Cairns, Holly Plummer, Susan Dykeman, Amy Remmers, Natalie Carter, Carla Scott, David Fitzgerald, Jessie Lambie, Shannon Ballard and Brad Zakrzewski.

The Branch serves a multitude of patrons. Among its patrons are students, leisure readers, homemakers, researchers, retirees , amateur scholars and of course husbands patiently waiting for their wives to return from shopping.

The staff is always willing to help you find information you need. Come visit us; we are happy to be of help. The Branch staff would like to thank their loyal patrons - some have been using the Branch library since the day it opened.

## National Library Week April 1-7, 2001

Did you know...

- more than a million books are published each year – more than 100,000 in the U.S. alone.
- Nine hundred new magazines were introduced last year, bringing the total to more than 40,000
- Some 45,000 newspapers and professional newsletters are published in the United States.
- The U.S. government publishes more than 100,000 documents
- More than half a million copyright registrations are filed each year
- There are more than 17 million internet sites and 3 billion web pages. Millions of new pages by businesses, advocacy organizations and individuals are introduced every day.

So how does one manage in our information driven society? Go to the experts. Librarians have been helping people of all ages find the information they need and want every day. It is not an overstatement to say that librarians really are the "ultimate search engine".

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*Patron Sue Eastman gets assistance at Main Library Circulation Desk.*

Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays.
EASTER SUNDAY
April 15
MOTHER'S DAY
Sunday, May 13
MEMORIAL DAY
Sunday, May 27 &
*Monday, May 28*


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***NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS--FICTION***

**American West: Twenty New Stories from the Western Writers of America**
Andrews, Robert **A Murder of Honor**
Beaton, M C **Death of a Dustman**
Beattie, Ann **Perfect Recall: Stories**
Bova, Ben **Jupiter**
Cameron, Stella **Finding Ian**
Card, Orson Scott **Shadow of the Hegemon**
Coonts, Stephen (ed.) **Combat**
D'Amato, Barbara **Authorized Personnel Only**
Fielding, Helen **Cause Celeb**
Gear, W. Michael **Dark Inheritance**
Jance, J.A. **Birds of Prey: A Novel of Suspense**
Lescroart, John **The Hearing**
Oates, Joyce Carol **Faithless: Tales of Transgression**
Patterson, Richard North **Protect and Defend**
Perry, Anne **A Dish Taken Cold**
Spark, Muriel **Aiding and Abetting**
Standiford, Les **Deal With the Dead**
Tan, Amy **The Bonesetter's Daughter**

***NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS--NONFICTION***

Carlson, Kristine **Don't Sweat the Small Stuff for Women**
Child, Julia. **Julia's Kitchen Wisdom**
Giddins, Gary **Bing Crosby: A Pocketful of Dreams**
Olson, Lynne **Freedom's Daughters: The Unsung Heroines of the Civil Rights Movement from 1830 to 1970**
Kincaid, Jamaica. **Talk Stories**
Levy, Steven **Crypto: When the Code Rebels Beat the Government--Saving Privacy in the Digital Age**
Reich, Robert. **The Future of Success**
Schlosser, Eric. **Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All-American Meal**
West, Richard **Chaucer, 1340-1400: The Life and Times of the First English Poet**

## *HAYNER HOMEBOUND*

In 1986, The Hayner Public Library District was operating a bookmobile to provide library materials to those patrons who could not physically get to the library. The book mobile was 20 years old, and showing it and becoming very expensive to operate. Stephanie Munson, who ran the bookmobile at the time, was asked to develop an alternative program to provide library services for our homebound patrons. Stephanie spent six months studying other libraries' programs and in 1987, initiated the Hayner Library District Homebound program. Stephanie and a group of dedicated volunteers began delivering books, audio tapes, magazines- anything someone would use if they could walk into the library. They delivered to individual homes as well as senior centers/ homes. And they delivere more than just library materials. Their visits with the homebound patrons became an important and most rewarding part of the service.

Today, there are seven volunteers who give their time to the homebound program. They are June Weinrich, Dr. Ned Duvivier, Spiv Woelfel, Eve Keehner, Jody Stuart, Kathie Rain and Mary Goodwin. Most of these volunteers have been with the program since its inception.

Dr. Duvivier worked as a volunteer for the program for many years. Each week he would pick up boxes of books to deliver to St. Clair's Hospital, Eunice Smith Nursing Home, Rosewood Care Center and other locations. Says Dr. Duvivier, "it's a great program and very necessary. I think more people need to be aware of it and especially people that are only temporarily homebound. If someone is sick and at home for a month they should take advantage of the program even if only for the short term. I also encourage others out there to volunteer."

Stephanie, Homebound Coordinator, puts together the materials for the volunteers to deliver and works to meet individual patrons reading preferences. Stephanie says she has met so many wonderful people through the program and learned so much from her patrons "often they thank me for the homebound service and comment how lucky they feel they are to be able to receive the books and visit but they give back so much to me. I'm the lucky one." Stephanie also relates that she's had many memorable moments. Once, she was trying to deliver books to a patron who lived in a house that was situated behind a short, steep berm. There was a layer of ice on the berm and every time Steph tried to walk up it carrying her box of books, she would slid right back down. Not to be daunted, she decided the solution would be to heave the book box up to the top of the berm and then she would be able to run up after it. So heave she did! The box went flying up the icy incline and Stephanie started her run. Unfortunately, the books made it just to the top and then started to slide back down and passed Stephanie as she was on her race up! Stephanie is now at the top of the hill and the books are at the bottom so down she went. She gave the box another heave, started her race and sure enough Steph and the box passed each other once again...she going up, it sliding down. After several more invigorating tries an exhausted Stephanie decided that perhaps this delivery needed to be rescheduled due to acts of nature! She called her patron who was very understanding and also very appreciative of the laughs she had enjoyed watching the 'ballet' from her bedroom window!

Aside from managing deliveries, Stephanie also presides over Hayner's Main Library large print book collection. This collection has grown impressively to over 4000 volumes and features all the current best sellers, popular fiction and nonfiction. Stephanie notes that a lot of people with fine eye sight have found creative reasons to check out large print books. They are easier to read if you are riding in a car...or working out on a treadmill, etc. Be sure to check out the collections available at both the Main and Branch locations.

Stephanie encourages anyone who has a need for homebound delivery to contact her at 462-0651. One call is all that is necessary to become a user of the program. It's that easy. Also, if you are interested in becoming involved with the program as a volunteer, we'd love to have you! As a volunteer you provide a great service to the community, get to meet great people and it's fun! Thanks to Stephanie and volunteers for ensuring everyone can have access to the wonderful variety of material available from the library.

## STAFF PICKS– WHAT WE'RE READING

***Taking Lottie Home*** by Terry Kay. Fiction

Touching characters, beautiful writing and a love story with something more. *Taking Lottie Home* is a story about love, about having character, about sometimes holding on to dreams and sometimes letting go. Lottie is a wonderful creation; you can tell the author loved her too. Her story will stay with you long after you've closed the book. –Katie S.

***Miss Julia Speaks Her Mind*** by Ann B. Ross. Fiction

Miss Julia is just beginning to enjoy widowhood and her late husband's estate when an unexpected legacy shows up on her doorstep–her husband's 9-year-old illegitimate son. Plenty of reason for Miss Julia to speak her mind and when she does, it's laugh-out-loud funny. This isn't a one-issue book though--it's about growth, love, family, and doing what's right. Through it all, Miss Julia is a hoot! –Katie S.

***The Ice Harvest*** by Scott Phillips. Fiction

A dark, bleak novel that has the feel of classic noir fiction. The story of a crooked lawyer on the lam one Christmas eve, the novel is populated with a full cast of totally reprehensible characters. Phillips writes with an obviously twisted sense of humor. I had to read the ending twice because it so surprised me! –Bernie D.

***Buster's Diaries*** by Roy Hattersley Fiction

Pet "memoirs" can sometimes be gimmicky and silly but certainly not this one. Based on the true story of a German Shepherd mix pup and his 'adopted man', it is remarkably witty and seemingly authentic. *Kirkus* reviewed the novel as "utterly endearing" and it truly is. You will laugh out loud at Buster's wry observations of the relationship he has with his man. While waiting for adoption, Buster notes, "although I look like one of those fighting dogs…I often feel very insecure. I certainly do not see myself doing ten rounds with a Rottweiler. Whenever a skinhead came into the dogs' home, I sat at the back of my kennel and tried to look like a Pekingese." Whether dog lover or not, you will find this a wonderful tale. –Bernie D.

***Lincoln at Home*** by David Donald. Biography

He was one of the most influential men who ever lived. He led a divided nation through a bloody civil war and guided it back together to become the strongest nation on earth. He is the author of some of the most well known speeches and proclamations ever written. But in this new book, Pulitzer Prize winning author David Donald allows readers a very intimate look into the family life of Lincoln through his private correspondence with his wife Mary Todd. We read, in Lincoln's own words, of the grief he felt at the death of his young son, his love for his wife, and the exhaustion and anguish the war caused him. It is certainly a book that will stay with readers long after the last page is read. –Mary P

***Thirtynothing*** by Lisa Jewell Fiction

As a follow up to her internationally acclaimed best seller, *Ralph's Party,* Lisa Jewell has succeeded in creating a modern book about growing up, friendship and falling in love. Set in London, we follow the lives of Dig and Nadine, who have been best friends for 15 years. Both are about to turn 30 and both are struggling to make sense out of their lives. When Dig's first love reappears on the scene, both Nadine and Dig will have to re-examine their relationships with each other and the other in their lives. Witty, hip and at times brutally honest, *Thirtynothing* is a refreshing tribute to falling in love. - Mary P.

## FOOD FOR FIDO

Here's something different....for the month of April, to celebrate National Library Week, we decided to have a fine amnesty program. These programs allow the donation of a food item to waive a current fine. As you know, during the Holiday season our "Food for Fine" program benefits the Crisis Food Center.

This winter has been particularly hard on the Alton Area Animal Aid Association (5As). The terrible cold and rising heating costs really put a strain on this non profit organization (supported through donations only). The 5A's is a no kill shelter and is most often filled to capacity with homeless animals. Starting April 1, 2001 and continuing through April 30, 2001, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a donation of dog/cat food (canned or dry)- one item each fine, current fines only, Hayner material only.

Also, to compliment this program, you can register to win one of three beautiful Golden Retriever puppets. Any Hayner library card holder is eligible (except Hayner employees) . Puppets and Ballot boxes will be at all three Hayner location: Main Library at 328 Belle St, Youth Library at 401 State St and the Branch library at Alton Square mall. The drawing will be April 30, 2001.

# Hayner Youth Library

## Special Events

Programs have limited seating so registration is requested but not required. It helps staff to know ahead of time approximately how many will be in attendance so that they can plan accordingly . If possible, please register at the location where you plan to attend (Youth Library 462-0652, Branch Library 463-1276.) All programs are FREE.

## Preschool Story Time Ages 3-5

Story times are held every other Monday and Tuesday mornings at 10:00 AM. On Monday, programs are held at the Hayner Youth Library and on Tuesdays, they will be at the Branch Library. Programs include puppet shows, stories , songs, finger plays and fun. These programs will be offered all year Spring dates are as follows: February 5,6,19.20, March 5,6,19,20, April 2,3,16,17,30 May 1,14,15.

## Bed Time Story Times Ages 2-5

Enjoy the magic of a bedtime story! The group meets every other Tuesday night in the Youth Library at 7:00 PM. Pajamas are optional! Spring dates are : February 13, 27, March 13, 27, April 10, 24 and May 8, 22

## Toddler Lapsit Story Time Ages 18-36 months

(accompanied by an adult)

This fun group meets every other Tuesday morning at the Hayner Youth Library . Starting time is 10:00 am. Young and old will enjoy stories, songs and finger plays. Spring dates are February 13,27, March 13,27 April 10, 24 and May 8,22.

## After School Program Ages 6-11

Have fun after school (3:30 4 30) reading books, making crafts and having fun. This exciting group meets at the Hayner Youth Library . Spring sessions will meet the second Thursday of each month.

## Read and Rant Book Discussion Ages 12 - 15

This book loving group meets in the Youth Library for some great book discussion from 6:45 - 7:45 PM on March 1, April 5 and May 3. You must be registered ahead of time for this. Free books will be given to those that attend.

## Traveling Puppet Show

The traveling puppet show is available by appointment to visit day care centers, preschools and kindergarten classes. Stories, songs, puppets and fun are offered. Call 462-0652 to schedule.

## Teacher Book Boxes

The Hayner Youth Department is happy to help area teachers any way that we can. Call us with a list of books, videos or a subject and we will gather a box of books for you to use in your classrooms. At least one week notice is advised. Teachers may also check out books on a six week basis.

## DePriest Puppets April 7, 10:00 am

Come see the DePreist puppets in the Hayner Youth Library April 7, 2001. They will take you on an adventure of wonder and magic. This puppet troupe comes from Springfield, Illinois and has been performing together since 1976. The show is for all ages. To register, call the Youth Library at 462-0652.

## A Tribute to Maya Angelou April 4, 3:30 PM

To help celebrate National Library Week, the Hayner Youth Department is sponsoring a tribute to Maya Angelou on her birthday, April 4. Celebrated Alton Storyteller, Joyce Elliott will be at the library to perform stories and poems. This fun event starts at 3:30 in the Youth Library. Please call 462-0652 to register.

## Field Trip to the Butterfly House in Faust Park

Hayner Youth Library is sponsoring a field trip to the Butterfly House in Faust Park, Chesterfield, Missouri on Friday, April 13. The bus will leave the Hayner Youth Library at 8:45 and will return at approximately 1:30. The Butterfly House is a beautiful and educational facility unique to our area. This trip is free of charge and limited to 35 children. You must come in person to the Hayner Youth Library to sign up your child for the trip. Parents will be required to sign a permission waiver. For additional information, call 462-0652.

# Hayner Main Library Events

*Programs galore to take you away from spring cleaning chores! All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call Reynae in the Business Office at 462 0677. Unless otherwise stated, all events will be held in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room of the Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton.*

## Celebrate Mardi Gras!
## Tuesday, February 27
## 6:30 PM

Fat Tuesday is upon us and what better way to celebrate than a raucous, hand clapping, swinging evening of New Orleans style jazz with Bud Shultz and *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band.* To celebrate this special evening, we have reserved the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College (5800 Godfrey Road) Come celebrate Mardi Gras with your friends and family. Costumes welcome! To register call Reynae at 462-0677.

## An Evening with Singer/Songwriter Michael Smith Wednesday, March 14 6:30 PM

You may not realize it but you have heard lots of Michael Smith's music. His work has been recorded by such diverse performers as Jimmy Buffett, Jerry Jeff Walker, the Four Freshmen, the Kingston Trio, Steve Goodman, Tom Rush, Spanky and Our Gang and over 30 more artists. He has won four prestigious Jeff Awards (Chicago Equivalent of the Tony) for his 1993 autobiographical play, *Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate. Chicago Magazine* wrote "One of the best songwriters in the English language...an enchanting and riveting performer." *Sing Out! Magazine* writes "Michael Smith stands out as one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer- songwriters" To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

## Tax help for Seniors
## Thursday, March 15
## 3:00 PM

A member of the IRS will be at the Hayner Main Library to present a program focused on tax issues that affect seniors. Following the presentation, will be a question and answer period. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677. This will be held in the Reading Room of the Main Library

## An Evening of Inspiration with the Allen Singers
## Tuesday, March 27
## 6:30 PM

The Allen Singers have been performing in the Alton Area for 40 years. Come hear the beautiful sounds of the multi-generational and interdenominational ensemble. This concert will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College. Come hear the beautiful sound of approximately 20 treble voices performing chorale music. Their repertoire includes sacred, classical and secular music. This promises to be a moving evening. Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.

## Diana Enloe presents "A Visit with Emily"
## Thursday, April 5
## 7:00 PM

April is National Poetry Month and what better way to celebrate than a visit with Emily Dickenson. Local performer Diane Enloe recreates the life and times of one of America's greatest poets. Famous for both her poetry and mysteriously secluded life, Ms. Dickenson wrote over 1700 poems, only 10 of which were published during her lifetime and these without her permission. Come for a great evening of entertainment- meet Emily herself and learn more about this important woman's work. Register with Reynae at 462-0677.

## "Let the Music Ring!"
## Tuesday April 24
## 6:30 PM

Join us for an evening of music and surprises with the River Bend Ringers Handbell Choir. This troupe of musicians, led by conductor Cheryl Houck, will perform many of our 'old favorites' as well as provide some 'clowning around' This promises to be an evening ringing with fun!

## Alton Gang Barber Shop Quartet
## Tuesday, May 8
## 6:30 PM

The Alton Gang Barber Shop Quartet is one of the oldest chapters in the Illinois district of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc., celebrating over 50 years in existence. Don't miss this chance to enjoy their music and comedy. To register, call Reynae at 466-0677.

## Elvis Performs at Hayner!
## Tuesday, May 15
## 6:30 PM

If you missed him in Vegas, now is your chance to see the King in action! Steve Davis has been performing as Elvis for over 17 years. He will be singing, taking requests, reminiscing about his career and talking to the audience in character as Elvis Presley. So put on your blue suede shoes for a rockin' night! Call Reynae to register at 462-0677.

***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

## ELVIS SIGHTING AT HAYNER LIBRARY!

The King is back and will perform at Hayner Main Library on May 15, 2001 at 6:30 PM.!
Steve Davis, the nationally and internationally known Elvis Illusionist does not break character during his performance. As Elvis, he will sing and play music, answer audience questions, take requests and reminisce about his (Elvis') career. If you never got to see Elvis perform in Vegas, now's your chance! Elvis will perform in the Reading Room of the Main Library. The performance is free of charge but reservations are (absolutely!) necessary. Call 462-0677 to register. This is going to be a rockin' night with the one and only King!

## EXCITING EVENTS TO BE HELD AT GODFREY CHAPEL!

Two of our spring programs are going to be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College (5800 Godfrey Road).

The first will feature the wonderful music of Bud Shultz and the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*. This will be Bud's third return engagement for the Library. Bud's previous performances have been so popular, we've had to turn people away due to lack of space, so this time, we're taking Bud to the Chapel! What a great place for a rousing evening of New Orleans style jazz...and what better night than Fat Tuesday, February 27 (6:30 pm). Come and celebrate Mardi Gras. Costumes welcome..beads? Of course! This program is free of charge and registration is required. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

On Tuesday, March 27 at 6:30, we're back at the chapel with the Allen Singers. This well-known local ensemble of approximately 20 singers will inspire and delight you. The chapel will be the perfect setting for their beautiful chorale music. What a wonderful way to welcome spring!

This program is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

**National Library Week (Cont.)**

Our staff in the Hayner Public library District can help you find what your looking for whether in books, online or in archives. April 1-7 is National Library Week and a great time to spend a minute and introduce yourself to our staff and thank them for the wonderful services they provide. In a world that is information rich, libraries are information smart.

A message from The Campaign for America's Libraries and the Hayner Public Library District:

Today's library is not what you remember. It's even better. Want to research your thesis? Find the latest child care information? Write a resume? Surf the Web? Get homework help? Attend a free lecture, musical program or story time? Do genealogy? Join a book club? Curl up with a best seller? Rent CDs, videos, DVDs? It's all here @ your library. Libraries have always been places for education, self-help and lifelong learning. Today, they're at the forefront of the information age, providing computers, Internet access, databases and more. During National Library Week, it's a great time to come and see what's new @ your library.

## REMEMBER WHEN?

Technology has affected all our lives in so many ways, even our language.

For example, remember when.....

~An application was for employment
~A program was a TV show
~A cursor used profanity
~A keyboard was a musical instrument
~Memory was something that you lost with age
~A CD was a bank account
~Log on meant adding wood to a fire
~A hard drive was a long trip in the car
~A mouse pad was where a mouse lived
~A backup was when your toilet wouldn't flush
~Scissors and glue where required to cut and paste
~A web was a spider's home
~A virus was the flu
~A crash meant a car accident or a bad day on the stock market
~A bug could be killed
~A monitor was the teacher's pet in the hallway

## *PATRON PROFILE*
## *David Strasser*

David Strasser, the subject of this issue's Patron Profile, is certainly a familiar face at the library and someone we all really appreciate. David is one of five charter members of the Friends of the Hayner Public Library District (FHPLD) . Organized in 1981, there are currently almost 50 members of the Friends and the library appreciates every one of them also! David has been president of the organization since 1982 and gives of his time every week .

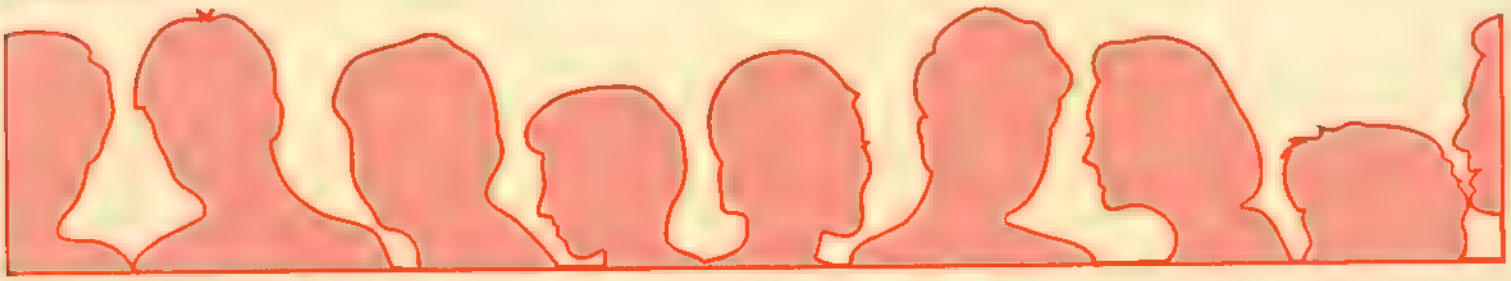
A native of Alton, David has been a library lover since his childhood and has many fine memories of visiting the Children's Library. He attended Alton public schools and works for Olin in the Brass Mill. David is married and has 2 daughters and two grandchildren. David's wife, Betty, is also a Friends volunteer

The Friends of the Library is a wonderful volunteer organization that organizes and runs biannual book sales that have become extremely popular throughout the entire Riverbend area. The Friends use the revenues generated by these sales to facilitate special needs of the library district. In just the last 5 years, their purchases on behalf of the library have included shrubbery, building renovations, computers, a copier, a laminating machine, a laser printer, bar code readers, historical art prints/books and much more! They also fund the 'goodies' for the annual children's Christmas party and Summer Reading party. There are Friends members that are active year-round volunteers and there are also Friends that choose just to contribute by paying annual dues or working the days of the book sale. There are different levels of Friends membership, starting as low as $2 for a student membership and growing incrementally ($5, $10, $25, $50) up to $100 for a life membership. David indicated that they are always thrilled to receive new members in any capacity or level. He says with a laugh that he can "ALWAYS use some young guys with muscle!'

David was hesitant about being singled out as a representative of the group. "We all work together to make the sales successful- everyone just has a different area of responsibility or job. Many of our members have been here as long as I have. It really is like a family atmosphere working together." Another long time member is Sarah Huber. Sarah was on the board in 1981 when the Library Director asked her to take on the responsibility of putting a friends group together (previous ones had disbanded) Every Monday, Sarah and other members meet in the Friends building on State Street to sort and catagorize book donations. Sarah commented that there are some really strange and weird books that come in. She also noted how interesting it is to see how tastes have changed. When the organization held it's first sales, cook books and gardening books 'flew off the shelves'. Now she says they are overloaded in these areas, perhaps because people are using their computers for recipes or, perhaps, with today's busy lifestyles, there's little time to spend cooking large meals or gardening. Also, encyclopedias used to be highly popular. Now the friends are overloaded with encyclopedia sets as computers are providing encyclopedias online. Anyone interested in encyclopedias can purchase an entire set (varying in currency) for just $5. This service is possible anytime throughout the year, not just during the sales. If you are interested, call the library business office at 462-0677. Sarah also noted how wonderfully supportive the community has been. Though some books come from Hayner library shelves, the vast majority are individual donations. Most of these donations come from people who are moving, children may be cleaning out the family home or book lovers need to scale back collections and want to be sure their books go to good homes!

One of David's jobs is to pick up books for people who are unable to get them to the library. He also does the advertising for the sales, organizes the mailing of flyers, prints membership flyers and bookmarks, buys supplies and more. In 1991, David received a $2000

Olin Employee Volunteer Recognition Award which he contributed to the library to buy history books. The award was in appreciation of David's outstanding volunteer service to the Friends of Hayner Public Library. David says it takes a good two months to get everything organized for the book sales. In March he starts working on the Spring sale and prepares in August for the October sale. This years Spring sale will be May 10, 11,12. Thursday, May 10, hours are 6-8:30. This is a Preview night and there is a $5 admission charge. On Friday May 11, the hours are 9am-7pm, no admission charge and on Saturday, May 12 , the hours are 9-2 with no admission charge. Prices are going up this year but the sale is still one of the best bargains around. Paperbacks will sell for $.50 each, hard covers will sell for $1 each and certain specialty items will be individually priced. Thank you to David and all the volunteers for your much appreciated work and contributions to the Hayner Public Library District- you are of great value to the library as well as the entire community.



## BIANNUAL BOOK SALE

The Spring 2001 book sale will be held Thursday May 10, 6-8:30 pm. This is 'Preview Night' and there is a $5 admission charge for this night only. The sale continues on Friday, May 11 from 9am - 7pm and on Saturday May 12 9 am- 2 pm. There is no admission charge on Friday or Saturday. The $.10 sale will be the following week, May 18 and 19.

## FOR WOMEN BY WOMEN CONFERENCE

Hayner Library staff has been working with the River Bend Growth Association and Service Corps of Retired Executives to develop the third seminar in the 'For Women By Women' Conference Series. The theme of this seminar will be "So You Want to be a Millionaire" and will focus on different aspects of investing and financial planning. It will be held at the Alton Holiday Inn on March 27, 2001 from 8:00-12.00. Please contact the RBGA at 467-2280 for additional information.

## TALENT SHOWCASE

Do you have a hidden performing arts talent...or know someone who does and would love to perform for the community? Remember, we are always looking for suggestions for programs you would like to see at the library and we love the opportunity to showcase local talent. Call your recommendations into Bernadette at 462-0677

## TAX HELP FOR SENIORS

The IRS supports a Community Outreach Tax Education program. On March 15, 2001 at 3:00 pm, a representative of this program will be at the Hayner Main Library. The presentation will focus on tax issues that affect seniors. Following the presentation will be a question and answer period.. This program is free but attendance will be limited. To register, call 462-0677 This will be held in the Reading Room of the Main Library.

***Clip and Save Book Mark*** - have you read Patricia Cornwell's **The Last Precinct** yet? It's the latest book from this very popular author. For more of the same genre (mystery/suspense), try these!

IF YOU LIKE
PATRICIA CORNWELL...
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Ayers, Noreen
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Dunlap, Susan K.
**No Immunity**
Goldberg, Leonard
**Deadly Care**
Harris, Thomas
**The Silence of the Lambs**
Kr'cn, Rochelle M.
**Fair Game**
Lanareth, Marsna
**The Holiday Murders**
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**Mercy**
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**Fault Lines**
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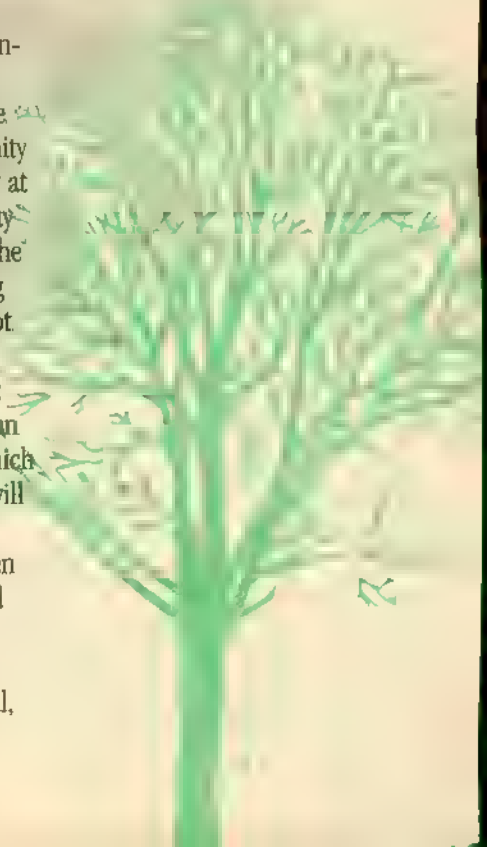
## New Park for Hayner Library

The Hayner Public Library District is extremely fortunate to be the recipient of the benefaction of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association. This association was born in 1853, originally as the Alton library Association, and consisted of a group of women that struggled tirelessly to organize, manage and fund Alton's first library (originally housed in Old City Hall). In 1891, the construction of Alton's first library building was completed. This building (now the Hayner Youth Library) was funded by John E. Hayner as a memorial to his wife, Jennie, who had been a key member of the Alton Library Association prior to her death in 1888. The Alton Library Association reorganized themselves as the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association and took over the responsibility of managing and growing the library. The library operated as a free library, made possible by the significant endowments of John E. Hayner as well as John A. Haskell and other generous citizens of Alton.

As the years progressed, the library grew dramatically. Correspondingly, the costs to maintain and staff the library escalated. In 1952, the city council voted unanimously to acquire and operate the Hayner Memorial Library as a public library. The Jennie D. Hayner Library Association remained in existence as a separate entity from the library to manage the remaining funds from previous endowments. The Association is governed by a board of directors completely separate from the publicly governed library board. Over the years, the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association has worked actively to grow the endowment funds. During these years they have dispersed monies from the fund so the library could provide special programs and services to our community above and beyond standard library operation. The efforts and generosity of the Jennie D's has allowed the Hayner Public Library District to offer innovations, programs and special collections outside what is usually possible for a tax supported body.

Recently, the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association identified a wonderful project that will enhance downtown and be enjoyed by the whole community. At the back of the Main library at 4th and State Street is an empty green area. The brick wall of the Friends of the Library Building borders the south side of the lot. The Jennie D's will contract to extend this wall along the east side of the lot. This will form an "L" shaped "canvas" upon which artist Ana Maria Hartenbach will paint. Ana's mural will be a large landscape of rolling green hills, pine trees, dogwoods and redbud trees. Ana has painted such a mural in Kirkwood, Missouri. The work is beautiful, serene and peaceful. Complimenting the mural will be landscaping to the lot, augmenting the park-like effect. This wonderful gift to the library will convert an empty green space into a oasis-like pocket park to enjoy when visiting the library or as a refuge during your day downtown.

Following site prep, the artist is anticipating beginning her mural in July. All are welcome to come by to watch the work in progress. It will be exciting to watch the transformation take place! Thank you to the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association on behalf of the Library District as well as the entire community for providing this exciting project.



Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
MEMORIAL DAY
Sunday, May 27 &
Monday, May 28
FATHERS DAY
Sunday, June 17
INDEPENDENCE DAY
Wednesday, July 4

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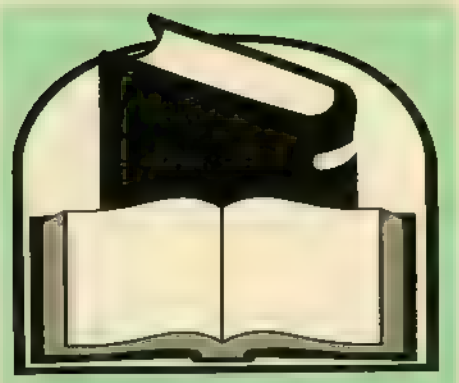

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS – FICTION*

Adler, Elizabeth. **The Last Time I Saw Paris**
Breslin, Jimmy. **I Don't Want to Go to Jail**
Brookner, Anita. **The Bay of Angels**
Cornwell, Bernard. **Sharpe's Trafalgar**
Coyle, Harold W. **Dead Hand**
Davidson, Diane Mott. **Sticks and Scones**
Dietrich, William. **Dark Winter**
James, P.D. **Death in Holy Orders: An Adam Dalgliesh Mystery**
Johansen, Iris. **Final Target**
Lescroart, John. **The Hearing**
Lindsey, Johanna. **Heart of a Warrior**
Lovesey, Peter. **The Reaper**
Mitchard, Jacquelyn. **A Theory of Relativity**
Parker, Robert B. **Gunman's Rhapsody**
Patterson, James. **Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas**
Pratchett, Terry. **Thief of Time**
Smith, Wilbur. **Warlock**
Steel, Danielle. **Leap of Faith**
Theroux, Paul. **Hotel Honolulu**
Thoene, Bodie. **Jerusalem's Heart**
Tyler, Anne. **Back When We Were Grownups**

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS – NONFICTION*

Clark, Blaise. **Time Lord: Sir Sanford Fleming and the Creation of Standard Time**
Goodall, Jane. **Beyond Innocence: An Autobiography in Letters**
**LIFE: Century of Change; America in Pictures, 1900-2000**
Menand, Louis. **The Metaphysical Club: A Story of Ideas in America**
Russell, Sharman Apt. **Anatomy of a Rose: Exploring the Secret Life of Flowers**
**Selected Letters of Dashiell Hammett: 1921-1960**
Tannen, Deborah. **I Only Say This Because I Love You**
Tingen, Paul. **Miles Beyond: The Electric Explorations of Miles Davis, 1967-1991**
Warren, Robert Penn. **Selected Poems**
Weir, Joanne. **Joanne Weir's More Cooking in the Wine Country: 150 New Recipes for Living and Entertaining**

## *SCORE for the Community and Yourself!*

Ready to retire from your day job, but still want to contribute to the new business economy? Are you a working business professional who wants to volunteer your expertise to help small businesses succeed? SCORE may be the opportunity you are looking for to share your business knowledge and experience, help emerging businesses succeed and stay active in the local and national small business marketplace. The SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) is the premiere small business counseling and advice organization in the United States. SCORE is a nonprofit charitable organization composed of volunteer business mentors, both working and retired, who counsel businesses throughout the country.

As a resource partner with the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), SCORE operates in cooperation with the agency to provide business owners with information, resources and tools vital to their success. This includes counseling on financing options, business strategy, marketing tactics, product development, cash flow, management and much more. In counseling locations, SCORE volunteers provide confidential one to one and team business counseling and low cost entrepreneurial training workshops and seminars. Counselors also volunteer to conduct online counseling directly from their homes or offices. Last year, SCORE helped close to 300,000 people and has helped 4.5 million small business owners since 1964.

SCORE is very active in our own River Bend community supporting and helping small business succeed and prosper. On June 13, the Alton/Godfrey chapter of SCORE (#423) will be holding a recruitment seminar at Hayner Main Library in the Jimmie Keller Reading Room. Come and hear how you can become involved in SCORE as well as actual local business testimonials as to the important benefits and support SCORE provides. Attending SCORE representatives will include Gail Weinrich, District Director, Richard Rook, Assistant District Director and Chairman Dale Kelly. The program will begin at 6.00 pm and last approximately an 1.5 hours. Hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Who can volunteer? Anyone with business, administrative and/or management expertise. Whether small business owner or manager in the corporate environment, educator (high school or university level), retiree or still currently employed – all are welcome.

Most importantly, why volunteer? Most SCORE members say that staying abreast of current business trends and helping small businesses succeed and grow are a great reward of the program. Other rewards include enjoying the satisfaction of contributing to the success of others, gaining the respect and recognition of your peers and associates, enjoying opportunities for ongoing education, demonstrating the skills and knowledge that led to your successful career and, so importantly, to provide leadership to our community.

Please plan to attend this event, meet the SCORE representatives, listen to actual local success stories, enjoy some appetizers and evaluate if SCORE is for you. Service to the community is such a rewarding experience - the River Bend needs YOU! To register, call the Hayner Library business office at 462-0677. If you require further information, you can also contact SCORE Assistant District Director, Richard Rook, at 467-2280.

*A meeting of SCORE volunteers.*

## *Heartland Chautauqua Returns to Alton!*

***Left to Right:*** **Harry Reser, Willa Cather, John Dos Passos, Edna Ferber and H. L. Mencken**

Last summer Alton experienced our first Heartland Chautauqua event, sponsored by the Illinois and Missouri Humanities Council and the Alton Marketplace. Chautauqua began in the late 1800s as religious training programs for Sunday School teachers in New York and later evolved to include educational and entertaining speeches from famous orators and stage performers in troupes that traveled the country.

This year's Chautuaqua in Alton will kick off on Monday, June 4th at 6 pm in Haskell Park, Alton. All are invited to experience the fun of a community tent raising. On Tuesday through Saturday, June 5 through June 9, the evenings events will begin at 6:00 pm when a buffet dinner will be available for $6.00 per person. Local musical entertainers will perform from 6:45 to 7:30. At 7:45 the performance by the Chautauqua actor/scholars begins This year's theme is "the jazz age" and actor/scholars include Gayle Stahlhuth as Edna Ferber (Tuesday), Richard Johnson as John Dos Passos (Wednesday), Lynne Swanson as Willa Cather (Thursday), John C. Chalberg as H. L. Mencken (Friday) and Michael Mason as Harry Reser (Saturday). The actors perform and interact with the audience in character. The performances promise to be dramatic as well as amusing. The program is entirely free of charge (except for the optional dinner buffet). Last year's event was wildly successful - the audience was transfixed by the programs which transported them to times past. This year's program, focusing on the great writers, thinkers and personalities of the early 20th century, will certainly prove to be equally fascinating. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity. For additional information, contact the Convention and Visitors Bureau at 1-800-ALTON IL.

### *Visit with Chautauqua Scholar Performers at Hayner Library*

Don't miss the exciting opportunity to meet and visit with the individual Chautauqua actor/scholars! Each day during the week of June 4 through the 8th, a different Chautauqua actor/scholar will be at Hayner Main Library at 10:00 am. They will discuss different aspects of their character's development and personality as well as varying cultural aspects of life in the 1920s. These programs will give you a greater appreciation for the evening performances in Haskell Park when the actor will be performing 'in character'. Day programs include:

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| Mon. 6/4 | Gayle (Edna Ferber) Stahlhuth | "Broadway of the 20s" |
| Tues. 6/5 | Dick (John Dos Passos) Johnson | " John Who?" |
| Wed. 6/6 | Lynne (Willa Cather) Swanson | "On the Trail, On the Tracks, On the Road" |
| Thurs. 6/7 | Michael (Harry Reser) Mason | To Be Announced |
| Fri. 6/8 | Dick (John Dos Passos) Johnson | "What is a Writer?" |

These programs are free of charge but registration is requested. Call 462-0677 to register.

These entertaining discussions are a great way to learn more about what made the 20s roar!

## *A Very Special Event - Not to be Missed!!!*

The Laclede Quartet was founded in 1978 and has performed to enthusiastic audiences extensively throughout the Midwest. Its members served as Artists in Residence at the History Museum in St. Louis, MO from 1990-1998. They have been featured guests on KMOX, KFUO-FM, KSD and KWMU radio. Their four CDs have been featured on KFUO-FM Classic 99 and have been in the Top 10 local (St. Louis) classical ratings since their release. The Quartet has been featured on St. Louis PBS Channel 9's *ETC.*, and televised on KSDK, KMOV, KTVI, KPLR and FOX 2. They perform a hugely varied repertoire of classic, popular and show music and they have been nationally recognized for their highly original symphonic arrangements of contemporary musical works. Larry Connors of KMOV-TV calls the Laclede Quartet "one of the highest quality classical groups in St. Louis". *The Riverfront Times* notes that they are "a St. Louis tradition." Don't miss the rare opportunity to hear this extraordinary quartet in a program sponsored by the Hayner Public Library District. The Laclede Quartet will perform for us on August 30, 2001 at 6:30 pm in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College (5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Il). This performance is free of charge but registration is a must. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

***Left to Right:*** **Wendy Lea, Violin 2; Marcia Mann, Cello; Sallie Coffman, Violin 1; Sara Borchelt, Viola.**

# Special Events at Hayner

Hayner Youth Library

## SUMMER FUN AT HAYNER LIBRARY

### Feed Your Need To Read

If you're hungry for books and are looking for some fun this summer the library is the place to be. Kids from birth to fifteen are invited to join us to munch a bunch of books Participants agree to read at least 6 hours to complete the program and win a free paperback book of their choice and an invitation to a great end of Summer Reading Program Party. Other prizes will be awarded throughout the summer.

### Be a J.D. Jr. Volunteer

Kids 12-15 years old can apply to be a volunteer this summer at the library. Application packets are available at the Youth Library. Completed applications will be accepted at the Youth Library beginning May 30. Volunteers work at the Youth Library one day per week from June 9 through August 4.

### HERE'S WHAT'S COOKING AT THE HAYNER YOUTH LIBRARY

### Preschool Story Hour

Starting June 4 and every other Monday throughout the summer at 10:00 in the Youth Library (401 State St.) will be story time for the younger kids. 6/4, 6/18, 7/9, 7/23, 8/6, 8/20.

### Evening Story Hour

Story time is offered on every other Tuesday evenings at 7:00 starting June 12. 6/12, 6/26, 7/10, 7/24, 8/7, 8/21.

### Read and Rant Book Discussion

Twelve to fifteen year-olds are invited to attend our Read & Rant group that meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:45. Come to the library ahead of time to get your free book for the month. This is limited to 6 kids. Please come in to register.

### Summer Reading Kick-off/ Cook-off

June 12 at the Youth Library. Come and sign up for Summer Reading and join the fun. Featured entertainer will be Bill Sample, musician/magician. Hotdogs, chips, watermelon and drinks will be served at 11:00.

### Painting Recipe Boxes

June 16 at The Youth Library. Come paint recipe boxes with us at 11:00. Limit 25 participants. Call library to register at 462-0652!

### Dulcimer/Storyteller

Mike Anderson (www.dulcimerguy.com) will be at The Branch Library (Alton Mall) June 19 at 2:00 to entertain and have fun.

### Juggler/Comedian

Troy Rourke will be at The Youth Library at 11:00 on June 20. Troy is unbelievable and zany!

### St. Louis Science Center

The Science Center is coming to The Branch Library to do a program entitled Cooking with Science from A-Z at 11:00 on June 26.

### Elsenpeter Marionettes

Join us at The Youth Library for some puppet magic. The "old world" art of puppetry will be explained and an excellent performance of the classic Pinocchio. The show begins at 11:00 on June 27.

### Cook Up Some Fun

We will be cooking up some fun at The Youth Library at 1:00 June 30 and July 21. Call the library to register.

### Ice Cream Sundaes and Crafts

On July 10 (The Branch) and July 11 (The Youth) at 11:00 we will be making some great crafts and enjoying yummy sundaes.

### Musical Duet

A flute and tuba duo will perform at 10:00 in The Youth Library. They will entertain with Bach to Broadway music. They will share information about musical instruments. Meet their seeing-eye dog, Omni, on July 14.

### Circus Fun

Meet The Hampel Family Circus at The Branch on July 17 at 11:00. This unique family will entertain with "Circus Dreams Reading Program". Free photos and prizes! Sponsored in part by CVS.

### Around the World Adventures

Feed your need to read with The Timestep Players on July 18 at The Youth Library-11:00. This dynamic duo will combine storytelling, comedy and dance in this reading motivational program.

### End of Summer Reading Program Party

This party is by invitation only on July 25 for all those that participated in our Summer Reading Program. The party will be held at the "new" Pocket Park downtown (4th Street between the libraries) at 6:00. Chris Egelston will present the *Reading is Magic* show. Kids that have met all criteria for Summer Reading will be awarded prizes. Snacks will be provided by The Friends of Hayner Library.

Be a **BOOK NIBBLER** this summer and join us for some great fun! Call for more information-462-0652.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*It's going to be a great summer with lots of hot events at the Hayner Main Library! All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call Reynae in the business office at 462-0677. Unless otherwise stated, all events will be held in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room of the Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton.*

### Chautauqua Week
### June 4- 8 - 10:00 am

In cooperation with the Alton Marketplace Association, one of the five actors/scholars visiting Alton for Chautauqua Week will appear each morning at 10:00 am. (See article page 3). They will discuss their characters and the different aspects of life and culture during the 1920s.

June 4 Gail (Edna Ferber) Stahlhuth
"Broadway of the 20s"

June 5 Dick (John Dos Passos) Johnson
"John, Who?..."

June 6 Lynne (Willa Cather) Swanson
"On the Trail, On the Tracks, On the Road"

June 7 Michael (Harry Reser) Mason
To Be Announced

June 8 Dick (John Dos Passos) Johnson
"What is a Writer?"

To register, call Reynae at 462-0677

### SCORE for You and the Community!
### Wed., June 13 - 6:30 pm

Members of SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) will detail how you can support your community by becoming a volunteer for SCORE. SCORE members work with small business people via counseling and education to help ensure business success. Join us for hors d'oeuvres, meet current volunteers and hear the success stories of some of the local businesses that SCORE has helped. Whether you're retired or currently employed, if you have business experience to share, SCORE can use your help. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Gershwins to Now!
### Thurs., June 21 - 6:30 pm

Chicago based folk singer, Cat Catalani, brings her acoustic guitar to perform classics of the 1930s-1940s. She sings nostalgic favorites by Hoagy Carmichael, Duke Ellington, the Gershwins and more! Cat has performed nationally on radio and TV and has recently released her first CD. She has a wonderful alto voice and positively sparkles as she performs. Be prepared to sing along. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Vintage Music and Humor
### Wed., June 27 - 6:30 pm

Lance Brown is a singer/songwriter, actor, story teller and humorist. Playing and singing from his roots in jazz, swing, blues and Dixieland, he indulges his audience in his love of humor, exaggeration and innuendo. He performs standard and not so standard novelty tunes with a vaudeville flair. Don't miss this wonderful evening of music and laughter. Call Reynae to register at 472-0677.

### Doubleplay
### Thurs., July 12 - 6:30 pm

The world's only professional flute and tuba duo perform a varied show of classics as well as popular music- Bach to Broadway. They hail from Phoenix, Arizona and tour the country performing. Amy Ridings, the flutist has performed with the New American Chamber Ensemble and was principal flutist for the Michigan's Macomb Symphony. Patrick Sciannella, tubaist, is a former member of the Genessee and Southwest Brass Quintets. They travel with Omni, Patrick's seeing eye guide dog and incorporate information about guide dogs and their training into the program. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Rescued Racers
### Tues., July 17 - 6:30 pm

Rescued Racers is a local organization for retired racing greyhounds. In this program for all ages, handlers will actually bring the dogs to the library! You will learn about the organization, fun facts about Greyhounds and what the dogs lives are like as both racers and pets. It's a fascinating program and of course the dogs will appreciate plenty of hugs and pets! To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Genealogy Round Table
### Wed., July 18 - 6:30 pm

Staff of the Hayner Main Library will host a Genealogy Round Table. This program is not a class, rather it is an informal discussion group to share ideas, resources and research techniques among those of you interested in genealogy. If you are involved in a genealogy project currently, or are considering starting one, this is a great opportunity to meet fellow researchers and share experience and lively discussion. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

### Catch the Twain!
### Thurs., July 19 - 6:30 pm

Meet Samuel Langhorne Clemens, America's greatest storyteller, writer, and humorist. Actor/scholar Warren Brown will deliver his Mark Twain portrayal that is guaranteed to captivate you. His uproariously authentic characterization of Mark Twain will include the wit, wisdom and satire that Twain is recognized for. He will even take questions from the audience while in character. Mr. Warren has performed as Twain in over 250 programs and has won rave reviews. This program is made possible in part by an award from the Illinois Humanities Council, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Illinois General Assembly.

***Still more events...continued on next page!!***

## Just Something My Grandma Used to Sing
## Tues., August 21 - 6:30 pm

Mark Dvorak, professional singer, banjo player and teacher at Chicago's famed Old Town School of Music will perform folk songs, old favorites and pop tunes for your enjoyment. Mark has released seven CDs to date. His entertaining warmth, sincerity and distinctive talent have distinguished Mark as a significant and important folk artist. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677.

## The Laclede Quartet
## Thurs., August 30
## 6:30 pm

One of the finest quartets in the Midwest, the Laclede Quartet, is coming to the River Bend area for a Hayner Library District program . Performing a hugely varied repertoire of classic, popular and show music, they have been recognized for their highly original symphonic arrangements of contemporary musical works. Their four recordings have been featured on KFUO-FM Classic 99 and have been in the Top 10 local (St. Louis) classical since their release. The quartet has been featured guests on KMOX, KFUO-FM , KSD and KWMU radio. They have also been televised on KSDK, KMOV, KTVI, KPLR and FOX 2. This performance will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College (5800 Godfrey Road). Registration is required. To register, call Reynae at 462-0677. Do not miss this outstanding program!

***Left to Right:*** **Sallie Coffman, Violin 1; Marcia Mann, Cello; Wendy Lea, *Violin 2*; Sarah Borchelt, Viola.**

## *STAFF PICKS– WHAT WE'RE READING*

***From a House to a Home: Simple Ideas and Projects to Enrich Everyday Family Life***
by Jemima Mills. Nonfiction
Going beyond mere decorating, this book is a treasure trove full of ideas for transforming your house into a home where you and your family can really *live*. In the "Family Home" section, Mills describes furnishing, arrangements, and even projects and activities for each room that promote family living. The "Family Food" section outlines gatherings such as weekend breakfasts, after school snacks, and picnics. "Family Playtime" shows you how to make the most of your leisure time, from playrooms to pets to gardening. I liked this book so much, I got my own copy – it made me want to never leave my house! – Susan K.

***Bad Boy*** by Olivia Goldsmith. Fiction
Olivia Goldsmith's books are just plain fun. *Bad Boy* is a light romantic comedy focusing on a young "computer geek" who is just "too nice" to attract women and his female friend, Tracie, who sets about to transform him into an irresistible "bad boy." Although the plot line may be familiar (remember *Pygmalion*?), the characters are entertainng and funny. Goldsmith writes great dialogue that will have you laughing out loud. — Bernie D.

***Bee Season*** by Myla Goldberg. Fiction
First-time novelist Myla Goldberg explores the ideas of family, love, obsession and devotion in this complex and tightly written story. Eliza is an average schoolgirl until she advances to the national spelling bee finals. Through her eyes we see separate lives unraveling her fragile family life and her hope that her new fame can stop this downward spiral. *Bee Season* is a haunting, powerful book. Great for book clubs.–Katie S.

***John Muir: Nature's Visionary*** by Gretel Ehrlich. Nonfiction
National Geographic's *John Muir: Nature's Visionary* captures the driven and quirky life of Sierra Club founder and great naturalist John Muir. You can feel the physical and spiritual strength he drew from being one with nature. This book features sketches from Muir's notebook and stunning current photographs that show the beauty that his foresight and devotion preserved for us today.–Katie S.

***The Oldest Rookie***
by Jim Morris and Joel Engel. Biography
Forget a standing ovation, *The Oldest Rookie* deserves "the Wave!" After a childhood spent dreaming of playing Major League baseball, Morris realized his dream was not to be. Or so he thought. As a teacher in a small Texas town, Morris was happy as the coach of the local high school baseball team. But one day a bet made with the team changed his life forever. This true-life story fits easily into the "must read" category. Funny, poignant, and above all, amazing, Morris' story is a true example that anything is possible. Baseball fans, of course, will love this book–but so will anyone who has rooted for the good guy. This amazing book is a real crowd pleaser!–Mary P.

**The Death of Vishnu**
by Manil Suri. Fiction
In his debut novel, Manil Suri has created a modern day masterpiece. This beautiful novel follows the lives of several Indian families all living in the same Bombay apartment building. Their lives are colorful and oftentimes desperate–and the dying odd-job man, Vishnu, connects each. As the drama of the tenants' lives unfolds behind closed doors, Vishnu examines his life and mortality alone in the stairway of the building. His ascension of the stairway parallels his soul's journey through this life into the next. Haunting and complex, Suri has written a book that examines not only the spiritual and social life of modern India, but human nature as well.–Mary P

## *PATRON PROFILE*
## *Evelyn Johnson*

The subject of this issue's Patron Profile is Mrs. Evelyn Johnson. I met with Evelyn in her beautiful home and greatly enjoyed our visit.

Evelyn was born and raised in the Godfrey area. She is one of eight children and attended school at the old Clifton Hill School, Alton High School and L.A. City College. She enjoyed life as a child in a rural area near Clifton Terrace.

Evelyn credits her "drive and determination" to the example set by her mother. Her mother was a petite women but of very strong character and not one to be intimidated. Evelyn related the following example: the property the family lived on was threatened by foreclosures due to her father's illness (lead poisoning). When notice came regarding possible foreclosure, Evelyn's mother wrote a letter to President Franklin Roosevelt. The President read the letter and advised the bank "there would be no foreclosure". Evelyn's father recovered and the property was paid for. Evelyn's mother lived in that home to the end of her life

Evelyn's father, Joseph Hyndman, was born in the Rocky Fork area and was the grandson of Erasmus Green who settled in Rocky Fork prior to 1863. Erasmus had been given his freedom from slavery by his plantation owner (and father) when it appeared slavery was ending. Evelyn shared a picture of Erasmus dressed in his Union Soldier's uniform Erasmus later established Rocky Fork Church, one of the early black churches in our area. This location was also known to be an important stop on the underground railroad. Evelyn remembers well the family gatherings at Rocky Fork when she was a child.

Evelyn's adult life led to her marriage to a childhood friend, Harold Johnson, who was born in the Fosterburg area. She describes their friendship, love and marriage as "from the womb to the tomb". Harold's career has included teaching at many colleges and universities. He retired as Deputy Director, Los Angeles County Mental Health.

Alton in the 1950s held little promise for young black people due to oppressive discriminatory attitudes. Those conditions motivated Evelyn to 'go west'. Evelyn and Harold decided they would marry and move to Los Angeles. Together, the couple had relatives there and felt there would be some direction and support. Those relatives were most helpful to the young couple.

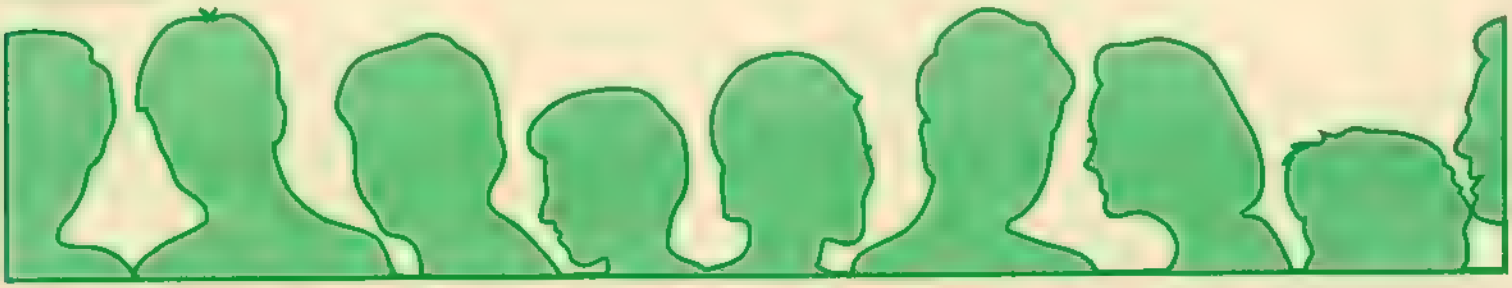
Evelyn had the opportunity to do many new things. She worked in the credit clearance industry. She made dentures and later worked in electronics, learning about schematics, capacitors, diodes, registers and more. She was employed by Hughes Aircraft, Gilfillians and finally Reed Curtis Nuclear Division, working underground in a 'hot lab' handling radioactive materials. Her next career moved entailed working in personnel for the Aerospace Corporation in El Seguardo, Ca. This company was a 'think tank' for scientists involved in the space program.

Her next career move was into something really different. She became a private investigator, working concurrently for the Frasco, Serpico, Argus and Baker agencies. She took to this job immediately and received many responsible assignments including at one point working on the 'infamous' Sharon Tate murder case. The job required Evelyn to make numerous court appearances to present films she made during investigation and surveillance. She also made many undercover contacts. She worked primarily with retired LAPD police officers and quickly earned their respect.

Evelyn eventually tired of the 3:00 am surveillances and applied for a position with Allstate Insurance. She was hired to be a Field Adjuster. At that time, working in the field was usually done solely by men. Unfortunately, Evelyn was met with strong resistance by her immediate supervisor. She refused his constant intimidation and she felt certain he was trying to pressure her into quitting. The climate become so hostile, she contacted the California Federal Employee

Equal Opportunity Council. She 'constructively quit' and filed a class action suit. The matter was investigated at the federal level and the investigation revealed many disparities related to treatment and hiring of women and other minorities.

One year later, Evelyn was requested by the EEOC to reinstate. She worked ten more years before retiring. She was pleased to witness many women placed as supervisors, Vice Presidents and attorneys. During this time, she was awarded the Trailblazer Award by the Los Angeles Chapter of the National Business and Professional Women's Club. She is very proud of this award and says she would repeat her actions in the case. She often thinks of the people whom she will never know whose lives have been affected by her efforts. Evelyn said she is grateful for the courage she learned from her mother and she thanks God for the direction of her life and her opportunities. She certainly lives by the creed that one should never avoid a challenge! Evelyn and her husband Harold returned to Alton in 1990 and are enjoying a full and busy retirement.



## New Trustees Join Hayner Public Library District Board

Two new trustees have been elected to the Hayner Public Library District board. Mary Ann Mazenko, a native of Alton and current resident of Godfrey, was elected to the board this past April. Mary Ann worked many years as a feature writer for the Alton Telegraph. She and her husband Fran have three grown children.

Jeff Funkhauser, another Alton native who now lives in Godfrey, was also elected to the board this past April Jeff works for the Tosco-Wood River Refinery as a Production Leader for the Aromatics Division Jeff and his wife Cass have two children. Both Jeff and Mary Ann will serve six-year terms.

**GOT CARDINAL FEVER?**
**GET YOUR SCHEDULES AND CATCH A RIDE- ALL AT ALTON SQUARE. CARDINAL GAME SCHEDULES AND RED BIRD EXPRESS BUS SCHEDULES ARE AVAILABLE AT HAYNER BRANCH LIBRARY ALTON SQUARE. THE RED BIRD EXPRESS BUS DEPARTS FROM ALTON SQUARE.**

## IF YOU LIKE TOM CLANCY.... Try these:

Ballard, Robert D.
**Bright Shark**
Beechcroft, William
**Secret Kills**
Bond, Larry
**The Enemy Within**
Brown, Dale
**Flight of the Old Dog**
Carroll, Gerry.
**Ghostrider One**
Cobb, James H.
**Choosers of the *Slain***
DiMercurio, Michael
**Attack of the Seawolf**
O'Brien, Tim
**Going After Cacciato**
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## September is Library Card Sign up Month!

September is Library Card Sign-up Month- a time when the American Library Association reminds parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning. Libraries today offer more than just books- we have videos, CDs, DVDs, computers, Internet access and more. Libraries are also dynamic community centers offering homework help, book discussion groups, musical and theatrical performances, story hours and other programs for children and adults. Stop by any Hayner branch and get your kids ready for school with their own library card. Children under 18 do require a parent's or guardian's signature on the card application form. The parent also needs to show two forms of ID- one must be a picture ID and the ID must show your current address. Hayner Library cards are free of charge to residents of Alton, Godfrey and Fosterburg township. The Hayner card can be used at all three Hayner locations, at any public library in the Metro-East area and throughout the entire state of Illinois. Also, for the month of September, every new card issued to a child or teenager at the Youth Library will come with a free paperback book. Come to the library with your kids...it's one of the greatest gifts you can give them!

## Free People Read Freely

"Tom!"

No answer.

"Tom!"

No answer.

"What's gone with that boy, I wonder? You TOM!"

No answer.

The old lady pulled her spectacles down and looked over them about the room: then she put them up and looked out under them. She seldom or never looked *through* them for so small a thing as a boy..."

So starts the beginning of the great American classic novel, "Tom Sawyer". How many of us have enjoyed this marvelous tale of an adventurous boy growing up in the Midwest? Yet, the book has been banned numerous times since its publication. *Harry Potter* has sold millions of copies, it has gotten kids reading around the world and yet for the last two years has been one of the most heavily challenged books on Banned Book lists. Examples of other banned books include the Bible, John Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men", even "Little Red Riding Hood."

Libraries and bookstores across the nation join in "Celebrating the Freedom to Read" during Banned Book week, September 22-29. Observed since 1982, the annual event reminds Americans not to take our precious democratic freedom for granted. To quote Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, "Restriction of free thought and free speech is the most dangerous of all subversions. It is the one un-American act that could most easily defeat us." We agree that individuals may restrict what they themselves or their children read, but they must not call on governmental or public agencies to do so. Make sure you stop by any of the Hayner Library locations and check out the displays celebrating literature and free expression.

## Get Your New Library Book Bag!

The Hayner Public Library District has new book bags for sale. They are heavy duty canvas and measure 14"x14"x6" (larger than the previous bags). They have a deep pocket on the back side and the Hayner Public Library District logo on the front and strong canvas handles. They are great looking and so practical for carrying your books - or anything while proudly displaying your support for the library. And better yet. .they only cost $8!!!! Get yours today - they make great gifts, too - at any of the three library locations.

Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
LABOR DAY
Monday, September 3
VETERAN'S DAY
Monday, November 12
THANKSGIVING DAY
Thursday, November 22

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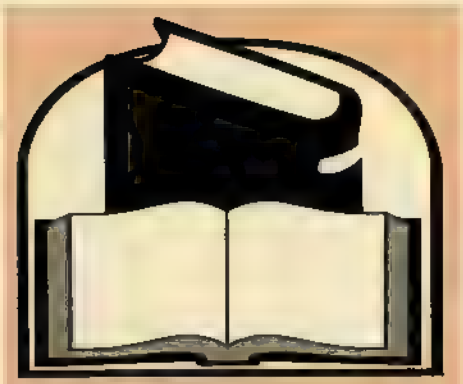

### *NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS – FICTION*

Blake, Michael. **The Holy Road**
Brooks, Terry. **The Voyage of the Jerle Shannara**
Coulter, Catherine. **Hemlock Bay**
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Ackroyd, Peter. **London**
Barry, Dave. **Dave Barry Hits Below the Beltway**
Cornwell, Patricia. **Food to Die For**
Cronkite, Walter (ed.). **Writing Home: Letters from World War II**
Goodall, Jane. **Beyond Innocence: An Autobiography in Letters, the Later Years**
Early, Gerald (ed.). **Miles Davis and American Culture**
Larrabee, Aimee. **Last Stand of the Tallgrass Prairie**
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## *Community Organizations Serve Us All!*
### *OASIS and BJC Plus*

There are many fine service organizations in our community that help provide education and activities for varying interests and age levels. One such organization is OASIS and BJC Plus. OASIS (Older Adult Services and Information Systems) is a national education organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for mature adults (over 55). The River Bend area chapter receives sponsorship from Advantra, Famous-Barr and BJC Healthcare. Oasis and BJC Plus offer unique programs designed to enhance quality of life. Located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square mall, our local chapter provides a comfortable place for older adults to continue to develop their interests in topics of the arts, humanities, health care and special activities. Programs are available to stimulate the mind, body and social interaction. Programs are conducted by qualified instructors as well as members and professionals from the community. Along with special in-house programs, day trips and overnight excursions are offered. OASIS and BJC Plus members also receive many special discounts and benefits on various services and products. While some programs have a minimal fee, many of the programs are free of charge. The current program catalog has over 80 pages of programs available in Alton and the St. Louis metropolitan area. All are invited to stop by the Alton Center on the 2nd floor of Famous Barr in the mall and pick up a catalog. The catalog also contains program registration forms. Meet De Harris, the delightful energetic center manager who dedicates her time and energy to OASIS and BJC Plus. Or if you have questions, you can call the center at 465-1490. An example of some of the programs scheduled for the fall semester include:

* September: Monday and Wednesday, 9/17 - 10/24 from 10:30 - 11:30 am

*PACE (People With Arthritis Can Exercise)*
12 sessions, De Harris Instructor, Cost: $15

* October: Monday 10/8 and 10/15 from 1:30 - 3:00 PM

*Great Decisions: Trade & Globalization, Great Decisions: China and Taiwan*
2 sessions, Dr. Ronald Glossop, Instructor, Cost: Free

* November: Thursday, 11/8 from 10:30 - 11:30 AM

*Diabetes Overview*
1 session, Judy Mayhew RN, Cost: Free

OASIS and BJC Plus extend the invitation to Hayner Library District patrons to join in and enjoy the benefits of this unique organization.

Are you a community service organization that would like to partner with the Hayner Library District on programs or a specific project? If so, call Bernadette Duvernoy at 462-0677. We are always interested in new ideas of ways to serve the community!

## *New Trustees Elected*

Welcome to two new trustees who have joined the Hayner Public Library District Board of Trustees. Mary Ann Mazenko has been an active Hayner Library user and supporter all her life. An Alton native, she has also spent most of her working career involved with words and writing. During much of Mary Ann's professional career, she worked as a reporter for the Alton Telegraph. When Mary Ann retired from the Telegraph in 1997, she was the Lifestyle feature writer. Many of you probably remember seeing her byline many times on the pages of the Telegraph. Mary Ann and her husband, Fran, residents of Godfrey, are both enjoying retirement, reading, gardening and their three children and five grandchildren.

Jeff Funkhouser is also an Alton native. Jeff is currently employed as Production Leader for the Aromatics Division of the Tosco-Wood River Refinery. Jeff has been in the refinery business for 19 years. Jeff and his wife, Cass, live in Alton with their two children, Katie and Drew.

Both Mary Ann and Jeff will serve six year terms.

## *Check out Hayner's New Website!*

The Hayner Public Library District has a new website...find it at www.haynerlibrary.org. The new site tells you about our history, our services and events, lets you into our catalogs, links to other useful and important sites and more. Check it out...it's another way to connect @ the library!

## *Hayner Staff to Focus on Genealogy*

As of July 1, 2001 Hayner staff member, Cathie Lamere, has received a new staff assignment. Cathie, previously a Library Assistant, has been working throughout the last year to develop her skills in the area of genealogy. This is a topic of great interest to a rapidly growing number of our patrons. The library also receives a large number of inquiries from all over the country regarding local family histories. In our continuing efforts to remain responsive to the needs of our patrons, Cathie has assumed the responsibility to be the focal point for genealogy support in the Hayner Main Library, and she has been busy! Some of her activities currently include collection development of genealogical material, repair of the much used material in the Illinois Room and assisting patrons in their research in the Illinois Room and on microfilm. Cathie is also working on a major project to develop more complete information on the various Madison County cemeteries. She has held her first genealogy round table to rave reviews (standing room only) in July. Her next roundtable will be held October 18 at 6:30 PM in the Main Library. To register to attend, call the Program Hotline number at 1-800-613-3163. Cathy is also available to help with genealogical inquiries weekday afternoons via phone, mail or email. There is a $5.00 charge per name researched. The email address for research requests is haynergen@lcls.org. The mailing address is Hayner Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL 62002. Phone inquiries can be made by calling 618-462-0651.

## *Staff Picks– WHAT WE'RE READING*

***The Mourner's Bench***
by Susan Dodd. *Fiction*
The Mourner's Bench is the story of two sisters and the man one married and the other loved. It's the story of Leandra, who falls in love with her brother-in-law when she leaves North Carolina and comes to Boston to care for her depressed and pregnant sister. It's the story of Wim, who dying of cancer ten years later, shows up on Leandra's porch to make peace with his past and find comfort in love. Restrained writing and Leandra's words and expressions, simple and wise, reach what is real in all of us. This is a touching story of love, guilt, forgiveness and hope.–Katie S.

***The Red Tent*** by Anita Diamant. *Fiction*
Wonderful fictional retelling of the story of Dinah with the blanks filled in–the life women lived in the time of Genesis. Dinah, daughter of Leah and Jacob, narrates her own story and the stories and secrets entrusted to her as the only daughter among Jacob's wives. Constructed and told in a style that reminds the reader of *Memoirs of a Geisha,* the author fleshes out Dinah's story against the history and culture of that time, but the heart of this tale is the sisterhood and the intimacy shared by these women and the strengths they drew from each other and from their traditions.–Katie S.

***Amy's Answering Machine: Messages From Mom*** by Amy Borkowsky. *Non-fiction*
At some point in all of our lives, eyes have been rolled and heads have been scratched at the advice given to us by our mothers. As well meaning (and almost always right) as the advice may be, we have all been left wondering at the reason of its origin. Well meet Amy. Her mother gives her plenty of advice and all of it is absolutely hysterical! Based on comedienne Amy Borkowsky's real-life answering machine messages from her mother, this book will have you laughing out loud by the first message. It will also make you eternally grateful that all your mother told you was to sit up straight and not talk with your mouth full.–Mary P.

***The Lost Art of Drawing the Line***
by Philip K. Howard. *Non-fiction*
Incompetent and incomplete healthcare, judicial unfairness, educational bureaucracy, and out-of-control lawsuits have become the new American way of life. Long gone is the white picket fence and two-car garage. And most disturbingly, according to Philip K. Howard, so too is personal responsibility and good judgment. The book is a sobering (and at times oddly entertaining) commentary on a culture which both feeds on, and is simultaneously paralyzed by, frivolity and absurdity. *The Lost Art of Drawing the Line* is a book certain to spark discussion and debate by everyone who reads it.–Mary P.

***The Tainted Snuff Box***
by Rosemary Stevens. *Mystery*
Someone is sending threatening letters to the Prince of Wales, and his good friend Beau Brummell vows to find the perpetrator. But soon the Prince's food taster drops dead, poisoned by a pinch of snuff intended for the Prince–and Brummell's good friend Lord Petersham is the owner of the snuff box. Now Petersham is a prime suspect, and Brummell must find the real murderer before Scotland Yard arrests his friend–and before the murderer strikes again! –Susan K.

***Running in Heels*** by Anna Maxted. *Fiction*
English author Anna Maxted writes a wickedly witty and honest look at the lies we tell ourselves–and the unwanted truths that only our best friends can tell us. Natalie Miller's closest friend of sixteen years gets married and she panics at being left behind and looks to blame others for her pathetic life! The issues that Natalie confronts in the book are not necessarily pretty, but are the things that women in their twenties seem to go through–Martha F.

***In the Wake of the Plague: The Black Death and the World It Made***
by Norman F. Cantor *Non-fiction*
"As if a neutron bomb had been detonated" is Cantor's apt characterization of western Europe after the pestilence of 1347-50 carried off almost half its population. *In the Wake of the Plague* presents a microcosmic view of the Plague, telling the stories of the men and women of the fourteenth century from peasant to priest and from merchant to king. This fascinating study delves into the many inaccuracies that surround what we know about this medical disaster. It also studies the upheaval to society, science and the arts that occurred. Cantor gives us a fascinating look at this period of one of the worlds darkest horrors.–Bernie D.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

### *Special Events*

Please note that unless otherwise noted, all events will take place in the Hayner Youth Library at 401 State Street, Alton, IL 62002. For questions, call 462-0652.

## PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

Starting September 10 and 11 and every other Monday (Youth Library) and Tuesday (Alton Square Branch Library) at 10:00 will be story time for children ages 3, 4 and 5. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
9/10, 9/11, 9/24, 9/25, 10/8, 10/9, 10/22, 10/23, 11,5, 11/6, 11/19, 11/20

## LAPSIT

Our lapsit program is for children birth through two years of age. It is our goal to get little ones used to coming to the library and having them enjoy listening to stories, singing and having a fun place to visit. Starting September 4 and every other Tuesday at 10:00. 9/4, 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 10/30, 11/13, 11/27

## EVENING STORY TIME

Story time is offered on every other Tuesday evenings at 7:00 starting September 4. 9/4, 9/18, 10/2, 10/16, 10/30, 11/13, 11/27.

## READ AND RANT BOOK DISCUSSION

Twelve to fifteen year olds are invited to attend our READ & RANT group that meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:45. Snacks and fun will be served. Come to the Youth Library ahead of time to get your free book for the month. Books need to be read before the group meets. This is limited to 6 kids. Please come in to register.
9/6, 10/4, 11/1

## AFTER SCHOOL FUN

The second Thursday of each month from 3:30-4:30 will be a fun craft-filled time for children 5-12 years of age. Pre-registration is appreciated but not necessary.
9/13, 10/11, 11/8

## LET'S GO FISHING

To kick off our After School Fun program this fall, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Urban Fishing Coordinator will be at the Youth Library to demonstrate the fine art of fishing. The library will once again have fishing poles to check out on a two-week basis. Come join our "fishing fun" on September 13 at 3:30. Kids age 5-12 are welcome.

## TEEN READ WEEK

(October 14-20)
"MAKE READING A HOBBIT" is this year's theme for teens. Kids 13-17 are invited to come to the library for a "Pizza tasting contest" on Monday, October 15 at 6:30. The library will provide several samples from area pizza places and those teens attending will judge which pizza they like the best. Come join the fun, music and discussion. Pre-registration is required. (462-0652)

## SPARKS AND SPOOKS

Come to 401 State Street on October 25 to hear some great "spooky" tales provided by *RIVERWINDS*, story tellers. We will be meeting by the fireplace in the Youth Library at 7:00. All are welcome and refreshments will be served.

## CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK

(November 12-17)
Come to the Youth Library in your "Jammies" November 15 at 7:00 for **Family Reading Night**. Hear some great bedtime stories and join us for cocoa and cookies.

WE CARE ABOUT KIDS

## Hayner Main Library Events

*The fall is upon us and a whole new series of programming is ready! Please note, we have a new registration procedure. There is a new Program Hotline' number for you to call to register. It is 1-800-613 3163. There will be a short recorded message and then you can leave your name phone number, program(s) you wish to register for and the number in your party. If a program is full you will be informed in the recorded message. You can still sign up to be on a wait list. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. Unless otherwise stated, all events will be held in the Jimmie J. Keller Reading Room of the Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton*

### *Storyteller Loretta Washington*

Thursday, September 6 - 6:30 PM
Author and storyteller, Loretta Washington spent her early childhood in the boot heel of Missouri in a small town called Wardell. Listen as she takes you back in time to the early 1950s and introduces you to one of the most interesting people she has known, her great grandmother, Ellen. Ellen, or "Mama", was born a slave in 1860 and passed away in 1952. Mama was a great storyteller and she has passed her gift onto Loretta. Come spend a fascinating evening with Loretta and Mama! A wonderful event for all ages. (The story of "Ellen" is due for publication this year.) To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *The Monico Trio*

Tuesday, September 11 - 6:30 PM
Jean Monico, established composer/pianist, former Steinway artist and winner of many

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awards, will perform with cellist Angelina McLaughlin, a student on full music scholarship at SIUE and violinist Michael Hammond who also received his music degree from SIUE and is an experienced music teacher in the St. Louis area. This wonderful Metro St. Louis trio will play works by Mozart, Haydn and an array of pop favorites including a work by Jean Monico. Come for a wonderful evening of a variety of music. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## WBGZ Broadcasts from Hayner Branch Library

Thursday, September 13 - 10:00-11:00 AM
Mark Ellebracht, host of the WBGZ (1570 AM) radio show "Let's Talk", will broadcast live from the Hayner Branch Library. Stop by to watch the show and, in celebration of Library Card Sign Up Month, receive a free gift when you show your library card to Hayner staff (during the broadcast only).

## Fundamentals for the Novice Investor.

Thursday, September 13 - 6:30 PM,
Thursday, September 20 - 6:30 PM and
Thursday, September 27, 6:30 PM.

Financial Consultant Jason Harper, of A.G.Edwards & Sons, will present a three-part seminar series to cover the fundamental issue of investing for the novice. The first session on September 13th covers why people need to invest, the importance of planning and introduces different investment options. The second session on September 20th discusses in more detail the characteristics of stocks, bonds and mutual funds. The third session, September 27, introduces retirement and tax planning issues. Please feel free to register for all three sessions or just those of particular interest to you. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## "Let's Talk Philosophy"

Sundays, September 16 & 30, October 7 & 21, November 4 1:00-3:00 PM
Dr. Ronald Glossop, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at SIUE, will lead a "Let's Talk Philosophy" discussion group on Sunday afternoons in the Metzger Meeting Room of the Hayner Children's Library at 401 State Street in Alton. These discussions will be about the nature of philosophy and the various alternative viewpoints which can be taken on traditional philosophical issues. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Getting Your Car Ready for Winter

Wednesday September 19- 6:30 PM
Gloria Dooley and Brett Teets from Drake Tire return with their popular presentation of how to winterize your car for best performance and operation. Along with basic automotive maintenance information, you will have hands-on opportunity to test tire pressure with a tire gauge and learn how to successfully keep your tires inflated- so important in the cold and ice! This is a really fun session for the beginner or as a refresher of auto care basics. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## CD Signing - Clark Bridge Symphony

Saturday, September 29 12:00 - 2:00 PM
Jean King has released her first CD, *The Clark Bridge Symphony*, an instrumental work celebrating nature in the Alton area. She will be at the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall on September 29 to sell and sign copies of her CD.

## Scotland: Musical Encore!

Tuesday, October 2 - 6:30 PM
Pete and Mary Pancella return to the library to take us on a musical tour of the United Kingdom and Scotland. Mary Pancella is currently Music Director at Holy Infant Church in Ballwin, Missouri where she trains cantors, leads the main choir and directs men's and women's choruses. Her piano compositions are available through MorningStar Music. Pete Pancella is a Music Instructor at Lewis and Clark Community College. He has served as director of the Lewis and Clark Camerata, assistant conductor of the St. Louis Chamber Chorus and director of the Greenleaf Madrigal Singers. As violinist and violist, he has worked with many orchestras including the Webster Symphony and the Illinois Symphony. Pete and Mary will be joined by soprano Mary Nelson. Mary has performed in many opera theater productions including *La Traviata*, *Don't Dress for Dinner* and *Carmen*. Mary is a vocalist and voice teacher and also works part-time for Emerson. With help from folklore scholars, "Peter, Mary and Mary" bring you the old time music of Scotland, from the plaintive to the heroic to the downright raucous! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Lighthouse Legends/ Ghosts of the Great Lakes: Music and Folklore

Tuesday, October 16 - 6:30 PM
Lee Murdock, a student of traditional music and folklore, returns to Hayner with songs and stories perfect for the approaching Halloween season. Lighthouse legends share the mysteries, romance and tragedy of lighthouses on the inland waterways. Great Lakes Ghosts gives us a narrated concert of legends and spooky tales from Great Lakes lore. Lee, a fluent instrumentalist on the six- and twelve-string guitar, performed at Hayner last year and was hugely popular. Don't miss this opportunity to see him in a new and different program. This event is made possible in part by an award from the Illinois Humanities council. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Genealogy Roundtable

Thursday, October 18- 6:30 PM
This summer, Hayner staff hosted a Genealogy roundtable that was great fun! Attendees shared tips, techniques and anticdotes. Lively discussion and lots of enthusiasm was generated. All agreed it was an event worth repeating. Whether you are into

***Still more events...continued on next page!!***

advanced research or just getting started in genealogy, all are welcome. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## "Dog Acts, Fire Swallowers and Hoofers - A History of Vaudeville"

Thursday, October 25 - 6:30 PM

Michael Mason, multi-talented musician with a passion for the tenor banjo, was one of the wonderful performers at this summer's Chautauqua. He portrayed Harry Reser, musician, composer, bandleader, banjo virtuoso and radio producer of the 1920s. His performance was fascinating. Michael returns to Hayner to perform his very popular history of vaudeville in story and song. Join us for a delightful evening traveling back in time! To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## "Songs of War, Songs of Peace"

Tuesday, November 13 - 6:30 PM

Cat Catalani has been performing and writing music for a number of years. She is a favorite on folk music radio programs throughout the Midwest and East Coast. In this program, she discusses and performs songs that, throughout recent history, have united the hearts of many during times of war and times of peace. This program is made possible in part by an award from the Illinois Humanities Council. Call 1-800-613-3163 to register.

## "Holiday Harp-Winter Winds"

Thursday, November 29 - 6:30 PM

Musician Linda Elliot and her Celtic Harp have performed extensively throughout the Metro St. Louis area. As House Harpist for Principia College, she has performed for Henry Kissinger and Margaret Thatcher. She will help kick off the Holiday season with music from her Christmas CD and get us all in a festive mood. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Gateway String Quartet - Holiday Concert

Thursday, December 6 - 6:30 PM

The Gateway String Quartet was founded in the year 2000. Composed of local musicians, the members have performed together for many years and are gaining great recognition throughout the bi-state area. Their concert will combine beautiful holiday music as well as popular favorites. To register, call 1-800-631-3163.

## Project Read Celebrates Literacy

Project Read is a volunteer organization to help 'functionally illiterate adults improve their reading and comprehension. Lack of these critical skills prohibit thousands of people from being able to complete even the most basic of daily tasks. To promote literacy and the Project Read program, members of this organization will be at the Main Library on Monday September 10th and at the Hayner Branch Library on Tuesday, September 11. They will be happy discuss Project Read with you and they will also be distributing free laminated book marks.

## Grant $ Augment Heath/Science Collections

The Hayner Main Library recently applied for and was awarded a grant from the Illinois State Library through a program called "The Collection Connection." This program was to disperse money to libraries to purchase non-fiction or reference books in certain subject areas. Hayner staff elected to use the $2500 grant funding to expand and update the health and science collections. Topics include diabetes, fitness, cancer and its treatments, heart and digestive health, asthma, Parkinson's Disease and many more. The staff is very excited about the quality and variety of materials purchased through the grant. Come to the Main Library this fall and browse through the collections or feel free to ask a staff member to help you find books about a health topic of your choice.

## Hayner Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale

The Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale will be held October 11-13. There will be a preview night on October 11 from 6:00 PM till 8:30 PM. For this night only, there is a $5 00 admission fee. Friday, October 12 the book sale will be open 9 AM till 7 PM, free admission. Saturday, October 13, hours are 9 AM till 2:00 PM, free admission. There have been an extraordinary amount of community donations of books and other items since the last sale Don't miss this terrific opportunity to find great bargains and treasures! Also, sets of encyclopedias are for sale throughout the year. To purchase encyclopedias during the year, call the Library Business Office at 462-0677 (of course, they will be at the Book Sale also!). Make sure to mark your calenders to take advantage of the sale - there will be books of all genres, magazines, music and more!

## New Program Registration Number!

In the past, to register for the programs at the main library, we have asked you to call Reynae at 462-0677. In an effort to make this process simpler, we now have a toll-free 800 number for you to call. You will receive a short recorded message that asks you to leave your name, phone, the program you wish to register for and the number of people attending. You can register for as many programs as you like. If a program is full, you will be informed in the recorded message. If you have a question about a program, leave your question and someone will call you back. The new number for program registration is: 1-800-613-3163.

## "Let's Talk" Radio Show to Broadcast from Hayner Branch Library!

Mark Ellebracht of WBGZ (1570 AM) will be broadcasting his popular "Let's Talk" radio show form the Hayner Branch Library on Thursday, September 13 from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM. Stop by and meet Mark and watch a broadcast in action. Mark likes to talk to audience members so this may be your opportunity to become a radio personality! During Mark's broadcast, we will have a library surprise for anyone who stops by and shows us their library card!

## *PATRON PROFILE*
## *Kerry Smith*

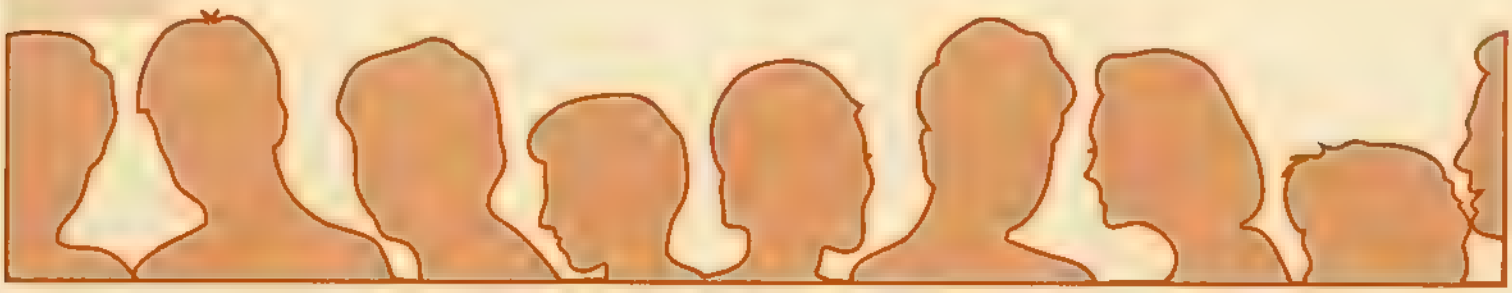
What fun I had meeting Kerry Smith, this issue's Patron Profile subject. Talk about energy and enthusiasm! Kerry is an entrepreneur who is the owner and publisher of the Illinois Business Journal. The journal is a monthly publication which focuses on economic development exclusively in Illinois. The articles focus on new business development and growth, financial information, and also feature local business leaders as guest columnists. The Journal's focus on business success stories in downstate Illinois highlights to communities on both sides of the river the opportunities for jobs, goods and services that exist throughout southern Illinois. In less than one short year, the Journal's circulation is already more than 15,000 subscriptions and impressively a great proportion of those subscriptions are from the St. Louis area, validating that St. Louis is very interested in our commerce and development. Kerry has done a great job as an ambassador for our Illinois economy!

A native of Wisconsin, Kerry attended University of Wisconsin in Eau Clare and graduated with a degree in journalism. She moved to Rockford, Illinois for a couple of years and then to Houston, Texas where she was an Employment Writer for the Houston Chronicle Sunday section. Kerry really enjoyed the diversity of this job as it meant researching different business sectors for her features on marketing and job opportunities. These features ran the gamut from trucking to healthcare to engineering and so on. After ten years in Texas, Kerry realized she really missed the Midwest. A friend of hers lived in Alton and as she said, "did a great commercial for this area." Kerry moved to Alton in April of 1999 and three weeks later had a job with the Alton Telegraph as a general assignment reporter. Not being an Alton native, Kerry had a lot to quickly learn about the Riverbend area, its people and issues, to conduct effective reporting. But, she says, it was also a great way to become immediately immersed in the community. She rapidly became familiar with local businesses, chamber of commerce and civic groups. She also quickly became aware that Alton had a lot of great business opportunities and activities but was not capturing the awareness of the St. Louis market, in great part due to the geographic separation. In Houston, she had investigated starting a business journal for a suburban community that was being overshadowed by the city of Houston business economy. She decided to continue similar research in the Riverbend area. She spent the next 18 months working at the Telegraph and using her lunch hours and free time to make contacts with local business leaders and elected officials, developing market potential for an Illinois business journal. In May, she got involved with SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives). This organization provides free counseling to small business opportunities. Kerry says their support, guidance and counseling was invaluable in formulating her business plan, financing and marketing activities. She estimates that they provided her with easily over 200 hours of counseling services. Kerry also testifies that the local business community has been wonderfully supportive of her efforts from inception to publication.

In August of 2000, Kerry left her job at the Telegraph to devote herself full-time to her dream. In October 2000, she printed her first copy of the Illinois Business Journal at an initial printing of 10,000 copies, 20 pages each. She remembers the harrowing eight weeks in between as a time when she had to sell $30,000 of advertising, write the copy for the journal, find a subscriber base (subscriptions are $20.00/year) and oversee the printing and mailing to make the October deadline. She laughs as she recalls some of the 'bumps' in the road. These bumps have definitely taught Kerry the value of delegation. She had estimated that she could do her own mailing labels but at 10,000 copies all needing stickers and to be sorted by zip code, she quickly realized she

had underestimated the size of the job for one weekend. She called friends at her church and she said it was wonderful how many people pitched in to help her get her first issue out on time. (She now farms this job out!) In January 2001, Kerry upgraded the paper stock quality and increased her printing to 15,000 copies/month. She now has five freelance writers filling 24 -28 pages each month. She has subscriptions in 60 different counties. Kerry credits SCORE, friends, family and the local business community for being incredibly helpful and supportive and is looking forward to her one year publishing anniversary in October 2001 as a significant milestone. Thanks, Kerry, for your wonderful efforts and very hard work contributing to the growth and strength of our community.

For subscription information to the Illinois Business Journal, call 618-465-5572 or email ilbusjour@aol.com.



## *Flu Clinic at the Main Library*

On Saturday, October 6, members of the Visiting Nurse Association will be at the Main Library at 326 Belle Street to administer flu and pneumonia shots VNA staff will be at the library from 11:00 am until 2:00 PM. Fees for the shots were not available at this time but will be posted at the library soon.

## *Window Display by the St. Louis Symphony Volunteer Assn.*

In October, the St. Louis Symphony Volunteer Association will be creating a display for the Hayner Library District. This display will be in the window of the Hudson Building on Belle Street (next to the Main Library - front entrance). The chief work of the St. Louis Symphony Volunteer Association is to support the St. Louis Symphony Community Music School to help bring music into the lives of handicapped children. The display will include musical instruments that the children use, musical pictures drawn by the children themselves and information about the symphony and volunteers. Please take a moment to view the display and learn more about the volunteers' wonderful activities.

## *Thank you from the Hayner Youth Library*

Dear Parents, Children and Area Businesses,

The Hayner Youth Library would like to thank all 200 participants that helped to make the 2001 FEED YOUR NEED TO READ Summer Reading Program a success. It was our goal to get area youth involved in reading and using the library. Thanks to the parents for bringing their children to the library and thanks to the kids that read. A special THANK YOU goes to the many area businesses that contributed one way or another in donating all the great prizes: ALTON RIVERBOAT COMPANY, BORDERS BOOKS, BOWL HAVEN, CARDINALS, THE CREAM MACHINE, THE COOKIE FACTORY, CVS, DUKE BAKERY, EAST ALTON ICE ARENA, FANNIE MAY, FAZOLI'S, FIRSTAR BANK, HARDEES, JACK IN THE BOX, MCDONALDS, MISTER DONUT, OLAN MILLS, PIZZA HUT, PONDEROSA, RAGING RIVERS, RIVERBOAT LANES, SBARRO PIZZA, SCHNUCK'S VIDEO, STEAK & SHAKE, SUBWAY, TACO BELL, TARGET STORES, TOSCO, WONDER-HOSTESS STORE.

We would also like to thanks The Friends of the Hayner Library for the great cookies and punch and a heartfelt thanks to the Jennie D. Hayner Association for all their support.

We hope to see everyone next year for the 2002 Summer Reading Program"Reading Rock". Any comments or suggestions are always appreciated.

Sincerely,

The Hayner Youth Library Staff- Carol, Gloria, Geralyn, Steve, Olivia, Lisa, Kim, Susan, Scott and Anna

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## Hayner Public Library District Welcomes New Staff!

There are some new faces at the libraries that we want to introduce you to! At the Main Library, please welcome Stephanie Griffin and Fran Perkhiser. Stephanie joins us as a part-time Library Assistant. Previously she was a stay-at-home Mom. Stephanie and her husband have two daughters, Taralei and Marissa. Fran and her husband have a grown daughter and three grandchildren. Fran previously worked as a Library Assistant for twelve years at Roxana Public Library. Fran has also joined the staff of the Main Library as a part-time Library Assistant.

Joining the Youth Library Staff are Michele Bigham and Kristin Towell. Michele has one son, Michael, and previously worked at the Glen Carbon Library. Michele is working at the Youth Library as a full-time Library Assistant. Kristin and her husband moved to the Alton area this past June. Prior to their move, she worked at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tennessee as an Admissions Counselor. Kristin is working as a part-time Library Assistant and has recently found out that she and her husband are expecting their first child!

Scott Schwartz has been a page in the Youth Library for the last year and has been promoted to Library Assistant. Scott will work part-time as he is also a Senior at Alton High School.

At the Branch library, Shannon Ballard has been promoted from Library page to Library Assistant. She will be working part-time. Shannon is a student at Lewis and Clark Community College studying for her nursing degree. Shannon has worked as a page at the Branch library for the last two and a half years.

*Welcome to all the new staff members!*

## Hayner Receives "Dream Grant"!

In October 2001, the Hayner Public Library District received the exciting news that their application for a Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant was approved by the Illinois State Library. This is a federally funded grant and only 57 of 600 Illinois state libraries were approved. The funds were allocated to help libraries fulfill 'dreams' of providing new services or creative activities to their communities. The Hayner application was for funding of a project titled "Connecting Across Multi-generations". The focus of this project is two-fold. Family structures are changing and unlike previous generations, often today grandparents, parents and children live distances apart. Many children rarely get to visit with grandparents. Grant funds will allow the purchase of video equipment which Hayner will use to videotape patrons (grandparents) reading a favorite children's story. This videotape will serve as a 'living memory' to grandchildren and encourage the child in the joys of reading. The second part of the grant implementation will provide basic e-mail training to seniors so they can continue to communicate with families and grandchildren through a medium that kids are becoming so familiar with. The fun of sending and receiving email provides an impetus to both grandparent and child to "talk" often (electronically) and share life experiences and events via the internet. Our dream is that these services will foster family communication and unite generations through a love of reading. Grant monies will allow the purchase of laptop computers and consultant services for email training.

*Stephanie Griffin*

*Fran Perkhiser*

*Michele Bigham*

*Kristin Towell*

*Scott Schwartz*

*Shannon Ballard*

## Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
CHRISTMAS
December 24, 25, 26
NEW YEAR'S EVE AND NEW YEAR'S DAY
December 31 and January 1


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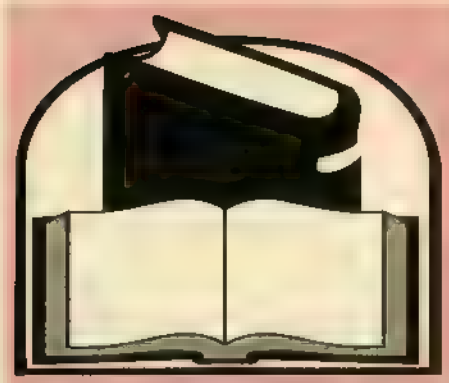


## *New and Forthcoming Books*

**— FICTION**

Allende, Isabel. **Portrait in Sepia**
Baldacci, David. **Last Man Standing**
Barron, Stephanie **Jane and the Prisoner of Wool House**
Beaton, M.C. **Agatha Raisin and the Love From Hell**
Braun, Lilian Jackson. **The Cat Who Went Up the Creek**
Churchill, Jill. **Someone to Watch over Me**
Deaver, Jeffery (Ed.) **A Century of Great Suspense Stories**
DeMille, Nelson. **Up Country**
Follett, Ken. **Jackdaws**
Gabaldon, Diana. **The Fiery Cross**
Griffin, W.E.B. **Under Fire: A Corp Novel**
Grisham, John. **Skipping Christmas**
Haasen, Carl **Basket Case**
Hunter, Stephen. **Pale Horse Coming**
Kamunsky, Stuart. **Retribution: a Lew Fonesca Novel**
Kellerman, Jonathan. **Flesh and Blood**
Krentz, Jayne Ann. **Smoke in Mirrors**
Lowell, Elizabeth. **Eden Burning**
Ludlum, Robert. **Sigma Protocol**
McCaffrey, Anne. **Acorna's Search**
Oates, Joyce Carol. **Beasts**
Patterson, James. **Violets are Blue**
Woods, Stuart. **Orchid Blues**

**NON-FICTION**

Bercuson, David. **The Destruction of the Bismarck**
Brockovich, Erin. **Take It From Me: Life's a Struggle But You Can Win**
Carter, Jimmy **Christmas in Plains: Memories**
Claridge, Laura. **Norman Rockwell: a Life**
Griffin, Justin. **The Holy Grail: the Legend, the History, the Evidence**
Hawking, Stephen. **The Universe in a Nutshell**
Hoffman, Carol Stein. **The Barrymores: Hollywood's First Family**
Hurston, Zora Neale. **Every Tongue Got to Confess**
Irwin, Steve. **Crocodile Hunter: the Incredible Life and Adventures of Steve**
Miller, Dennis. **The Rant Zone**
Neff, James. **The Wrong Man: the Final Verdict on the Dr. Sam Sheppard Murder Case**
Sterling, Bryan. **Forgotten Eagle: Wiley Post, America's Heroic Aviation Pioneer**
Ward, Geoffrey. **Mark Twain: an Illustrated Biography**

## *Bring Home a Pal for the Holidays!*

Starting November 23, you can drop by any Hayner Library location to register to win one of three terrier puppies (stuffed) and the delightful book "Spot's First Christmas". A Christmas basket will also be given away in a final drawing. These sweet pups are looking for just the right home for the holidays! Any Hayner Library cardholder is eligible (except for Hayner employees and their families). Winners will be announced on WBGZ on December 21, 2001. Ballot boxes for the drawing will be at all three Hayner Locations: the Main Library at 326 Belle Street, the Youth Library at 401 State Street and the Branch Library at Alton Square Mall.

## *Food For Fines During the Holiday Season*

Beginning November 23, 2001 and continuing through December 31, 2001, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item (one item each fine, current fines only, Hayner material only). All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. If you want to donate items such as toiletries, cleaning products, or even scarfs or gloves (new) we will accept them for fines also. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Happy Holidays!

## *Hayner Public Library District and Alton Memorial BJC Plus Partner to "Change Your Baby @ the Library!"*

A new program has been initiated in the Birthing Center of Alton Memorial Hospital/ BJC Plus that is being provided by the Hayner Public Library District. The theme for the program is "Change your Baby @ the Library". Hayner will be providing the Alton Memorial Hospital Birthing Center with materials for distribution to new parents. The parents will receive packets of information stressing the importance of reading to children, even newborns. The packets include bookmarks highlighting how to make reading a family affair and 'books babies like', informa tion on books for young siblings, information on resources at the library to help address parent ing issues, general library information, tips for reading out loud, a library card application and a wonderful book by Rosemary Wells titled "Read to your Bunny".

Hayner Library is anxious for all parents to realize that one of the most important life enhancing skills they can provide their new baby is a love of reading. Numerous studies have shown that children with good reading skills excel in school, career and personal development. Reading to a baby, even in early months, provides a bonding time with parents and fosters the development of cognitive skills. Perhaps no other activity provides better quality time between parents and their small children than reading stories!

The funding for this program is provided to Hayner through a grant from the Lewis and Clark Library System and the Illinois State Library. Hayner staff has developed and assembled the material in the packets and will pro- vide them to Alton Memorial Hospital on an ongoing basis. Hayner library has also installed baby changing tables in the men's and women's rooms of both the main and youth libraries. Additionally, library staff will be participating in the siblings classes currently held by the hospital.

*Jennifer Tolle with son, Mason Alexander.*

Hayner Library is very excited about this program and, since it's 'kick off' in September, we have received wonderful feedback from the Hospital Staff. It's never to early to start to "Change Your Baby @ the Library!"

# Happy Holidays

## *Staff Picks– WHAT WE'RE READING*

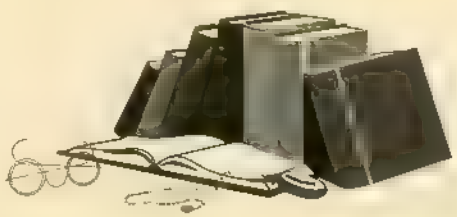
***Peace Like a River*** by Leif Enger. Fiction
*Peace Like a River* is a beautiful and engrossing story whose characters live and breathe in its pages. Narrated by an asthmatic 11 year-old, Reuben Land, it is the tale of Reuben's unusual family and their journey across the frozen Badlands of the Dakotas in search of a fugitive older brother. This book is joyful, mystical and profound. The writing is positively lyrical. This publication has been reviewed as "the birth of a classic work of literature." Do NOT miss this experience. –Bernie D.

***Plain Truth*** by Jodi Picoult. Fiction
A newborn is found dead on a farm in Pennsylvania and a young Amish girl says it's not her baby, although medical evidence shows otherwise. High power attorney Ellie Hathaway is asked to defend the young girl who has been charged with the baby's death. But how do you defend someone in "English" court who lives "plain?" As she learns more about the Amish culture, Ellie begins to question what success really means. A fascinating look at living "plain." Picoult is an author who creates characters you care about and whose stories ask the questions that really matter.–Katie S.

***Miss Julia Takes Over***
by Ann B. Ross. Fiction
Miss Julia's in trouble again–good thing she can handle anything. In her last adventure Miss Julia inherited her late husband's final legacy, the product of his liaison–Little Lloyd. Now Little Lloyd's mother has gone missing. When the sheriff won't help her, Miss Julia hires a hard-boiled PI–who of course she must guide every step of the way, because if she doesn't take care of it, who will? Watch the sparks fly! Shirley MacLaine and Dolly Parton will star in the film version of Miss Julia's previous adventure, *Miss Julia Speaks Her Mind*.–Katie S.

***Revenge of the Wrought-Iron Flamingos*** by Donna Anderson. Fiction
At the Revolutionary War re-enactment in her hometown of Yorktown, blacksmith Meg Langslow finds herself with more than enough to do besides sell her wrought iron works of art. First, she must keep her fellow crafters from displaying forbidden modern devices like watches, cell phones and calculators. Second, she must keep a snoopy sleaze reporter from digging up dirt on the locals, most of whom are her relatives. She must also protect her brother Rob from a crook who wants to steal the computer game he invented–which leads to the last item on her list: find out who murdered the crook, in Meg's craft booth, with a dagger she had made. This third Meg Langslow book is filled with crazy relatives, lots of laughs and a great mystery. –Susan K.

***Soulmate*** by Deepak Chopra. Fiction
If one's reading tastes encompass Chopra's vision of mind, body and soul connectedness, this book is your cup of tea. The reader is invited to discover how love can extend beyond the finite bounds of mortal life. Although Raj is engaged to Maya, a woman of his parents' choosing, Molly is the flame that ignites his soul. Molly teaches him how to be free until fate steps in and Molly is tragically taken away. Raj discerns that divine love is expressed through human beings and that such love endures death and beyond. He discovers that when love is set free, it will allow no limitations. Love seeks out the unloved hidden places in each of us that never dared to respond, but once these places are touched, the result is foreordained. Molly's final gift to Raj is that love is truth and, therefore, in itself is infinite and a natural law unto itself.–Midge H.



## *Check Out Insurance Companies With Weiss Ratings' Guides*

Shopping for new insurance or just want to know how your current insurance company stacks up? Try the Weiss Ratings' Insurance Guides at Hayner Library's Main Reference Department in downtown Alton. These guides track the financial condition of insurance companies and HMOs and publish their ratings and analysis quarterly.

Volumes at the Main Library include: *Weiss Ratings' Guides to HMOs and Health Insurers, Weiss Ratings' Guide to Property and Casualty Insurers, and Weiss Ratings' Guide to Life, Health, and Annuity Insurers*. Whether you're looking for an HMO, or choosing health, life or property insurance, the Weiss Insurance guides at Hayner Main can help you in your evaluation.

## *Support the Alton Symphony*

Hayner Library wants to remind our patrons of the wonderful asset we have in the Alton Symphony Orchestra. Music Director and Conductor Edward Dolbashian does an outstanding job with the volunteer musicians. Performances are of the highest quality and consistently delight. All concerts are performed in the Hatheway Cultural Center at Lewis and Clark Community College and tickets (only eight dollars) can be purchased at the door or at Winds and Strings Music Shop or Halpin Music Company. The next concert is "Music for the Holidays" at 3:00 PM December 2. On February 23 at 8:00 PM the performance is titled "The European Tradition" and on April 27 at 8:00 PM the winners of the Marie Stillwell Young Artists Competition will perform "British Scenes". Also, the symphony will sponsor a special event on June 8 at 7:00 PM- "Pops and Jazz by the River" with the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*. This event will be held at the Melvin Price Locks and Dam. For more information, contact the Alton Symphony Orchestra at 618-467-2326 or via the internet at www.altonsymphony.org. Please support this jewel of our community. You will NOT be disappointed!

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

### Winter Youth Events

*Please note that unless otherwise noted all events will take place at Hayner Youth Library at 401 State Street, Alton, IL. For questions call 462-0652.*

### Preschool Story Hour

Storytime for 3, 4, and 5 year-olds will be at the Youth Library every other Monday starting December 3 and at the Alton Square Branch every other Tuesday starting December 4 at 10:00. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

12/3, 12/4, 12/17, 12/18, 1/14, 1/15, 1/28, 1/29, 2/11, 2/12, 2/25, 2/26

### Lapsit

Our lapsit program is for children birth through two years of age. It is our goal to get the little ones used to coming to the library and having them enjoy listening to stories, singing and having a fun place to visit. Start time, 10:00 AM

12/11, 1/8, 1/22, 2/5, 2/19

### Evening Story Time

Story time is offered on every other Tuesday evenings at 7:00. All ages are invited.

12/11, 1/18, 1/22, 2/5, 2/19

### Read & Rant Book Discussion Group

Twelve to 15 year-olds are invited to attend our Read & Rant group that meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:45. Snacks and fun will be served. Come to the Youth Library ahead of time to get your free book for each month. Books need to be read before the group meets. This is limited to 6 participants. 12/6, 1/3, 2/7

### After School Fun

The second Thursday of each month from 3:30-4:30 will be a fun craft-filled time for children 5-12 years of age. Pre-registration is appreciated but not necessary.

12/13, 1/10, 2/14

On January 10, After School Fun will have a special treat–the wonderful story teller Loretta Washington will entertain us. She will be telling stories as young Martin Luther King's mother.

### Christmas Party

Come Saturday, December 15 for our annual Christmas Party from 2:00-4:00. Hear stories, sing songs, eat cookies and meet Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus. Registration is appreciated but not necessary.

### Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast

Celebrate Dr. King's Birthday with us on January 21 from 10:00-11:30 at Lewis and Clark Community College in ATC Trimpe Hall. Children of all ages are welcome and must be accompanied by an adult. Because space is limited, advanced registration is required. We will start taking registrations, Thursday, January 3 at the Youth Library.

### Teen Fun

All teens (13-17 year-olds) are invited to come to the Youth Library February 12 at 6:30 and celebrate the Chinese New Year. Sample area Chinese food, learn Chinese writing and have a good time. Registration is recommended but not required to attend.

### Attention Teachers!

The Hayner Youth Library offers a Traveling Puppet Show that will come and visit your classroom. The puppet show is available to daycares, preschools, kindergarten…classes by appointment.

Teacher Book Boxes are also available to teachers needing help with themes in their classes. Please call the Youth Library (462-0652) with your theme idea and what you will need to help you in your classroom. At least a week notice is appreciated. Materials can be checked out to teachers for six weeks

Elementary teachers can call the library for a program where a librarian will visit your classroom and talk about the library and what we can offer area youths. Call 462-0652 to schedule a visit.

## Hayner Main Library Events

*The cold weather and long nights are here again but we have lots of great programs to keep you entertained! All the programs are free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

### Gateway String Quartet "String-in' the Holidays"

Thursday, December 6, 6:30 PM

The Gateway String Quartet was founded in the year 2000. Composed of local string musicians, the members have performed together for many years and are gaining great recognition throughout the bi-state area. The concert will combine beautiful

# Special Events at Hayner

holiday music as well as popular favorites. This will be a great way to get in the holiday spirit! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Dan Hechenberger "Moons of the Illinois Indians"*

**Tuesday, January 15, 6:30 PM**

Michael Accault, a French explorer who came to Illinois in 1679 with La Salle, comes alive in a first person living history

presentation by performer/scholar Dan Hechenberger. Accault lived among the Illiniwek tribes (native tribes of our area) and in 1690 married a Kaskaskia chief's daughter. Enjoy this dramatic portrayal while learning of the Illiniwek life cycle. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Mark Dvorak "Old Songs and New People"*

**Sunday, January 27, 2:00 PM**

Folk singer Mark Dvorak presents an inter-generational program of American folk songs - many recognizable, some new. Appealing to all ages, Mark uses humor and anecdotes to familiarize the audience with his music. Mark is an instructor with the famed Chicago Old Town School of Music and has released multiple CDs. Mark performed for Hayner Library this past fall and was a smash! Don't miss this great opportunity to enjoy a wonderful evening of laughter, song and entertainment. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Award Winning Story Teller Jeff Miller*

**Thursday, January 31, 6:30 PM**

Twice voted "Best Performance Artist/Poet" by the St. Louis Riverfront Times, story teller Jeff Miller's trademarks are humor, inspiration, compassion and originality. He is the author of many articles as well as three books. He has also worked in radio and in television as a broadcast journalist and program host. The Director of the St. Louis Storytelling Festival said of Jeff "There is always laughter when you are around. You are a purveyor of joy!" Join us for an evening of nostalgia, humor and inspiration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Katherine Harris Presents Ms. Harriet Tubman*

**February 5, 6:30 PM**

Katherine Harris, Director of the Illinois State Historical Library, performs in character as the great Harriet Tubman. Harriet was a slave in the 1800s who moved over three hundred slaves out of Maryland via the Underground Railroad. During the Civil War, Harriet became a spy for the Union army and later a nurse. Ms. Harris portrays this great woman, telling her story in the first person and then taking questions in character as Harriet. Celebrate Black History Month by enjoying Ms. Harris' moving portrayal. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bud Shultz and The You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band "Celebrate Mardi Gras"*

**Tuesday, February 12, 6:30 PM**

Becoming a Hayner tradition and highly anticipated yearly event, Bud and his band are back to help us kick off the festive Mardi Gras season. Bud and his band play New Orleans-style jazz and guarantee a raucous evening of fun and swing. Bud and band are a local favorite in the Saint Louis area and always pack the house! This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL. Registration is required. Call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Quarterly Genealogy Round Table*

**Tuesday, February 19, 6:30 PM**

The Quarterly Genealogy Round Table will feature speaker John Bushrow. John will discuss the basics of beginning genealogy research and will entertain questions and answers. All are welcome. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Julie McPike and Harlan Hock - Music From the Heart*

**Tuesday, February 26, 6:30 PM**

The beautiful soprano voice of Julie McPike and the remarkable piano of Harlan Hock will entertain you as they perform a combination of sultry jazz and big band standards. Some of the favorites they will perform include *More Than You Know* and *Mean to Me*, first sung by Sarah Vaughn, Billie Holiday's *I Cried for You* and *Cry Me a River*, first performed by Julie London. Whether you did or did not get a valentine this year, it will be a very special February evening. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Mary Pirkl "Prehistoric People in the Lower Illinois River Valley"*

**Tuesday, March 5, 6:30 PM**

How did the prehistoric peoples of the Lower Illinois River Valley survive so successfully in an ever-changing environment? What role did technological innovation play in the development of prehistoric cultures? What factors let to cultural change through time? Mary Pirkl, Director of Education at the Center for American Archeology will answer these and other questions using evidence drawn from archeological sites. Step back 12,000 years, hear the story and see actual artifacts of these remote peoples. A fascinating evening for all ages. Call to register, 1-800-613-3163.

***Still more events...continued on next page!!***

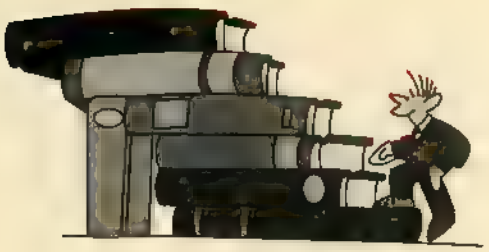
## HAYNER MAIN LIBRARY EVENTS (Cont.)

### *Flutes Alive "Irish Tunes and More"*

**Thursday, March 14, 6:30 PM**

This wonderful St. Louis trio features piano and two flutes to help us get in the St. Patrick's Day spirit. Performing a combination of Irish music and popular favorites, this promises to be an enchanting musical evening. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***



## *The Value of A Library*

In a recent issue of *Shy Librarian,* an article highlighted the value of public libraries. The article pointed out that the public library is an enduring monument to values of cooperation and sharing. The United States has the most extensive library system in the world with 8,923 central public libraries and 7,124 branch libraries. The public library is used by almost 65% of all households at least once a year. Public libraries loan 1.6 billion items a year and answer 284 million reference questions. The public library is one of the most efficient and popular of tax supported services. It serves 66% of adults for less than 1% of all tax dollars. The average cost of public library service nationwide is $24.50 per person annually 80% of the funding for public libraries comes from the local level with only 1% coming from the federal level.

## *12 Ways Libraries Are Good For The Country*

1. **INFORM CITIZENS**
   Libraries make democracy work by providing access to information so that citizens can make the decisions necessary to govern themselves.
2. **BREAK DOWN BOUNDARIES**
   Libraries rid us of fences that obstruct our vision and our ability to communicate and to educate ourselves.
3. **LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD**
   Economists have cited a growing income inequity in America, with the gap between the richest and poorest citizens becoming wider year by year. By making all its resources equally available to all members of the community, regardless of income, class, or other factors, the library levels the playing field.
4. **VALUE THE INDIVIDUAL**
   Library doors swing open for independent thinking without prejudgement. Library collections offer the historical, global, cultural, and political perspective that is necessary to foster a spirit of exploration that challenges orthodoxy.
5. **NOURISH CREATIVITY**
   Libraries are not only repositories of books, they are repositories of images, objects that communicate without words.
6. **OPEN KIDS' MINDS**
   Bringing children into a library can transport them from the commonplace to the extraordinary.
7. **RETURN HIGH DIVIDENDS**
   Libraries have made millionaires out of companies' grateful owners by providing crucial start-up information.
8. **BUILD COMMUNITIES**
   No narrow definition of community will work in a library. The library serves all ethnic and social groups providing a global community. Libraries validate and unify; they save lives, literally by preserving the record of those lives
9. **MAKE FAMILIES FRIENDLIER**
   The American family's best friend, the library, offers services guaranteed to hone coping skills. Homework centers. Family literacy training. Home schooling support. Children's storytimes. Parenting materials. After-school activities. Summer reading programs. Healthcare information.
10. **DEFEND FREEDOM**
    U.S. Post Laureate Rita Dove recently shared this sentiment when she addressed several thousand librarians at the American Library Association's Annual Conference: "You are meant to be the gatekeepers of possibility, not the watchdogs of the status quo."
11. **OFFER SANCTUARY**
    In a library, even the fiercest, shrillest argument ends with a quiet closing of a book. In a library, by moving our fingers a few inches along the shelf, we can find the very opposite point of view we have just read, or find that reasonable voice that honors many points of view by weighing the merits of them all. In the library we are answerable to no one; alone with our private thoughts, fantasies, and hopes, we are free to nourish what is most precious to us with the silent companionship of others we do not know.
12. **PRESERVE THE PAST**
    Vartan Gregorian, then president of the New York Public Library, said almost ten years ago in the New Yorker: "Libraries keep the records on behalf of all humanity...the unique and the absurd, the wise and fragments of stupidity."

    George Santayana said it another way 90 years ago in The Life of Reason: "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." Libraries preserve the record, and a nation, a culture, a community that does not understand its own past is mired in its own mistakes."

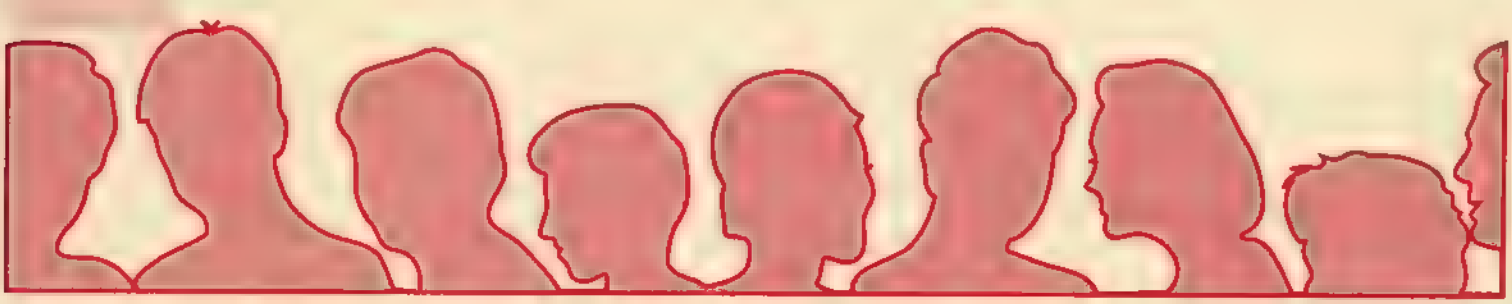
## *Patron Profile*
## *Sue Fitzgerald*

Sue Fitzgerald is a smiling soft spoken woman who obviously has a passion for her job. She would have to, as it is a job requiring special talent. Sue works for Saint Anthony's Hospice program providing pastoral care. The hospice program provides care and counseling for terminal cancer patients. It is staffed by a team of workers that includes nurses, certified nurses aids, a social worker, pastoral care, a massage therapist and respiratory therapist, a dietician, a program coordinator and secretary and many wonderful volunteers. Sue's work in pastoral care is to provide counseling and support as the patient and family require, ensuring the patient's pastoral needs are being met as the patient desires. Sue visits her patients in their home or nursing home. Sue also does bereavement follow-up for the family up to a year after a patient has passed away. Since January of this year, Sue has also had responsibility for managing volunteer activities and schedules. Sue credits much of the success of Hospice to the generous hard work of the many volunteers contributing to the program.

Sue was born in Detroit, Michigan and grew up in Kansas City, Missouri. She attended the University of Notre Dame where she earned a degree in Psychology. There, she met her husband Mike who currently works for Scheffel and Company P.C. as a CPA. Sue and Mike have four children, Michael, 20, a student at Notre Dame, David, 17, and Molly, 15, both students at Marquette High School and Pat, 11, who attends Evangelical Grade School. The family lives in Godfrey. When her children were younger, Sue did volunteer work with the Compassionate Friends. This is a support group for parents who had lost a child. She went on to work with the Grief Support Group at Saint Anthony's, a support group for adults dealing with loss, generally of a spouse. When her youngest child went off to kindergarten, Sue went to work for Saint Anthony's Hospice program where she has been employed for the last six years. Sue's training comes from attending "lots of workshops", independent research and also some graduate level work in community psychology and death and dying classes. Sue admits that no matter how much training one receives, dealing with such issues as terminal illness is always difficult. She feels strongly, however, that our culture tends to ignore these issues and that needs to be changed. Sue finds that many of her patients just need someone they can talk to about their fears and concerns - someone who is willing to listen.

Sue admits that the emotional stress of her job can be daunting at times. She finds support and renewal in spending time with her family. Sue also relieves stress by being a spectator at her kids sporting events, trying to exercise, quilting and sewing and, especially, reading. Sue is an avid reader and admits freely that it is a great escape for her. She relates that she came from a family of readers, her mother particularly was never without a book in hand. Sue is a great fan of Hayner Library and finds the staff accommodating and friendly. She loves that staff members remember what she likes to read and will save new titles for her. Sue is a charter member of the Hayner Library Book Club. In fact, when working with the Grief Support Group, Sue notes that the members discussion often turned to books. A book club actually formed from the Grief Support Group. After a year or two, the group approached Hayner Library for sponsorship. The library readily agreed and Katie Schrimpf, Reference Librarian, took on the responsibility of managing the book club which currently meets once a month Sue comments that "the library is wonderful to give us the space and time and donate the energies of Katie who does so much research on different books and authors." It is a pleasure to know Sue and we all thank her for the valuable service she provides our community.

For more information on Saint Anthony's Hospice program, please call 463-5636. For information about the Hayner Library Book Club, call Katie at 462-0651.



## *Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast/Black History Month*

On January 21, Hayner Public Library District will hold a special event to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. Children of all ages (accompanied by an adult) are invited to join us for a breakfast program from 10:00 - 11:30 in the ATC Trimpe Hall at Lewis and Clark Community College. After a complementary breakfast, we will enjoy a program celebrating the life and work of Dr. King. This program is free of charge but advanced registration is required. To register, call the Youth Library (after January 3) at 462-0652.

Also, on January 10 from 3:30 - 4:30, story teller Loretta Washington will portray young Martin Luther King's mother. This will take place in the Youth Library at 401 State Street.

February is Black History Month and the Main Library will commemorate it with a special event on Tuesday, February 6. At 6:30, Katherine Harris from the Illinois State Historical Library will portray Harriet Tubman. She will tell the story, in character, of Harriet's remarkable accomplishments including moving over 300 slaves out of Maryland via the Underground Railroad. This event is for all ages and is free of charge. Registration is required. To register call 1-800-613-3163.

## *We're Going to the Chapel and We're Going to....*

... Party!! Tuesday, February 12 is Fat Tuesday and once again, to celebrate Mardi Gras, Hayner Public Library District is sponsoring Bud Shultz and the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band* to help us celebrate. Bud and company performed for us last year for Mardi Gras. It was such a great time that we knew we had to command a repeat performance. This program will be held in the Chapel of Lewis and Clark Community College at 6:30 PM. It is free of charge but registration is required. Bud and his New Orleans style jazz is "ga-ron-teed" to get you moving! Costumes, of course, are welcome!! To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## *Clean out that Attic!*

Do you have dusty old treasures lying around the house? If you have historic memorabilia in the attic, why not consider donating it to Hayner Public Library where it will be used and appreciated. Hayner Library accepts donations of historic and /or genealogical materials to add to the collection of the Illinois Room. These materials are kept safe in that they do not leave the library, yet they are made accessible to the public during all hours of library operation. The Illinois Room is used extensively by patrons doing historic research as well as genealogy research. We would greatly appreciate your consideration. If you have any questions or are interested in donating these types of materials, please call Cathie Lamere at 462-0677.

## *Notes from Homebound*

In October, the Homebound program brought Cathie Croxton and her Dulcimer to Hillcrest Apartments and the Skyline Apartments. The musical event was sponsored by the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association. About 70 people attended and had a great time. We will be bringing another traveling program to other Senior High Rises this spring. We felt like it is hard for some Seniors to get out at night and come to the wonderful programs at the Main Library, so Homebound brought Cathie to them!

New Books in Large Print
***The Smoke Jumper*** by Nicholas Evans
***Hollywood Wives*** by Joan Collins
***Dreamcatcher*** by Stephen King
***Death in Holy Orders*** by P.D. James
***Rise to Rebellion*** by Jeff Shaara

One of America's favorite writers was born on November 30, 1835 in a small town of Florida, Missouri. That was Samuel Clemens, better known as Mark Twain. Here are a few of his famous quotes: "A classic is something that everybody wants to have read and nobody want to read". "Truth is the most valuable thing we have. Let's economize it." Have a good winter!

Stephanie Munson
Hayner Library Homebound Coordinator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# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
EASTER SUNDAY
March 31
MOTHER'S DAY
May 12
MEMORIAL DAY
May 26 and May 27

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## *Rediscover America @ Your Library*

April 14 through April 20 is National Library Week and the theme this year is "Rediscover America @ the Library". In our current world, Americans of all ages and backgrounds are rediscovering the meaning of words like democracy, freedom, citizenship and community. What embraces and promotes these concepts more strongly than the wonderful democratic institution of library systems. Every library, whether public, school, academic or special, has something unique to offer that connects its community to the very concept of a free people in a free land. First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA). It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and promote library use and support.

If you have a library card, use it. If you don't have one, get one. Come to the library and poke around and discover all the wonderful services waiting for you.

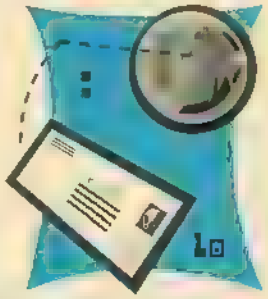
To encourage you all to have a library card, local merchants have joined Hayner in our "Show us Your Library Card" Campaign. These businesses have agreed to offer discounts or free goods when you show them your current Hayner Library Card (Hayner Cards only, April 14 thru April 20, 2002 only).

*Participants include:*

**Alton Refrigeration, 550 E. Broadway** - $5.00 off the purchase of a radio
**Chile Heads Hot Shop, 212 W. 3rd St.** - 15% off any regularly priced item.
**Dormann's Gifts and Interiors, 330 Alby** - 15% off one regularly priced item
**Johnson's Corner, 2000 State St.** - $1 00 off a dinner entree
**McDonald's, 717 E. Broadway location only** - purchase one regular hamburger for $.25 *(one per visit)*
**Mississippi Mud, 310 E. Broadway** - 15% off any one regularly priced item
**Mosaics, 560 E. Broadway** - 40% off any one regularly priced item
**My Just Desserts, 31 E. Broadway** - Free Toll House Brownie with lunch purchase
**Sweet Olive Cafe', 100 W. 3rd St.** - 50% off dessert with purchase of an entree
**Thymes Past, 2223 State St.** - $.50 off any lunch entree, $1 00 off any dinner entree

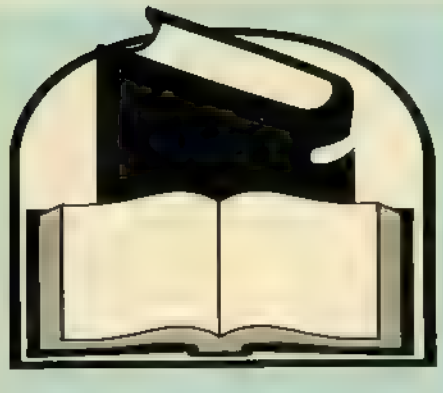
If your business has not been contacted and you would like to participate in this program to promote using the library, contact the Library Business office at 462-0677. We would love to have your support!

## *E-Mail Training Available*



Due to the approval of a grant from the Illinois State Library, Hayner Library has been able to secure the equipment and technical services necessary to provide email training to our patrons. The grant proposal, titled 'Communicating Across Multi-generations', was developed to satisfy the objective of fostering communication between generations. Families are more often separated geographically and for more and more people, email is an effective and easy means of staying in touch.

Thus Hayner is offering an e-mail class. The class will be very small, five students per session. Each student will have a PC for hands-on learning. The two-hour class will cover: what is email, how to compose a message, how to check your email and other related topics. It will be taught by Kelly Meier, an independent technical consultant. The class will be repeated each Wednesday in March and April from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. If a couple wishes to take the class together (moral support?), it will be possible to share a workstation. The class will be held in the Francis Metzger Conference Room at the rear of the Youth Library. The classes are free of charge. To register, call the Hayner Library Program Hotline at 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your phone number and two choices of class date. You will be contacted to confirm your registration.



## NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS–FICTION

Auel, Jean M. **The Shelters of Stone**
Bernhardt, William. **Final Round**
Brown, Rita Mae. **Catch as Cat Can**
Clark, Mary Higgins. **Daddy's Little Girl**
Deaver, Jeffery. **Stone Monkey**
Diehl, William. **Eureka**
Grisham, John. **The Summons**
Hamilton, Laurell K. **Caress of Twilight**
Higgins, Jack. **Midnight Runner**
Johansen, Iris. **Body of Lies**
King, Laurie. **Justice Hall**
Le Guin, Ursula K. **The Birthday of the World**
McEwan, Ian. **Atonement**
Parker, Robert. **Widow's Walk**
Patterson, James. **2nd Chance**
Perry, Anne. **Southampton Row**
Rendell, Ruth. **Adam and Eve and Pinch Me**
Roberts, Nora. **The Three Fates**
Scottoline, Lisa. **Courting Trouble**
Shreve, Anita. **Sea Glass**
Silva, Daniel. **The English Assassin**
Steel, Danielle. **The Cottage**
Woods, Stuart. **The Short Forever**

## NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS–NONFICTION

Child, Greg. **Over the Edge: A True Story of Kidnap and Escape in the Mountains of Central Asia**
Clancy, Tom. **Shadow Warriors: Inside the Special Forces**
Debaggio, Thomas. **Losing My Mind: An Intimate Look at Life With Alzheimer's**
Gould, Stephen Jay. **The Structure of Evolutionary Theory**
Gray, John **Mars & Venus in the Workplace**
Harris, Warren. **Clark Gable: A Biography**
Klein, Joe. **The Natural: The Misunderstood Presidency of Bill Clinton**
Knight, Bob. **Knight: My Story**
O'Connor, Sandra Day. **Lazy B: Growing Up on a Cattle Ranch in the American Southwest**
Orman, Suze. **Suze Orman's Financial Guidebook: Putting the 9 Steps to Work**
Yockelson, Lisa. **Baking By Flavor**

## *Behind the Scenes with the Technical Services Department "Whole Earth Catalogers"*

*Back row: Pat Stalcup, Barbara Ulffers. Front: Pam Smith, Cathy LaMere.*

As many of our faithful patrons know, all three locations of the Hayner Public Library District are constantly refreshing their collections with new items both print and non-print. New Books, Musical CDs, DVDs, CD Roms, audio books and videos are all constantly being added to the shelves. What many don't realize is the tremendous amount of work entailed in processing these items before they can reach the shelves for checking out. This work is done by the Technical Services Department located in the lower level of the Youth Library on State Street. The department is staffed by Barbara Ulffers, Manager, Technical Services, Pat Stalcup, Cathy LamMere (also staff genealogist) and Pam Smith (also a member of the Telegraph Indexing Project team). This team is responsible for moving a tremendous amount of material in and out of inventory in what can be a very complex operation.

The whole process starts when orders for items are submitted by various department heads throughout the three Hayner Branches. Technical Services places the orders with the appropriate vendor. Upon order arrival, items are checked in, identified for the appropriate department and billing is reconciled. Now, they are ready to be catalogued. Cataloging is the process which identifies the item to Hayner's on line 'card catalogue' system so you can look books up by author, title or subject and then find the item on the shelves.

The cataloger needs to find the item's bibliographic record information and first searches a record information data base provided to all libraries by the Lewis and Clark Library System. If the record is not there, the cataloger then checks a data base that is maintained by Data Research Associates (these records come directly from Library of Congress so only contain print material titles). If the record is still not found, the final resource to check is the Online Computer Library Catalog. This is a national data base and charges fees to search for and dump a record. Thus, it is important that the cataloger check all other data bases first. Once a record is found, the cataloguer checks it line by line to validate (or add) information such as number of pages, type of illustrations, ISBN, Library of Congress number and more. The record is saved in the library data base, given a control number, call number and item cost. It receives a barcode, protective cover and must be visibly stamped as Hayner material. Every print and non-print item must go through this process and incredibly, this hard-working staff catalogs over 2000 items in an average month!

There are also times when none of the data bases have an item record. Self-published materials, family histories, and start-up publishers are some examples of items that would not have been previously cataloged. To create an original record is a time consuming process. Surveys have shown that a new record for a book can require an average of 34 minutes to create and up to 120 minutes to create an entry for an item such as a musical score. The department averages 20 of these complex transactions per month and has had to process as many as 40 in one month. Finally, the Technical Services Department is also responsible for all book repair as well as deleting items that are no longer held by the library. We greatly appreciate the hard work of the Technical Services Staff...they are the backbone that helps keep Hayner Library offering a wonderful constant supply of new material.

### *Purchase Encyclopedias - Just $5/Set!*

The Friends of the Library have complete sets of encyclopedias for sale for just $5 per set. The publication dates of the sets vary, but there's a wide variety to pick from. To purchase a set, call the Hayner Library Business Office at 462-0677.

## SCORE Makes Exclusive Donation to Hayner Library

***Gail Weirich, SCORE District Director and Richard Rook, Assistant District Director***

SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives) is a non-profit charitable organization of volunteer business mentors, both working and retired, who counsel businesses throughout the country. SCORE provides business owners with the information, resources and tools vital to their success. This includes counseling on financing options, business strategy, marketing tactics, product development, cash flow, management and much more. All their counseling is free of charge and completely confidential. Last year, SCORE helped close to 300,000 people nationally and has helped 4.5 million small business owners since 1964.

SCORE is very active in our own River Bend community supporting and helping small businesses succeed and prosper. They have conducted several programs at the Hayner Main Library with great success. In September of 2001, the Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423 made a very valuable contribution to the library and our community. Gail Weinrich, SCORE District Director, and Richard Rook, Assistant District Director, presented the library with a series of books published by Entrepreneur Media Publishers. The books are step-by-step reference guides for starting your own business. Each one covers a different type of business venture including apparel, child care, e-business, bed and breakfast, restaurant and five other food businesses. More general volumes include "How to Start a Business Support Service", "Starting and Running your Home-based Business" and "Creating a Successful Business Plan".

The books are written in a clearly understandable step-by-step cookbook manner. They help provide strategies for putting the business together, develop business goals and predict and solve problems. The topics are as varied as "how to interview future employees" to "setting up partnership agreements". What is particularly exciting about Hayner's acquisition of this series is that we are now one of only three libraries in the state of Illinois to hold them. The other locations are Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, East St. Louis Center Library and SCORE's Chicago office. This is an extremely important addition to our growing business reference section. Mr. Weinrich noted that SCORE wanted the set in Hayner's collection to make them accessible to all the community. On behalf of the Library and the entire community, thank you, SCORE, for this very valuable contribution. If you would like more information on SCORE services or would like to initiate business counseling sessions, call Richard Rook at 467-2280.

## Food For Fido Returns!

Recent studies have shown that children who have difficulty reading improve their skills dramatically when they practice reading to a pet. Therapy dogs are being used in nationwide programs to improve reading skills. The dogs sit and pay attention as reluctant readers read aloud. The dogs provide a positive, nonthreatening audience to help sharpen communication skills. They never laugh when a child mispronounces a word or stutters. Reading aloud to the dogs has "a positive effect on erstwhile problem readers", wrote Susan G. Hayser in *The Wall Street Journal*. They show "a marked increase in technical skill and personal confidence. Furthermore, petting while reading provides an natural tranquilizer for high-strung children". Kelly Klotz, Director of Intermountain Therapy Animals, says results from one pilot project were "extraordinary", with some students increasing their reading level by as much as two grades. To say thank you to our furry friends, during the month of April (and commemorating National Library Week) we will hold our second annual "Food For Fido" campaign.

If you have a current fine on an overdue item, we will waive that fine if you contribute an item of dog or cat food. One fine per item, current fines only, Hayner Library materials only. These items will be given to the Alton Area 5A Humane Society. 5A's is our wonderful local no-kill animal shelter and is always in need of public support. You might even want to visit them and pick out your own Rover to read to!

Late breaking news: 5A's is getting ready to open their new Thrift Shop on 632 Wood River Ave. They are accepting donations of any usable items to stock the shop. If you have items to donate or require additional information, call the 5A office at 618-462-3721.

## Notes From Homebound

***by Stephanie Munson***

Did you know that Zane Grey, one of the most popular American West's storytellers, was born in Zanesville, Ohio, on January 31, 1872?

Stories handed down from grandparents, aunts and uncles became the basis for Grey's own novels. Grey was a dentist, but what he really wanted to do was write. Although it took a long time for him to get published, eventually Grey became the best-selling western author of the 20th century. His stories chronicled the golden age of the West and glorified the everyday settler, homesteader, farm wife, cowhands and ranchers. His books have a timeless appeal that keeps them in print even now. Zane Grey died on October 23, 1939. We have a lot of his titles in large print as well as regular print.

## For Women By Women Business Conference

Keep your calendar clear on Friday, April 12 for the next seminar in the continuing series, *For Women By Women*. This half-day session will be held at the Alton Holiday Inn starting at 8:30 am and the theme will be "Communication." Information flyers about the conference and enrollment procedures will be available at all three library locations or by calling the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois at 467-2280.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

## Spring Youth Events

*Please note that unless otherwise noted, all events will take place at Hayner Youth Library at 401 State Street, Alton, IL. For questions call 462-0652*

### Preschool Story Hour

Storytime for 3, 4, and 5-year-olds will be at the Youth Library every other Monday starting March 11 and at Alton Square Branch every other Tuesday starting March 12 at 10:00. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

3/11, 3/12, 3/25, 3/26, 4/8, 4/9, 4/22, 4/23, 5/6, 5/7, 5/20, 5/21

### Lapsit

Our lapsit program is for children birth through two years of age. It is our goal to get the little ones used to coming to the library and having them enjoy listening to stories, singing and having a fun place to visit. Starting time is at 10:00.

3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/16, 4/30, 5/14, 5/28

### Evening Story Time

Evening story time is offered every other Tuesday evening at 7:00. All ages are invited.

3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/16, 4/30, 5/14, 5/28

### Read & Rant Book Discussion Group

Twelve to 15-year-olds are invited to attend our Read & Rant group that meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:45. Snacks and fun will be served. Come to the Youth Library ahead of time to get your free book for each month. Books need to be read before the group meets. This is limited to 6 participants. 3/7, 4/4, 5/2

### After School Fun

The second Thursday of each month from 3:30-4:30 will be a fun craft-filled time for all children 5-12 years of age. Pre-registration is appreciated but not necessary.

3/14, 4/11, 5/2

### Book In Every Home

Now through March 15, Hayner Libraries will be collecting donated new books for children, birth through 5 years of age. This program is being sponsored by Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. All donated books will be distributed to children in Head Start Programs in the Madison and St. Clair Counties.

### Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest

Come by the Youth Library and pick up an entry form for the Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest. This contest is for K-3rd graders. Submissions are to be sent to channel 9. Win Great Prizes!

### April is National Poetry Month

Help us get ready for our Summer Reading Program – "Reading Rocks" – by submitting a poem during the month of April with music as the theme. We will accept your original poem throughout the month of April at the Youth Library. Winning poems will be printed in the Summer Newsletter. This contest is for 8-15 year olds.

### National Library Week

We're celebrating National Library Week with a field trip to The Missouri Botanical Gardens on Saturday, April 20th. All kids 5-12 years of age are invited. We will be leaving the youth library at 9:00 and returning at 1:30. Lunch will be provided. A signed permission slip with registration is required. Limited to 30 children.

### Attention Teachers!

The Hayner Youth Library offers a Traveling Puppet Show/story time that will come and visit your classroom. The puppet show/story time is available to daycares, preschools and elementary schools by appointment.

Middle School Teachers can call the library for a program where a librarian will visit your classroom and talk about the library and what we can offer area youths. Call 462-0652 to schedule a visit.

Teacher Book Boxes are also available to teachers needing help with themes in their classrooms. Please call the library (462-0652) with your theme idea and what you will need to help you in your classroom. At least a week notice is appreciated. Materials can be checked out to teachers for six weeks.

### Dial-a-Story

Hear great stories from your home! Call 462-TALE. The tales change weekly. With over 500 calls a month, IT'S A WINNER!

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Spring is around the corner and the robins are bop, bop, bopping along! You will be, too, when you check out our spring line up of programs! All the programs are free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated all programs will be held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

### *Mary Pirkl "Prehistoric People in the Lower Illinois River Valley"*

**Tuesday, March 5 6:30 pm**

How did the prehistoric peoples of the lower Illinois River Valley survive so successfully in an ever-changing environment? What role did technological innovation play in the development of prehistoric cultures? What factors led to cultural change through time? Mary Pirkl, Director of Education at the Center for American Archeology, will answer these and other questions using evidence drawn from archeological sites. Step back 12,000 years, hear the story and see actual artifacts of these remote peoples. A fascinating evening for all ages. Call to register 1-800-613-3163.

### *Flutes Alive "Irish Tunes and More"*

**Thursday, March 14 6:30 pm**

This wonderful St. Louis trio features piano and two flutes to help us get in the St. Patrick's Day spirit. Performing a combination of Irish music and popular favorites, this promises to be an enchanting musical evening. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Singer/Songwriter Michael Smith*

**Thursday, March 21 6:30 pm**

Michael returns to bring us an encore musical program - he 'wowed' us a year ago and we're so excited he's coming back. Michael's work has been recorded by such diverse performers as Jimmy Buffet, Jerry Jeff Walker, the Four Freshmen, the Kingston Trio, Steve Goodman, Tom Rush, Spanky and Our Gang and over 30 more artists. He has won four prestigious Jeff Awards (Chicago equivalent of the Tony) for his 1993 autobiographical play, *Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate. Chicago Magazine* wrote "One of the best songwriters in the English language...an enchanting and riveting performer." *Sing Out! Magazine* writes "Michael Smith stands out as one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer-songwriters". To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Email Training*

Learn the basics of Hotmail, a free email service. This two-hour class will answer: what the heck is email, how to compose a message, check your mail, send an attachment, organize your folders, save your addresses, change your account options and how best to protect your privacy. This class is funded by a grant from the Illinois State Library. It is just one session but is being repeated every Tuesday through March and April. It will be held in the conference room of the Youth Library from 10:00 until noon on March 6,13,20,27 and April 3,10,17,24. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Cat Catalani "American Women Songwriters in the 19th and 20th Centuries"*

**Thursday, April 4 6:30 pm**

From songs written in the 19th century such as "America the Beautiful" and "Happy Birthday to You" to songs of the 20th century like "Sunny Side of the Street," "I Can't Give You Anything but Love," and "Bye, Bye Love," women songwriters have contributed greatly to popular culture. In this musical program, Cat discusses the factors contributing to the increased presence of women in the world of song writing. She performs songs from folk, jazz, country, musicals, and modern pop and welcomes the audience to sing along. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Don Huber "A History of the Alton Cemetery and Local Points of Interest"*

**Tuesday, April 9 6:30 pm**

Local historian, Don Huber, takes us on a verbal tour of the Alton Cemetery. He will share anecdotes of many of it's famous (some infamous?) residents, as well as local history. Don has done extensive research on the confederate prison and civil war activities that occurred in and around Alton and will be happy to discuss these topics as well. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bucky Haller "I Ain't Got No Home - Woody Guthrie, The Great Depression, and American Protest Music"*

**Thursday, April 18 6:30 pm**

As the economy spiraled downward after 1929 and millions of working-class Americans bore the brunt of economic depression, the voice of anguish and protest rose from America. That voice found its outlet in song as protest music developed into one of America's most creative popular art forms. In this musical program and commentary, labor historian and songwriter Bucky Haller reviews some of the folksongs of protest from the Great Depression. Particular attention is given to the impact of the labor movement and Woody Guthrie on the genre. Call 1-800-631-3163 to register.

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## *Robert E. St. Peters - Book Signing*

**Saturday, April 20 11 am- 1 pm**

Robert E. St. Peters will be at the Branch Library for a signing of his new book, "Alton Pictorial Postcard Book". This book features the 50 year collection of postcards of his late wife, Helen L. St.Peters. It contains 250 cards and is a coffee table edition. It will be available for sale during the signing. The price is $24.95. Most of the cards feature scenes from the River Bend area. Stop by to look at the book and get your own signed copy.

## *Gerald Lee Riley "Give 'em Hell, Harry!"*

**Thursday, May 9 6:30 pm**

The thirty-third President of the United States, Harry S. Truman will be portrayed in a one-man show presented by the Wheatfield Theatre Co. of Ellicott City, Maryland. Actor Gerald Riley will reenact scenes of the personal and political life of this great and unique American. The compelling play, "Give 'Em Hell, Harry!" written by Samuel Gallu, reveals the extraordinary accomplishments of this self-proclaimed "Ordinary Man" who, as President, made some of the most crucial decisions in American history. Don't miss this marvelous drama, filled with history and humor about the life of one of America's most revered presidents.

## *Marita Brake "Songs for Spring"*

**Tuesday, May 14 6:30 pm**

Marita Brake is a singer, songwriter, guitarist and dulcimer player. She has released 2 CDs, appeared in *People* magazine and has garnered a wealth of attention through several projects with PBS. She has toured extensively in this country and in England. In addition, she has showcased her talents at Carnegie Hall and performed at the 2000 Presidential Inauguration. Critics hail her as "sheerly poetic", "delightfully inventive" and "electric". Join us for an evening of humor and musical inspiration.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***

## *Rhoda Cairns Retires from Branch Library*

On November 30, 2001, Rhoda Cairns, Library Assistant at the Branch Library, retired. Rhoda has been a library employee since 1988 when she worked on the library's Telegraph Index Project. In 1994, she went to work in the Youth Library as a part time library assistant and then took a full-time Library Assistant position at the Branch Library. Rhoda has enjoyed her years at the library and says she will miss her "wonderful co-workers" and also miss working with the public.

Rhoda is a native of the Piasa-Shipman area and went to high school in Shipman and at Southwestern High School. After graduation, she worked for Millers Mutual for five and a half years. However, she left Millers upon getting married and starting a family. Rhoda and her husband Bob had two children, sons Robert Jr. and Ronald. In 1972, when her boys were 8 and 11, Rhoda received some shattering news. She was diagnosed with acute leukemia and given a very serious prognosis. The doctors set up chemotherapy treatments, but after the third round, she became gravely ill. However, a few weeks later, her illness abated almost overnight and she went into remission. Her doctors told her it was truly a miracle considering how sick she had been. Rhoda supports the American Leukemia Society. She says they provided wonderful support to her and her family and even helped pay for her medication. Rhoda was anxious to share this experience because she hopes that it will offer hope to others who may be stricken with this disease. She also is anxious to encourage people to contact the Leukemia society for support and help if they should find themselves in a similar circumstance.

In 1988, Rhoda went back to school and earned an Associates Degree, with honors, from Lewis and Clark Community College. That year she also came to work for Hayner Library. Rhoda has loved her time as a library employee which she says "was great from day one". She has enjoyed meeting and helping library patrons, many of which became very special to her. She is looking forward to retirement with her husband Bob who is also retired. She hopes to indulge in her hobbies of photography and travel. She and Bob are anxious to explore the country in their camper and if they don't like camping...it's back to the Holiday Inn! She will also enjoy time with her children and grandchildren (two granddaughters and one grandson). We all wish you the best of luck, Rhoda, and hope you come back to visit us often!

## *Create A Memory*

Create a living memory for grandchildren and family members. Through a grant sponsored by the Illinois State Library, Hayner Library is able to offer our patrons the opportunity to create their own personalized videotape. In today's world, family generations are often separated by distance. Many times, grandchildren get to see their grandparents only on major family holidays. Hayner would like to offer you the opportunity to come to the library and pick out a book to read to your grandchildren (or nieces, nephews, etc.) Or bring your own story. We will videotape you and you can pass the tape on to your families...what a great gift idea! And what a great way to interest a child in the world of books! You can bring your own blank tape or purchase one from the library for one dollar. Perhaps you have family history you want to capture – be as creative as you wish. If you would like to make use of this program, call Bernadette Duvernoy at 618-462-0677 and we'll schedule an appointment for your film debut!

## Patron Profile - Sylvester Davis

Sylvester Davis is an unassuming and utterly charming man. As he quietly talked about some of his life experiences and associations, I was completely fascinated. A native of Alton, Mr. Davis attended Alton High School. Upon graduation, he was beckoned by the bright city lights and moved to New York City with the hopes of getting involved in the medical field. Once there, he changed course and took a job for Union News. This was a company that owned many restaurants including those in Grand Central Station and Pennsylvania Station. Sylvester also worked in the restaurant of the Empire State Building on the 86th floor, which is the observation deck. He commented that he saw dozens of movies being filmed there. He also worked in Bellevue Hospital in New York City. He found this work fascinating but saw many sights in this renowned teaching hospital that were shocking.

During Sylvester's years in New York, and through his love of music (he played jazz trumpet), he made friends with several famous and interesting personalities. King Pleasure, a famous jazz singer, was his roommate at one time. He spent a lot of time with Sophie Tucker. Her boyfriend was Willy May's guardian as Willy was so young when he first came to New York to play ball. Sylvester developed a friendship with Willy and recalls that he was a very polite, quiet young man. He became good friends with the famed Joe Lewis and his wife Rose Morgan. Rose owned a chain of beauty parlors throughout Harlem. Sylvester also had the chance to meet Miles Davis and thought for some time that they were related. Some years later, Sylvester researched his family genealogy and determined that he and Miles were descended from different arms of the Davis family.

Sylvester spent five years in New York and really enjoyed his time there but acknowledges it would not be an easy place to raise a family. He also found the job market to be very tight. As he commented "there were so many colleges and universities that employers could get college graduates to wash dishes". So he returned to Alton and went to work for the International Shoe Company as the night shift Foreman. After six years, he took employment with the Olin Corporation were he worked for the next thirty-three years. He rose from stock clerk to Foreman and retired as the Store Room Supervisor. He and his wife Iona (also an Alton native) raised four children: a daughter in Springfield, IL who monitors nuclear waste for the state of Illinois, a daughter who is a baker and lives in Alton, another daughter in St. Louis who is an ordained Lutheran Minister and a son in Bunker Hill who has also worked for Olin for 30 years. The Davis's also have two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Sylvester retired in 1995 but has many activities that keep him busy. He has enjoyed playing golf for over 40 years and also loves to read, particularly ancient history. He spends lots of time visiting the library. He commented that he and his wife have been coming to the library since they were fourteen years-old. His wife suffered an illness some years ago and was very thankful for the library's homebound delivery service. Sylvester spends much of his day caring for his wife and commented that during Christmas of 2000, he decorated their backyard and gardens with over 1500 Christmas lights for her enjoyment. He decorates his yard for her throughout the different seasons and holidays. He is also an avid gardener, tending to over 17 rose bushes. He says he grows "whatever other people can't". I so enjoyed meeting with Mr. Davis and we all look forward to seeing him frequently in the library.

## Biannual Book Sale

The Spring 2002 book sale will be held Thursday May 9, 6-8:30 pm. This is "Preview Night" and there is a $5 admission charge for this night only. The sale continues on Friday, May 10 from 9 am-7 pm and on Saturday, May 11 from 9 am-2 pm. There is no admission charge on Friday or Saturday. There will be great bargains on books of all types, music, magazines, videos and more. Don't miss the fun!

## Dial up "Dial a Story"

Did you know that there's a great way to have your child spend three minutes a week to encourage his love of reading? It's "Dial a Story", a service provided by the Hayner Youth Library Staff.

Each week a staff member reads and records a different favorite children's story. The stories are a combination of current best sellers, classic favorites and seasonal themes. The stories are accessible via a phone call. Simply dial 462-TALE and your child can listen to a new story every week and since the stories are limited to three minutes in duration, it's not going to keep your phone tied up. This service has grown dramatically in popularity over the years and we currently average over 500 calls a month! It's a great way to reinforce the fun and variety provided by books. Start using the service today and it's sure to become a weekly habit (of the best kind).

## *Jan Harnetiaux Retires from Technical Services Department*

Jan Harnetiaux retired in May, 2001 after working for Hayner Public Library District for fifteen years. When Jan retired, she was working as a full-time cataloger but over her career with the library, she has worked in every department.

Jan's family moved to Alton from Minnesota when she was nine years-old. Jan attended Marquette High School. After graduation, Jan worked part-time as a Licensed Practical Nurse affiliated with Olin Vocational School at Alton High School. As a new mother, Jan decided to quit working. Jan and her husband Rex have two sons, Mike and Eric, who both live in Alton.

Jan, who had always wanted to work in a library, went back to school in 1986 to earn her degree as a Library Technician. There, she studied under Kathy Bouman, then Reference Librarian at the Hayner Main Library. It was Kathy who told Jan about the part-time opening that had come up at the circulation desk. Starting at the circ desk in the main library in 1986, Jan also worked part-time in the Youth and Branch libraries. Jan ultimately took a full-time position first dividing her schedule between the circulation desk and cataloging. Ultimately, Jan became a full-time cataloger. Jan learned the complexities of cataloging through hands-on training and became a key member of the Technical Services team. Jan credits Barb Ulffers, Technical Services Manager, for her great patience and support while Jan learned this very detailed process.

Jan recalls different moments that will always stay in her memory. One situation occurred when Jan was first working in the newly-opened Branch library. She was filling a microfilm reader/printer with toner when she dropped the toner bottle. Toner covered her from collar to hem of her brand new beige dress, as well as, settled all over the new carpet and freshly painted walls. Toner is practically indelible and Jan felt so embarrassed as she had to work the whole day in her toner covered dress...obviously giving her away as the culprit! Jan also remembers the surprise party her sisters threw her in the Library Director's office to celebrate Jan's 50th birthday. Jan had adamantly warned her sisters that she did not want any publicity of this auspicious event but instead, the whole library staff got involved.

Jan greatly enjoyed the high degree of precision required by the cataloging job but she also enjoyed working with staff at the circ desk. She also greatly enjoyed the chance to work and interact with patrons. In her retirement, she plans to indulge her passion for golf and reading (especially mysteries) and spend more time with her two year-old granddaughter. We all wish Jan the best of luck and look forward to her visiting us often!

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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holiday:
INDEPENDENCE DAY
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## *Library installs computers From Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grant*

In December of 2001, Hayner Public Library District received notice that they had been approved to receive a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation US Library Program. This grant would provide the district with over $37,000 of new computer hardware, software, training and technical support. The equipment arrived at all three Hayner locations in April 2002. As established by the grant guidelines, four Gatenet computers, one HP Laser jet printer, networking hardware, software (reference programs, office, children's programs, internet and tutorials), staff training and technical support would be provided for each Hayner location. These additional 12 computers increase Hayner's public access computer population to 41! The eligibility for receiving this grant was based on service area population (SPOP) and service area population in poverty (SPOV). A part of the grant's terms were that all the library sites were required to close for two half days while the staff received intensive training from Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation personnel on the hardware and software programs. The grant also provides unlimited technical support for year one and more limited support in following years.

There are several unique features of these new computers that address accessibility issues some users may have previously experienced. Examples include a "Magnifier" that will magnify any part of the screen up 50 times (or even more) if the user has vision difficulties. If the user has motor skills constraints, he can use the keyboard instead of the mouse to navigate his screen. Also, the computer can be told to communicate with the user in virtually any language the user recognizes.

This national grant program, established by Bill and Melinda Gates reaches out to communities that have a significant population of low income citizens who might otherwise not have access to such equipment. The Foundation seeks to bridge the so-called 'Digital Divide' and ensure that all citizens have access to computers, the Internet and other digital information.

*Hayner Branch Library staff receiving training from Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation personnel.*

Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White and his staff at the Illinois State Library in Springfield have been working for more than two years to bring the Gates Library Initiative to Illinois public libraries. Hayner Public Library District is very excited to be part of this innovative program and invites all community members to make use of our new and additional technology.

## *Flying Proud Colors*

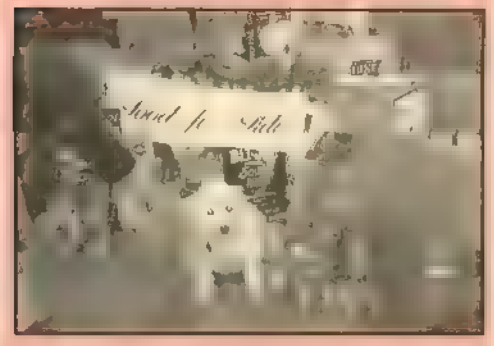
Hayner Public Library District has erected a flagpole on the corner of 4th and Belle Street. It is lit at night so it can fly 24 hours a day. One patron has been observed saluting the flag whenever he visits the Main Library. Needless to say, the staff is very proud of this new addition.

## Genealogy Update

Cathie Lamere, Hayner staff genealogist, is available to meet with patrons one on one. If you have specific genealogy questions/issues, or just need help getting started, Cathie invites you to call and schedule an appointment with her. She is available to meet with you Monday through Friday in the afternoons from either 2:00-3:00 or 3:00-4:00. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-613-3163 and leave a message. Cathie will call you back and confirm

On behalf of the Library district, Cathie would also like to the thank the generous patrons of the community for their donations of the inventory of the Upper Alton Cemetery, inventory and historic information on the Historic Milton Cemetery and a wonderful gift of the personal narrative and diary of a local World War II veteran. These are wonderful additions to our Illinois Room.

Also, don't miss the next quarterly Genealogy Roundtable. This will be held on Wednesday, July 17 at 6:30 pm in the Illinois Room of the Main Library. The guest speaker will be Mandy Brannon, owner of the Scrapbook Garden in Wood River. Mandy will discuss how to protect and preserve your genealogical documents and photographs. The session is free of charge, but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

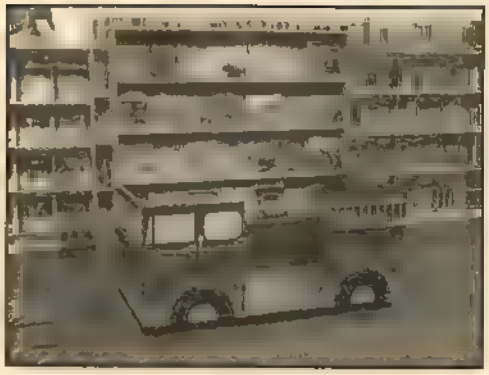


## Food For Fido - A Howling Success

During April 2002, all library locations waived a current fine if a patron donated an item of pet food. The campaign was a great success. 335 items were collected for the Alton Area 5A Animal Shelter. Our friend Sally says "thank you so much!" on behalf of all her sheltered friends. WOOF!

## "Read To Your Hero"

The American Library Association has a theme poster this year titled "Read to Your Hero". It depicts a little girl reading to a fireman. On Monday, April 15, Hayner Library presented copies of these posters to the captains of the Alton Fire Department, the Godfrey Fire Department and Fosterburg Fire Department. Besides the vital service the fire departments inherently provide, our local departments all do a lot of community outreach programs including going to schools and demonstrating fire safety, reading to children and recognizing academic achievement. The Fire Fighter Association and Local 1255 of the International Association of Fire Fighters have built likenesses of fire trucks for the Branch and Youth libraries for children to sit in and read. They have also contributed many books to the libraries. Thank you to all the fire departments for the wonderful services you provide our communities! Also, a special thank you to 10-year-old Katie Cox who kicked off the presentation on April 15th singing the "Star Spangle Banner".



## Special Concert at the Chapel - "Echos of Spain"

September may seem far in the future, but it's not too soon to make sure you mark your calender for a very special musical event. On September 19, at 6:30 pm, the Monico Trio will be performing at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL. The program, *The Monico Trio and Echos of Spain* will be a highlight concert featuring the premier of Jean Monico's original work "Echos of Spain." Mr. Monico will perform on the piano with the accompaniment of cellist Angelina McLaughlin and violinist Mike Hammond. Other works by Spanish composers will be performed including Granado's Dances and Leyenda (Legend) by Albeniz. Making the evening a truly exciting event, there will also be dance performances by Jack Gibson and Tonya Horn. Don't miss this very special program. The performance is free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## *Tracking Your Job Trajectory A Guide to Job Hunting*

Just graduated and looking for your first job? Or, perhaps it's time to make a career change and you are thinking about searching for a different job....Hayner Library can help.

Hayner Public Library is offering a service this summer called *Tracking Your Job Trajectory* to help individuals in their search for employment. This series will consist of a 2 part program devoted to helping the individual acquire job hunting skills.

This offering is free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

Class enrollment will be limited to 20. This program is fully funded by private endowment.

**Saturday July 13**
**9:00 - 12:00**
Jean Paterson, Director SIUE Career Development Center, will present a class on resume writing and interview techniques. Participants will receive a Job Hunting Guide of important internet resources as well as key print resources available through the library. The participants will be allotted one week to write a resume and return it to the library. These will be forwarded to Ms. Paterson for her individual critique.

**Saturday July 27**
**9:00 - 12:00**
Resumes are returned to participants with individualized comments and critiques. Ms. Paterson will present an overall critique of the resumes she reviewed to the entire group and be available for one on one review.
**1:00 - 2:30**
Members of SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) will discuss what they expect during the interview process, what they expect the candidate to know about their business, and take audience questions. The panel will be available to hold mock interviews for audience members who wish to participate.

Upon completion of the program, all participants will receive a copy of "What Color is Your Parachute" by Richard Bolles. This is the best selling job-hunting book in the world.

Take advantage of this unique program. Register early as enrollment is limited. Classes will be held in the Jimmie Keller Reading Room of the Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL. If you require additional information, call Bernadette Duvernoy at 618-462-0677.

## *Staff Picks— WHAT WE'RE READING*

**Blue Diary** by Alice Hoffman. Fiction

Ethan Ford has the ideal life—a vibrant marriage, a great kid and the respect of his community. He also has a secret that could shatter this life. Alice Hoffman asks some hard questions in *Blue Diary*. What if someone you love isn't who you think they are? Do people really change? Can love create forgiveness? Hoffman examines how a family and a small-town community deal with complicated issues of truth, love, belief and forgiveness in this beautifully written book. - *Katie S.*

**Birdsong** by Sebastian Faulks. Fiction

Birdsong is neither a love story nor a war story. It includes yet somehow rises above both, moving from a passionate affair to the horrors of trench warfare in Northern France during WWI. It is a book of loyalty, hope and the will to survive; Faulk's characters make you feel pity and admiration at the same time and leave you feeling haunted by those whose lives were changed by WWI. A beautiful, powerful work. Faulk's novel, *Charlotte Gray*, was recently made into a movie. - *Katie S.*

**The Genealogy Handbook: the Complete Guide to Tracing Your Family Tree** by Ellen Galford. Nonfiction

A concise and straightforward guide to help you find your way through the maze of genealogy information available today. For the beginner, this is a great book to help you get organized in your research. Included are tips for traditional research as well as Internet searches, advice on preservation of old photographs and documents, and help for the ethnic researcher and the long-distance researcher. This is an easy-to-use reference for the amateur genealogist. - *Cathie L.*

**The Cheese Monkeys** by Chip Kidd.

A sharp, fast-paced academic satire, this is a coming-of-age story from the point of view of the paying victim (a.k.a. the student). Set in 1957, a nameless narrator has little idea what college means and so chooses an art major as the path of least hardship. The characters and dialogue are razor sharp. It also presents a pitch perfect recreation of late '50s behavior and slang. This book is a hoot, yet oddly haunting. - *Bernie D.*

**The Nanny Diaries**
by Emma McLaughlin and Nicola Kraus.

When college student Nanny takes a job as nanny to four-year-old Grayer Addison X, she quickly finds herself in over her head. Wealthy Mrs. X treats Nanny like a slave while she herself shops, dines out and gets manicures; Mr. X is too busy with corporate mergers and other (less savory) activities to pay any attention to his affection-starved son. In the meantime, for having the privilege of raising poor Grayer, Nanny must dress up like a Teletubby; nurse Grayer through the croup while his mother relaxes in a spa; observe ludicrous child-rearing rules (soy foods, limits on TV, etc.) that the X's don't bother to follow themselves; and pretend not to notice that the X's marriage is rapidly deteriorating. This hilarious novel skewers the upper-crust society that can't be bothered to raise its own children. It's going to be made into a movie, too, so don't miss it! - *Susan K.*

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

Have a rockin' good summer by joining the 2002 Summer Reading Program at Hayner Library. Kids from birth to fifteen are invited to join us and shake, rattle and read

Rock and Roll Readers agree to read at least 6 hours to complete the program and win a free paperback book of their choice and an invitation to a great end of Summer Reading Program Party. Other great prizes will be awarded throughout the summer.

Be a J.D. Jr. Volunteer – Kids 12-15 years of age can apply and be a volunteer this summer at the library. Applications are available at the Youth Library. Completed applications will be accepted at the Youth Library beginning May 30. Volunteers will work at the library one day per week from June 10-July 26. Let the Good Times Roll!

### *Here's what's shakin' at the Library*

**June 12** - Kick-off/cook-off-10:00 at Hayner Youth Library. Sign up for program, eat lunch and enjoy the "musical" talents of Spoonman!

**June 13** - Victor Pacini will motivate and inspire everyone with his singing and audience participation in his "Follow Your Dream" program-10:00 at Youth Library.

**June 18** - Eldon Rourke amazing magician will be at the Branch Library at 10:00.

**June 19** - Tie-Dye t-shirts and other psychedelic fun crafts. 10:00 at Youth Library. Sign-up recommended. Limited to 60 participants!

**June 25** (Branch) & **June 26** (Youth Lib.) Rock painting, Kazoo making, Rockin' Pins, Elvis Puppets and more jammin' crafts.

**July 9** - Field Trip to Upper Limits (Rock climbing) and Hard Rock Café for memorabilia tour and great food! Limited to 30 participants (ages 7-14).

Advanced sign up is a must along with a signed waiver form to go. This will be an all day trip (10:00-5:00) meeting and pick-up at Youth Lib.

**July 10** - Bobby Norfolk, fantastically funny storyteller, will perform at the Youth Library at 10:00.

**July 16** - Karaoke fun in the Branch library at 10:00. Bring in your best singing voices and perform your favorite song. This can be performed individually or as a group.

**July 17** - Timestep Performers will be "Looking For The Dinosaur" in their action packed Reading Motivational Program. 10:00 at Youth Library.

**July 23** - Mike Anderson, Dulcimer Guy, will return this year and will conduct an instrument-building workshop at 10:00 in the Branch Lib.

**July 24** - End of Summer Reading Program Party by invitation only, participants that have read at least 6 hours this summer will be able to attend. This will be held at the Hayner Youth Library at 6:30. Prizes will be awarded along with snacks. Enjoy fun musical entertainer, Mark Hofeditz.

**Preschool Story Time** will be offered this summer every other Monday at 10:00 in the Youth Library starting June 3.

6/3, 6/17, 7/8, 7/22

**Evening Story Time** will continue this summer every other Tuesday evening at 7:00 in the Youth Library starting June 11. 6/11, 6/25, 7/9, 7/23

***There will be no programs during the month of August due to the staff in the Youth Library being "Rocked Out". Regular programs will resume in September.***

### *Poetry Contest Winner Announced*

To kick off National Poetry Month in April, Hayner Youth Library announced a poetry contest with the winner to be published in the Summer 2002 newsletter. Since the theme of this year's Summer Reading program is "Reading Rocks", contest participants were asked to use music as the subject matter of their poems. The winner of the poetry contest is Herbert J. Peel, an Alton resident and avid user of the library. Congratulations, Herbert! We all enjoyed your poem and we look forward to seeing more of your future work in publication!

#### *Music*
#### *by Herbert J. Peel*

Music is harmony.
Music are notes that are played
on an instrument.
Music is poetry.
Music is a story that is told
Beethoven's Symphony number 6 The
Pastoral tells about
Life in the countryside.
Music can tell us many things.
the tragedy of war,
the love between two people.
About sadness
a Historic event
to worship
Music is all over the world
From Japan to England
From Rio to Alaska
From the times of the ancient Greeks
to Modern Times
Music is as old as time itself
Since before man nature has
and still produces
its own music
Music can be anything we make it
For music will live forever.

## Hayner Main Library Events

***Summer's here and there's so much to do...gardening, baseball games, barbeques and all the GREAT programs at Hayner Main Library. All the programs are free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL 62002.***

### *"Live Life to the Fullest" - Victor Pacini*

**Thursday, June 13, 6:30**

Inspirational speaker Victor Pacini teaches us to live life to the fullest, overcome obstacles and follow our dreams. Using music and anecdotes, this wonderful program will inspire and energize you. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *"I will Survive With Humor But Not Necessarily With Grace" - The Mavenettes*

**Tuesday June 18, 6:30 pm**

# Special Events at Hayner

The Mavenettes is a group of four women that will entertain you with humorous stories and a variety of original song parodies that find humor in daily life. The parodies are based on songs from the 1950s and '60s, show tunes and the occasional classical piece. Don't miss this fun evening of familiar tunes and laugh out loud lyrics! Call to register 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bright Start College Tuition Program - Office of Illinois State Treasurer Judy Topinka*

**Wednesday, June 19, 6:30**

Administrated by the Illinois State Treasurer Judy Baar Topinka, Bright Start is a qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code designed to help you build your college savings. No matter what your financial situation, your investment experience or your children's ages, Bright Start gives you a powerful combination of benefits few other savings vehicles can offer. To learn more about the Bright Start Program, register to attend the presentation on June 19th. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *David Massengill, Master Songwriter Storyteller*

**Thursday, June 27, 6:30 pm**

David's music is often story songs based on real events and we guarantee he will captivate you. He is a critically acclaimed singer songwriter who was greatly responsible for the renewed folk renaissance in Greenwich Village in the late 1970s and early '80s. His work "The Great American Dream" became the unofficial anthem of the New York Folk scene in the early '80s. He has won the New York Music Award in 1992 for Best Album, nominated for best folk act in 1987, 1988 and 1989. He has also performed at the Newport Folk Festival, Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center. Don't miss this one. His voice will sweep you away! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Double Play*

**Wednesday, July 10, 6:30 pm**

The world's only professional flute and tuba duo perform Bach to Broadway. Hailing from Phoenix, Arizona, this is an encore performance for the duo at Hayner. We had a blast with them at their last performance and were amazed at how beautifully two such disparate instruments fit together! They travel with Omni, Patrick's seeing-eye guide dog and incorporate information about guide dogs into the program. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Tracking Your Job Trajectory - A Guide to Job Hunting*

**Saturday July 13 - 9 am- 12:00 pm**
**Saturday July 27 - 9 am- 2:30 pm**

This two-part series will help prepare you in your search for a new job. Part one will include instruction on resume preparation and interviewing skills. Participants will be given the opportunity to write a sample resume and submit it to the instructor for individual critique. The second session will review successful resume techniques and also offer the opportunity for practice interviews. Enrollment is limited to 20. To enroll, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *From Spirituals to Swing - The Jared Hennings Ensemble*

**Tuesday, July 16, 6:30 pm**

Local singer, Jared Hennings has been a star attraction as "Minnie the Moocher" in Lewis and Clark Community College's recreation of 1940 USO shows. Now the Jared Hennings Ensemble (vocals, bass and piano) is coming to Hayner to provide a program of a variety of music including blues, spirituals, ragtime, Broadway showtunes and more. You'll want to dance in the aisles at this program! To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Genealogy Roundtable*

**Wednesday, July 17, 6:30 pm**

Join us in the Illinois Room of the Main Library for our next quarterly Genealogy Roundtable. Our guest speaker will be Mandy Brannon, owner of the Scrapbook Garden in Wood River. Mandy will discuss how to protect and preserve your genealogical documents and photographs. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

*All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.*

### *Mike Anderson - Singer, Storyteller, Humorist*

**Tuesday, July 23, 6:30 pm**

Enjoy the beauty of the Mountain Dulcimer, and the humor of a seasoned storyteller as Mike Anderson presents story and songs that will delight all ages. Mike will bring his bag of musical tricks full of all kinds of surprises!....remember the nose flute? Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Folk Favorites with Mark Hoffeditz*

**Tuesday, August 6, 6:30 pm**

Local singer Mark Hoffeditz will sing with acoustic accompaniment folk favorites we all know and love. Mark very much encourages singing along. In fact, in a different twist, Mark would like to encourage your suggestions in building his program. If you have some particular favorites that you would like to hear included in the program, contact Bernadette at Hayner Library (462-0677) and Mark will work to tailor a program that will have us all singing our hearts out! To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Smart Women Finish Rich - Chris Milford*

**Tuesday, August 13, 6:30 pm**

Chris Milford, Investment Representative from EdwardJones, presents an educational seminar that provides you with seven steps to help you achieve financial security and fund your dreams. He will present some simple steps to improve the quality of your financial life including: putting your money where your values are; how to figure out where you stand financially; the power of the 'latte factor'; how to build financial 'baskets' for your retirement. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *What is eBay? - Kelly Meier*

**Wednesday, August 21, 6:30 pm**

Interested in learning about eBay, an online auction service? Technical Consultant, Kelly Meier, demonstrates the basics of buying and selling on eBay.com. This overview session is an introduction on how to search for an auction item, how to set up a buyer or seller account, how to place a bid, and how to protect yourself from fraud. Be sure to bring your questions. Happy bidding! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bright Start College Savings Program A Smart and Easy College Savings Plan for Anyone!

The value of a college education cannot be denied. But saving for college is often the biggest financial challenge a family will face. That's why the Office of State Treasurer Judy Baar Topinka is pleased to present the Bright Start College Savings Program.

Bright Start is a qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code and is specifically designed to help build your college savings. Implemented in April 2000, Bright Start is the only college savings plan that provides significant tax benefits unavailable with any other college savings program. No matter what your financial situation, your investment experience, or your children's ages, Bright Start presents unprecedented flexibility. Anyone can open an account regardless of income level and anyone can be a student, regardless of age.

To learn more about the Bright Start program, please attend the Bright Start presentation on Wednesday June 19 at 6:30 pm in the Hayner Main Library. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. If you have questions regarding Bright Start, feel free to contact the Office of the State Treasurer at 217-558-4983.

## Library Card Applications - Easy and Fast!

Do you have your Hayner Library card? If you live in Alton, Godfrey or Fosterburg townships, you are entitled to a card...and remember, you can use your card at any of the libraries in the Lewis and Clark Library system. To apply for a card, the following is required:

1. Photo ID (driver's license, student ID or similar form)
2. Proof of residency in the Hayner Public Library District (This may include a utility bill, a phone bill or bank statement - it must have the individual's name and current address on it.)
3. Children under 18 require a parent's signature on the application.
4. During the first 30 days upon being issued a library card, the patron is limited to two items per checkout at any one time. Upon return of these two items, the patron can check out two different items. At the end of the initial 30 day period, the patron can check out items as allowed by the standards established by the library district.

## Tea and Talent Returns

St. Paul's Episcopal Church brings back 'Tuesday Tea and Talent' for its tenth season. Starting on June 18th and continuing every Tuesday through August 6, these noontime programs offer a great escape from your busy day. Each week, a different musical program will be presented. Iced tea is available free of charge and attendees are encouraged to bring their lunch. Programs last approximately 30 minutes and are held in the garden in front of the church (St. Paul's is located at 3rd Street and Market, across form the Stratford Hotel). If the weather is too warm or wet, programs are held in the Church's meeting room. Some of the performers this year will include Sean Stone and Friends, Singer Martha Brocus accompanied by Charlie Fisher, Thora Buis on the Hammered Dulcimer, the New Horizons Band, Bud Summers and Nancy Muessen on oboe and classical guitar, Reverend Howard and Leah White singing showtunes, a concert preview of Alton Little Theater's production of Jesus Christ Superstar and more!

## OASIS and BJC Plus Announce Summer Programs

OASIS (Older Adult Services and Information Systems) and BJC Plus are offering some wonderful summer programs that are sure to be of interest to you. The Alton chapter of OASIS BJC Plus is located in Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall. *For additional information and to learn how to register for the following OASIS & BJC Plus programs, call (618) 463-4100 ext. 3050 between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm.*

**June:**

- *PACE (People With Arthritis Can Exercise)* Monday & Wednesday, 6/3-7/10 from 10:30-11:30 am. A low-impact chair exercise program to improve flexibility and range of motion. 12 sessions - De Harris & Dollie Cooper, Instructors - Free
- *Beginning Tai Chi* Monday & Thursday, 6/3-6/27 from 6:00-7:00 pm. A beautiful flowing movement exercise class. 8 sessions - Dean McBride, Instructor - $34.00
- *Three Faces of Power* Monday 6/3 from 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Discussion of the book by the same name that explores concepts of power. 1 session - Dr. Ronald Glossop, Instructor - Free
- *Beginner Golf Lessons* OASIS & Rolling Hills Golf Course offer beginning golfing lessons. 4 sessions - Robert Van Hatten, Instructor - $55.00
- *Senior Fishing Derby at Glazebrook Park, Godfrey, IL.* OASIS & Godfrey Parks & Recreation present their first senior fishing derby. Call (618) 466-1483 for further information. 1 session - Godfrey Parks & Recreation/OASIS - Free
- *Changing Roles of Women in Film and Stage* Wednesday, 6/19 from 2:00-4:00 pm. A look at the impact of women in film and stage over the century. 1 session - Joe Costantino, Instructor - $6.00
- *Women of the Bible: Ruth* Thursday, 6/20 from 10:30 - Noon. A study of Ruth from the Bible. 1 session - Judy Miller, Leader - Free
- *Grandparenting Rights* Friday, 6/21 from 1:00-2:00 pm. Exploring the legal issues and rights of grandparents. 1 session - Don Hoffmann, Attorney - Free

## New Microfilm Equipment

A new microfilm reader has been installed at the Hayner Main Library. This reader is interfaced with a computer to now allow patrons to copy microfilm images to disk. Once on disk, these images can be taken home to use in your own computer scrapbook of family tree files. This adds another dimension to the integrity of genealogical research. Staff genealogist Cathie Lamere or any member of the main library circulation staff can assist you in use of the new equipment. Microfilms available at the main library include the Alton Telegraph (back to 1836), Madison County census information and confederate prison records.

## *Patron Profile- Michael Harvey*

Michael Harvey was raised in Wood River and moved to Alton specifically to work with the Alton Fire Department. He has been with the department 23 years now and is currently Assistant Chief. He and his family are also avid Hayner Library patrons. Mike says going to the library has always been one of his favorite pastimes and he and his wife, Terri, have instilled a love of reading in their children also. The Harveys have two children, a son Nicholas, 20, and a daughter, Whitney, 16. Mike's wife teaches first grade at JB Johnson Elementary School and is a frequent user of the 6-week box program available for teachers from the Hayner Youth Library (staff will pull books and other materials based on a topic the teachers are presenting to their classes).

Mike talked about his daily life as a firefighter and it was truly fascinating. He works 24 hour shifts, then is off for 48 hours, then back on duty for 24 hours. He jokes that he has been married for 26 years but since he's away from home a third of every year, he and his wife really could count a little over 14 years of wedded bliss!

Mike works at the firehouse at 222 East 20th street (by St. Anthony's). He noted that when he started with the department there were five firehouses. Now Alton supports two firehouses. His first assignment was at a firehouse on State Street which is now the Firehouse Tavern. The firehouse becomes a home-away-from-home and the department is a close family-like group. There is one female firefighter in Mike's house. He noted that she has proven herself as extremely capable time and time again in active duty. He offers that the crew works together well and depends on each other. "You look at everyone you work with as someone you can depend upon with your life." I asked Mike who does the cooking in his firehouse and he said that his team rotates cooking duties. Some houses do have one designated cook volunteer, often because the cook never has to wash the dishes!

A typical day requires everyone to pitch in and perform maintenance jobs in the morning-maintenance of the firehouse as well as vehicle and equipment maintenance. There is also a daily training schedule which ranges from new equipment training to learning all the streets in the firefighting district (actual on the road driving/training that is repeated every three days). During the last two years, Mike's department has hired 12 new people and they get involved with the more experienced fighters in constant OTJ training activities. Recently, the entire force was put through intensive training in new auto extraction equipment. While the on-the-job training never stops, most of the firefighters have completed programs in firefighting science such as the one available through Lewis and Clark Community College. If the firefighter is also an EMT, he is also required to have paramedic certification with re-certification every four years. Most officers also earn a State of Illinois certification which would allow them to work in any fire department within the state.

Mike said that last year his house was called out on 3800-4000 rescue and fire related runs, thus averaging over ten per day. The majority of the calls are rescue calls requiring emergency medical service from trained firefighter paramedics. Mike has been a paramedic for 17 years and worked on a rescue truck for 15 years. He's seen it all...and then some. He has delivered several babies and recounted a great anecdote. He was coaching his daughter's softball game when he got into a conversation with one of the attending mothers. When she found out he was a fireman, she told him excitedly that her daughter had been delivered by a fireman and these many years later she was still trying "to find the fireman that delivered my baby". She told him the date of the delivery and the address of the house where it took place. Mike had a moment of instant recall and said "Ma'am, that fireman was me!" She threw her arms around him and in her excitement and enthusiasm, confusedly yelled to the entire softball field "you're the Dad" to which Mike quickly set her straight..."NO, NO, Ma'am, please...I just delivered you!" (which of course, to her embarrassment is what she had meant in the first place). To make the coincidence even stronger, it turns out that the baby (a daughter) was now a young lady playing on the very softball team Mike was coaching!

Mike also recalled several much more somber moments of the job. He will never forget an arson fire at a home on Highland where the house went down in blazes, trapping two of his fellow firefighters. He said it is an awful feat to try and continue to concentrate on fighting the fire when the men were gone. He also recounted the experience of the Box Board plant fire in 1982. The facility produced stacks of cardboard bales that sat for shipment in literally acres of land by the Riverfront. The stacks were 50 feet high, 50 feet wide, and 200 feet long and there were hundreds of them. Once the fire started in these cardboard stacks it spread rapidly aided by 60 MPH winds. It took four days to contain and ultimately extinguish the fire. Mike says in such a critical situation "your thoughts run to your family, you think, will I be home-this is so big". He says he and his wife have an unwritten rule that they don't talk a lot about the more serious situations he's been in.

It was such a pleasure to talk with Mike and we send him, his family and all his colleagues our prayers for safety and our thanks for the incredible service they provide.

## Email Training is a Hit!

Having run our first series of email training classes, we defiantly have a hit on our hands! Attendees often began the class a little apprehensively, each convinced they would never be able to crack the secret world of computers and electronic communication...and left extolling the wonders of Hotmail and anxious to get home to start emailing EVERYONE! The classes were taught by Technical Consultant Kelly Meier and funded by a grant from the Illinois State Library. Unfortunately, the response to the original class offering was overwhelming and we could not accommodate everyone but we have maintained a waiting list. The exciting news is that due to the support of a private endowment fund we are ready to schedule our next series of classes. These classes will provide basic email training (specifically Hotmail). The classes will begin on July 10 and continue each Wednesday through August 28. They will be held in the Francis Metzger Conference Room of the Hayner Youth Library. We will try to accommodate those already on the waiting list with this next series of classes. If you are on the list, you will be contacted by Hayner Staff to arrange scheduling. If you would like to add your name to the list, call 1-800-613-3163.

## New Alton Farmers Market

This year the Farmers Market in downtown Alton is going to be bigger and better than ever! Vendors will be offering fresh produce, plants, flowers and breads. This year, there will also be crafts and even live entertainment! The market will be open every Saturday in June through September from 8 am till 12:00 noon. Make sure you stop by the market when you make your Saturday morning library visit. Can't you just taste those big sweet summer peaches and juicy tomatoes?

There is also still room for more vendors - if you are interested, call the Alton Marketplace Association at 618-463-1016 or email ampa@tcip.net.

### If you like Jan Karon, try these titles:

Binchy, Dan.
**The Last Resort**
Chiaverini, Jennifer.
**The Quilter's Apprentice**
Edgerton, Clyde.
**Walking Across Egypt**
Evans, Richard Paul.
**The Christmas Box**
Goudge, Elizabeth.
**Dean's Watch**
Gulley, Philip.
**Home to Harmony**
Read, Miss.
**Thrush Green**
Ross, Ann B.
**Miss Julia Speaks Her Mind**
Thirkell, Angela.
**Never Too Late**

## Hours Change at Branch Library

On March 5th, the hours of operation changed at our Branch Library.

***New Hours are:***

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| **Monday thru Thursday** | **9:30 am-9:00 pm** |
| **Friday & Saturday** | **9:30 am-9:30 pm** |
| **Sunday** | **12:00 pm-6:00 pm** |

The change was made because the majority of the stores in the mall chose to close at 9:00 pm instead of 9:30 pm.


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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Labor Day - September 1, 2
Veterans Day - November 11
Thanksgiving - November 28

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## *Meet New Staff*

Three new people have joined the staff of the Hayner Public Library District. They are Kyndal Watsek, Sue Oerter and Natalie Sneed. Kyndal is a full-time Assistant Cataloger helping to catalog the volumes of new print and non-print material that arrives every day. Previously, Kyndal worked in the Roxana Library. She has one son, Nathan, 7. Sue Oerter is a full-time Library Assistant in the Main Library working the circulation desk and assisting patrons. Sue taught school at St. Ambrose for 9 years and prior to that was a book seller at B. Dalton. Sue and her husband, John, have three sons and live in Godfrey. Natalie Sneed is a part-time assistant in the Youth Library where she also works the circulation desk and helps with Youth activities. Natalie is recently graduated from Blackburn College with a degree in Elementary Education. Natalie lives in Wood River. Please take a moment to meet our new staff when you have the opportunity. We welcome them all!

**Kyndal Watsek**

**Sue Oerter**

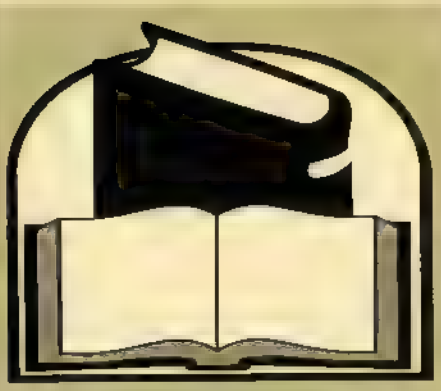
**Natalie Sneed**

## *Celebrate Freedom*

We are all aware of the anniversary we will be commemorating this fall of the awful events of one year ago. Every life was affected that day in some way. Many of us felt violated by the attack on our freedom and realized how our personal safety and liberties can be so easily taken for granted. One of the most important of those liberties is outlined in the First Amendment, our freedom of speech. To honor this freedom, libraries across the country celebrate Banned Book Week (BBW). Banned Book Week celebrates the freedom to express one's opinion even if that opinion might be considered unorthodox or unpopular ***and*** stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of those unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints to all who wish to read them. Often challenges are issued, motivated by a desire to protect children from reading books with "inappropriate" content or "offensive" language. Although this is a commendable motivation, the American Library Association, in the Library Bill of Rights, states "Librarians and governing bodies should maintain that parents - and only parents - have the right and the responsibility to restrict the access of their children - and only their children - to library resources." We are all so fortunate to live in this country where our freedoms are protected. Celebrate your freedom to read during Banned Book Week, September 21-28, 2002.

A small sampling of books challenged or banned in 2001-2002:
***The Bible*** in Ocala, FL
***Different Seasons*** by Stephen King in Brooksville, FL
***Where the Heart Is*** by Billie Letts, in Tamaqua, PA
***James Baldwin*** by Randall Kenan in Anahieim, CA
***Foreign Relations of the United States 1964-69, Volume XXVI, Indonesia, Malaysia-Singapore, Philippines.***-U.S. States Department
***To Kill a Mockingbird*** by Harper Lee in Glynn County, GA
***Member of the Wedding*** by Carson McCullers in Tamaqua, PA
***Willa Cather*** by Sharon O'Brian in Anaheim, CA
***Catcher in the Rye*** by J.D. Salinger in Summerville, SC
***Trailsman Series*** by Jon Sharpe in Springdale, AR
***Sophie's Choice*** by William Styron in La Mirada, CA
***Lord of the Rings*** by J.R.R. Tolkien in Alamagordo, NM

"Restriction of free thought and free speech is the most dangerous of all subversions. It is the one un-American act that could most easily defeat us." - Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas



## *New and Forthcoming Books – Fiction*

Brown, Sandra. **The Crush**
Case, John. **The Eighth Day**
Clancy, Tom. **Red Rabbit**
Connelly, Michael. **Chasing the Dime**
Garwood, Julie. **Killjoy**
George, Elizabeth. **I, Richard**
Grafton, Sue. **Q is for Quarry**
Grimes, Martha. **The Grave Maurice: A Richard Jury Mystery**
Hoag, Tami. **Dark Horse**
Jakes, John. **Charleston**
Jance, Judith. **Partner in Crime**
King, Stephen. **From a Buick 8**
Pearson, Ridley. **The Art of Deception**
Smith, Martin Cruz. **December 6**
Steel, Danielle. **Answered Prayers**
Tanenbaum, Robert K. **Absolute Rage**
Updike, John. **Seek My Face**

## *New and Forthcoming Books – Non-Fiction*

Bossidy, Larry. **Execution: The Discipline of Getting Things Done**
Conant, Jennet. **Tuxedo Park: A Wall Street Tycoon and the Secret Palace of Science that Changed the Course of World War II**
Lowell, Christopher. **If You Can Dream It, You Can Do It! Dream Décor on a Budget**
McEnroe, John. **You Cannot Be Serious**
Oren, Michael. **Six Days of War: June 1967 and the Making of the Modern Middle East**
Rains, Rob. **Cardinal Nation**
Standiford, Les. **Last Train to Paradise: Henry Flagler and the Building of the Railroad That Crossed the Ocean**
Stiles, T.J. **Jesse James: Last Rebel of the Civil War**
Trudeau, Noah Andre. **Gettysburg: A Testing of Courage**

## *Hitting the High Notes!*

Two local musical organizations offer our community an outstanding level of top quality music performance.

One is the Alton Symphony which has been in existence over 50 years. It is led by Music Director and Conductor, Edward Dolbashian and is made up of highly talented local volunteer musicians. The concerts are held at Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College and tickets are available at Winds and Strings Music Shop, Halpin Music Company or at the door. Currently, the programs for 2002/2003 include:

Strauss, Mozart, Mendelssohn & More, Saturday, November 2, 2002, 8:00 pm
Guest: Peggy Garrett-Eggers, Soprano
Holiday Pops Extravaganza, Saturday, December 14, 2002, 8:00 pm
Guest: Great Rivers Choral Society
Respighi, Artunian, Dvorak, Saturday, February 22, 2003, 8:00 pm
Guest: Mary Weber, Trumpet
Stillwell Young Artist Concert, Saturday, April 26, 8:00 pm
Winners of the Stillwell Competition
Alton Symphony Pops and Jazz Fundraiser, Saturday, June 14, 2003, 7:00 pm
Held at the Melvin Price Lock and Dam

For additional information, call the Alton Symphony at 618-467-2326 or via internet at www.altonsymphony.org

The Greater Alton Concert Association Foundation has announced their 62nd Concert Series for 2002/2003. Performances are held in the Ann Whitney Olin Theater in Hatheway Hall at Lewis and Clark Community College.

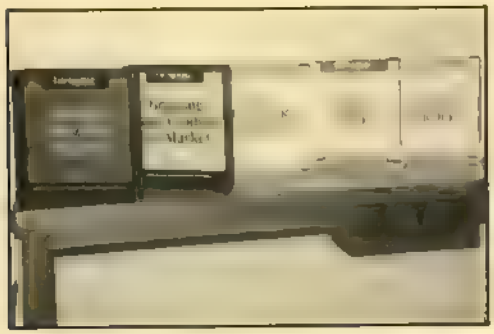
Programs include:

Bob Coleman's Legacy Big Band with Tom Heitman,
Sunday, October 27, 2002, 3:00 pm
St. Louis Wind Symphony, Sunday, December 15, 2002, 3:00 pm
Millikin University Choir, Sunday, January 12, 2003, 3:00 pm
Dancetime, Friday, February 7, 2003, 7:30 pm
Red, Hott and Blue, Saturday, March 8th, 2003, 7:30 pm

For tickets and/or more information, call the GACAF at 618-466-7751. Tickets are available in advance or at the door.

## *Get Those Best Sellers - FAST!!*

The Hayner Public Library District is announcing a new service to help get the best sellers in your hands as quickly as possible. Often times, when a popular author such as John Grisham or Patricia Cornwall has a new book hitting the shelves, the waiting list of anxious readers is so long, you may wait weeks or even months until you get a copy. Therefore, we are announcing our new "Express Books" program. With this program, the library will offer additional copies of the most heavily requested best sellers, clearly marked with bright yellow labels. Express Books will only check out for one week, will be nonrenewable and will have a $.25 per day fine when overdue. With additional copies of the best sellers available, and since they only check out for one week at a time, they will move from patron to patron more quickly. So now you have three different options to choose when checking out best sellers: Regular circulating books - 2 week checkout, $.10/day overdue fine; Express Books - 1 week checkout, $.25 /day overdue fine; Rental Books - 2 week checkout, $2.00 rental fee. We hope this additional service helps satisfy our patrons who can't wait to get their hands on the latest 'must read'!



## *SCORE Strengthens Library Collection - Strengthens Community*

SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives) is a volunteer organization of business people that offers free confidential business counseling to help small businesses to prosper. SCORE has been an active and very helpful participant in many of the Hayner Library's business programs. SCORE has also made a very significant contribution to the Hayner Library Business Reference collection. In September of 2001, the Alton/Godfrey Chapter 423 donated to the library eight volumes of the Entrepreneurs' Publication series on How to Start Your Own Business. This series covers, in cookbook style, every facet of planning, financing, start-up and operations of different small business enterprises. The various volumes include *How to Start a(n) : Child Care Services Business, Apparel Business, Restaurant Business, Bed and Breakfast, e-Business* and *Business Support Service*. There are also two volumes titled *Creating a Successful Business Plan*, and *Starting and Running Your Home-Based Business*. This spring, the library was thrilled to learn that SCORE was going to contribute five additional volumes to the collections. The new titles include *How to Start a: Crafts Business, a Lawn Care business, a Cleaning Service, Bringing your Product to Market* and a *Start-up Success Set*. Each volume also comes with a CD titled "The Ultimate Financial Forecaster". These guides are extremely complete yet easy to follow and will provide you with explicit directions in all facets of starting your own business.

With SCORE'S help, Hayner Main Library houses one of the premier Business Reference collections in southern Illinois. Hayner Library is one of only four libraries in the entire state to hold the Entrepreneur series.

SCORE executives are also investigating the revitalization of their participation in a "Third Thursday" program in conjunction with the Alton Marketplace Association. SCORE representatives would be available once a month (on third Thursdays) in the evening in a downtown location - likely the AMA offices - for anyone who would like small business development advice. These sessions would not require an appointment and could also determine the viability of initiating a formal SCORE counseling program. As with all SCORE activities, there would be no charge for this service.

Thank you so much to SCORE for all the support they have given the Hayner Public Library as well as our entire community. This organization has been extremely important to many of the small business success stories in the River Bend area. If you would like more information on SCORE please call their offices at 618-467-2280.

## *Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale is Coming!*

The bi-annual Fall Book Sale sponsored by the Hayner Friends of the Library will be held October 10, 11 and 12. Thursday, October 10, is a preview night and for this night only, there is a $5.00 admission fee. Friday, October 11, the sale will be open from 9 am till 7 pm with free admission. On Saturday, October 12, the hours are 9:00 am till 2:00 pm, also with free admission. Most hardcover books will sell for $1.00 and paperbacks for $.50. There will also be some specially-priced items. The Friends have collected a huge supply of all types of books, magazines, music and more. These sales are a book and bargain-lover's dream come true! Make sure to come and join the fun.

## *OASIS and BJC Plus Announce Fall Programs*

OASIS (Older Adult Services and Information Systems) is an organization with activities for people 50 years and older in our community. OASIS offers a very full calender of activities this fall and several are highlighted here. Contact OASIS at (618)463-4100 for a catalogue of the complete offerings, additional information and/or to register.

**These programs are held at the OASIS & BJC Plus Center in Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall.**

***The House that Sears Built,*** presented by Rosemary Thornton. Rosemary will discuss her book, *The Houses that Sears Built-Everything you Ever Wanted to Know About Sears Catalog Homes*. Hear about this fascinating American residential genre. Wood River and Alton are featured throughout the book for the large number of Sears homes in these communities. Books will be available for signing. Course number: Alton Oasis 5006, Friday Oct. 4, 1-2:00 pm, Fee $4.

***Meriwether Lewis, Soldier in the Mist-*** Dianne Moran, professional storyteller. Dianne is an award winning storyteller and appears as Lucy Lewis Marks, Meriwether Lewis' mother. As Lucy, she shares highlights of her son's journal while on the Lewis and Clark expedition. Don't miss this fascinating event. Fee: $10.00, course number: Alton OASIS 4007, Sept. 26, 1:00-2:00 pm.

***OASIS Open House -***
**De Harris, OASIS volunteers**
In celebration of OASIS' 20th anniversary, an open house will be held for its members, Famous-Barr employees and the community. Refreshments, prizes, entertainment and tours of the center will be available. Free. Course number Alton OASIS 3004, Oct. 23 11:00 am-3:00m pm.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

**Preschool Story Time** will be at 10:00 a.m. and be held at the Youth Library every other Monday starting on September 9, 9/23, 10/7, 10/21, 11/4, and 11/18. Story Time will be held at the Branch Library every other Tuesday starting on September 10, 9/24, 10/8, 10/22, 11/5, and 11/19. Preschool Story Time is for children ages 3-5.

**Evening Story Time** begins at 7:00 p.m. and will be held at the Youth Library every other Tuesday evening beginning September 17, 10/1, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12, and 11/26.

We will also be having the **Lapsit Program** again this fall. The Lapsit is designed for children from birth to age two. The program lasts from 20 to 30 minutes and consists of very easy books and songs. Its purpose is to get children used to the library. We don't expect the children attending this program to sit still for the entire program. The Lapsit begins Tuesday, September 17th at 10:00 a.m. The program is held every other Tuesday at the Youth Library 9/17, 10/1, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12, and 11/26.

We are starting our **Read 'n Rant** book club for teens again. The book club meets the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Library. The meeting dates are 9/5, 10/3 and 11/7. Come pick up your free copy of the book we are going to read at the Youth Library.

**After School Fun** is going on at the Youth Library the second Thursday of every month starting September 12th. We will be doing something fun for all ages. After School Fun starts at 3:30 p.m. and usually ends at 4:30 p.m.

**Teen Read Week** is October 13th thru 19th. This year's theme is the Graphic Novel. The Youth Library will be hosting a Teen Night on October 17th at 7:00 p.m.

In honor of Halloween the Youth Library again will have the **Sparks and Spooks** program. Area storytellers will be at the library to tell some "scary tales". This will be held on October 24th at 6:30 p.m.

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Fall is here and temperatures will soon be dropping. What isn't dropping is the number of great new programs at the Hayner Main Library. Plus, we'll also be bringing back some old friends! All programs are free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

### Book Signing - Author Carl Day
***Tom Custer***
**Sat., September 7, 11:00 am-1:00 pm**
Tom Custer, brother to George Custer, was a hero in his own right. He is the first man to receive two Medals of Honor for heroism on the battlefield. Written by local author Carl Day, Tom Custer is more than just a tale of military exploits - this biography reveals the private lives of Custer and his family. A fascinating book, it is embellished with 14 illustrations and 4 maps. Meet the author at **Hayner Branch Library** (Alton Square Mall), pick up your own copy and have it signed!

### Mark Ellebracht
***WBGZ Broadcasts From Hayner Branch Library***
**Monday September 9, 10:00-11:00 am**
Mark Ellebracht, host of the WBGZ (1570 AM) radio show "Let's Talk", will broadcast live from the Hayner Branch Library on September 9th. Stop by to watch the show and help us kick off National Library Card Sign Up Month. There promises to be surprises, great talk and fun!

### Mavenettes
***More Humor and Song***
**Tuesday, September 10, 6:30 pm**
The four Mavenettes had such a good time entertaining us this summer, they want to come back! The women will regale you with new song parodies set to the tunes of our favorite oldies. Don't miss the fun - great music and laugh out loud lyrics! To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Misty Ridge
***An evening of Bluegrass***
**Tuesday, September 17, 6:30 pm**
Misty Ridge is a family musical trio (Carl, Jeremiah and Jim Mager) from the River Bend area. They will be performing a traditional bluegrass program recreating the classics of such early founders as Flatt & Scruggs and Bill Monroe. Jim plays the guitar and mandolin and provides the vocals. Carl plays banjo and also covers vocals. Jeremiah accompanies the group on the bass, Jim will also provide some of the history of the origins of this truly American musical art form. Join us for foot stomping fun. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Jean Monico Trio
### *Echos of Spain*
**Thursday, September 19, 6:30 pm**

This wonderful trio will be performing Jean Monico's original work, *Echos of Spain,* as well as works by other Spanish composers. As an added treat, several traditional Spanish dances will be performed. Travel to this beautiful country via the Trio's music - and no jet lag! **Note:** This performance will be held in the **Benjamin Godfrey Chapel** on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Robert Cook
### *Presidential Wit & Humor: Notes, Quotes and Anecdotes*
**Tuesday, September 24, 6:30 pm**

A humorous yet instructive look at American presidents, vice presidents and would-be presidents. Included are Chief Executives' observations on Congress, the courts, the press and the presidency itself. The vice presidency receives considerable (and sometimes irreverent) attention. The program concludes with examples of presidential wit and repartee both on and off the campaign circuit. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Robert E. Hartley
### *Lewis and Clark in the Illinois Country: The Little Told Story*
**Tuesday, October 1, 6:30 pm**

Author Robert Hartley has written about Illinois politics and history for four decades. His latest book, *Lewis and Clark in the Illinois Country,* focuses on the 6 months the Corps of Discovery spent along the banks of the Mississippi River to recruit soldiers, gather supplies and prepare for the journey ahead.

Come hear about these extraordinary men and their riveting experiences during this period - stories that have not previously been told in detail. Mr Hartley will also discuss how he researched his book and be available for questions and answers. Books will be available for purchase. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *2002 Flu Clinic*
**Sat., October 5, 11:00 am- 1:00 pm**

Don't forget your flu shot! The flu season is once again approaching and we have scheduled our annual flu clinic. Staff of the Visiting Nurses Association will be dispensing flu shot vaccines at the Main Library. The costs of the shots this year have not yet been determined by the VNA but will be available prior to the clinic date.

## Lance Brown
### *Vintage Music and Humor*
**Tuesday, October 8, 6:30 pm**

Lance Brown has performed at Hayner before, doing his remarkable recreation of the character of Will Rogers as well as a program of 'down home' humor. He returns with his show *Vintage Music and Humor*. His use of innuendo, exaggerations and double meanings will have you roaring with laughter and his music will have your feet tapping. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Quarterly Genealogy Roundtable*
**Wednesday, October 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Elsie Wasser, Librarian for the Madison County Genealogical Society, will speak with our Genealogy Roundtable group in the Illinois Room of the Main Library, 326 Belle St., Alton. She will discuss beginning genealogy, sharing with us some of her tips and tricks for successful searching and address various topics including overseas research, immigration and naturalization, adoption and military records as time allows. Please call 1-800-613-3163 for reservations and join us for a great time.

## John Crane
### *Classical Violin*
**Sunday, October 13, 1:30 pm**

Local violinist John Crane is a violin instructor and teacher at Font Bonne University. He will present a program of encore classical pieces, accompanied by piano. This is guaranteed to be a beautifully moving performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Chris Vallillo
### *Folk Music in Central Illinois*
**Tuesday, November 5, 6:30 pm**

In 1986, singer-songwriter Chris Vallillo carried out a project to interview the last pre-radio generation and to collect their oral histories and music. In a musical program and commentary, he brings to life these stories and performs the music of people from rural Illinois in the late 19th century. His music portrays the joys and sorrows, ups and downs of Midwestern life. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## By B-Flats
### *Popular American Songs from 1910-1918*
**Sunday, November 10, 1:30 pm**

By B-Flats is a five member clarinet ensemble from Quincy, Il that has been performing together for over 10 years. They will perform music for the period of 1910-1918 including such favorites as *Let Me Call You Sweetheart, Peg o' My Heart, Beale Street Blues* and more. This program includes a brief snapshot of life in America at that time. Come enjoy this unique event. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Robert Rubright
### *Breakfast with Bob*
**Tuesday, November 19, 6:30 pm**

Author Robert Rubright's program "Breakfast with Bob"

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is a lighthearted lecture about Midwestern breakfast joints. He will examine topics such as breakfast regulars, cantankerous customers, customer ejections, buttered toast policies, toothpick demand, moochers, menu quirks and more. This program is a hoot - if you've ever eaten in a hometown breakfast joint, you are bound to recognize some of the characters! Bob has also written several hiking guides to the St. Louis metropolitan area and since 1997, he and his walks have been featured on KETC Channel 9. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Peter, Lynda and Mary Music for the Holidays *(still looking for Paul)*

**Sunday, December 1, 2:30 pm**

Pete Pancella and his wife Mary make a return engagement to the library to help us kick off the holiday season. They will be accompanied by vocalist Lynda Caselton. Pete, a string instructor at Lewis and Clark Community College and founder of the Lewis and Clark Camarata will perform on violin accompanying Mary, also a vocalist, performer and composer. The program will be a combination of traditional and lighter fair to get us in the holiday spirit. We have enjoyed when Pete has brought his ensemble to the library in the past...they always perform great music with energy and surprises. To register call 1-800-613-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***

## *Summer Reading Program, "Reading Rocks", comes to an End*

The Summer Reading Program, "Reading Rocks", came to an end on July 24. Participants celebrated with a party at the Youth Library. Mark Hofeditz provided the music while the Friends of Hayner Library provided cookies and punch. The children that read at least six hours (411 total) received a free book with many additional prizes also given out. Top winners in the four age brackets were: 12 and up age group – Jennifer Von Bergen with 213 hours read, 9-11 group – Ashley Baahlman with 114 hours, 6-8 group - a tie with Steven Frank and David Ritter who each read 60 hours and in the 0-5 age group - another tie with Austin and Mary Anne Curvey each being read to for 48 hours. The school that wins the traveling trophy this year is Eunice Smith.

Carol Brockmeyer, the Youth Services Manager at Hayner Library, stated that the success of the program was largely due to all the parents, grandparents and friends that brought kids to the library this summer. Also helping was a great group of volunteers; Amelia Llorens, Sarah Norooz, Amanda Zaugg, Bene Rigdon, Jordan Compis, Myndee Camerer, Courtney Hayes, Lucy Luken, Stephanie Bellitto, Emily Houchens and Sam Watt. The Youth Library is also very lucky with being a part of the Foster Grandparent Program and has two of the best that help out with programs, Grandma Minnie and Grandma Nita.

**Thanks** also to many area businesses and organizations for their help in giving their time, gifts or talents. They are: Alby Quarry, Steve Davis "Elvis", The Friends of Hayner Library, Great Central Lumber, Hard Rock Café, The Jennie D.'s, McDonalds Restaurant, Raging Rivers Water Park, The St. Louis Cardinals, Target and the Ty Company.

Hayner Library is looking forward to next year's summer reading program, "Lights, Camera, Read" and hopes it will be equally successful.

## *Get Carded @ your Library for Library Card Sign-up Month*

Can you name the one item that gives you access to nearly everything on the Web and in print and provides personal assistance to help you find what you're looking for? It's your library card. This year the American Library Association (ALA) is reminding you to *get carded @ your library* and enjoy all the important things a library card gives you access to. "Today's libraries are dynamic, modern community centers for education, information and entertainment," said ALA President Mitch Freedman. "And librarians are the ultimate search engine, helping you and your family find what you need for your health, jobs and other needs."

Observed in September since 1987, Library Card Sign-up Month is a time when ALA and libraries across the country remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning. Any resident of Alton, Godfrey or Fosterburg townships can come to any Hayner branch to get a library card. Just show a picture ID and another form of ID with your current address (a utilities bill, rental lease, etc.) It only takes five minutes and offers untold rewards for you and your family!

## For Women by Women Conference Series: *It's All About Image*

The highly successful conference series, For Women by Women, announces the fall 2002 seminar, titled *It's All About Image*. The conference will identify the messages you send to customers and co-workers through appearance, behavior and communication. It will help address issues in these areas to ensure you are working at your peak of confidence and productivity. Interesting and motivational, this program is appropriate to all business environments and job levels. Past conferences in this bi-annual series have won rave reviews from attendees and topics are determined from YOUR input. Developed by members of SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives), The Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois and local business women, the program will be held at the Alton Holiday Inn at 3800 Homer Adams Parkway on Friday, September 27, 2002. It will be a half day program beginning with a continental breakfast available at 8:00 am. Tickets are $50.00 in advance, $75 at the door. If three or more attend from the same organization, a group rate of $40 each applies. Program brochures and registration forms are available at all Hayner Library locations, from the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois and all Union Planters Bank locations and Alton locations of TheBank of Edwardsville. For more information, call Bernadette Duvernoy at Hayner Library at 462-0677 or Martha Morse of the Growth Association at 467-2280. Don't miss this great opportunity to polish your self image and ultimately advance your business career!

## *Patron Profile - Joe Ducey*

Joe Ducey had worked in the Alton school district for 31 years before retiring in 1989. His teaching career includes elementary school teacher (6th grade) administration (serving as an assistant principal and a principal), teaching at Lewis and Clark Community College (Ed Psych and Math and English in the GED program) as well as tutoring students who speak English as a second language. Joe has obviously touched a lot of lives in our community.

Joe is originally from Hardin. He attended Hardin High School and followed that with two years of schooling at Quincy College. He interrupted his education to serve two years in the army. Though Joe was in the service during the Korean conflict, he was a member of the medical corp stationed in France and later in Germany. He also traveled throughout England and Spain. When Joe's term of service was up, he returned to the states and completed his degree in Education at SIU Carbondale on the GI Bill. He continued his education and earned a masters in guidance counseling. Joe married his wife, Patricia, and proceeded to raise a family of five children. Patricia, who had been a teacher at Mark Twain School, passed away in 1982. Joe married his second wife, Mary Jo, and they combined their families to raise a total of eight children. Mary Jo is also a retired teacher. She mainly taught second grade classes. Joe and Mary Jo's children are grown and live in the Alton area as well as San Francisco, Washington, D.C. and Dallas. Joe and Mary Jo have 15 grandchildren which include two sets of triplets!

Joe has a son and daughter who are also teachers. From his discussions with them, he has observed that there are many more challenges facing the teacher today particularly when it comes to issues of discipline and control. He feels very strongly that students must be made accountable for their actions. He also believes in the importance of making sure the students, even gifted students, have a very strong background in the basics of math, writing and oral expression.

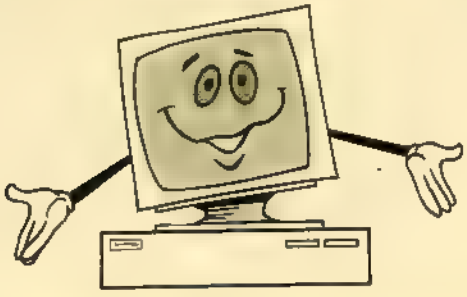
Joe said he enjoyed teaching more than administration because he found the interaction with the students so gratifying. Joe liked to have fun with his students and always worked to find ways to make the subjects interesting and fresh - helping the students increase their learning. He runs into a lot of students around town. He recently ran into a prior student which made him remember a funny anecdote. The student, Jim, a bit of a loud talker, was sitting next to his cousin and the two boys were taking a test. Jim appeared to be 'sharing' too much of his cousin's work. Joe picked up the cousin's paper and read to the class that one of his answers to a test question was "I don't know the answer". He then picked up Jim's paper and read Jim's answer to the same question "I don't know either". Jim was taken aback and while practically jumping out of his seat said "I didn't write that!!" And he hadn't, but Joe certainly made his point.

Not all of Joe's more memorable moments revolved around his students. He was Principal of Lincoln Elementary School when the decision was made to close the school in a year. At the time of the decision, the roof was in very bad disrepair, but since the closing was pending it was not to be fixed. Unfortunately, the roof leaked quite badly when it rained, so plastic sheeting was put up at the leak sites. One afternoon, the "Mother's Club" was meeting in one of the leaking rooms. It was raining heavily and the plastic sheeting started to balloon and fill with water. Suddenly, the 'balloon' burst and torrents of water streamed down all over the mothers! Needless to say, it dampened their enthusiasm and brought the meeting to an abrupt halt.

Today, Joe and his wife enjoy traveling, golfing, grandchildren and are both prolific readers and great fans of Hayner Library. The Duceys are current sponsors of two children, one through World Vision and one through Children's International, helping to fund the children's educations. Joe is also going to start teaching GED classes again on a volunteer basis. The Duceys have made wonderful contributions to the community in their careers and continue to do so through retirement.

## *Really* Basic Computer Training

Hayner Library has sponsored both internet and e-mail training classes. Both have been very successful and well received. However, we continue to get requests for basic computer classes - really basic - answering questions like "How do I turn this thing on?" and "What the heck is a mouse?" We are in the process of developing such a class to debut this fall, but at newsletter print time we are not yet able to provide firm dates. These dates will be posted on our website as soon as they are confirmed. Please check the website at www.haynerlibrary.org. Oops, you might not know how to check the web. In that case, call 1-800-613-3163, indicate that you are interested in the Basic Computer class, leave your name and phone number and someone will get back to you to when dates are available. If you have particular topics you would like the class to cover, feel free to leave that information in your message.



## VINTAGE VOICES *from Alton's Past*

The Alton YWCA, in cooperation with the Alton Cemetery Board of Directors, is sponsoring a great event to be held every Saturday in October. A walking historical tour of the Alton Cemetery will be held Saturday, October 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 2:00-4:00 pm. You will be taking a walk through living history as small groups of participants are introduced to characters from Alton's past. These living characterizations will be portrayed by local performers.

Don't miss the chance for a great way to spend a fall afternoon exploring the colorful history and personalities from our communities' past. You will chat with a couple who went down on the Lusitania, a man who was kidnapped, a woman who fought for social change and more. Fee for this event is $15.00 per person, $7.50 for children under 12 and $12.00 per person for groups of 10 or more.

For ticket information and reservations, call 618-474-2006 or e-mail at VINTAGEVOICESALTON@YAHOO.COM.

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## Developing a Quality CD Collection

Hayner Public Library District has built a wonderful music collection to please all tastes. Initially developed as a collection of LPs, the vinyl records have since been replaced by CDs, primarily through the work of staff member Barb Ulffers, the Department Head of Technical Services. Barb has an extensive musical background that she also shares with her whole family. Barb and her husband John both sang in the Christ Church Cathedral choir in St. Louis, John for 44 years, Barb for 30. They also were both members of the Ronald Arnatt Chorale and sang with the original St. Louis Symphony Chorus under conductor Walter Susskind. Barb and John passed along their strong musical talents to their sons. Their son Peter is the principle french horn for the New Mexico Symphony in Albuquerque and son Chris teaches music and bassoon at East Carolina University and plays with both the West Virginia Symphony in Norfolk and the North Carolina Symphony in Raleigh.

Barb's efforts to build a premier classical collection depended not only on her extensive knowledge base but she also made use of a broad spectrum of reference material, included the invaluable volumes of *A Basic Classical and Operatic Recordings Collection for Libraries.* The CD collections at the three library locations do lean to varying genres of music. The main library houses predominantly classic, jazz, classic popular, country and musicals (both traditional and current Broadway). The Branch library has a greater variety of pop, rock and more current "trend" selections. The youth has current rock and children's music.

About five years ago, Barb started an ongoing project to update the inventory of the CD collection. Through her research on the internet and print sources she has made significant additions in the area of African American classical composers, female classical composers, and twentieth century classical composers. Barb has worked to ensure that the library holds a strong representation of Grammy and Tony award winning composers/performances The jazz selection focused on the classic performer such as Miles Davis, Stan Getz and Dave Brubeck. This is also a genre that Barb has expanded based on her great love and expertise of this music. Much of the funding for these acquisitions has been provided by private endowment. The library is proud to offer this wonderful collection to our patrons and certainly appreciates all of Barb's efforts in ensuring we maintain premier musical selections.

## Hayner Library Welcomes New Staff Members

Three new part-time employees have joined Hayner Library staff. Jean Shimunek is working as a library assistant in the Main Library. Jean lives in Alton with her husband Rick. They have two sons, Thomas, 17, a student at Alton High School and Andrew, 20, attending college in Bloomington, Indiana. Sara Feaman is a junior at SIUE and a Liberal Studies major. An only child, she lives in Edwardsville. Sara will be staffing the Reading Room in the Main Library. Nicole Fiedler joins the Youth Library staff as a Library Assistant and has completed a degree in Radio Broadcast. She is working on her transfer degree and ultimately hopes to acquire a Masters in Library Science.

**Jean Shimunek**

**Nicole Fiedler**

**Sara Feaman**

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
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December 24,25,26
NEW YEARS EVE AND DAY
December 31 & January 1
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January 20
PRESIDENTS DAY
February 17


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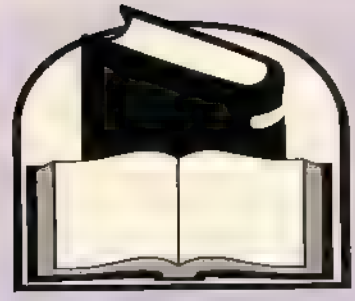


## NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—FICTION

Baldacci, David. **The Christmas Train**
Bantock, Nick. **Alexandria**
Barry, Dave. **Tricky Business**
Binchy, Maeve. **Quentins**
Braun, Lilian Jackson. **Short & Tall Tales: Moose County Legends Collected by James Mackintosh Qwilleran**
Brown, Rita Mae. **Hotspur**
Brown, Sandra. **The Rana Look**
Burke, James Lee. **White Doves at Morning**
Burke, Jan. **Nine: A Novel of Suspense**
Byatt, A.S. **Whistling Woman**
Connelly, Michael. **Chasing the Dime**
Crighton, Michael. **Prey**
Cussler, Clive. **Sea Hunters II**
Evanovich, Janet. **Visions of Sugar Plums**
Evans, Richard Paul. **The Last Promise**
Follett, Ken. **Hornet Flight**
Grafton, Sue. **Q is for Quarry**
Johansen, Iris. **No One to Trust**
Kellerman, Jonathan. **The Murder Book**
Ludlum, Robert. **The Janson Directive**
McCullough, Colleen. **The October Horse**
Patterson, James. **Four Blind Mice**
Perry, Anne. **Death of a Stranger**
Proulx, Annie. **That Old Ace in the Hole**
Rice, Anne. **Blackwood Farm: The Vampire Chronicles**
Roberts, Nora. **Chesapeake Blue**
Steel, Danielle. **Answered Prayers**
Turow, Scott. **Reversible Errors**
Woods, Stuart. **Blood Orchid**

## NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—NONFICTION

Ambrose, Stephen E. **The Mississippi and the Making of a Nation: From the Louisiana Purchase to Today**
Ambrose, Stephen E. **To America**
Arnold, Tom. **How I Lost Five Pounds in Six Years**
Ban Breathnach, Sarah. **Romancing the Ordinary**
Barkley, Charles. **I May Be Wrong But I Doubt It**
Bradshaw, Terry. **Keep It Simple**
Brokaw, Tom. **A Long Way from Home: Growing Up in the American Heartland**
Channing, Carol. **Just Lucky I Guess**
Clark, Mary Higgins. **Kitchen Privileges: A Memoir**
Conroy, Pat. **My Losing Season**
Cornwell, Patricia. **Portrait of a Killer: Jack the Ripper—Case Closed**
Franzen, Jonathan. **How to Be Alone**
Kaplan, Carla. **Zora Neale Hurston: A Life in Letters**
Kiyosaki, Robert. **Rich Dad's Prophecy**
Martin, Judith. **Star Spangled Manners**
Rockefeller, David. **Memoirs**
Xinran. **The Good Women of China: Hidden Voices**

# *Library Usage Appears Recession-Proof*

Two national studies released recently show that Americans are using their libraries more than ever, and 91 percent of adults believe public libraries will play an important role in the future, despite all of the information available on the Internet. The studies were commissioned by Chicago-based American Library Association (ALA) as part of its five year Campaign for America's Libraries. The ALA, with more that 64,000 members, is the voice of America's libraries and the millions of people who depend on them.

Librarians have long believed that when the economy goes down, public library use goes up, which has now been substantiated. The ALA contracted with the University of Illinois Library Research Center (LRC) to study library use over the last five years at the 25 U.S. public libraries serving populations of 1 million or more. Using data from 18 of those large libraries, the study found that circulation has increased significantly since March 2001, when the National Bureau of Economic Research pegged the beginning of the latest recession. Using statistical analysis, the LRC found that circulation in March 2001 was 8.3 percent higher than would be expected from the trend observed since January 1997. Following the events of September 11, circulation in October 2001 exceeded the trend by 11.3 percent.

"This data confirms what librarians have seen from experience - that in times of economic difficulties, people turn to their libraries and librarians," said ALA President John W. Berry. "Libraries are America's great information equalizers - the only place people of all ages and backgrounds can find and freely use such a diversity of resources, along with the expert guidance of librarians." Another recent study has shown that 84 percent of the adults surveyed are satisfied to highly satisfied with the public libraries. Libraries have an extensive reach in our communities nationwide and now more than ever are critical access points to the world and information.

# *Schwartzkopf Printing*

While Hayner library staff provides the writing and photos for our quarterly newsletter, we want to give credit where it is due for the great job done by Schwartzkopf Printing. They do all the typesetting, graphics and handle all the details with the mail house. They are always responsive in helping ensure the newsletter gets out on schedule, even when the frazzled editor is still writing and rewriting at the 11th hour! Our rep, Laurie Bauer, does a great job juggling schedules, expediting proofs and coordinating activities with her office and the library! All the staff at Schwartzkopf consistently display the utmost professionalism and courtesy. Thank you for helping the library produce a quality, timely newsletter! PS: all costs associated with the newsletter are funded by a per capita grant from the Illinois State Library.

# *Food for Fines During the Holidays!*

Beginning November 29, 2002 and continuing through December 31, 2002, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item (one item each fine, current fines only, Hayner materials only). All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. If you want to donate items such as toiletries, cleaning products or even scarfs or gloves (new product only please), we will accept them for fines also. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Last year during this program, over 900 items were collected to help the less fortunate....let's see if we can't top that!

Happy Holidays!

## International Mystery Solved!

Cathie Lamere is our staff Genealogist. She finds herself involved in many searches for patron information that are elusive yet fascinating. Often, great patience and perseverance lead her to the answers she seeks. However, sometimes a dose of serendipity is what finally resolves elusive inquiries. Cathie relates an example of such:

Every once in a while you get lucky and come across one of those "finds" that make you want to stop everyone you see and tell them all about it. This doesn't happen very often, which is part of why it's so exciting.

Last February, I received an email from a gentleman in England looking for a railroad engineer thought to be buried in the Alton Cemetery. He had been killed in a railroad accident near here, and my patron felt sure there would have been an article printed in the Alton Weekly Courier about this. What made this inquiry so special was that the epitaph on his tombstone was a lengthy poem which also appeared on a headstone in England. My patron had no name for the American engineer and no specific dates, but thought it had occurred before the Civil War. He was kind enough to email photos of the tombstone in England showing the poem. After going through a general search and finding nothing, and asking several local historians also coming up with nothing, I put it aside to work on other requests. Occasionally, I would think of a new approach to his research and give it a try. There didn't seem to be any evidence of my patron's claim.

We continued to correspond through email and kept each other updated on any progress. After six months of searching, I sent him email letting him know that I had exhausted my resources but that if anything turned up I would be sure to let him know.

You know how it is, you're sitting there minding your own business and one day the solution practically falls in your lap. We had recently received a donation of historical newsletters from a patron and I was taking some time to look through them. I opened one up and there was a reprint of the elusive epitaph/poem I had spent months trying to find! I couldn't believe my eyes. I just stared at it in disbelief until I could get my thoughts together. The newsletter identified the individual's name and date of death that was commemorated by the poem.

Finally, I had a name and date to research. That makes it much easier. According to our cemetery records, George Senior, a railroad engineer, was shown to be buried in the Alton Cemetery. My eyes followed across the page to the date of death—match. I was afraid to let my eyes wander over to the column showing whether there was a tombstone or not, but there they went. YES! Well, at that point, I had to go and see for myself. After a trip to the cemetery we had the proof we wanted, and photographs of the tombstone, too. After nine months, we had found the answer to this long distance question.

It just goes to show you that persistence and patience does pay off. What an interesting link to England we have here in Alton. Come in and learn the whole story of the engineer buried in the Alton Cemetery.

The following is the poem engraved on both the tombstones in Alton and England:

My engine now is cold and still,
No water does my boiler fill,
My coke offers its flame no more,
My day of usefulness is o'er;
My wheels deny their noted speed,
No more my guiding hand they heed,
My whistle has lost its tone
Its shrill and thrilling sound is gone.
My valves are not thrown open wide,
My fingers all refuse to guide.
My clacks, alas! Thought once so strong,
Refuses their aid in the busy throng.
No more I feel each urging breath,
My steam is now condensed in death.
Life's railway o'er each station is past,
In death I'm stopped and rest at last.

## Have a Howling Good Holiday!

Starting November 29th, stop in any Hayner Library location and register to win one of these adorable Christmas pups. You can also register to win a Christmas basket filled with goodies. You can register as many times as you like. Any Hayner patron is eligible - so if you don't have a library card, now would be a wonderful time to get one! And remember, library cards make great stocking stuffers. Winners will be announced on WBGZ on December 20. Good luck and happy holidays!

## OASIS and BJC Plus Offers Winter Programs

OASIS and BJC Plus is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to include these programs on your calender:
(Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**Beginning German Classes** -
Instructor: Judy Howald
Mondays 2/3-3/24 (8 sessions),
1:00 - 2:45 pm, Fee: $32

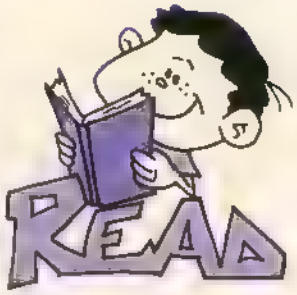
**Electoral College**-
Instructor: Professor Lars Hoffman
Thursday, 2/13, 2:00-3:00 pm, Free

**Pressure Points: The Latest and Greatest on Blood Pressure Management**
Instructor: MaryJo Blackwood, R.N.
Wednesdays, 2/19 & 2/26, 1:00- 3:00 pm,
Fee: $10

**Decorating with Great Ideas** -
Instructor: Sam Smith
Wednesdays, 3/19-4/23 (6 sessions)
11:00 - 12:30, Fee: $10

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library




**Preschool Story Time** will be at 10:00 a.m. and be held at the Youth Library every other Monday on December 2 & 16, January 13 & 27, February 10 & 24 and March 10 & 24. Story Time will be held at the Branch Library at 10:00 a.m. every other Tuesday starting on December 3 & 17, January 14 & 28, February 11 & 25 and March 4 & 18. Preschool Story Time is for children ages 3-5.

**Evening Story Time** begins at 7:00 p.m. and will be held on Tuesday evenings, December 10, January 7 & 21, February 4 & 18 and March 4 & 18 at the Youth Library.

The **Lapsit Program** continues...The Lapsit is designed for children from birth to age two. The program last from 20 to 30 minutes and consists of very easy books and songs. Its purpose is to get children used to the library. We don't expect the children attending this program to sit still for the entire program. The Lapsit begins at 10:00 a.m. The program is held every other Tuesday at the Youth Library December 10, January 7 & 21, February 4 & 18 and March 4 & 18.

The **Read 'n Rant** book club for teens meets the first Thursday of the month at 6:45 p.m. in the Youth Library. The meeting dates are December 5, January 2, February 6 and March 6. Come pick up your free copy of the book we are going to read at the Youth Library.

**Reading Rockets Book Club** held at the Branch Library. Come join the fun Mondays at 4:00 p.m. - December 2nd, January 6th, February 3rd & March 3rd.

**After-School Fun** is going on at the Youth Library the second Thursday of every month. On December 12, we will paint Christmas ornaments; on January 9, Victor Pacini will perform motivational songs and stories; on February 13, we will make Valentines and on March 13 we will have crafts for St. Patrick's Day. After-School Fun starts at 3:30 p.m. and usually ends at 4:30 p.m.

The following events will all take place at the Hayner Youth Library:

- **Annual Children's Christmas Party** will be held December 7 from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Come meet Santa and enjoy holiday treats. Registration for this event is required. To register, call 462-0652.
- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day** - We will commemorate Dr. King on January 13 at 2:00. Storyteller Joyce Elliot will tell stories about Dr. King and his work.
- **Chinese New Year & Teen Day** will be the theme on February 1. We will show movies from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
- **Read to your Child Day** is February 14. 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- **Black History Month** - On February 15 from 2:00-3:00 p.m., we will listen to storyteller, Janice Lesane Katambwa with stories celebrating Black History Month.

## Hayner Main Library Events

***Got the winter blahs?***

Chase them away by attending the great programs at Hayner Main Library. All the programs are free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.

### Peter, Lynda and Mary

***Music for the Holidays***

**Sunday, December 1, 2:30 pm**

Pete Pancella and his wife Mary make a return engagement to the library to help us kick off the holiday season. They will be accompanied by vocalist Lynda Caselton. Pete, a string instructor at Lewis and Clark Community College and founder of the Lewis and Clark Camarata, will perform on violin accompanying Mary, also a vocalist, pianist and composer. The program will be a combination of traditional and lighter fair to get us in the holiday spirit. We have enjoyed when Pete has brought his ensemble to the library in the past...they always perform great music with energy and surprises. To register call 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Hoffeditz

***Holiday Sing Along***

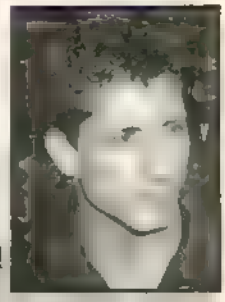
**Tuesday, December 17, 6:30 pm**

Mark held a sing along program this summer for us and everyone had a grand time! He returns to lead us in caroling holiday favorites. Mark has a fabulous voice, accompanies himself on acoustic guitar and really knows how to inspire his audience. Don't miss a wonderful evening of music, friends and cheer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Victor Pacini

***Live Life to the Fullest***

**Thursday, January 9, 6:30 p.m.**



Inspirational speaker Victor Pacini teaches us to live life to the fullest, overcome obstacles and follow our dreams. Using music, anecdotes and humor, this wonderful program will inspire and energize you. Victor performed at Hayner in the summer of 2002 and we had a blast! Don't miss this encore performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Adriana Larkin
### *Original Acoustic Folk Music in the Classic Tradition*
**Tuesday, January 21, 6:30 p.m.**

St. Louis native singer/songwriter Adrianna Larkin has registered copyrights of over 40 songs to date. She has written and produced theme songs for both radio and television. Adrianna has come onto the music scene with a unique sound design that is all her own. Her music is a collage of folk, blues, crossover country and sultry Latin tunes. She has performed at the Westport Playhouse, Sheldon Concert Hall and many local venues and festivals.

Register for this delightful program at 1-800-613-3163.

## Jared Hennings Ensemble
### *An Evening of Romance*
**Tuesday, February 4, 6:30 p.m.**

*Jared Hennings & Michael Frazier*

Get in the mood for Valentine's Day listening to romantic ballads and love songs as performed by the Jared Hennings Ensemble. Accompanied by the keyboard and bass, Jared will croon both old and new favorites guaranteed to touch your heart. Bring your sweety for an evening of good old-fashioned romance. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Don Huber
### *History of the Alton Penitentiary/Prison*
**Tuesday, February 11, 6:30 p.m.**

Alton is home to Illinois' first state penitentiary which, during the civil war, functioned as a prison for confederate soldiers. Local historian, Don Huber, will discuss the history of this fascinating facility and take your questions. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Dr. Shirley Portwood
### *Quarterly Genealogy Roundtable*
**Tuesday, February 18, 6:30 p.m.**

Dr. Shirley Shirley Portwood will be our featured speaker at the Quarterly Genealogy Roundtable discussion group. Dr. Portwood is a professor in the Department of Historical Studies at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. She is also author of the book *Tell Us a Story: An African-American Family in the Heartland.* In honor of Black History Month, Dr. Portwood will address African-American genealogy issues and talk about African-American history in the Alton area. All are welcome. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

BLACK HISTORY month

## The Harman Family
### *An Evening of Bluegrass*
**Thursday, February 27, 6:30 p.m.**

Well-known throughout the River Bend, the Harman family has performed bluegrass all over the country. This award-winning band consists of husband and wife, Mike and Stacy Harman and their sons, 15 year-old Mark, 12 year-old Jeff and 6 year-old John. They bring in rave reviews wherever they play and have great fun with their audiences. Don't miss this great program. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
### *Celebrate Mardi Gras!*
**Tuesday, March 4, 6:30 p.m.**

***Note: this program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL***

Fat Tuesday is here and we are heading to the chapel for our traditional celebration of Mardi Gras, listening to the New Orleans style jazz of Bud Shultz and the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band.* This is a wonderful evening of entertainment - great music and always fun with Bud and the Band. Guaranteed you will find it hard to stay in your seat. So find your beads and get ready to party! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Living History with Dianne Moran
### *Sacajawea, Bird Woman*
**Tuesday, March 18, 6:30 p.m.**

March is Women's History Month and it is fitting to commemorate it with a program about a fascinating woman of history, Sacajawea, the Shoshone female Interpreter for the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery. Dianne Moran, an award-winning storyteller, folklorist and naturalist, performs as Sacajawea in historical dress, telling the expedition story. She will also have a cultural item and reproduction display and a unique surprise guest. This promises to be a riveting performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Leah Farrar-White and Dr. Howard White
### *An Evening on Broadway*
**Tuesday, March 25, 2002, 6:30 p.m.**

Local vocalists Leah and Howard White are well-known in the River Bend area for their wonderful musical pairing. Accompanied by Nancy Welsh on keyboard, the couple will perform a program of showtune favorites right off Broadway. Don't miss the chance to visit the Great White Way with this talented ensemble! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

*All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.*

## *Welcome Sunshine Express!*

One of the very important programs offered by Hayner Library is the Homebound Program. Stephanie Munson, the Homebound Coordinator, and her wonderful organization of volunteers bring library materials to anyone who can't get to the library themselves. They will provide any of the library materials the patron requests from magazines to books (regular or large print), videos to CDs, books on tape, etc. They deliver materials to nursing homes as well as individual residences. Stephanie is also anxious for all our patrons to understand that this is not a "Seniors only" service. Maybe you're recovering from a surgery, or a broken leg, going thru rehabilitation – whatever the circumstances, you don't have to do without library materials. Just call Stephanie at 462-0651 and she will make arrangements to provide you with the materials you would like. Also, Stephanie can provide to those who need it, applications to the state funded "Talking Books Program." This program provides, free of charge, an audio player and audio tapes. These tapes are sent through the mail to the user, postage free and with postage free return envelopes - a wonderful service to the visually impaired.

Part of Stephanie's plan to expand our patrons' recognition and use of her group's great services was to make it more visible. Stephanie explains "one of the most important features of the Homebound program is to bring sunshine into the lives of the people we visit". So now when you see the Hayner Library Van around town you will notice new signage on it, identifying it as Hayner Library Sunshine Express! Stephanie is also greatly expanding the locations where she leaves information about the program, leaving pamphlets at hospitals, doctors' offices and optical departments.

Also, library volunteer Iris Saaf is helping Stephanie pilot a program to read out loud to groups on a regular schedule. Initially the program is being implemented at Eunice Smith Nursing Home, where Iris goes once a week to read to residents. She has a core group of 6-7 people who wait anxiously for her visits. Iris reads a wide variety of material from poetry to fairy tales and more. Iris is so enthusiastic. "This is a BEST program", she says. "I am just loving what I am doing. I read and then we visit and chat. I like to talk to them about what is going on outside the walls of the home. They are really opening up and sharing their own stories, too."

Thank you to Stephanie and all her great volunteers: Genie Keller, Jim Ryan, Kathy Rain, Spiv Woelfel, Mary Goodwin, Ev Keehner, June Weinrich, Jody Stuart, David Allen, Dr. Ned DuVivier, Terese Schmidt and Iris Saaf. You provide a great service to our community!

## *Meet the Harman Family!*

The Harman Family has been playing bluegrass throughout the area (and the country) for two generations - they are immensely popular as befits this incredibly talented musical family. Today the band consists of Mike Harman and his wife, Stacy, and their sons, 15 year-old Mark, 12 year-old Jeff and 6 year-old John.

The original family band started in 1975 by Mike and his brother and sister. They were soon joined by two more brothers and their wives. The band played bluegrass throughout the area at churches, festivals and fairs.

In the mid 80s, Mike joined the band, *Union Station*, which featured the renowned singer and fiddler, Alison Krauss. In 1989, the band recorded the album, *Two Highways*, which was nominated for a Grammy award for the Best Bluegrass recording. (Interestingly, Alison has won one less grammy than Aretha Franklin.) Mike eventually left *Union Station* to focus on the second generation reincarnation of the Harman Family Band. Mike plays guitar and fiddle, Stacy sings vocals, Mark sings vocals and plays banjo, guitar and bass, Jeff sings vocals and plays bass and John sings vocals. Mike noted that while his sons are young in age, the vocals and arrangements are highly professional and mature.

Mike also noted that while playing bluegrass is the family's profession, they also have a family pastime – running the Harman Auction House in Shipman, IL. Besides holding professional auctions, the family performs at the Auction House every first Saturday, November through April at 7 pm. For the last 25 years, the family has also been performing to sellout crowds at the Midwinter Bluegrass Concert held at Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey, IL. For information and tickets to the concert on January 18, call Mike at 465-6411.

Hayner Public Library District is very excited that the Harman Family will be performing at the Hayner Main Library, 401 State Street, Alton on February 27 at 6:30 p.m. It promises to be a great program. Mike says they have a lot of fun with the audience - he guaranteed "they'll laugh, cry...maybe hit each other..." (?!!- I'm sure he was only kidding about the last part.) This program is free of charge but registration is absolutely required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

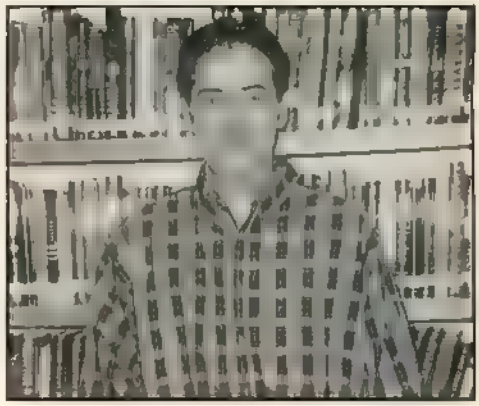
## *Patron Profile - Aidan Combs*

Aidan Combs moved to Alton this past June and has quickly become a great friend to library staff. Aidan and his wife, Allison, were drawn to the Alton area for its natural beauty and its intermediate location between both their places of work. Aidan works evenings at Express Scripts, a pharmacy benefits management Company. Aidan also attends Lewis and Clark Community College and after completing his degree he aspires to attend the Saint Louis College of Pharmacy to become a pharmacist. This goal developed from his work at Express Scripts were he has the opportunity to interact with many pharmacists that are part of the company's staff. Aidan's wife works at The Body Therapy Center in Swansea where she is a massage therapist and teacher.

Aidan has experienced several daunting challenges since moving here last summer. Shortly after the Combs moved into their new apartment on State Street, Aidan was packing away boxes in a closet. As they live in an old Victorian home, they have closets that have very high shelving. Aidan got on a chair to lift these boxes into the closet when the chair toppled. Using his hand to stop the fall produced disastrous results. Aidan shattered all the bones in the palm of his hand and shoved the radius bone back two inches in a compound fracture. Having just moved in, the Combs had yet to have their phone connected. Aidan was not even precisely sure of how to get to the hospital. Somehow he drove himself with one hand to St. Anthony's. Unable to use the other hand to open the car window he drove in sweltering summer heat and blinding pain to the emergency room where, upon exiting the car, he passed out on the parking lot. Aidan said his wife was contacted at her workplace by the hospital but was given no details as to the nature of his injury. He recounts that she broke all records driving from Belleville to St. Anthony's in 20 minutes! After being examined in the emergency room, Aidan's doctor said he had good news and bad. The good news was that Aidan would not be getting a cast – the bad was that they were going to have to create an external metal brace. Aidan was immediately admitted to surgery and the doctors repositioned the bones in his hand. They then drilled into bone in two spots between hand and arm and inserted two rods. These rods were the connect points for another rod that was positioned perpendicular to his arm. This created the external brace that completely immobilized his hand, wrist and arm.

To add to Aidan's misfortune, he was supposed to start his new job the following week doing computer work for Express Scripts. Concerned that they would no longer consider him employable, Aidan credits the company as being wonderfully understanding, telling him to report to work and just do the best he could. On the appointed day and for the next six weeks wearing the brace and two more in a sling, Aidan learned how to enter data through a one-handed typing technique. Aidan says his wife credits this experience for teaching him patience! Amazingly, today Aidan has almost complete use and flexibility of his hand and wrist and only four small scars from the brace posts. His wife worked with him extensively giving massage and physical therapy to ensure he regained use of his hand. Aidan also mentioned how important was the help and support he received from his brother-in-law, Mitchell, during his recovery. Mitchell lives with Aidan and his wife.

Aidan's hobbies include fishing, movies and an abiding love of reading. He visits the library, literally, daily. He works nights, allowing him time during the day to peruse the shelves and find items of interest on a wide variety of subjects. He particularly enjoys science fiction, biography and history. Aidan credits his love of reading with providing him a greatly expanded vocabulary and general education above and beyond his formal schooling. Aidan also wanted to compliment the staff at the library. "They always have a kind word for me and are so helpful. There is never a book request or topic they can't find. It's amazing how quickly they find my special requests and when they call to tell me my books are in, it's like Christmas morning!" The staff looks forward to Aidan's friendly smile, positive attitude and enthusiasm and, of course... we all appreciate anyone who loves books as much as we do!



## *No "Cryin' in the Chapel" This Night!*

On Tuesday, March 4, Bud Shultz and the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band* return to help us celebrate Mardi Gras as only Bud and his band can do! Performing in the Chapel of Lewis and Clark Community College, they will get us moving to the wonderful sounds of their New Orleans jazz. If you've never heard Bud on his clarinet, along with the rest of the band, don't miss this opportunity. This program is free of charge but reservations are required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## *Need a Gift Idea?*

Are you struggling to find new and different ideas for holiday (or anytime) gifts? Why not give family, grandchildren or far away friends the gift of you! The library has a video camera that we can use to tape you reading a Christmas Story, a favorite children's story or maybe just saying 'hi' and sharing some memories or events of the past. One patron did this for her grandchildren who lived on the east coast. This gave her the means to continue the tradition she started with her own children of reading *The Night Before Christmas* on Christmas Eve. To schedule a taping, just call Bernadette at 462-0677 for an appointment. You can either supply your own videotape or purchase a blank tape from the library. This makes a great memento for friends and family!

## *Update to Illinois Room*

In an effort to protect the longevity of the many valuable and unique items in our historical Illinois Room, we have made some modifications to the security system. To use the Illinois Room in the Main Library, simply sign up at the circulation desk. You will be asked to leave some ID and will then be buzzed into the facility. Keys will no longer be issued. Security cameras are also going to be installed. These measures are being taken to ensure that the many irreplaceable documents and volumes housed in the Illinois Room remain safely intact for all our patrons' use and research. We feel that these steps will be of benefit to all.

**Be sure to visit us at www.haynerlibrary.org**

## CLIP AND SAVE: CHRISTMAS MYSTERIES

Adamson, Lydia
**A Cat on Jingle Bell Rock**
Atherton, Nancy
**Aunt Dimity's Christmas**
Babson, Marian
**The Twelve Deaths of Christmas**
Churchill, Jill
**The Merchant of Menace**
D'Amato, Barbara
**Hard Christmas**
Douglas, Carole Nelson
**Cat in a Golden Garland**
Grafton, Sue
**E is for Evidence**
Grimes, Martha
**Jerusalem Inn**
Haddam, Jane
**A Stillness in Bethlehem**
Harris, Charlaine
**Shakespeare's Christmas**
Hart, Carolyn G
**Sugarplum Dead**
Hess, Joan
**Holly Jolly Murder**
**Holmes for the Holidays**
MacLeod, Charlotte
**Rest You Merry**
Maron, Margare
**Corpus Christmas**
McGown, Jill
**Murder at the Old Vicarage**
Meier, Leslie
**Christmas Cookie Murder**
Rowe, Jennifer
**Death in Store**
Weir, Charlene
**A Cold Christmas**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## Illinois Room Gets Facelift!

Our renowned Illinois Room has undergone a long overdue renovation. It started with the installation of security cameras and buzzer only door access. This was done after our last inventory indicated that between 8 and 10% of the room's collection was missing.

This room contains rare, often one-of-a-kind, volumes of historical significance about the River Bend area as well as the entire state. Researchers from all over the county have used this premier facility but certain changes and modifications needed to be accomplished to augment the usability of the material. To this end, all free-standing shelving and file drawers were removed, opening up two whole walls for new shelving. Oversize map files will house maps and Platt maps to make them more accessible and preserve their condition. The long conference table is replaced by individual work tables providing more work space and more privacy. A copier is now installed in the room so researchers don't have to keep taking material out of the room for copying. We are so excited about the changes and upgrades to the Illinois Room. Please stop by the Main Library and see the improvements for yourself!

## National Library Week April 6-12, 2003

National Library week is April 6-12, a time to "Celebrate @ your Library" and rediscover all that our libraries and librarians have to offer.

Libraries are part of the American dream. Whether you're checking out the latest bestseller/video/CD/DVD, researching your college term paper, getting homework help or using the Internet, the library has resources and staff to help you find what you are looking for.

Hayner Library joins the American Library Association and libraries across the country in encouraging our users to learn more about the exciting range of new and traditional resources available. And we remind our patrons of the vital role of librarians - the ultimate search engines.

Did you know that Hayner Library provides a wide range of free high-quality programming for both cultural and educational growth throughout the year for young and old alike?....did you know that Hayner Library District accessions an average of 2000 new items to its inventory each month?....that 300-400 reference questions are answered each month?....that 30-35,000 items are circulated each month?

National Library Week is a great time to see what's new at all our locations and discover how your librarians can direct you to the information you need when you need it. We encourage all our community members to check us out. Any resident of Alton, Godfrey and Fosterburg townships is entitled to a free Hayner Library card. Make sure you and your entire family take advantage of this vital resource for education, growth and adventure.

For more information, visit any of our three library locations (Main, Branch, Youth) or see the library website at www.haynerlibrary.org.

Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 20
Memorial Day, May 25 & 26

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## *Join a Bow-Wow Pow-Wow!!*

Recently, the journal *Public Libraries (volume 41)* published an article titled *See Spot Read.* It detailed the success several libraries are having improving reading skills in children using therapy dogs. In particular, Salt Lake City Public Library identified dramatic improvement in the child's reading skills as well as their self-confidence. In addition, the program makes coming to the library a fun time for the kids. The program works because hesitant readers may lack self-confidence and these children seem to be more willing to interact with animals than other people. At ease with the dogs, the children often forget any previously felt limitation or awkwardness. The children are not embarrassed of the reading progress while reading aloud to dogs, who are famously non-judgmental. Mispronouncing a word or stuttering in front of a group of peers may be traumatic for kids, but the dogs never notice slip-ups! In addition, the act of petting or stroking the animal while reading calms active children.

Anxious to try such a program at Hayner Library, we did a lot of research on the internet and contacted other libraries who had implemented similar efforts. We were stymied, though, by where to locally find trained and certified therapy dogs. We were just despairing of our plan when we found an article in The Telegraph about the great work being done by June Walker of *Walker's Wee Glen Obedience Training*. June has been training dogs since 1986 and has a long list of training certifications. June has been taking her therapy dogs to nursing homes and hospitals with great success, helping patients in recovery and lifting spirits everywhere. Well, it didn't take more than a nanosecond to contact June to see if she would have interest in help us with a reading program at the library. Not only was she interested, she was also familiar with the success of such programs and had been anxious to get her dogs involved in one!

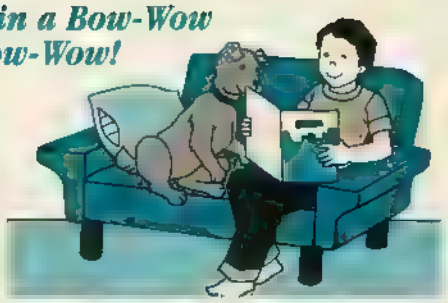
Meeting with June, we discussed several ways to structure a program for the library. We decided to start with a small group of children; 5-6 for the initial pilot. June herself has 3 certified therapy dogs (3 Great Danes, 1 Dachshund) and a Westie and Dachshund in training. She is also involved with a group of local people who have had their dogs certified by "Touched by a Canine". These folks are also anxious to participate. Children will meet at the library on a Saturday and read a book of their choice to one of the dogs for about 20 minutes. A parent or guardian is required to sign a permission slip for the child to participate and should plan on staying at the library during the reading period.

Certified therapy dogs are fully obedience trained and insured. They are certified by T.O.U.C.H. Dogs of Support Dogs Inc. or through Therapy Dog International. June herself is a evaluator for Therapy Dog International. The dogs' shots must all be current and they must have regular veterinary check-ups to maintain certification. The trainers are required to bathe dogs before every meeting with the public. Trainers are also present at times when the dogs are in public facilities.

Along with the remarkable improvement in reading skills the children can realize, they also learn that the library is a neat place to go. There is an additional important result of this program – children (especially those who don't have pets at home) learn to socialize with the animals. They learn that showing the animals kindness and respect generates, in return, a love and trust and friendship that can be a great joy in life.

We are very anxious to get the pilot underway and, as of this writing, anticipate starting our first session in March 2003. Please forward this information to anyone you think may be interested.

## *Join a Bow-Wow Pow-Wow!*



Do you have a child that loves spending time with animals? Is your child shy or afraid to read out loud in front of others? If you answered yes, then we have just the program for you! Join members of Walker's Wee Glen Obedience Training and Hayner Library for our Bow-Wow Pow-Wow Reading Program.

This program enables children between the ages of 5-12 years old to read an age appropriate short story of their choice to a certified pet therapy dog. The intent of the program is to make reading fun and boost the child's confidence in reading out loud.

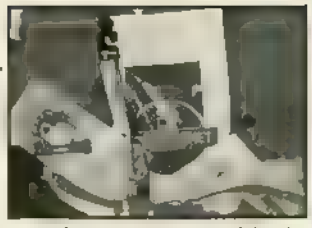
Children interested in this program should contact Bernadette Duvernoy at Hayner Library (618-462-0677) and ask how they can pre-register for some special reading time with a therapy dog.

## *Food for Fido*

For the last several years, we have offered an amnesty period for fines biannually, in December and April. In December 2002 we waived patron fines in lieu of donations of food and canned goods and thus contributed over 900 items to the Alton Area Crisis Food Center.

For our spring event and to commemorate April as Animal Cruelty Prevention Month, we will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's animal shelter. This no kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food (one item each fine, current fines only, Hayner materials only). Thank you for your generous support of 'amnesty' events!

## *Win this Basket*



Our friends at the Pope Animal Hospital have donated this wonderful basket of goodies for your favorite pup. It contains TWO warm and snuggly sweatshirts (for those of us without a fur coat), a bag of Science Diet adult dog food, dog collar, leash, chewbone and much more! It also includes a $50 gift certificate for pet health exams, vaccinations, tests etc.! To win the basket, fill out an entry blank at any of the three Hayner Library locations during the month of April. The drawing for the basket will be announced on Wed., April 30, 2003. Thanks to Pope Animal Hospital and the Pope family who are great friends and users of the library.

## *Western Military Academy Scrapbook Preserved*

The Western Military Academy, which was located at 2009 Seminary St., Alton, IL, was, undisputedly, one of the finest military schools in the country until its close in 1971. Initially opened as the Wyman Institute by leading educator Edwin Wyman in 1879, it was transformed into Western Military Academy in 1888 under the ownership of Colonel Jackson and Major Eaton. The school attracted student cadets from all over the world and boasts many prestigious and history making alumni including: Air force general Paul Tibbets, commander of the Enola Gay from which the first atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima; Sander Vanocur, veteran TV journalist and interviewer; Lt. Comdr. Butch O'Hare, for whom O'Hare International Air Field is named and a Congressional Medal of Honor recipient and the first Air Ace of World War II and William Paley, a 1918 graduate who went on to become president of the Columbia Broadcasting System. Of course, it also educated many cadets who still live and work in our own communities. Today, there are still more than 1300 surviving Western Military Academy alumni.

In 2000, Bob Keith, a 1936 graduate, and his wife, Vivian, put together a scrapbook to preserve the history of the academy and honor all the alumni, so many of which have a strong tradition of serving their country in time of war and peace. This scrapbook was presented to the Alton Museum of History and Art in the fall of 2000. Many alums were in Alton for the presentation, including General Paul Tibbets, and to participate in an all-class Muster (reunion). It was decided that the scrapbook was of such importance and significance to historians as well as alumni and their families that it should be preserved digitally and made available to the general public. The project was spearheaded by Richard Rook (1949 graduate) who spent the next 18 months putting together a team of technicians, photographers, etc. to preserve the scrapbook to CD. Richard also handled all the administrative work, photo shoot scheduling, built an index for the book...and much more. The original 124 pages of text and photographs of the scrapbook were supplemented on the CD by an additional 11 pages bringing the total pages to 135. This daunting project was completed in November 2002 when the CD went into final production. The CD is available in the Illinois Room of the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL for on-site use. It can also be purchased from the Alton Museum of History and Art, 2809 College Avenue, Alton IL 62002. To purchase the CD, send the Alton Museum a check for $29 ($25 for the CD and $4 for shipping) and request a "WMA Scrapbook CD". The CD can be purchased at the Museum gift shop directly if you are in the Alton area ($25). The profits from the sale of the CD will be split equally between the Alton Museum and the WMA Newsletter. Funding for the creation of the CD was provided by the generous contributions of past alumni.

For more information, contact the Alton Museum at 618-462-2763. You can also request purchase of the CD over the museum's website at www.altonmuseum.com.

This CD preserves an important record of both local and national history and has generated a huge amount of interest in military colleges and schools throughout the country. All our communities owe much thanks and gratitude to Richard and the many alumni who supported his efforts to preserve the scrapbook for generations to come.

### NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—FICTION

Anthony, Piers. **Up in a Heavel**
Brockmann, Suzanne. **Into the Night**
Brookner, Anita. **Making Things Better**
Brown, Rita Mae. **The Tail of the Tip-Off**
Byatt, A.S. **Making Things Better**
Darden, Christopher. **The Last Defense**
Drabble, Margaret. **The Seven Sisters**
Krentz, Jayne Ann. **Light in Shadow**
Martini, Steve. **The Arraignment**
McBain, Ed. **Fat Ollie's Book**
McInerny, Ralph. **Celt and Pepper**
Parker, Robert B. **Back Story**
Pronzini, Bill. **Spook**
Roberts, Nora. **Birthright**
Steel, Danielle. **Dating Game**
Thoene, Bodie. **Jerusalem's Hope**

### NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—NONFICTION

Brooks, Terry. **Sometimes the Magic Works: Lessons from a Writing Life**
Greeley, Andrew M. **The Book of Love: A Treasury Inspired by the Greatest of Virtues**
Felix, Antonia. **Condi: The Condoleezza Rice Story**
Keneally, Thomas. **Abraham Lincoln**
Maher, Bill. **When You Ride Alone You Ride With Bin Laden**
Mason, Bobbie Ann. **Elvis Presley**
Mason, Linda. **The Working Mother's Guide to Life**
Rogers, Fred. **The Mister Rogers Parenting Book**
Rosen, Michael. **More Mirth of a Nation**
Slaughter, Thomas P. **Exploring Lewis & Clark: Reflections on Men and Wilderness**
Zimmermann, Warren. **First Great Triumph: How Five Americans Made Their Country a World Power**

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

**Preschool Story Time** will be at 10:00 a.m. and be held at the *Youth Library* every other Monday on March 10 & 24, April 7 & 21, May 5 & 19. Preschool story time is for children ages 3-5.

**Preschool Story Time** will be held at the *Branch Library* at 10:00 a.m. every other Tuesday starting on March 11 & 25, April 8 & 22, May 6 & 20.

**Evening Story Time** begins at 7:00 p.m. and will be held on Tuesday evenings, March 4 & 18, April 1, 15 & 29, May 13 & 27.

The **Lapsit Program** continues...The Lapsit is designed for children from birth to age two. The program lasts from 20 to 30 minutes and consists of very easy books and songs. Its purpose is to get children used to the library. We don't expect the children attending this program to sit still for the entire program. The Lapsit begins at 10:00 a.m. The program is held every other Tuesday at the Youth Library March 4 & 18, April 1, 15 & 29, May 13 & 27.

The **Read 'n Rant** book club for teens meets the first Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Library. The Meeting dates are March 6, April 3 and May 1.

**After School Fun** is going on at the Youth Library the second Thursday of every month.

Join us March 13 to make a St. Patrick's Day Craft, April 10 for Easter Crafts and May 8 we will make a Mother's Day Craft. After School Fun starts at 3:30 p.m. and usually ends at 4:30 p.m.

The following events will all take place at the Hayner Youth Library:

***Read Across America Day -**
Monday March 3
Celebrity Reading Corner by the Sylvan Learning Center. Time to be announced.

***National Library Week -**
Saturday, April 12
DePriest Puppets presenting a Sleeping Beauty Show, 2-3:00 p.m.

***May Day Mother Goose Stories**
Thursday, May 1
Stories by Mother Goose, 4-5:00 p.m.

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Need a break from Spring cleaning? Come enjoy the wide variety of special events at the Hayner Main Library. All the events are free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all events are held at the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

### Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
### *Celebrate Mardi Gras!*
**Tuesday, March 4, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: this program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL*

Fat Tuesday is here and we are heading to the chapel for our traditional celebration of Mardi Gras, listening to the New Orleans style jazz of Bud Shultz the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*. This is a wonderful evening of entertainment - great music and always fun with Bud and the Band. Guaranteed, you will find it hard to stay in your seat. So find your beads and get ready to party! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Living History with Dianne Moran
### *Sacajawea, Bird Woman*
**Tuesday, March 18, 6:30 p.m.**

March is Women's History Month and it is fitting to commemorate it with a program about a fascinating woman of history, Sacajawea, the Shoshone female Interpreter for the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery. Dianne Moran, an award winning storyteller, folklorist and naturalist, performs as Sacajewea in historical dress telling the expedition story. She will also have a cultural item and reproduction display, and a unique surprise guest. This promises to be a riveting performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Leah Farrar-White and Dr. Howard White
### *An Evening on Broadway*
**Tuesday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.**

Local vocalists Leah and Howard White are well known in the River Bend area for their wonderful musical pairing. Accompanied by Nancy Welsh on keyboard, the couple will perform a program of showtune favorites right off Broadway. Don't miss the chance to visit the Great White Way with this talented ensemble! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Cat Catalani
### *The Music of Tin Pan Alley 1920 - 1940*
**Tuesday, April 1, 6:30 p.m.**

In the early 1900s, songwriters worked in one building in Manhattan dubbed "Tin Pan Alley". Here, many songs could be heard at once as the great composers worked literally side by side in crowded conditions- including such greats as George and Ira Gershwin, Dorothy Fields and Jimmy McHugh, Hoagy Carmichael and others. They inspired each other in friendly rivalry creating such masterpieces as "They Can't Take That Away from Me", "On the Sunny Side of the Street", "Ain't Misbehavin' " and more. In response to the difficulties of the Great Depression, writers supplied songs ranging from cheerful and sentimental to challenging. One of our favorite performers, Cat Catalani, discusses and performs songs from this culturally rich era in American history. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Bill Nunes
### *Illinois History Book Signing*
**Tuesday, April 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Local author, Bill Nunes will be discussing his three popular books, *"An Illustrated History of Southern Illinois", "Illinois Crime" and "62 Famous East St. Louisans".*

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These books cover a wide variety of topics including lore, legends, landmarks, oddities, gangsters and more. Bill will have books available for sale. Don't miss this fun evening of local history and tales of the famous and infamous! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Cheryl Houck conducts *The Riverbend Ringers*

**Thursday, April 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Director Cheryl Houck leads the Riverbend Ringers in a musical program of a varied assortment of music including many of our old favorites and including surprises of fun and humor. This group of eleven ringers has performed together for the last 8 years throughout the area. Though based out of the Abundant Life Church, members come from multiple local churches. Join us for a delightful evening. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Joshua Farley *Investment Workshop*

**Tuesday, April 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Joshua Farley of Edward Jones Investments will conduct a workshop in easy to understand terms on general investment subjects. Topics will include how to assess your current financial situation, how to control taxes and how to identify and manage financial risk. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

### Mark Dvorak *The People, Yes*

**Thursday, May 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Award winning performer, Mark Dvorak, has given us some of our favorite programs in the past and returns with a whole new event. The great poet Carl Sandburg wrote an epic poem in the 1930s titled "The People, Yes", a book which turned the everyday words of American people into everlasting images. Mark's presentation mixes some of the traditional folk songs preserved by Sandburg (who was a folk song collector) and combines it with the words of this Pulitzer Prize winning author.

The result is a compelling and entertaining musical portrait of the American spirit as told through the stories of the people of our Midwestern heartland. The Chicago Tribune calls Mark "a commanding vocalist and masterful banjo player". Don't miss this exciting opportunity to see the distinctive talent that has distinguished Mark as one of today's important folk artists. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

### *Bully!* Chuck Palenik as Theodore Roosevelt

**Tuesday May 13, 6:30 p.m.**

In *Bully!* actor Chuck Palenik portrays the charismatic Theodore Roosevelt. Considered by historians to be one of America's great Presidents, Roosevelt gloried in the opportunities and responsibilities of world power and greatly expanded the power of the Presidency. This one man performance tells the story of the leader of the "Rough Riders" who gave us the Panama Canal and won the Nobel Peace Prize for mediating settlement of the Russo-Japanese War. Step back into history with this fascinating program. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

### Dan Keding *Story & Song*

**Tuesday, May 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Dan Keding, a storyteller of international acclaim is well known for his telling of traditional world folk tales, personal narratives of his boyhood in Chicago, ghost stories and superbly crafted original pieces. A well-respected ballad singer, he accompanies himself on guitar, banjo and spoons. This combination of dynamic storytelling and powerful ballad singing has made him a festival favorite throughout the US and Great Britain. Don't miss this very special evening. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

### Jim Mager *"Gentleman" Jim Rivers*

**Tuesday June 10 6:30 p.m.**

Having grown up on the banks of the Mississippi, "Gentleman" Jim Rivers (as portrayed by Jim Mager) takes a trip to the past through stories and songs about the history and life on the river. He spins tales that reflect the role that the Mississippi played in the development of America– in exploration, trade, commerce and travel and the wars waged for control of the "Father of Rivers". Learn of the intrigue and legends of the first interstate system as flat boats, keelboats and steamboats made their way up and down the Mighty Mississippi. Jim is a great entertainer and musician and is assured to deliver a 'rolicking' performance. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

### *Private Ryan's Sergeant* Dal Estes

**Tuesday, June 17, 6:30 p.m.**

"Private Ryan's Sergeant" is a first-hand account of what it was like to land on Omaha Beach on D-Day. Speaker Dal Estes is a World War II veteran who will discuss the trials and tribulations of the "line buck sergeant" both during training and then under fire in the Normandy invasion. He was injured in the Battle of the Bulge and was a commander of a German displaced persons camp in Czechoslovakia. He will discuss his combat experience, the men under his command and the dynamics of the relationship between commander and soldier. Don't miss this moving presentation of living history. This program is funded by a grant from the Illinois Humanities Council. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

### Aaron Mayhew *An Evening of Music*

**Tuesday, June 24, 6:30 p.m.**

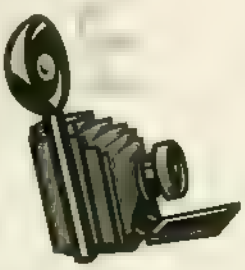
Aaron Mayhew is a local performer with an incredible voice! He will perform a program of popular music that is guaranteed to leave you breathless. Don't miss the chance to share an evening of music with Aaron...it will be a memorable evening. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***

## Visit a Great Photographic Exhibit at the YWCA

In celebration of Women's History Month, the Alton YWCA will be present *A Woman's View* in the Levis Room of the YWCA building at 304 East Third St., Alton, IL. This is a photographic exhibit that gives a glimpse of rural life in central Illinois shortly after World War I. The photos are the work of Clara Brian, the first Home Bureau advisor in Illinois. The Home Bureau was formally established in 1911 by the US Department of Agriculture. Its purpose was to bring farm women the benefits of scientific and technological advances. As an advisor, Clara's role was to educate rural women in progressive ideas about all aspects of home life – nutrition and health, child rearing, education and self-improvement. Miss Brian was also a gifted and devoted photographer. As she made her rounds in the countryside she documented the people and places she encountered in her work – farm wives and children, kitchens, parlors, barnyards, one room schools, all with great sensitivity and insight. Some of Brian's photographs document conditions of deprivation in homes and rural schools. But other photos show women who are obviously living under conditions of comfort and even ease.

This fascinating exhibit will be at the YWCA from Thursday, March 6 through Wednesday, April 2, 2003. Exhibit hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The exhibit is open Fridays for groups and organization. There is a $3 entrance fee which benefits Alton YWCA community programs. The exhibit is sponsored by the YWCA, Madison County Association for Home and Community Education, Illinois Arts Council, Madison County Arts Council, Alton Convention and Visitors Bureau and Alton Marketplace. For information and tickets, contact the Alton Convention and Visitors Bureau at 1-800-ALTON IL.



## Save this Date!

Over the last several years, members of the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois, SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) and local business women have been developing a series of seminars titled *For Women by Women*. These half day events have been held in the Alton Holiday Inn and focus on topics of interest to a wide audience of business women. Past seminars have presented topics including Effective Business Communication (verbal, nonverbal and written), Verbal Karate, Bridging Communication Differences between Men and Women, Time Management, Effective Networking, Leadership Styles for Success, Effective Listening Skills, Image Management, Investment and Financial Planning, Superior Customer Service and more.

These seminars have consistently received extremely positive evaluations. One attendee noted "the conference gave me a new perspective on several issues that I was able to utilize in my workplace, plus it gave me the opportunity to interact with other professional women from our area. I definitely plan on attending future sessions." Other feedback included, "It's always great to have a day you thought would be practical turn into a day that is also fun".

The planning committee focuses on choosing subjects that appeal across job titles and responsibilities, both management and non-management, across business and industry sectors, and of relevance to both the business employed and self-employed. The seminars provide critical support and information to both the professional working woman as well as students or career changers. The key objective of these seminars is to provide meaningful business and career growth skills. To do so, the speakers chosen are high-quality professionals that convey their message in enthusiastic, attention-getting styles.

Besides the Growth Association and SCORE, planning committee members come from The Bank of Edwardsville, Hayner Library, Lewis and Clark Community College Foundation and Union Planters Bank. Chris Milford of Edward Jones is also on the planning committee. The Committee is always happy to welcome new members. If you are interested joining us, call the Growth Association (Martha Morse) at 467-2280.

The next seminar is planned for Thursday, September 25, 2003. It will be a half day event held at the Alton Holiday Inn. Details will be posted soon and event flyers will be available at Hayner Library locations, Union Planters Bank and The Bank of Edwardsville, as well as various businesses throughout the River Bend area. Mark this date on your calender now and feel free to contact the Growth Association for further information.

### *Don't Miss These Great Community Programs!*

## OASIS offers Spring Programs

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calender. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**Missouri Wild Flowers**
Instructor: Missouri Botanical Gardens representative
Thursday 3/20, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Fee: $4

**Irish History**
Instructor: Professor Patrick McGarrity, SWIC
Thursday 3/26, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Fee: $4

**55 Alive Mature Driving Class**
Instructor: Bob Winchef, AARP
Wednesday & Thursday, 4/23 & 4/24, 1:00-5:00 p.m., Fee: $10

## Biannual Book Sale

The Spring 2003 book sale will be held Thursday, May 8, 6-8:30 p.m. This is "Preview Night" and there is a $5 admission charge for this night only. The sale continues on Friday, May 9 from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. and on Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. There is no admission charge on Friday or Saturday. There will be great bargains on books of all types, music, magazines, videos and more. Don't miss the fun!

# Patron Profile - Kathy Peek

Alton native Kathy Peek has an exciting job that challenges her every day. Working at WBGZ Radio (1570 AM), she is a news reporter (daily from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., every half hour) and host of one of two editions of *Let's Talk* (Monday thru Thursday at 11 a.m. on WBGZ 1570 AM), a public affairs show that features a variety of topics. She also hosts the *Noon Show* - a daily hour of news, information, commentary and features. Kathy's love of her job is based on many factors including a great group of co-workers and the ability to grow, learn and be consistently challenged.

Kathy did not always know she wanted to get into radio. With the support of her mother and father, Kathy attended Lewis and Clark Community College with the goal of majoring in business, putting aside her creative ambitions. At that point in her life, making money was the goal, but she soon realized it wouldn't make her happy. She received her Associate in Science transfer degree from the community college. Toward the end of her college work at LCCC, Kathy's father passed away, and after graduating, she spent a short time in the business world before returning to college. Kathy's father believed in the value of education and wanted her to get her Bachelor of Science degree. To honor his memory and to do what she knew she must, Kathy returned to college at SIUE. She always knew she was creative and now she wanted to channel her energies and talents into fostering it. After taking a few television and radio classes, she changed her major and began pursuing what she was meant to do in life. While taking her Mass Communications classes, Kathy decided to work at the University's radio station, WISE. She started out by volunteering and made copies of tapes for the production director. Little did she know an exciting career was to come, because also working at the station was a former KMOX newswriter. He recognized Kathy's potential and snagged her as his protégé. Kathy said he trained her from the ground up – helping her to make the transition from the creative writing style she had explored to effective news writing, a bare-bones writing style which focuses on facts and uses adjectives sparingly. He taught her how to develop a news voice - one that is authoritative and conveys credibility and honesty. He also taught her many technical facets of working in a radio station, from technical equipment operation to trouble shooting. After her radio news introduction, Kathy said she's been fortunate to have many caring professionals who have gone the extra mile to help her continue to learn and grow. Kathy graduated from SIUE with a Bachelor of Science in Mass Communications, with a minor in Business Administration and a concentration in Journalism.

Upon graduation, Kathy went to work at a radio wire service in St. Louis. During this period she did a lot of soul searching as she realized that working in the news industry could be harsh and eye opening. Realizing that the work did afford her an outlet for her creativity, she decided to remain in the industry and in 1998 she joined WBGZ as a news reporter and talk show host. Every day, Kathy and News Director Mark Ellebracht make decisions about news for that day and the next. Kathy interviews, writes and edits the local stories she covers. She, like many news reporters, uses wire services. Illinois Radio Network provides state and local news stories and Metro Networks provides national, state, St. Louis and local news, sports and weather. Kathy monitors the wire services and makes editorial decisions as to what news is used based on its relevancy to the River Bend area and its national significance. She will tighten the verbiage and flow of the reports but she is careful not to change the content if she is not the on-site reporter.

Kathy enjoys her *Let's Talk* show, which gives her the opportunity to learn a little about a lot from interesting national, state and local guests. She tries to schedule her guests a month ahead but sometimes finds herself scheduling at the last minute or making changes to booked shows. Sometimes Kathy will not have a guest and will open the phone lines to hear what listeners have to say and to discuss current events. Kathy says if the topic is controversial or political, she will do some preparation before her *"Let's Talk"* interviews. Usually Kathy prefers to wing it. She says sometimes knowing a topic too well poses a problem because there can be a failure to ask basic questions that interest the audience. Kathy loves it when listeners call in and ask questions, because many times they touch on things she hasn't explored. She said her goal is to see that the show flows and to make her guests feel comfortable and calm. A good interview, she said, is one where the guest talks more and she talks less.

Kathy said the challenge of a live show like *Let's Talk* is in its unpredictability. She said with a live show you are never sure what will happen next and the show host has to be prepared for it. The trick is to remain calm and try to act appropriately when something goes awry, which is easier said than done. Kathy said it's taken her awhile to adjust to doing live shows and to realize there is 'no panic button' and she has to be in control.

Throughout her career, Kathy has had interesting story assignments. She has covered former Presidents Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter, former First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, Colin Powell, Henry Kissinger, Luba Brezhnev, the niece of former Soviet Leader Leonid Brezhnev, governors, congressmen and many others. Kathy says her career has moments of excitement and involves a lot of behind the scenes hard work.

Kathy does not live the news 24/7. When she goes home, seldom does she watch or listen to the news. Kathy tries to maintain balance to her life, which is a daily challenge. Her mother and brother live in the Alton area as well as nieces and nephews. Kathy enjoys spending time with family and friends she loves to read and enjoys going to the theater, museums and anywhere animals reside. Kathy is an avid animal lover, and is the proud mom of a miniature poodle named Deoge (D-O-G). In her spare time, Kathy loves to write and is more than 40 pages into the writing of her first novel. It's Kathy's hope that she has garnered the respect and trust of the community she serves. Kathy has a strong belief system, which has been fortified through her church, family and friends. This value system is reflected in how she reports and what she reports, maintaining respect for other people despite differences of opinion. Thank you, Kathy, and all the staff at WBGZ for your commitment to the River Bend community.

## *Hayner Staff Participates in Head Start 'Shadow Day'*

This past winter, the Riverbend Head Start and Family Services held an event they called Shadow Day. They invited adults into the Head Start Centers to tour the facility, gain a better understanding of the myriad of services this wonderful organization provides the community and then spend time in the individual classrooms. The participants 'shadowed' the children as they played and carried out various activities. Members of Hayner Library staff participated and had a great time. We interacted with the kids, some of us reading stories, joining them in arts and crafts, even having lunch together. The kids were so receptive to visitors and it certainly opened our eyes to what an incredibly important mission Head Start serves. We learned that Head Start is committed to literacy, child development, family involvement, early childhood education, health, nutrition and helping at-risk families overcome many barriers. If you are interested in learning more about Head Start or perhaps visiting the center yourself, call 463-5946.

## *2003 River Bend Business Expo Offers Something for Everyone!*

The Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois is happy to present the 2003 Edition of the River Bend Business Expo to be held April 4th and 5th. This annual showcase of area businesses and organizations will be hosted by Alton Square Mall on Homer Adams Parkway in Alton.

The event offers the public the opportunity to meet and greet professionals and experts from our own area, and lets us show what a wealth of resources the River Bend has to offer! Featured events include demonstrations from cooking to landscaping by the U of I Extension Program, seminars for business owners on advancements in technology, story telling by Hayner Library and a Family Fashion Show and Health Fair. On Saturday, April 5, Taste of the Riverbend will feature local restaurants and caterers set up throughout the mall with samples of their individual specialties. There will also be ongoing musical performances offered by various community groups.

This year, a number of organizations will be involved in the event. Proceeds from the popular Taste of the River Bend will be donated to the Salvation Army. The Red Cross will conduct a Blood Drive. Alton High School Football team will be assisting in set-up. SCORE will conduct business counseling on site. For more information, please contact the Growth Association at 467-2280.

## *Hayner Library is on the Web!*

**Access Hayner Library online at:**

**www.haynerlibrary.org**

To view the online card catalog, click on "login."
To request items online, you need to enter:
Your library card #
(on back of your library card - with no spaces between digits),
Your PIN # (The last four digits of your home telephone number)

*If you have any questions, please feel free to contact The Hayner Public Library District*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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 1

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## *Senator William Haine - a Strong Library Advocate*

During National Library Week (April 6- April 12), library staff invited Senator William Haine and his wife, Anna, to a short reception at the Youth Library. As a young man, Senator Haine worked as a page at the Youth Library. He and his wife Anna have always been constant users of the library and have instilled a love of books and libraries in their seven children as well. In fact, he jokingly quipped that he wondered at times if the Haine family wasn't one of the library's major sources of income due to overdues they 'occasionally' incur. Senator Haine eloquently praised libraries as the backbone of a community and pledged his strong support for the Hayner Public Library System and library systems in general. Senator Haine started his career as a page at Hayner, went on to become States Attorney and is now a State Senator. We salute your success, Senator...your hometown is very proud of your accomplishments!

## *Hayner Library District announces Staff Appointments*

In February, 2003, Jeffrey A. Owen was named Executive Director for the Hayner Public Library District by the Library Board of Trustees. Jeff previously served as the business manager/financial officer for the Library District and also served from 2002-2003 as acting Director. An Alton native, Jeff has had a long history with the library and books! He worked as a library page and assistant in the Youth Library from 1974-1979. After attending SIUE, he worked for 17 years as Assistant District Manager for the WaldenBook Company. He returned to the library in 1996 to take over the role of Business Manager/ Financial Officer. We are all very excited about Jeff's appointment and look forward to working under his support, insight and direction.

In March, 2003, Gloria Mitchell was named Youth Services Manager. Gloria first joined

Hayner library staff as a library clerk in 1975 and has worked at the library since then in varying roles. A native of Alton, Gloria and her husband, Terry, have two daughters, Candace and Brandis. Gloria has jumped right into her new role as manager and with her staff has put together an exciting activity-packed summer reading program, incorporating the theme "Lights, Camera, Read!" Congratulations, Gloria, on your promotion- we know you'll do a great job!

Sharon Windham joined the Youth Services staff in February 2003. Sharon will be working as the Assistant Department Manager and her previous work experience as Director at Step by Step Child Care certainly leaves her well-qualified for the position. Sharon and her husband live in Alton and are expecting their first child in October. We all look forward to working with Sharon as part of the library team.

Also joining the Youth Library Staff

as part-time Library Assistants are Amy Hosford and Laura Griffith. Amy lives in Alton and is a freshman at Lewis and Clark Community College where she is studying Elementary Education.

Laura lives in Godfrey and is attending her freshman year at SIUE and studying Mass Communications. Welcome Amy and Laura!

Tom Norris is a new member of the staff at the Branch Library. A resident of Godfrey, Tom is retired from Owens Illinois where he worked in Mold Manufacturing.

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**STAFF APPOINTMENTS (Cont.)**

Tom and his wife have three grown children. Tom has long been a great fan of the library and is now working at the Branch Library as part-time Library Assistant. Welcome to Tom!

## Trustee Election Results

In the April Consolidated election, two seats were open on the Hayner Library District Board of Trustees. Winners of these seats were Nancy DeGrand and Sue Fitzgerald. Nancy, an Alton resident, was elected to her second term as Library Board Trustee. Prior to her board position, Nancy had served 22 years as Financial Officer for the Hayner Library District.

Sue Fitzgerald was elected to her first term as a trustee on the library board. Sue lives in Godfrey with her husband, Mike, and four children. Sue works for the St. Anthony's Hospice program.

Both seats are six-year terms. Nancy and Sue are both dedicated and enthusiastic supporters of the library and we thank them as well as all the Library board members for their work and dedication in making the Hayner Public Library District one of the best in Southern Illinois.

## Beverly Schoeberle to Leave Library Staff

Bev Schoeberle has been one of the driving forces behind the phenomenal growth and success of the Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Bev has acted as Branch Manager since the library opened at the Mall in 1985. Since that time, Bev has driven circulation to a Branch monthly high of 19,721 items! Bev has been a library employee since 1974 and has worked in almost every department of the library - from cataloguing to Bookmobile, the Telegraph Index project, circulation and more. Bev has always been highly regarded by patrons and staff alike for her professionalism, friendliness and competence. Thus we are saddened to announce that Bev has resigned from the library to move to Fort Myers, Florida with her husband, Paul. Bev won't stay away from libraries for long as she notes that there are currently five library positions open in Fort Myers. Bev also commented how many wonderful people she's met through the library and that she will miss them all. This is a wonderful opportunity for Bev and Paul (and thrills her son, Jason!). And while we will miss them all, we wish them the very best of luck and thank Bev so much for her service and many wonderful contributions to the Hayner Public Library District.

## OASIS offers Summer Programs

OASIS is a community-service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calender. (Call 463-4100, ext. 3050 for further information.)

**PACE Exercise Class**
Monday/Wednesday, June 2- July 9,
10:30-11:30, No Fee

**Tai Chi for Seniors**
Instructor: Patty Burkhalter
Monday, 6/9 - 6/30, 10:30-11:30, Fee: $27

**Lewis and Clark**
**in the Illinois Country**
Instructor: Harry Windland, Illinois Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Commission
Monday, 6/9, 1:00-3:00 No fee

**Humor in Your Life**
Instructor: The Mavenettes
Tuesday, August 12, 6:30-7:15, Fee: $13

**Dreams and Their Meanings**
Instructor: Rosemary Watts,
Dreams Unlimited
Wednesday, July 16, 10:30-11:30 am, Fee: $10

## Trustee Decides Against Third Term

After serving two terms (twelve years) on the Hayner Public Library Board of Trustees, Jody Morrissey has decided not to seek re-election. On behalf of her fellow trustees and the entire Library District, we would like to thank Jody for her many years of dedicated service and support to the Hayner Public Library District.

## Relative Research

Researching the history of your family can be fun, and you will meet many interesting people along the way. Most people are amazed to discover how much information they already have at home or can easily obtain by talking to relatives. The Family Bible, and "the drawer" at home where important papers are kept are a great places to start your research. Going to lunch with your Grandfather or Aunt Mary can prove to be most enlightening. Be sure to take notes as they talk; and ask them questions, too. Most older family members are thrilled that someone younger would be interested in their life. Ask for details of their experiences – what was it like to go to a one-room schoolhouse, or to not have a television? After all, we probably don't think our own life is too exciting, but someone else may be entranced by our real-life stories—black and white TV?

As you begin collecting your information, you will notice that you become more curious about how and why things happened the way they did. Hayner Public Library can assist you with your family research. We have how-to books for beginners as well as books for the experienced genealogist. We also have Census records, cemetery records for the local area, and many other resources for researchers. Come visit us and see our collection. You may also want to schedule an appointment with Cathie from Genealogy Services to help you get started, or help you get past a brick wall in your research. Plan to attend our quarterly Genealogy Roundtable Discussion group. This group welcomes those who may be thinking of doing their family history as well as those who have spent a great deal of time doing research. Watch for our announcement in the Hayner newsletter, and remember, it's all relative.

## Alton Area Landmarks Contributes Video

Thanks to the Alton Area Landmarks Association for their donation of the video ***Lower State Street Tour*** to our historic Illinois Room Collection. This is a wonderful piece of history that will be preserved for future generations. There is a copy in the circulating collection as well.

## Food for Fido

During the month of April, we had our third annual 'Food for Fido' fine amnesty program. If you donated an item of pet food, we would waive a current fine. As ever, our patrons responded generously allowing us to donate over 700 items of pet food to the Alton Area 5A's animal shelter. Many 'woofs' of thanks!

## Bow-wow Pow-wow

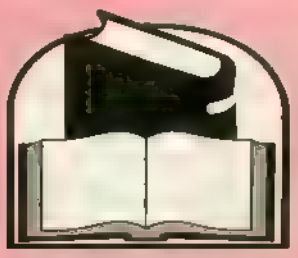
We have held several meetings of our Bow-wow Pow-wows and they have been great fun. On Saturday mornings, several times a month, June Walker of Walkers Wee Glen Obedience Training and her colleagues bring their certified therapy dogs to the library and children ages 5 through 12 each get a dog to read to. Children and parents love it! The kids can pick out books selected by library staff or bring their own. They settle down with a dog and intermix pets, hugs and reading. The kids can't get enough of it. One little boy read over seven stories - his mother commented that he never reads that much. Want to join us? Call Bernadette at 618-462-0677 to sign up or for more information regarding the program and schedule.

## Special Events to be Held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel!

We're just heading into summer, but you will want to be sure to mark your fall calender for two special events to be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.

On Tuesday, September 16, 2003, Dr. David Cornell will perform a piano concert starting at 6:30 pm. Dr. Cornell has taught physics and astronomy at Principia College for 38 years and is currently director of the Principia Astronomical Observatory. He holds a Ph.D. in Physics and also a Masters Degree in Piano Performance. Dr. Cornell has performed a variety of recitals at Principia College, in many cities around the USA and also abroad in England and Zimbabwe. In 2000, Dr. Cornell was invited to participate in the second Van Cliburn International Piano Competition for Outstanding Amateurs. Performing on the Chapel's beautiful Steinway Grand Piano, Dr. Cornell's program will include Mozart's Sonata, K. 283, G major, Klavierstueke, Op. 118, Nos. 2, 3, 6 by Brahms and Fantasie in F minor, Op. 49 by Chopin. The program will conclude with Jazz-Gospel setting for Piano arranged by M. Hassell and including *Swing Low Sweet Chariot*, *When the Saints go Marching In* and *America the Beautiful*. Don't miss this wonderful event. It is free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

On Thursday, October 16, we return to the Chapel for an encore performance by the Harman Family at 6:30 pm. The Harman Family has been playing bluegrass throughout the area (and the country) for two generations - they are immensely popular as befits this incredibly talented musical family. Today, the band consists of Mike Harman and his wife, Stacy, and their sons, 15-year-old Mark, 12-year-old Jeff and 6-year-old John. They perform at the Harman Auction House in Shipman, IL every first Saturday, November through April, and for the last 25 years they have performed to sellout crowds at the Midwinter Bluegrass Concert at Lewis and Clark Community College. Last winter, the Harmans performed at the Hayner main library - also to a sellout crowd (in fact we had a waiting list of almost 100 people!). The performance was filled with laughter, great music and some incredible pickin'! They are returning this fall to perform for us in the Chapel and it is sure to be yet another sellout event. The performance is free, but registration is required. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



**NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—FICTION**

Buckley, William F. **Getting It Right**
Cussler, Clive. **White Death**
Greeley, Andrew **Second Spring: A Love Story**
Hannah, Kristen. **Between Sisters**
Higgins, Jack. **Bad Company**
Johansen, Iris. **Dead Aim**
Kellerman, Jonathan. **A Cold Heart**
Koontz, Dean. **The Face**
Mitchard, Jacqueline. **Twelve Times Blessed**
Ozeki, Ruth. **All Over Creation**
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Patterson, James. **The Jester**
Quick, Amanda. **Late for the Wedding**
Shreve, Anita. **All He Ever Wanted**
Steel, Danielle. **Johnny Angel**
Woodiwiss, Kathleen. **The Reluctant Suitor**
Woods, Stuart. **Dirty Work**

**NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—NONFICTION**

Bloom, Harold **Hamlet: Poem Unlimited**
Buckley, Christopher **Washington Schlepped Here: Walking in the Nation's Capital**
Gould, Stephen Jay. **Triumph and Tragedy in Mudville: A Lifelong Passion for Baseball**
Halberstam, David. **The Teammates**

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

## LIGHTS, CAMERA, READ! 2003

Registration for summer reading club and activity programs opens Saturday, June 7th unless otherwise stated. Register in person at the Hayner Youth Library or the Hayner Branch Library. We regret we cannot accept registrations by phone. Children under twelve must be registered by a parent or guardian. Teens, ages 12-15, may sign up on their own. Summer reading club registration closed Saturday, June 28th. Registration for activity programs closes when all available places are filled. All programs at the library are provided free of charge. Due to space limits only residents or cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District may attend summer activity programs at the library.

Kids from birth through fifteen are invited to participate in the **Lights, Camera, Read!** Summer Reading Club at Hayner Public Library this summer. Pre-readers may participate if an adult agrees to read to them.

Participants agree to read at least six hours to complete the program and win a free paperback book of their choice. Time sheets must be returned to the Youth Library no later than Saturday, July 26th, in order to qualify. There are additional prizes for those who read 12, 18, 24, and 30 hours. Those who read 30 hours or more are listed on the Famous Wall of Fame display at the Youth Library all summer.

Award books and other prizes will be distributed at the End of Summer Party on Thursday, July 31st from 6-8 p.m. at The Commons Building at Lewis & Clark Community College. If you cannot attend the party, you can pick up your award book at the Youth Library any time between August 1st and August 31st.

Summer schools and other community agencies can participate as outreach sites for the summer reading club. Please call Gloria Mitchell at 462-0652 for more information.

To register for activity programs, children must be age specified by June 1, 2003. No programs meet the week of June 29 – July 5. The library will be closed July 4th.

### *Lapsit Story Times*

Ages birth-2 years. Group meets Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 10, 24 and July 22. Registration limited to 25 children.

### *Preschool story times*

Ages 3-5. One group meets Mondays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library; one group meets Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates are June 16/17, July 14/15 and July 28/29. Registration is limited to 25 children at both locations.

### *Evening story times*

Ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult. Group meets Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 10, 24 and July 22. Registration limited to 25 children.

### *Summertime crafts*

Ages 6-11; adults invited to assist. Group meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 11, 25 and July 16. Group meets Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates are June 18, July 9, and July 23. Registration limited to 20 children.

### *Read-n-rant book discussion group for teens*

Ages 12-15. We will read and discuss various books chosen from recommended reading lists. Group meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 12, 19, 26, July 10, 17 and 24. Registration limited to 10 children.

### *j.d. junior volunteer program*

Ages 12-15. Application packets will be available at the Youth Library on April 28. **We will begin accepting completed applications at the Youth Library beginning Tuesday, May 27.** Volunteers work at the Youth Library one day per week from June 9 through July 25. They will not work the week of June 29-July 5. **All volunteers are required to attend the end of summer party on July 31.**

### *Added Feature:*

June 16th Monday 10:00 a.m. WBGZ will visit the Youth Division of Hayner.

### *Special events:*

***These performances will be held at the Youth Library. All ages. No registration required.***

**June 12th** – Thursday 1-2 p.m. Janice Lesane Katambwa, a storyteller and African Culture Specialist, will provide a variety of fun-filled, hands-on, and interactive educational activities for all.

**June 19th** – Thursday 1-2 p.m. Annette Harrison, a multi-talented storyteller with a high energy, interactive storytelling program titled PICTURE THIS! IMAGINE THAT!

**June 26th** – Thursday 12-1 p.m. A-1 Clowns and Entertainers and Trebor Promotions. Balloon Artists.

**July 8th** – Tuesday 10:30-11:30 a.m. Chris Egelston. Reading Is Magic.

**July 17th** – Thursday 1-2 p.m. American Feet-rhythm & dance Annie Scheumbauer, Kim Miller and Tim Albert.

**July 24th** – Thursday 12-1 p.m. Richard Landry. Touching kids hearts with fun and laughter. Hilarious and amazing magic. Audience participation.

***These performances will be held at the Alton Square Branch Library. All ages. No registration required.***

**July 9th** – Wednesday 3-4 p.m. Dinosaur Man, Rich Penney will demonstrate how he combines art with science.

**July 16th** – Wednesday 1-2 p.m. Katherine Croxton will be playing the sweet sounds of a Dulcimer.

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Summer is upon us and there's lots to do...but don't forget when you need a respite from the heat, there's lots of cool programs at the Hayner Main Library. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held at our 326 Belle Street location, Alton, IL. All programs are free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

# Special Events at Hayner

## Jim Mager
### *"Gentleman Jim Rivers"*
**Tuesday, June 10, 6:30 pm**

Having grown up on the banks of the Mississippi, "Gentleman" Jim Rivers (as portrayed by Jim Mager) takes a trip to the past; through stories and songs about the history and life on the river. He spins tales that reflect the role that the Mississippi played in the development of America – in explorations, trade, commerce and travel and the wars waged for control of the "father or Rivers". Learn of the intrigue and legends of the first interstate system as flat boats, keel boats and steamboats made their way up and down the Mighty Mississippi. Jim is a great entertainer and musician and is assured to deliver a 'rollicking' performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dal Estes
### *Private Ryan's Sergeant*
**Tuesday, June 17, 6:30 pm**

"Private Ryan's Sergeant" is a first-hand account of what it was like to land on Omaha Beach on D-Day. Speaker Dal Estes is a World War II veteran who will discuss the trials and tribulations of the "line buck sergeant" both during training and then under fire in the Normandy invasion. He was injured in the Battle of the Bulge and was a commander of a German displaced persons camp in Czechoslovakia. He will discuss his combat experience, the men under his command and the dynamics of the relationship between commander and soldier. Don't miss this moving presentation of living history. This program is funded by a grant from the Illinois Humanities Council. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Genealogy Round Table
### *Civil War Records and Local Cemetery Research*
**Wednesday, June 18, 6:30 pm**

The Hayner Genealogy Roundtable Discussion Group will meet on Wednesday, June 18, 2003 at 6:30 in the Illinois Room at the Main Library. Don Huber will be our guest speaker and will discuss Civil War Records and Local Cemetery Research Don is so knowledgeable about our local history; we always learn something interesting from him. There will be a question and answer session at the end of Don's talk, so bring your genealogical inquiries and we'll do our best to help you figure them out. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## SCORE for your Small Business
**Thursday, June 19, 6:30 pm**

SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives) is a volunteer organization of business people that provide free confidential business counseling to help small business owners succeed. Join us for a program that will introduce you to SCORE and learn how they can help your business prosper. This is also an opportunity to network with others small business owners. This is a great opportunity to gather the building blocks that will ensure the success of your small business dream Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Aaron Mayhew
### *An Evening of Music*
**Tuesday, June 24, 6:30 pm**

Aaron Mayhew is a local performer with an incredible voice! He will perform a program of easy listening favorites of the 1950s that is guaranteed to stir up great memories! Don't miss the chance to share an evening of music with Aaron.... it will be a program of nostalgia and wonderful music of soft summer evenings. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mary Ann Pitchford
### *Take Control of Your Arthritis*
**Thursday, June 26, 10:00-12:00 noon**

This program focuses on the importance of exercise and a positive attitude in coping with arthritis and joint pain. Speaker for the program, Mary Ann Pitchford, is a certified instructor for P.A.C.E., water therapy Joints in Motion and the latest in Tai Chi techniques. The gentle Tai Chi method offers passive energy and increased range of movement to affected joints. Classroom discussion will be followed by the presentation of this graceful form of exercise. Please register at 1-800-613-3163. Registration for this program will cut off on 6/24/03.

## Chris Egelston
### *Magical Surprises*
**Tuesday, July 8, 6:30 pm**

Chris Egelston is an energetic performer that will entertain you with an evening of magic, comedy, mind reading and more. We guarantee you will be rolling in the aisles with delight, laughter and amazement. Join us for this program that will delight all ages. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Double Play
### *European Cruise*
**Wednesday, July 16, 6:30 pm**

Amy and Patrick return as the world's only professional tuba flute duo. They have delighted Hayner audiences in the past and bring us a completely new program this year performing selections from Rossini to Andrew Lloyd Webber. Amy will also demonstrate a Baroque flute and Patrick will demonstrate the hose horn. You will also get to meet Mustang, Patrick's new guide dog- you may remember Patrick's previous guide dog, Omni, who is now enjoying his retirement in Arizona! Don't miss this unique event! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## SCORE
### *The Gift of Volunteerism*
**Thursday, July 17, 6:30 pm**

SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives) is a group of business people from a wide variety of industries that volunteer their time and experience to provide confidential, no charge advice and council to small business owners (or would-be owners). Join us Thursday evening to learn more about SCORE, its members and how you can become a part of this great organization. Volunteering for SCORE is a great way to support your community. Everyone has skills to contribute. Come meet other SCORE volunteers and hear how easy it is to get started helping local businesses grow and prosper. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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*All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.*

**ADULT PROGRAMMING (Cont.)**

## Neil Yontz
### *Home Equity Conversion Program*
**Tuesday, July 22, 6:30 pm**

The US Congress passed legislation 15 years ago authorizing homeowners to use the equity in their homes for lifetime income. Through FHA, Fannie Mae and HUD government programs, homeowners are allowed to receive their choice of a lump sum of cash, create a line of credit, or receive monthly payments. Common uses for this program include paying off an existing mortgage, paying medical bills, generate monthly income, home repair, or to purchase home care or nursing home insurance. To qualify for the program one must be at least 62 years of age, live in the home and be the owner of the property. Come hear more about the details of the program and get answers to any questions you may have. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mark Hofeditz
### *Sing-Along Favorites*
**Tuesday, July 29, 6:30 pm**

Last year, we had such fun singing along to many of our old favorites with Mark Hofeditz. Mark accompanies himself on acoustic guitar and takes requests from the audience. This year his program will include an eclectic collection ranging from folk favorites to show tunes. Be sure to come prepared to sing, sing, sing! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Kenya Ajanaku
### *Africa Alive!*
**Tuesday, August 5, 6:30 pm**

Kenya Ajanaku is a dynamic drummer and storyteller who for 21 years has captivated his audiences with lively song, high energy dance and spellbinding words. He performs nationally combining storytelling, drumming and dance in his signature program "Africa Alive!" Through story and song he weaves mystical tales that promote respect, honesty and responsibility. He teaches the audience about African culture with compelling energy and rollicking entertainment that reaches across all cultural and generation lines. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Susan Parton Stanard
### *From Classics to Broadway*
**Tuesday, August 19, 6:30 pm**

Susan Parton Stanard, Mezzo Soprano, will perform along with the piano accompaniment of Barbara McHugh. Susan has performed in concert throughout the USA and Europe. She holds a degree in Voice and Opera and a Master of Arts Degree from Jacksonville University. Originally from Alton, she returned to the Riverbend in 2002 to conduct the Choral and Vocal Studies at Lewis and Clark Community College. Barbara is Associate Director with the St. Louis Childrens Choirs and currently General Music Vice President of the Missouri Music Educators Association. Their program will be an eclectic mix- a little bit classical, a little bit of Broadway and a LOT of fun. Don't miss this outstanding program! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bobby Norfolk
### *Scott Joplin "A Musical Tribute to the Ragtime King"*
**Tuesday, September 9, 6:30 pm**

The music of Scott Joplin influenced a whole generation at the beginning of the twentieth century as America was bursting forth with confidence and vigor as a leader of nations. This program traces the life and music of Joplin from an inauspicious beginning in Texarkana, Texas to the grand salons of the cultural capitols of the world. Join the renowned story teller Bobby Norfolk and special guest pianist for this exciting program featuring storytelling and ragtime music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dr. David Cornell
### *Piano Recital at Benjamin Godfrey Chapel*
**Lewis and Clark Community College, Godfrey IL**
**Tuesday, September 16, 6:30 pm**

Dr. David Cornell has performed a variety of recitals at Principia College, in many cities around the USA and abroad in Europe and Zimbabwe. In 2000, Dr. Cornell was invited to participate in the second Van Cliburn International Piano Competition for Outstanding Amateurs. Performing on the beautiful Steinway available in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel, Dr. Cornell's program will include selections by Mozart, Brahms and Chopin as well as a gospel-jazz arrangement and several American favorites. This promises to be a remarkable musical evening. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Rose Thornton
### *The Houses That Sears Built*
**Tuesday, September 30, 6:00 pm**

Rose Thornton has traveled throughout the Midwest researching, documenting and lecturing on Sears homes. These were homes that were actually purchased through a Sears mail order catalog and shipped (all 30,000 pieces) to a site where the home buyer assembles it. There are about 75,000 Sears Homes in the country and about 90% remain undiscovered. Through slides and lecture, Rose provides information on how to identify these great old homes. She gives a brief history of Richard Sears and Allah Roebuck and explains why Sears started selling homes and why he stopped. For anyone who loves history and houses this should prove to be a fascinating program about a uniquely American phenomenon. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Genealogy Book Review*

The Census Book, a genealogist's guide to Federal Census Facts, Schedules and Indexes by William Dollarhide. This is the ultimate book on census information. It is packed with information and little known facts on census records. It is full of forms, maps, county information along with tips for a better understanding of the census process. William Dollarhide is considered to be a top authority on genealogical researching, and his books are concise and clearly written so that every researcher can understand. This is a must-read for anyone doing genealogical research. You will find this book in the Illinois Room at Hayner Public Library.

Also new to our Illinois Room Collection is "Genealogical Records: Midwest Pioneers 1600s-1800s" CD #508 from Family Tree Maker. This CD gives historic information and biographical accounts on some of the earliest settlers of our region. Included you will find dates and locations of key events, military service information and selected Illinois census. Coverage is primarily for Illinois, Missouri, Indiana, Michigan and Kansas with some coverage of Massachusetts. You may use this CD at the library by asking at the Circulation Desk. Come visit us and see our wonderful Illinois Room.

***Patrons using the newly-renovated Illinois Room.***

# Patron Profile - Judy Hoffman

Recently, I had the opportunity to meet with Judy Hoffman and spend a fascinating afternoon learning little known facts about the history of the Alton/Godfrey area. Judy has extensively researched the history of our area for a book she is writing that will go to the publisher in June.

Judy is an Alton native and attended Alton High School. After high school, Judy had planned to go to SIUE to pursue her great interest in American Studies but fate intervened (as it always does) and she married and started a family. When her children were 11 and 12 years old, Judy attended Lewis and Clark Community College as a returning student and earned an Associate of Arts degree in English. Following this, Judy started a career in property management. She became a Regional Manager for a Chicago area firm and managed investment properties throughout Illinois for seven years. Judy maintained her home in Alton though her job required her to be on the road a great percentage of the time.

While juggling job and family, Judy took a course through the Institute of Real Estate Management and became a Certified Property Manager. She also taught real estate at Lewis and Clark which is where she met her current husband, Lars Hoffman. Lars, originally from Iowa, teaches Political Science at Lewis and Clark Community College, Principia and McKendree College. Anxious to cut back on the travel her job required, Judy took a position at Villa Rosa Development Company. Judy managed the project that successfully resulted in the opening of the Villa Rose Care Facility in Bethalto. Her next career move was to Lipton Realty in St. Louis where Judy was a Vice President for 7 years. Deciding to strike out on her own, Judy left Lipton and took assignments in management consulting and also managed Lars campaign for Mayor of Godfrey. Lars' served as mayor from 1991-1997.

It was during this time that Judy's interest in the area's history really started to escalate. One of the issues during Lars' mayoral campaign was that local residents wanted to ensure that efforts were made to maintain the character of Godfrey. Judy found herself asking herself "what exactly was that character?". She started to research the pre-civil war history of Alton and Godfrey and found that Godfrey was comprised of New Englanders, while downtown Alton was predominantly settled by Southerners. Judy notes that you can see in these settlement patterns the makings of conflict between the communities that lead to events such as Lovejoy's assassination and the conflict over the fugitive slave laws. Judy realized she was looking at the history of our area from a very different perspective and potential for a book was realized.

Judy's research included digging through the microfilm of the Alton Telegraph at the library as well as use of the resources in the Illinois Room. Because the Telegraph was not printed until 1837, Judy needed another avenue to research the early 1800s. Using her background in Real Estate, Judy knew that a good place to start was to gather the original Abstracts of Title from these early years. She canvassed local residents and located descendants of original settlers to find these valuable documents. The abstracts tell fascinating stories including depictions of the original land grants, will and probate information, divorces, evictions and more. Judy notes that much of the early history of the area will amaze people. Her book also delves into answering long debated questions about runaway slaves and the underground railroad. Judy says her research uncovered quite a bit of new information about the underground rail road, particularly the critically important (and little known) role Godfrey played in that chapter of history.

Of course, both Alton and Godfrey's character were profoundly shaped by Benjamin Godfrey, founder of the Alton-Sangamon Railroad (C&A) as well as Monticello Seminary, the first college for women west of the Allegheny Mountains (now the site of Lewis and Clark Community College). This hugely successful businessman was greatly responsible for creating one of the most prosperous periods in Alton's history, an economy that would collapse under the strife created with Lovejoy's murder and the Panic of 1837. Interestingly, Benjamin Godfrey's original intent for the township of Godfrey (originally called Monticello) was that it would exist as a gentrified suburb of Alton.

Judy's book also covers some fascinating facets of women's history in our area. Generally, little is recorded regarding women's lives in the early 1800s But records from the Monticello Seminary provide a rich trove of information of the graduates who attended this women-only institution. The deed of trust for the school mandated that room and board be kept at cost so that it would be affordable to all qualified students. The curriculum was extremely strenuous, requiring course study in astronomy, philosophy, international history, rhetoric and more. Extremely rigorous examination was required for graduation. The students had to pass two days of oral exams with intensive questioning by trustees, faculty and the general public! Few of us today might withstand that pressure! The school's academic reputation grew, drawing students from all over the country.

Judy noted that the book is written in a chronological manner, each chapter a mini story that follows a progression to help the readers grasp the bigger picture of the many facets of history, culture and drama that sculpted our towns. She also notes that there are many humorous anecdotes for readers to enjoy. Judy's extensive research was completed at the Illinois Historical Library in Springfield, the Galena Library and in New Orleans. She did the bulk of her research at the Hayner Main Library and used the Illinois Room extensively. She was emphatic about the incredible value of the Illinois Room. In fact, in a library of Hayner's size, Judy has never seen such a remarkable collection. Judy was also very complementary about the helpfulness and friendliness of library staff. Good luck with your book, Judy...we can't wait to hold your first book signing! And thank-you for your wonderful contribution of preserving the history of the River Bend.

## SCORE Offers Two-Part Program to Help Small Business Owners

Do you have a small business or are you dreaming of starting one? Do you find issues such as financing, taxes, cash flow and marketing all overwhelming? Would you like to have a team of experts to guide and council you - free of charge? SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives) is a volunteer organization of business people that provide free confidential business counseling to help you through start up and/or ensure that your existing business prospers. This summer, SCORE members will present a two-part informational series to help you understand how SCORE can help you. The first session on Thursday, June 19, will be held in the Reading Room of the Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton at 6:30 pm. This program will introduce you to SCORE counselors, overview the counseling session - what it entails and what the client can expect to receive from the session, how to apply for counseling and important documents the client should be familiar with/prepare for counseling sessions (business plans, financial worksheets, statements etc.). Use the program as a chance to network with other small business owners and hear the success stories from owners who have used SCORE expertise to successfully grow their businesses. The local Alton/Godfrey SCORE chapter serves seven counties with Alton as its center and is made up of over 40 counselors with expertise in 55 areas of business. Counselors with expertise in your particular business sector are also available for online support and counseling. Don't miss this opportunity to find out more about a key tool to the success of your small business dream.

Part Two of the series will be held July 17th at 6:30 pm also in the Main Library. This program is for anyone with would be interested in learning more about volunteering as a member of SCORE. Don't think you are qualified? No matter what your business background or expertise, EVERYONE has a set of skills and experiences that can be of great value in mentoring and counseling businesses in their planning and development and growth. Come and hear about the important service you can provide your community by volunteering for SCORE, meet members of the local SCORE chapter and hear how rewarding working with this wonderful organization can be. Both these programs are free of charge. To register for either program, call 1-800-613-3163. For inquiries about SCORE, call 618-467-2280, ask for Jan and she will mail you additional information.

## For Women by Woman - Fall Seminar

***"How to Have the Time of Your Life and Get Your Work Done Too!"***

What does that phrase conjure up in your imagination? Many of us have forgotten how to have the "time of our lives" because we are struggling to "create more time in our lives". Pam Vaccaro, president of Designs on Time and guest speaker at the September 25 *For Women by Women* seminar, presents her popular presentation proposing a new perspective on time management which acknowledges that technology is winning the race in time. The technical revolution creates more for us to do each day than ever before in history. If we can't beat it, then how do we join it so we can keep our lives personal and professional in sync?

Pam presents this information in her usual insightful well researched, quick paced and humorous style. If you are wondering where your time goes, this presentation challenges you to design your time in such a way that you maximize your satisfaction with life and have a great time doing it.

Pam is a nationally recognized speaker, trainer, author and productivity coach. Her research into personality based time management and time management for the future, challenges everything you've been taught about time management.

The seminar, coordinated by the SCORE, the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois and local business women, will help participants improve job performance as well as quality of life, regardless of career path. Held Thursday, September 25 at the Alton Holiday Inn, registration will be at 8:00 am with continental breakfast. The program will begin at 8:30, concluding at noon time. The seminar fee is $50 If three of more attend from one business, ticket cost is $40 each.

For reservations or additional information, contact the Growth Association at 618-467-2280.

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# The Hayner Public Library District

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## Hayner Library District announces Staff Appointments

There are some new faces at all three Hayner Library locations. In the Business Office, **Sara Pate** has joined the staff in the position of Administrative Assistant as of June 2003. Previously, Sara worked at the Lewis and Clark Library System Headquarters as an Administrative Assistant and prior to that worked at the Edwardsville Library. **Chris Boerner** also joined our staff in June 2003 filling the position of Technical Support Specialist.

He had previously worked at the Lewis and Clark Library System as an Information Technology Specialist and prior to that, Chris worked for Wang Global as a Field Service Representative. **Glady Butler** has been with the Library office staff since 2001 but in June 2003 assumed new responsibilities for Payroll and Human Resources. Prior to working at the Library, Glady worked for Walden Books for 8 years. She is also retired from the Southwestern School District after teaching 7th grade Social Studies for 33 years.

At the Branch Library, **Mary Paddock** has been named Branch Manager. Mary has been with the Library District since 1994 serving as a page and then as a Library Assistant. In the spring, Mary will be starting a program at Greenville College in Organizational Leadership. **Stephanie Jackson** has also joined onto the Branch staff as a part time Library Assistant. Stephanie is a student at SIUE, pursuing a degree in nursing. Joining the Youth Library is **Mary Kay Serio** as a part-time Library Assistant. Mary Kay also works as the Librarian at Marquette High School.

## Library Card Sign-Up Month

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month - a time when the American Library Association and libraries across the country remind parents that the most important school supply of all is @ your library™—it's your library card.

The observance was launched in 1987 to meet the challenge of then Secretary of Education William Bennett who said: "Let's have a national campaign... every child should obtain a library card - and use it." Since then, thousands of public and school libraries join each fall in a national effort to ensure every child has access to one of the most unique institutions in our democracy: the library.

Libraries play an important role in the education and development of children. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifelong learning and opportunity.

A Hayner Library card is free to anyone living in Alton, Godfrey and Fosterburg townships. All you need is a picture ID and another form of ID with your current address. For children under 18, a parent or guardian's signature is required. Borrowing privileges are granted on the spot, giving you immediate access to over 200,000 items including books, magazines, DVDs, CDs, Videos, audio books and more!

Hayner Library district is truly a community center for information also offering computers, access to the internet, a microfilm library, the Historical Illinois Room, genealogy services and and a wide range of free live programs of entertainment and education for children and adults alike. Certified Reference librarians are on staff to help you find the information you need.

Come to any of our three locations and sign up the whole family for library cards. During the month of September, if you sign up for a card, you will receive a free water bottle with the slogan "quench your thirst to read"!

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Labor Day, September 1
Veterans Day, November 11
Thanksgiving, November 27

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## *Great Database Service Available From Your Home!*

Hayner Library subscribes to a database subscription service called EBSCO which provides research databases that you can access through the Hayner Library website (www.haynerlibrary.org). You can log onto these databases at the library or from your home computer. Go to our website and click on Online Resources, then Ebsco Host. You now have access to multiple highly developed databases. They include:

***1) MasterFILE Select:*** designed specifically for public libraries, this database provides full text for nearly 800 general reference publications with coverage dating as far back as 1984.Covering virtually every subject area of general interest, it also has an image collection of 116,000 photos, maps and flags and is updated daily.

***2) Business Source Elite:*** provides full text for more than 1,100 scholarly business journals, including full text for more than 450 peer-reviewed business publications. Titles date back to 1985. Updated daily.

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***4) History Reference Center:*** this database provides full text from 330 history reference books and encyclopedias, full text from 500 periodicals, 58,000 historical documents, 43,000 biographies and 100,000 historical photos, maps and other images.

***5) TOPICsearch:*** a current events database allows researchers to explore social, political & economic issues, scientific discoveries and other popular topics. TOPICsearch contains full text for over 64,000 articles from more than 3,000 diverse sources including nearly 1,600 full text periodicals.

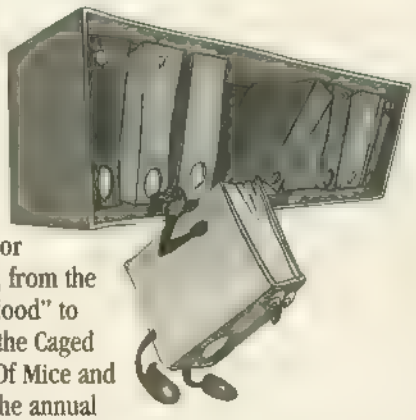
***6) Novelist:*** Novelist allows readers to use a favorite author or title as a template to locate other authors and titles of interest. Novelist adds 10,000 new fiction records per year along with reviews and descriptions.

***7) Novelist k-8:*** allows you to discover fiction titles that are popular with young readers as will as titles to use in the classroom. Novelist k-8 contains material for all K-8 grade levels and includes picture books, "chapter books" and young adult title. Updated monthly.

***8) Auto Repair Reference Center:*** allows you to look up repair procedures, service bulletins and recalls for individual makes and models of automobiles from 1954 to last year. Written in layman's terms, this database give you repair and maintenance guidance that you don't have to be a mechanic to understand!

EBSCO is a wonderful and extremely powerful reference and research tool. We are excited to be able to offer you this service both at the library and in your home. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions on using EBSCO. We look forward to your feedback on this exciting newly expanded service!

## *Open Your Mind: Libraries, bookstores celebrate Banned Books Week, September 20-27*



Thousands of bookstores and libraries nationwide will celebrate the freedom to read during Banned Books Week, September 20-27. They will mark the occasion with displays and readings of books that have been banned or threatened throughout history, from the Bible and "Little Red Riding Hood" to Maya Angelou's "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings" and Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men". Observed since 1982, the annual event is a celebration of the freedom to read and reminds Americans not to take this precious democratic freedom for granted. "The ability to read, speak, think and express ourselves freely are core American values," said Judith Krug, director of the American Library Association's (ALA) Office for Intellectual Freedom. "We hope Banned Books Week helps to remind Americans of the importance of our freedom at a time when freedoms are being eroded in the United States. Now – more than ever – we must let freedom read."

Banned Books Week 2003 has the theme "Open Your Mind to a Banned Book." It is sponsored by the American Booksellers Association, the American Booksellers Foundation for Free Expression, the ALA, the American Society of Journalists and Authors, the Association of American Publishers and the National Association of College Stores. It is endorsed by the Center for the Book of the Library of Congress.

Oprah's Book Club selection of Steinbeck's "East of Eden" put the 51-year-old book on the New York Times bestseller list, and encouraged Americans to return to classic literature. Like many classic novels, including "To Kill a Mockingbird" and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," "East of Eden" has been subject to several attempts to remove it from library bookshelves. According to the ALA, at least 42 of the top 100 novels of the 20th century have been banned or challenged. The best selling Harry Potter series of children's books by J.K. Rowlings tops the list of books most challenged in 2002.

"Not every book will be right for every reader, but the freedom to choose for ourselves from a full array of possibilities is a hard-won right that we must not take for granted in this country," said Judith Platt, director of the Association of American Publishers' Freedom to Read program.

For more information on Banned Books Week, please visit the ALA web site at www.ala.org/bbooks/

To quote Benjamin Franklin:

"Whoever would overthrow the liberty of a nation must begin by subduing freeness of speech."

"Without Freedom of Thought, there can be no such Thing as Wisdom and no such Thing as public Liberty, without Freedom of Speech."

## *Help Make a Difference in a Child's Life*

The OASIS Intergenerational Tutoring Program matches trained volunteers with students who need help developing reading and language skills. Volunteers work one-on-one with the child as a tutor, mentor and friend.

With this individual attention, the volunteers are able to build the child's self esteem and positive attitude toward learning while strengthening reading and language skills.

All materials, books and supplies are provided by OASIS. Make a commitment of just one hour a week with one child for the school year.

You have so much to give and the need is so great! The Alton OASIS Center has an opportunity for you to join our tutoring program in Bethalto, IL.

**Where:** Parkside Elementary School, 600 E. Central, Bethalto, IL for grades Second and Third.

**Where:** Bethalto East, 309 Albers Place, Bethalto, IL for grades First, Second and Third. Time: 2:30- 3:30 p.m.

If you can give one hour a week to a child and can attend our September training session, contact De Harris, OASIS Center (618) 465-1490.

## *OASIS Offers Fall Programs*

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age and older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall.

Be sure to mark these dates on your calender (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information).

**Tai Chi for Seniors**
Instructor: Patty Burkhalter
Mondays, September 15- October 6, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Fee: $27

**Beginning German**
Instructor: Judy Howald
Mondays, October 6 - November 24, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Fee: $32

**Understanding the War on Iraq**
Instructor: Denise De Garmo
Tuesdays, October 7, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Free

**Beginning Spanish**
Instructor: Nina Taylor
Wednesdays, September 24-October 29, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Fee: $35

**Oscar Winning Movies**
Fridays, October 3-November 21, 1:00-3:30 p.m., Fee: $4 (includes popcorn and soda)

## *Illinois Room Brings Visitors From Far and Wide.*

The Illinois Room is open and in full operation. We had to close the facility earlier this year for renovation and then a few short months later, it had to be closed again for plumbing repair work that cut off accessibility. But we're open for business now and certainly intend to stay that way! Be sure to come visit us and see the changes we've made. The room is much more "user friendly" - a great place to research local history and genealogy. This past summer, researchers from California to Rhode Island have visited us to use the Illinois room. We've had researchers from Canada, Florida, Washington, Oregon and states in between with historic connections to the Riverbend area that have made use of the facility's unique collections- and just think, its in your own back yard. Even if you are not doing research, browsing the Illinois Room can be fascinating. We hope you come visit soon.

### NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS – FICTION

Auchincloss, Louis. **The Scarlet Letters**
Baldacci, David. **The Split Second**
Burke, James Lee. **Last Car to Elysian Fields**
Clark, Carol Higgins. **Popped**
Cornwell, Patricia. **Blow Fly**
Crace, Jim. **Genesis**
Forsyth, Fredrick. **Avenger**
Gabaldon, Diana. **Lord John and the Private Matter**
George, Elizabeth **A Place of Hiding**
Gerritson, Tess. **The Sinner**
Grimes, Martha. **Foul Matter**
Johansen, Iris. **Fatal Tide**
Keillor, Garrison. **Love Me**
Kellerman, Faye. **Street Dreams**
LaHaye, Tim. **Babylon Rising**
Mitchard, Jacqueline. **Christmas, Present**
Morrison, Toni. **Love**
Paretsky, Sara. **Blacklist**
Parker, Robert B. **Stone Cold**
Reich, Christopher. **The Devil's Banker**
Rice, Anne. **Blood Canticle: The Vampire Chronicles**
Roberts, Nora, and J.D. Robb. **Remember When**
Straub, Peter. **Lost Boy Lost Girl**
Updike, John. **The Early Stories: 1953-1975**
Woods, Stuart. **Capital Crimes**

### NONFICTION

Alexander, Caroline. **The Bounty: The True Story of the Mutiny on the Bounty**
Archer, Jeffrey. **A Prison Diary**
Ayers, Edward L. **In the Presence of Mine Enemy: War in the Heart of America, 1859-1863**
Barry, Dave. **Boogers Are My Beat: More Lies, But Some Actual Journalism**
Berenbaum, Rose Levy. **The Bread Bible**
Bradley, James. **Flyboys: A True Story of American Courage**
Bush, Barbara. **Reflections: Life After the White House**
Chopra, Deepak. **The Spontaneous Fulfillment of Desire**
Collins, Judy. **Sanity and Grace: A Journal of Suicide, Survival and Strength**
Diamant, Anita. **Pitching My Tent: On Marriage, Motherhood, Friendship, and Other Leaps of Faith**
Hamilton, Nigel. **Bill Clinton: An American Journey**
Haygood, Wil. **In Black and White: The Life of Sammy Davis, Jr.**
Ivins, Molly. **Bushwacked: Life in George W. Bush's America**
Oates, Joyce Carol. **The Faith of a Writer: Life, Craft, Art**
Tan, Amy. **The Opposite of Fate: A Book of Musings**
Truman, Margaret. **The President's House: A First Daughter Shares the History and Secrets of the World's Most Famous Home**
Turow, Scott. **Ultimate Punishment: A Lawyer's Reflections on Dealing with the Death Penalty**
Van Susteren, Greta. **My Turn at the Bully Pulpit: Straight Talk About the Things that Drive Me Nuts**

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

***Preschool Story Time*** will be at 10:00 a.m. and be held at the Youth Library every other Monday on September 8 & 22, October 6 & 20 and November 3 & 17. It will be held at the Branch Library every other Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. on September 9 & 23, October 7 & 21 and November 4 & 18. Preschool Story Time is for children ages 3-5.

***Evening Story Time*** begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be held on Tuesday evenings at the Youth library on September 2, 16 & 30 and October 14 & 28

***The Lapsit Program*** continues. The Lapsit is designed for children from birth to age two. The program last from 20 to 30 minutes and consists of very easy books and songs. It's purpose is to get children used to the library. We don't expect the children attending this program to sit still for the entire program. The Lapsit begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library on September 2, 16 & 30 and October 14 & 28.

The ***Reading Rockets Book Club*** will be held at the Branch Library on Mondays at 4:00 p.m. on September 8, October 6 and November 3.

The ***Read 'n Rant*** book club for teens meets on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Library. The meeting dates are September 4, October 2 and November 6.

***After School Fun*** will be held at the Youth Library at 3:30 p.m. on September 11, October 9 and November 13

### *Special Events at the Hayner Youth Library*

**Special Ice Cream Day Craft** on Thursday, September 25 at 10:00 a.m. we will be making fun crafts and every child will get a coupon for free ice cream from Ketchum's Kreme Korner.

**Sparks and Spooks** - Join us Thursday, October 30 at 6:30 p.m. for an evening of ghost stories and spooky tales by the Riverwind storytellers

**Family Reading Night** - Thursday, November 20 at 4:00 p.m. bring the family to the library to read stories together and enjoy time with each other before the hectic pace of the holidays is upon us!

## Hayner Main Library Events

*We've got a great schedule of programs lined up to keep you busy this fall. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise indicated, all programs are held in the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

### Bobby Norfolk
### *Scott Joplin "A Musical Tribute to the Ragtime King"*
**Tuesday, September 9, 6:30 p.m.**

The music of Scott Joplin influenced a whole generation at the beginning of the twentieth century as America was bursting forth with confidence and vigor as a leader of nations. This program traces the life and music of Joplin from an inauspicious beginning in Texarkana, Texas to the grand salons of the cultural capitols of the world. Joined the renowned storyteller Bobby Norfolk and special guest pianist for this exciting program featuring storytelling and ragtime music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*
**Saturday, September 13**
**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bob-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Dr. David Cornell
### *Piano Recital at Benjamin Godfrey Chapel*
**Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL**

**Tuesday, September 16, 6:30 p.m.**
Dr. David Cornell has performed a variety of recitals at Principia college, in many cities around the USA and abroad in Europe and Zimbabwe. In 2000, Dr. Cornell was invited to participate in the second Van Cliburn International Piano Competition for Outstanding Amateurs. Performing on the beautiful Steinway available in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel, on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, Dr. Cornell's program will include selections by Mozart, Brahms and Chopin as well as a gospel-jazz arrangement and several American favorites. This promises to be a remarkable musical evening. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mary Ann Pitchford
### *Take Control of Your Arthritis*
**Thursday, September 18,**
**10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon**
This program focuses on the importance of exercise and a positive attitude in coping with arthritis and joint pain. Speaker for the program, Mary Ann Pitchford is a certified instructor for P.A.C.E., water therapy Joints in Motion and the latest in Tai Chi techniques. The gentle Tai Chi method offers passive energy and increased range of movement to affected joints. Classroom discussion will be followed by the presentation of this graceful form of exercise. Please register at 1-800-613-3163. Registration for this program will cut off on 9/16/03.

### Kelly Meier
### *Ebay Basics*
**Thursday, September 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**
Are you in the dark about Ebay or anxious to learn how to sell your "stuff" over the internet and for fun and profit? Join us for a training session in EBAY Basics and learn how to participate in an online auction site. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

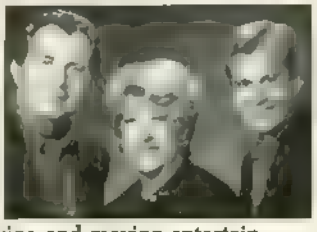
### Kelly Meier
### *PC Basics*
**Saturday, September 20 - two sessions**
**9:30-11:00 a.m. or 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**
This PC Basics training session includes a hands-on introduction to using a personal computer. The class will cover, computer hardware, using the machine, what is a desktop, Windows elements and file management. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Rose Thornton
### *The Houses That Sears Built*
**Tuesday, September 30, 6:00 p.m.**
***(Please note that the start time for this program is 6:00 pm)***
Rose Thornton has traveled throughout the Midwest researching, documenting and lecturing on Sears homes. These were homes that were actually purchased through a Sears mail order catalog and shipped (all 30,000 pieces) to a site where the home buyer assembles it. There are about 75,000 Sears Homes in the country and about 90% remain undiscovered. Through slides and lecture Rose provides information on how to identify these great old home. She gives a brief history of Richard Sears and Allah Roebuck and explains why Sears started selling homes and why he stopped. For anyone who loves history and houses this should prove to be a fascinating program about a uniquely American phenomenon. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, October 11**
**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**
Join us for a Bob-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## The Raffety Family
### *An Evening of Gospel Music*
**Tuesday, October 14, 6:30 p.m.**
Kay, John and their son Matthew are well known in the area for their wonderful musical talents, frequently performing together in their church choir.

For their program at Hayner, they will treat us to an evening of gospel music. Join us for an evening of inspiring and moving entertainment. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Genealogy Roundtable
### *Revolutionary War Research*
**Wednesday, October 15, 6:30 p.m.**
Join us for a lively discussion on DAR research with guest speaker Anita Velloff. Anita is the 1st Vice Regent of the Ninian Edwards Chapter of DAR. This event will be held in the Illinois Room of the Hayner Main Library. All are welcome, regardless of your experience level in genealogical research. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## The Harman Family
### *An Evening of Bluegrass*
**Thursday October 16, 6:30 p.m.**
Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at
Lewis and Clark Community College
5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL
The Harman family has been playing bluegrass throughout the Riverbend for two generations. Join Mike, his wife Stacey and their sons 15-year-old Mark, 12-year-old Jeff and 6-year-old John for a program of great picking, singing and down home fun. If you have never seen the Harman's perform, you don't want to miss this opportunity. We guarantee you'll have a hard time staying in your seats! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Lee Murdock
### *Ghosts of the Great Lakes*
**Tuesday, October 21, 6:30 pm**
Lee Murdock is a wonderful folk singer who has uncovered a boundless body of music and stories in the Great Lakes. These songs are made of hard work, hard living, ships that go down and ships that come in. In this pre-Halloween program, Lee will give us a narrated concert featuring songs of supernatural legends and spooky tales from Great Lakes lore. To register, call 1-800-613- 3163.

## Michael Mason
### *"Jazz, Sin and the Demon Rum"*
**Tuesday, October 28, 6:30 p.m.**
Michael Mason, a multi-talented musician with a passion for the tenor banjo returns to Hayner with another of his wonderful programs. Through story and song, Michael takes a look at the prevalent moods and attitudes among the religious communities and the public in general towards jazz, musicians, prohibition and "The Roaring 20's". Join us for a fascinating, often humorous trip back in time. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Charlotte Heeren/Carol Galvin
### *"A Musical Tribute to the Music of World War II"*
**Tuesday, November 4, 6:30 p.m.**
In preparation for Veterans Day, pianist Charlotte Herren and singer Carol Galvin salute veterans and members of the armed forces in a musical tribute of songs that were particularly popular during World War II. Join us for old favorites that will have you singing along. Register at 1- 800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, November 8**
**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**
Join us for a Bob-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Chris Camp
### *"Master of the Bullwhip"*
**Tuesday, November 18, 6:30 p.m.**
From "fast draw" multiple cracking to precision tricks, Chris Camp and his Bullwhips are sure to amaze and delight. As the bullwhip moves at speeds in excess of 900 miles an hour you will see Chris cut targets out of his own mouth and off the top of his head! Chris discusses the history and uses of the bullwhip as well as the science of handling one. Don't miss this completely different and fascinating evening. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Windscape
### *A Classical Christmas*
**Tuesday, December 2, 2003**
Windscape is a woodwind trio featuring flute, clarinet and bassoon. These classically trained musicians and Metro East natives have been engaged for performances extensively on both sides of the Mississippi and in 2002 presented

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***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***

a Christmas concert at the Jefferson Memorial in downtown St. Louis. This year they are coming to the Hayner library to help us kick off the holiday season! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Hofeditz
### *A Caroling We Will Go*

**Tuesday, December 9, 6:30 p.m.**
Mark Hofeditz is famous for getting us in our best singing voices. Join us for an evening of singing holiday favorites and enjoying the spirit of the season. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Reading System Installed in Branch Library*

An Aladdin Ultra Reading System has been installed at the Alton Square Mall on a trial basis. This system, an Assistive Technology Product, is a video magnifier that will increase the magnification of printed material from 5 to 60 times. It can be used for reading books, newspapers, magazines...just about anything, even pill bottles. You can use it to write too – letters, checks, whatever. It can also be used in a three dimensional mode for activities such as sewing and crocheting. This machine was donated to the Lewis and Clark Library System by Mr. Donald Hamilton in memory of his mother Mary Hamilton. It was donated as a "loaner system" to any of the member libraries of the Lewis and Clark Library System. We will have the system installed for several months to evaluate it's use and determine the value to you, our patrons. We invite you to come try it out and let us know how you like it. It is VERY easy to use and any of our staff would be happy to help you get started.

## *Important Service offered by Riverbend Head Start*

Head Start & Family Services is now enrolling for its comprehensive early childhood development and family strengthening Head Start program. At the Essic Robinson Center on Broadway serving the Riverbend area, children from birth to age 5 and their parents benefit from part-day, full-day, child care and home based program options. Head Start is a federal program serving at-risk families on the cornerstones of child development, literacy, parent involvement, health and nutrition services and a many other social services. If you have a child or know of a child in need of free or affordable services, please call 463-5950.

## *Book Club Fun!*

Members of the Hayner Library book club met recently and turned their discussion of Jane Austen's *Emma* into an English garden party complete with wide-brimmed hats. The group agrees on titles to read and meets at the library on the fourth Friday of every month to discuss their current selection. If you would like more information about Hayner's book club, please contact Katie Schrimpf, Adult Services Librarian, at 462-0651.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow Continues to be Howling Success*

Our monthly Bow-wow Pow-wow sessions have been great fun for kids and dogs alike! Certified therapy dogs, as coordinated by June Walker of Walker's Wee Glen Obedience training, come to the library every second Saturday of the month for children to read to. The kids love it and it's great for developing reading skills. One little girl found out the she could not attend the session in July because Grandma was taking her to Disneyland. She was so upset to miss the Pow-wow, she told her Mother she wanted to reschedule her vacation! To make our reading sessions even more special, every child receives a tee shirt that says "I read to the dogs at Hayner Public Library". For more information or to enroll your child, call Bernadette at 462-0677. Again, the sessions are held every second Saturday of the month at the Hayner Youth Library at 10:00 a.m. They are free of charge but registration is required.

## *Activities at the YWCA*

Don't miss these great activities sponsored by the YWCA at 304 E. 3rd St, Alton, IL. All activities require registration at 618-465-7774.

**YWCA Card Parties:** Open to all card players, these parties are held in the newly renovated Levis Room on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month beginning in September from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. There is a $10 charge per person which covers a catered lunch from Sweet Olive. Please reserve your spot at least 24 hours in advance.

**Quilting Class and Open Quilting Time:** Learn hand piecing, embroidery, applique, English paper piecing and more. All levels and abilities welcome. First timers will learn the basics of quilting, intermediate and advanced quilters can bring in a work in progress for added instruction and techniques. This will be held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, beginning in September, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. $30 fee includes a catered lunch by Sweet Olive.

**Head to Toes Weight Program for Children:** Developed by St. Louis Children's Hospital, this program gives children the opportunity to develop a healthy lifestyle in a positive environment. This group meets Tuesdays September 9 - November 11 from 7 to 8 p.m. for ages 8 -17 years. There is a $50 fee per child (includes a YWCA membership).

Do you have dusty old treasures lying around the house? If you have historic memorabilia in the attic, why not consider donating it to Hayner Public Library where it will be used and appreciated for years to come. Hayner Public Library accepts donations of historic and/or genealogical materials to add to the collection of the Illinois Room. We especially appreciate Illinois Blue Books, local city directories, maps and atlases, school yearbooks, county histories, and local church histories. These materials are kept safe in that they do not leave the library, yet they are made more accessible to the public than if kept in places with fewer hours of operation. Our Illinois Room is used extensively by patrons from around the world doing historic research as well as genealogy research. We would appreciate your consideration.

# *Patron Profile Rose Thornton*

Rose Thornton, author and lecturer, certainly has a passion for her work. Her book "The Houses that Sears Built" is immensely popular and has generated great demand for her as a speaker throughout the country.

Originally from Virginia Beach, Virginia, Rose moved to Alton seven years ago. During her first three years here, she worked for the Post-Dispatch as a freelance reported. It was in this job, Rose says that she learned much of the mechanics of writng. She left the paper to write articles for magazines and the Internet. She also became a regular columnist for the national magazine, *Today's Homeowner*. Rosemary marvels, "I can't believe I was getting paid well to do what I love!".

Rosemary also wrote for the oldhouseweb.com website. One of the columns she was asked to write was on Sears homes. Sears homes were homes that were built according to the plans, instructions and materials that were ordered and packaged completely through the Sear's catalogue from 1908 till 1940. One column turned into three, then a dozen. Rosemary say it was this Godsend that eventually lead to her book as her fascination with this distinct part of Americana grew. She researched her book traveling throughout the Midwest. She availed herself of the many resources at Hayner library including the microfilm and Illinois room and credits the library with being fundamental in getting her volumes of wonderful rare material from other libraries particularly the State Library in Springfield and libraries in Chicago as well as nationwide. She notes that leaning how much a library can get for you has been and education in itself

It took Rosemary two years to complete writing the book and compiling it's incredibly extensive bibliography. The book has received a wonderful response. Rosemary has received hundred of emails from all over the county from people with stories about Sears homes - vignettes handed down about incidents that occurred while the owner was building them, things that went wrong, humorous anecdotes. She says she has learned so much, she is currently writing a second revision which in be published in the fall. One reader emailed Rosemary that he enjoyed the book so much, he read it seven times in a row.

Rosemary has become a much requested lecturer, averaging over 150 lectures last year. She noted that in her travels while researching and lecturing, she has greatly enjoyed getting to see and appreciate the Midwest. She has found the people to be incredibly warm and friendly, compassionate and respectful. She says they have really made her forget her occasional homesickness for her east coast roots. However, she relates one incident that marked her as not very popular in one town. The town of Hopewell, Virginia, prided themselves as having 44 Sears homes in their community. Rosemary pointed out in her lecture to a Hopewell audience that, in fact, they really had only ten. The town was not pleased and Rosemary's lecture was headline news for sometime.

Rosemary has become recognized as an expert in recognizing Sears homes and is increasingly sought after by those want to validate the authenticity of their home. Rosemary also averages 2-3 interviews a week. She has been interviewed by the New York Times, Christian Science Monitor, WGN, CBS and PBS. The content of Rosemary's lectures includes defining what is a Sear's home, how to identify one and why it is historically important. She also gives a verbal chronology of the time line of the Sears Kit Department. She includes lots of humor in her talks and say the feedback she most often receives include three recurring comments- that "her passion shows", "her enthusiasm really made the subject interesting" and "she could have been a standup comedian." During one question and answer period, she was asked "Would you marry a man for his Sears home?" She replied "It depends on which model home."

In regard to models, Rosemary described that there were 370 designs offered by Sears but 65 of those designs were actually built 90% of the time - obviously these were the best sellers. Rosemary prides herself on having been blessed with a excellent memory in memorizing pictures. She can drive by a home and immediately identify from her memorization any of the 370 individual house plans.

Rosemary is currently working on a second book which will be a 'quickie' field guide to Sears homes. When not working on her book, researching or lecturing (all of which consume about 75% of her time). Rosemary, who has three grown daughters, spends most of her time reading- usually she reads 7-10 books concurrently. Rosemary will also be teaching a class on Sears homes at Lewis and Clark Community College this November.

Rosemary has met with Alton City council, local mayors and councilmen, to emphasize the importance of the preservation and promotion of Sears homes in the Riverbend area. She highlights that preserving Sears homes can help revitalize the working class/ inner city communities where many are located. Rosemary was also very grateful for all the help and unwavering support she has received form Terry Sharp and the Alton Area Landmarks Association.

Rosemary truly has found her calling and passion. She jokingly says she is convinced that when she was born, the attending doctor, said to her mother, "Congratulations, Mrs. Fuller, you have given birth to a 7-1/2 pound Sears home historian." Rosemary will be presenting her lecture at the Hayner Main Library on Tuesday, September 30 at 6:00 p.m. in the Main Library reading room. Be sure to join us for this fascinating talk (register at 1-800-613-3163) and you too can share in Rosemary's passion!

## *For Women by Women - Fall Seminar*

**"How to Have the Time of Your Life and Get Your Work Done Too!"**

What does that phrase conjure up in your imagination? Many of us have forgotten how to have the "time of our lives" because we are struggling to "create more time in our lives". Pam Vaccaro, president of Designs on Time and guest speaker at the September 25 *For Women by Women* seminar, presents her popular presentation proposing a new perspective on time management which acknowledges that technology is winning the race in time. The technical revolution creates more for us to do each day than ever before in history. If we can't beat it, then how do we join it so we can keep our lives personal and professional in sync?

Pam presents this information in her usual insightful well researched, quick paced and humorous style. If you are wondering where your time goes, this presentation challenges you to design your time in such a way that you maximize your satisfaction with life and have a great time doing it.

Pam is a nationally recognized speaker, trainer, author and productivity coach. Her research into personality based time management and time management for the future, challenges everything you've been taught about time management.

The seminar, coordinated by the SCORE, the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois and local business women, will help participants improve job performance as well as quality of life, regardless of career path. Held Thursday, September 25 at the Alton Holiday Inn, registration will be at 8:00 am with continental breakfast. The program will begin at 8:30, concluding at noon time. The seminar fee is $50. If three of more attend from one business, ticket cost is $40 each. For reservations or additional information, contact the Growth Association at 618-467-2280.

## *Summer Reading Program is a Four-Star Blockbuster!*

The Hayner Youth Library Summer Reading Program, "Lights, Camera, Read 2003" came to an end on July 31. The End of Summer Party was held at the Commons Building at Lewis and Clark Community College. There were 341 people in attendance for the party. We had wonderful participation this summer from our children. 695 children signed contracts to complete a specific number of hours of reading over the summer and out of that 695, we had 481 children complete their contracts and what's even better, we had 88 children read 30 hours or more. Their names were posted on our Wall of Fame at the Youth Library during the month of August. Congratulations to all the great readers and thanks to all the volunteers who donated more than 400 hours to help our summer run as smoothly as it did.

Hayner Youth library is looking forward to next year's summer reading program, "Explore the Reading Trail" and we hope it will be equally successful.

**Visit our website at www.haynerlibrary.org**

## *Friends of the Library Preparing for Huge Fall Book Sale!*

The bi-annual Fall Book Sale sponsored by Hayner Friends of the Library will be held October 9, 10 and 11 Thursday, October 9 is a preview night and for this night only, there is a $5.00 admission fee. Friday, October 10, the sale will be open from 9 a.m. till 7 p.m. with free admission. On Saturday, October 12, the hours are 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m., also with free admission. Most hard cover books will sell for $1.00 and paperbacks for $.50. There will also be some specially-priced items. The Friends have collected a huge supply of all types of books, magazines, music and more. These sales are a book and bargain-lovers dream come true! Make sure to come and join the fun.


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## Pat Heffron, Assistant Branch Manager, Retires

On October 31, Pat Heffron retired from the Hayner Public Library System after eighteen years of service. Pat started her career with the library working in the downtown offices, part-time, working on the Telegraph Indexing Project. When the Branch Library at the mall was developed, Pat went to work there and recalls being part of the original team that actually put in the shelves and moved the books from the Main Library to the Branch. After approximately ten years of part-time employment, Pat became the full-time Assistant Branch Manager, working under Bev Schoberle who also retired earlier this year. Pat's husband, Melvin, is retired and they have twin daughters both who live in Alton. She also has one grandson, four years of age. Pat says she has about '9000 projects' she is going to tackle upon retirement and looks forward to traveling (she is planning a trip to Florida to visit Bev this winter) and spending time with her grandson. She is also looking forward to having the time to read the many books that caught her interest while working at the library. Pat commented how she has met many good people and will miss so many of the patrons as well as all the great people she has worked with. Her colleagues will certainly miss working wish Pat and with her much happiness in her coming ventures.

## New Staff Joins The Hayner Public Library District

The Hayner Library District welcomes new staff at the Branch and Main Libraries At the Branch Library, **Janet Schweppe** has been named as the new Assistant Branch Manager. Previously employed by The Bank of Edwarsdville, Jan is a native of Alton and a graduate of Kenyon College with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics. The Branch Library also welcomes **Rhonda Brinkman** as a part- time Library Assistant. Rhonda and her husband live in Alton and she is currently attending classes at Lewis and Clark Community College.

The Main Library staff is joined by **Bethany Albert** as a part-time Library Assistant. Bethany and her husband and three daughters live in Alton. **Emily Beasley** also joins the Main staff as a part-time Library Assistant assigned to the Reading Room. Emily lives in Alton and has attended Rockford College. Please say hello to our new employees and welcome them, as we do, to the Library District.

## Food For Fines During the Holiday Season

Beginning December 1, 2003 and continuing through December 31, 2003, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item (one item each fine, current fines only, Hayner material only). All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. If you want to donate items such as toiletries, cleaning products, or even scarfs or gloves (new) we will accept them for fines also. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Happy Holidays!

Things to Know... About The Hayner Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas - Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Years - Dec. 31, Jan. 1
Dr. Martin L. King Day - Jan. 19
President's Day - Feb. 16

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## *New Civil War Genealogical Publication Added to Collection*

*Grand Army of the Republic. Department of the Death Rolls, 1879- 1947* by Dennis Northcott and Thomas Brooks
Founded in 1866, the Grand Army of the Republic became the largest association of Civil War Union veterans in the United States. This publication contains records of more than 32,000 deaths of members of the G.A.R.'s Department of Illinois. These veterans served in regiments from 36 states. Each record includes the member's name, rank, company, regiment or ship, name and location of post (i.e., local chapter) to which he belonged and his date of death. Some records also include age and place of burial. This is a fascinating document whether you are a researcher or not! It will be held in the Illinois Room of the Main Library at 326 Belle St., Alton.

## *Donations to the Genealogy Collection*

We recently received a donation of back issues of the Macoupin County Searcher. This is a great resource for researchers of the Macoupin county area. We also received some very nice older copies of the Illinois Blue Book for our Illinois Room Collection. We are grateful for donations of local school yearbooks and church histories as well. Of course, City Directories are always appreciated.

## *Illinois Room Adds New Service*

Since Cathie Lamere became the full time staff genealogist, she has had the time to spear head different projects to make the Illinois Room and our genealogy services state of the art. The Illinois Room in the Main Library has been remodeled, redesigned and re-inventoried to make as user friendly as possible to researchers. A copier and security system has been installed in the Illinois Room to protect the valuable holdings of this facility This fall saw another addition.We have installed a computer in the Illinois room to be dedicated to historical and genealogical research. The menu choices, after logging on, provide buttons to click on to get to the following links: www.altonweb.com/history/civilwar/confed - This link to Alton history has information on various aspects of local involvement in the Civil War.; www.theriverbend.org/history/index.html - a brief history of our River Bend area; www.rootsweb.com/~iladcgs/ - the Madison County Genealogy Society information and holdings; www.iltrails.org/counties.html - provides a broad selection of state and county information; www.tolatsga.org/ill.html - provides a great selection of early Illinois history, including Native American tribes; www.library.sos.state.il.us/home.html - contains databases of death, marriage, land, veterans and servitude and emancipation records for the state of Illinois; www.cyndislist.com - an extensive collection of links and information for the beginner as well as the veteran genealogist.

We also have added some software products to our collection to help you with your research. Those products include Family Tree Maker software and CDs which provide family tree sheets and other tools to help compose your family history. There is a Civil War CD-ROM that is a compilation of the official records of the Union and Confederated Armies including battle reports, correspondence orders and prisoner of war records. Additionally, there is a Federal Pension of 1883 CD that includes information on the pensioners of the Civil War and the War of 1812. These CDs are for use in the Illinois Room only. To use them, you can sign up at the circulation desk and staff will get them for you.

More exciting news...the Main Library downtown has received an updated edition of the Upper Alton Cemetery Index and inventory in book form and on CD for the Illinois Room. Perry and Virgie Curvey have spent many hours walking the cemetery and putting the information into the computer for all our benefit. They have provided us with the most complete information ever available to the general public from the cemetery records. We are so grateful to them and appreciate all their hard work. These resources are a great asset to our collection and are used by patrons from all across the country. Thank you so much to the Curveys for your kindness and generosity.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow Continues to grow in 'Pup-ularity'*

Attendance at the Hayner Library 'Bow-wow Pow-wow' continues to grow - both in the number of kids as well as canine participants! Each second Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., trainer June Walker and colleagues bring certified therapy dogs to the Youth library. Children, ages 5-12 are invited to come and read to the dogs. Reading to dogs has been shown to cause dramatic improvements in children's reading skills...and it's so much fun! Handlers always accompany the dogs and sometimes can help if a child has trouble with a certain word. Library staff ensures there is a wide selection of age appropriate books available for the kids to read or they are welcome to bring their own book. Our dogs have included Great Danes, Basset Hounds, Golden Retrievers, Labs, Dachshunds, a Jack Russell Terrier and more- sometimes it's hard to tell who is having more fun, the children, the dogs or the parents! Thank you so much to June and all the handlers who volunteer their time every month. If you are interested in attending or need more information, call Bernadette at 462-0677.

(Note: Due to schedule conflict, the December Pow-wow will be held on Saturday, December 6. In January, we will return to our second Saturday schedule meeting on January 10.)

***something a little different-***
***hope you like it as much as we did...***

## The Sense of Geese

Next time you see geese heading south for the winter, flying along in the V formation, you might be interested in knowing what science has discovered about why they fly that way. It has been learned that as each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in a V formation, the whole flock adds at least 71 percent greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own.Whenever a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front. When the lead goose gets tired, it rotates back in the wing and another goose flies point. These geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed. Finally, when a goose gets sick, or is wounded by gunshot and falls out, two geese fall out of formation and follow it down to help and protect it. They stay with the goose until it is able to fly, or until it is dead, and then launch out on their own or with another formation to catch up with their original group. You see, all we have to do to attract those who are not participating is to demonstrate to the world that we have at least as much sense as a goose. That seems like a small enough price to pay to win the lost and to help one another.

**Basic Truths:** People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going easily because they are traveling on the thrust of one another. If we have as much sense as a goose, we will stay in formation with those who are headed the same way we are. We will stand by each other, protect one another and sometimes make new friends who seem to be going in our direction. It pays to take turns doing the hard jobs- with people or with flying geese. We need to be careful what we say when we honk from behind. May we have the sense of geese!

*- Anonymous*

## Popular Community Leaders Celebrate Literacy

The Hayner Public Library System has partnered with RiverBend Head Start and Family Services and *The Telegraph* to launch a new literacy campaign in our community. *Celebrate Literacy...locally* will portray local community leaders as the subjects of ads and posters proclaiming *look who's reading in the Riverbend*. 'Celebrities' who have donated their time to participate in the project include: Anna Beach, Dan Brannan, Joel Copley, Diana Enloe, Sgt. David Goins, Head Start Class, Senator Bill Haine, Jarod Hennings, Susan Huber, Chuck Mayden, Andy Simpson, Reverend Dennis Young and Kathy Wickenhauser. Jennifer Hayden of Hayden Designs donated graphic layout services and Piasa Photo donated the photography services.

The campaign was kicked off on November 20 (Family Reading Night) and will continue through the first week of February with a different 'celeb' ad appearing in *The Telegraph* each week. Posters will be displayed in each 'celeb's' place of business. They will also be displayed at the branch library at the Mall. Watch the paper each week for this fun campaign...and let's ALL get reading in the Riverbend!

## Oasis Events

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age and older. The OASIS Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100, ext. 3050 for further information.)

**Holiday Dinner Dance**
Rhythmaires
VFW Hall, Thursday, December 11
5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., Fee $18

**Forty Years of Journalism**
Instructor: John Archibald
Wednesday, February 11
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m,, Fee $5

**Introduction to Digital Photography and Image Editing**
Instructor: Dan Thornton
Thursday, February 19
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Fee $6

**Poetry from the Midwest**
Instructors: Wayne Lanter, Donna Biffar
Thursday, February 19
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Fee: Free

**The Space Program: A View from the Inside**
Instructor: Jack Rhoades
Friday, February 20
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Fee: Free

## Hayner Acquires National Film Registry Videos

Under the terms of the National Film Preservation Act, each year the Library of Congress names 25 "culturally, historically or aesthetically" significant motion pictures to the National Film Registry Currently there are 350 films listed on the registry The list is designed to reflect the full breadth and diversity of America's film heritage, increasing the public awareness of the richness of American cinema. The films are not necessarily either the 'best' American films ever made or the most famous but they are of importance to American film and cultural history and to history in general. They represent a stunning range of American film making - including Hollywood features, documentaries, avant-garde and amateur productions, films of regional interest, ethnic, animated and short film subjects - all deserving recognition, preservation and access by future generations. For each title named to the Registry, the Library of Congress works to ensure that the film is preserved for all time.

The Hayner Public Library District has many of these films in it's collection but we have recently added seventy additional titles! Many are new titles to the collection but some are replacements to lost or damaged copies. The films are predominantly in video format but some have also been purchased as DVD when available. Samples of the titles include: *All That Jazz, Apocalypse Now, Bride of Frankenstein, Fantasia, Flash Gordon, Great Train Robbery, Peter Pan, Return of the Secaucus Seven, Shaft, The Thin Blue Line, Vertigo, A Woman Under the Influence, The City/ the Power and the Land, El Norte, The Films of Charles and Ray Eames- Vol. 1, Stranger than Paradise* and many more

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Got the winter blues? Come to Hayner library to enjoy great programs that are sure to cheer you up! All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise indicated, all programs are held in the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

### Windscape
***A Classical Christmas***
**Tuesday, December 2, 2003, 6:30 p.m.**
Windscape is a woodwind trio featuring flute, clarinet and bassoon. These classically-trained musicians and Metro East natives have been engaged for performances extensively on both sides of the Mississippi and in 2002 presented a Christmas concert at the Jefferson Memorial in downtown St. Louis. This year they are coming to the Hayner Library to help us kick off the holiday season! Register at 1-800-613-3163. NOTE: We are sorry but this program is full. We are accepting reservations on a waiting list, however.

### Mark Hofeditz
***A Caroling We Will Go***
**Tuesday, December 9, 6:30 p.m.**
Mark Hofeditz is famous for getting us in our best singing voices. Join us for an evening of singing holiday favorites and enjoying the spirit of the season. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*
**Saturday, December 6**
**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Dan Brannan
***Book Signing- Boy Giant***
**Saturday, December 13, 10 a.m.-12 noon**
**Hayner Branch Library**
Come meet author and Telegraph editor Dan Brannan to get a signed copy of his new book, Boy Giant. The book tells the story of Robert Wadlow of Alton, the tallest man in the world. This fascinating book would make a great Holiday gift! Please note that this event will be held at the Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Drop by while your shopping!

### The Irish Xiles
***A History of Irish Music***

**Tuesday, January 6, 6:30 p.m.**
Originally from Dublin, the Irish Xiles are a family group that has played together for over ten years. They will perform a program that takes us through the history of Irish music from pre- instruments to modern day. Using a wide variety of instruments, this popular ensemble promise to sing us to Ireland and back! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*
**Saturday, January 10**
**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To Register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Dvorak
***Mark Dvorak in Concert***
**Tuesday, January 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Folk Singer Mark Dvorak is one of our favorite repeat performers! Mark is an instructor at the famed Chicago Old Town School of Music and has released multiple award winning CDs. He presents a program of American folk song, many recognizable, some new. Mark uses humor and anecdotes along with great music (and some incredible pickin') that promise to delight! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Genealogy Roundtable
***Genealogy Software***
**Tuesday, January 27, 6:30 p.m.**
The Genealogy Roundtable Discussion Group will meet on Tuesday, January 27, 2004 at 6.30 pm in the Illinois Room. Our guest speaker, Mary Westerhold, will discuss the various software programs available for genealogists. Bring your questions and we'll try to answer them. Mary has been researching her family history for over 20 years and worked for 12 years managing PCs and software. Mary is a member of the Madison County Genealogical Society and other genealogical societies both national and at the state level. Most recently, Mary has worked at the Madison County Historical Museum's Archival Library in Edwardsville. Everyone is welcome. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Tim Grimm
***Singer-Songwriter, Actor, Hay-farmer***
**Tuesday, February 2, 6:30 p.m.**

The Chicago Sun Times label Tim as 2000's 'Best Discovery'. Hailing from Indiana, Tim is a musical storyteller. He's written of his own journey back to the land, describing those who never left it or honoring those who came before. His songs are sung with warmth and intimacy ranging in subject from the romance of the family farm to the realities of the vanishing landscape of rural America. An interesting side note, Tim has appeared in half a dozen feature films including Clear and Present Danger with Harrison Ford! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bobbi Norfolk
***Duke Ellington***
**Tuesday, February 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Bobbi won a standing ovation with his previous Hayner performance depicting the life of Scott Joplin He returns to bring us the story of the Great Duke Ellington. Bobbi and his accompanyist will bring the Duke to life in a show for all ages! Bobbi's award winning story telling is packed with energy and animation and a treat not to be missed. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*
**Saturday, February 14**
**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Bud Shultz and The You Cant Beat Experience Jazz Band
### *Celebrate Mardi Gras*
**Tuesday, February 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Note: this program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.

A Hayner tradition and highly anticipated yearly event, Bud and his band are back to help us kick off the festive Mardi Gras Season. Bud and his band play New Orleans-style jazz and guarantee a raucous evening of fun, swing and soul. A local favorite in the St. Louis area, the band always packs the house! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### David Massingill
***'My Home Must be a Nice Place to Visit'***
**Thursday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.**

David Massingill is a critically acclaimed folk singer-songwriter. A native of Bristol, Tennessee, David's performances are filled with songs and stories that indicate the strong threads of family history, hilarious updates of classic folktales and tall tales of his early mentors. To register call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*
**Saturday, March 13**
**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Dianne Moran
### *Civil War Diary*
**Tuesday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.**

Listen to a woman who lived through the Civil War as a wife and mother. What were the clothes of the period? What games did they play? What songs did they sing? In historical dress, Dianne answers these questions and more about the daily live of those who lived during the Civil War era. Dianne also displays relics of the time. This is a fascinating performance. Register at 1- 800-613-3163.

### Wayne Schell
### *The Lodge Brothers Band*
**Tuesday, March 30, 6:30 p.m.**

The popular local group, the Lodge Brothers present a program of traditional string music. This is the music that predated Blue Grass and from which Blue Grass evolved. Playing a combination of guitar, Mandolin, banjo, bass and fiddle this program will have you rocking in your seats! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Hayner Youth Library

*All the youth programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1- 618-462-0652.*

**Preschool Story Time** will be at 10:00 a.m. and be held at the Youth Library every other Monday on December 1 & 15, January 12 & 26 and February 9 & 23. It will be held at the Branch Library every other Tuesday at 10:00 am on December 2 & 16, January 13 & 27 and February 10 & 24. Preschool Story Time is for children ages 3-5.

**Evening Story Time** begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be held on Tuesday evenings at the Youth library on December 9, January 6 & 20 and February 3 & 17.

The **Lapsit Program** continues...The Lapsit is designed for children from birth to age two. The program last from 20 to 30 minutes and consists of very easy books and songs. It's purpose is to get children used to the library. We don't expect the children attending this program to sit still for the entire program. The Lapsit begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library on December 9, January 6 & 20 and February 3 & 17.

The **Reading Rockets Book Club** will be held at the Branch Library on Mondays at 4:30 pm on December 1, January 5 and February 2.

The **Read 'n Rant** book club for teens meets on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Library on December 4. They will meet at 10 a.m. on Saturday, January 3 and on Saturday, February 7.

**After School Fun** will be held at the Youth Library at 3:30 on December 11, January 8 and February 12.

### *Special Events at The Hayner Youth Library*

**Holiday Party-** Our Children's Holiday Party will be held Saturday, December 20 at 1:00 p m. at the Hayner Youth Library. There will be a visit from two special guests in red suits, refreshments will be served and every child will receive a holiday gift bag. This program is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 618-462-0652.

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Program -** Thursday, January 15, 4:00 p.m. Program details to be announced.

**Black History Program -** Thursday, February 19, 4:00 p.m. Program details to be announced.

## *Read N' Rant*

Read N' Rant is a book discussion group for kids in grades 6 through 8. Meeting the first Thursday of every month from 6:30 to 7:30, this is a great way to encourage and reinforce reading skills as well as promote new friendships. Each month, the group decides together which book they choose to read. Books they have read in the past include *Firegold* and *Area of the Sea* both by Dia Calhoun, *Ender's Shadow* by Orson Scott Card, *Letters from the Inside* by John Marsdan, *The Killers Cousin* by Nancy Werlin. They are planning to read the popular tale *The Bad Beginning* by Lemony Snicket. Available to Hayner patrons, we meet in the Hayner Youth Library for spirited discussion and fun! Please come join us - if you have questions or require additional information, call the Youth Library at 462-0652.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***

## New Magazines for All Library Locations

Currently, The Library District subscribes to approximately 300 different magazines among our three locations. Recently, we have added some new titles to our subscriptions. They include:

New at the Main Library

*Ancestry (Illinois Room)*
*Cosmopolitan*
*Crazy for Cross Stitch*
*Dick Davis Digest*
*Drip Investor*
*Entertainment Weekly*
*Mental Floss*
*Nascar Winston Cup Illustrated*
*Track and Field*

New at the Branch Library

*Budget Living*
*Computer Games*
*Country Living Gardner*
*Details*
*Gardening Life*
*Men's Health*
*Nascar Winston Cup Illustrated*
*Popular Hot Rodding*
*Real Simple*
*Scott Stamp Magazine*

New at the Youth Library

*Ebony*
*Jet*
*Parents*
*Scholastic Early Childhood*

Also, the Ninian Edwards Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution has generously donated a gift subscription of *American Spirit Magazine* to the Library. The publisher has updated the magazine with a new look and features covering a wide variety of topics from sites of historical interests, historical personalities, research topics, genealogy and much more. This monthly periodical will fascinate anyone with interest in the history of our country. The current copy is kept in the Illinois Room of the Main Library and back copies are kept with the periodical collection in the Reading Room of the Main Library.

## Good Read – Recommended by Hayner Library Book Club Members

Albom, Mitch. **The Five People You Meet In Heaven**
Brown, Dan. **Angels & Demons**
Brown, Dan. **The Da Vinci Code**
Fast, Howard. **The Legacy** and **The Immigrant's Daughter**
Haigh, Jennifer. **Mrs. Kimble**
Hoffman, Alice. **Blue Diary**
Jones, Edward P. **The Known World**
Lahiri, Jhumpa. **The Namesake**
Landvik, Lorna. **Angry Housewives Eating Bon Bons**
McBride, James. **The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother**
McCall Smith, Alexander. **Tears of the Giraffe**
McCarthy, Cormac. **Suttree**
McGahern, John. **By the Lake**
Queen Noor. **Leap of Faith: Memoirs of an Unexpected Life**
Shreve, Anita. **All He Ever Wanted**
Steinbeck, John. **Of Mice and Men**
Toole, John Kennedy. **A Confederacy of Dunces**

## WBGZ 1570 to Broadcast from Hayner Branch Library

On Thursday, December 11, Mark Ellebracht will broadcast his show 'Let's Talk' from the Hayner Branch Library from 10 -11 a.m. Mark is the popular talk show host from WBGZ 1570. Come out to the branch and see the mechanics of a live radio show and meet Mark. When you come to the branch library during the broadcast, show your Hayner Library card (or sign up for one) and receive a free sports bottle!

## Book Signing for Boy Giant

Dan Brannan is the Executive Editor for *The Telegraph* and author of the several books, including the award winning *Life to the Fullest*. Dan has recently published his forth book, *Boy Giant*, the story of Robert Wadlow. This biography of the native Altonian and world's tallest man tells Wadlow's incredibly unique story through the memories of family and friends. It contains many photos chronicling Wadlow's life. Dan will be selling and signing copies of his book at the Hayner Branch Library on Saturday, December 13 from 10:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon. Be sure to come by, meet Dan and get your own signed copy. *Boy Giant* certainly will solve your holiday shopping dilemma of trying to find the perfect gift! Don't forget to get copies for family and friends who may have moved away- what a great reminder of their home town! *Boy Giant* purchase price is $19.95.

## Meet us at the Chapel!

On Tuesday, February 24, Bud Shultz and the *You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band* return to help celebrate Mardi Gras as only Bud and his band can do! Performing in the Chapel of Lewis and Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, they will get us moving to the wonderful sounds of their New Orleans style jazz. If you've never heard Bud on his clarinet, along with the rest of the band, don't miss this opportunity. This program is free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Join us for Shadow Day!!

Last year, several staff members of The Hayner Public Library District participated in Project Shadow at Riverbend Head Start and Family Services. To a person, we had a wonderful, eye opening experience. During Shadow Day (actually this year, Shadow Week), the staff at the Essic Robinson Center in Alton opens it's doors to the public. Community members are invited to spend an hour to hour and a half at the center. Staff members provide a tour of the center and then you get a chance to share time with the children in the classes. You get to experience the life of the young child as they are cared for by this wonderful organization. You will share a snack, a story or maybe an art project and see the kind and generous attention the kids are afforded by the center's staff members. This is a truly rewarding experience and a great way to learn of the critical function Riverbend Head Start and Family Services provides to our community. You can come as a business organization or just individually. This year Project Shadow activities will take place February 2 through February 6 (and can also be arranged throughout the year). For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Brett Stawar at 618-462-5901 or email riverbendfamilies.org

# *Patron Profile- Christine Favilla*

Christine Favilla is a woman of remarkable energy and enthusiasm- she would have to be with all projects and activities she is involved with! Christine is a Godfrey native, now living in Alton. She attended Alton High and graduated from Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado with a degree in sociology and environmental policy. Her interest in ecology began when she was in High School and took a course in Field Ecology. Christine also noted that growing up, she lived near the Nature Institute, the trails to the bluffs were her back yard and she developed a great love of nature. After graduating from college, she juggled a multitude of jobs at one time. She waited tables, managed a restaurant, was a baker, and also volunteered for Durango Nature Studies.

Deciding to move back to Alton with her husband who was starting law school, Christine says her timing was great, as the local Sierra Club had recently decided to hire a project manager. The Sierra Club has been in Alton for 30 years. Part of Sierra Club's mission statement reads "to explore, enjoy and protect the wild places of the earth, practice and promote the responsible use of the earth's ecosystems and resources, educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment". Perfect for Christine! Christine went to work for the non-profit organization, the Sierra Club Foundation, as the Three Rivers Project Manager. Her key responsibilities are education and outreach, and while she can choose the projects she works on, she must always get her boards approval.

River issues are critical in the area and involve much of Christine's time. Historically, the Corps of Engineers managed the river for navigation (barge traffic) but as the scientists agreed that the Upper Mississippi and Illinois Rivers are slowly degrading, Washington declared that they must develop new directives to manage to environmentally sustainable criteria. One of the primary reasons for this degradation is the Corps of Engineers' 9' Navigation Project – the series of 37 locks and dams on these two rivers – which have transformed these free-flowing rivers into a series of slack pools with artificially controlled water levels to support commercial barge traffic. Yet, there are interests that want to increase barge traffic. This developed into a 12-year study, the draft of which has only recently been completed. The study looked at how to expand and fix the lock and dam system to keep it viable for navigational efficiency yet balance the effort with preservation of the river and restoration of its ecosystem. The study results presented multiple alternative solutions. Christine's job has been to educate the public to these solutions and work with the various Sierra Clubs and public to form a recommendation that will become the Sierra Club's favored proposal. To do this, Christine must make it easy for the public to be aware and involved. One of the ways she accomplished this was to organize a River Rally that she held this past fall at Lewis and Clark Community College. She also has targeted reach out programs to educate an expanded set of stakeholders, including fishermen, hunters, boaters to understand that the river restoration can be accomplished while still accommodating barge traffic and commerce.

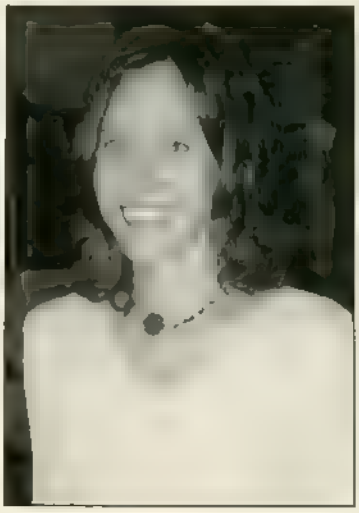
Management of the Mississippi, sustainable agriculture, air pollution and mass transit are all issues that Christine addresses. She works with a group of approximately 30 volunteers, ranging from botanists and environmental toxicologists to high school and college students Christine notes that you don't have to be a member of Sierra Club to volunteer- everyone is welcome and can contribute. Christine runs many workshops throughout Madison, Jersey and Calhoun. She also sits on a committee that manages a Watershed Stewardship program that educates approximately 1000 fifth graders each year on how to ensure a healthy ecosystem. Christine participates in the Illinois Stewardship Alliance Food Council Meetings, which address issues of small local farmers and their needs from the public to remain economically viable. Christine has participated on the Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee.

Christine sits on a committee that manages the Arbor Day Festival in April where anyone can nominate a big tree as a 'tree champion'. The tree is then measured and recorded by the Sierra Club – exceptional trees are referred to the Department of Natural Resources. This focus of this program is to heighten awareness of both homeowners and builders of the importance of maintaining the valuable resource of mature trees. She also is helping with a fair in December to promote the giving of 'environmentally and socially friendly' Christmas gifts!

Christine is also a volunteer and Board president for Community Cultivators. This non-profit organization has established a children's organic community garden at La Vista Park in Godfrey, Illinois. The children plan, cultivate, grow and harvest the garden with sustainable methods of farming that demonstrate firsthand where food comes from, an appreciation of nature, and gives children an opportunity to work with others as a team.

Christine is married and she and her husband Cody have a four and a half year old son, Braedon. Cody works at Copley's West Ninth and is attending St. Louis University Law School. Christine and her husband like to ride motorcycles (environmentally sound modes of transportation that get up to 65 mpg), as well as attend Blue Grass festivals. Christine also loves to make jewelry and is starting to sell her pieces, as it can get to be a rather expensive hobby!

Christine notes that she is an avid user of the Illinois room at the Hayner Main Library to research river issues and the history of the river and we are certainly pleased to know that our library is supporting her very important work. If you are interested in additional information regarding the Sierra Club or the Community Cultivators, you can contact the office at 618-462-6802. Also, check library locations for the Sierra Club newsletter and brochures.



## Win a Christmas Gift Basket

On December 19, each of the three Hayner libraries will hold a drawing for a Christmas Gift Basket. The baskets will contain all kinds of goodies to enjoy over the holidays and beyond. The baskets will be displayed and entry forms will be set out at each location on December 1. Sorry, only Hayner patrons/card holders are eligible to win. Stop by any library location and enter! Winners will be announced on WBGZ radio (1570) on December 19 and also contacted by phone.

## Developments in Internet Filtering

This past summer the Supreme Court upheld the ruling of the Child Internet Protection Act (CIPA). The result- for libraries to qualify for Federal or State funding, they would have to comply with certain internet filtering criteria. Currently, The Hayner Public Library District is reviewing a proposal to join other members of the Lewis and Clark Library System in linking to the Illinois Century Network (ICN) to meet compliance standards.

The ICN is an internet provider for libraries, schools, state and local government to obtain Internet service at a reduced cost.

CIPA law requires compliance within one year of passage of legislation (July 1, 2004). It is likely that implementation will occur prior to this target date. Currently, vendor and product decisions have not been finalized. Once this has occurred, we will provide you with more specific information on how this may impact our current Internet service offering.

## SCORE Donates to Library District

The local chapter of SCORE has once again made a generous contribution to the Hayner Library District's business reference collection. SCORE is the Service Corps of Retired Executives and provides free confidential business counseling and advice to small business owners (or would-be owners). SCORE has also participated in several Small Business Start-up seminars held at the library. Over the past several year, SCORE has donated a series of business start up guides produced by Entrepreneur Magazine. These comprehensive books take one step by step through every aspect of the business start up process. Hayner Library is one of three libraries in all of Illinois to offer this collection. This fall, SCORE contributed funds used to purchase several business software packages - the first in our reference collection. Both the Main Library and the Alton Square Mall library have copies of the software suite, *The Ultimate Business Planner*. This easy to use, step by step approach makes business planning fast and simple. Developed by small business experts, *The Planner* simplifies the process of writing a business plan and also gives expert advice, tips and hints based on proven business practices.

Also purchased for the Main Library is the computer software package, *The Ultimate Marketing Calculator*. This software provides 39 essential marketing reports that can be reviewed to analyze marketing strengths. In one integrated Excel workbook, you can easily select one of many marketing work sheets to create precise marketing calculations - from forecasting and budgeting to direct advertising, marketing, pricing , competitive analysis and more. Be sure to take advantage of these valuable tools to starting and/or grow your small business opportunity. SCORE is a great resource for you and can provide expertise in all areas of small business development. For more information about SCORE and their counseling service, call the SCORE office on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College at 467-2280.

## Growth Association Announces New Seminar Series

The Small Business Council of The Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois has announced a series of business seminars titled *Growth Opps 2004*. This series will include four 2 hour seminars, one to be held each quarter. Topics covered will include Time Management, Leadership Skills, Marketing and Memory Techniques. The subjects were derived from a recent survey of the Growth Association. Open to the public, you can purchase tickets for the entire series or attend individual session. Growth Association members may purchase the entire series for $45 or attend individual sessions for $15 each. The cost for non-members is $60 for all four or $20 each. For seminar dates, locations, registration or to obtain more information, call the Growth Association at 467-2280. The Growth Association has developed a strong reputation for providing quality seminars for our community. We hope to see you there!


# The Hayner Public Library District

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## *The Importance of Pages at the Library.....*

... .We are not talking about the paper kind.. the Pages we are referring to are the human ones that we couldn't do without! Pages are library staff members that perform a multitude of services. All three Hayner Library locations receive, literally, hundreds of returned items each day. The Pages are responsible for sorting these items and reshelving them. This of course includes all circulating library material whether books, magazines, newspapers, DVDs, CDs, videos, etc. The Pages are also responsible for shifting the shelves. This is required when the materials on the shelf get tight (and hard to remove). The Page will move or shift materials to another shelf to free up space. The Pages also 'read' the shelves - they read the call letters on the spine of each book or item to make sure it is in the correct numerical or alphabetical sequence. This ensures that when you are looking for an item, it is where it is supposed to be on the shelf. The Pages also make sure that new books are correctly shelved in their own section. They manage the newspaper and magazine collections, withdrawing back copies as necessary. They make sure copy machines have adequate paper and assist with the nightly library closing routines. Generally, the Pages are high school age but anyone who likes being around books is eligible to apply when positions are open!

The Pages at the Main Library are Andrew Fox, Hollie Funkhauser, Michele Kelly and Daryl Vitali. Pages at the Branch Library include Jena Fiedler, Abby Madison and Erika Schallenberg. The Youth Library Pages include Erin McAfee, Sarah Norooz and Courtney Stalcup. We appreciate all your hard work keeping the libraries in top form!

*Courtney Stalcup*

*Erin McAfee*

*Sarah Norooz*

*Abby Madison & Lauren Winters*

*Daryl Vitali, Michele Kelly, Andrew Fox & Hollie Funkhouser*

*Erika Schallenberg & Jena Fiedler*

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday - April 11
Memorial Day - May 31

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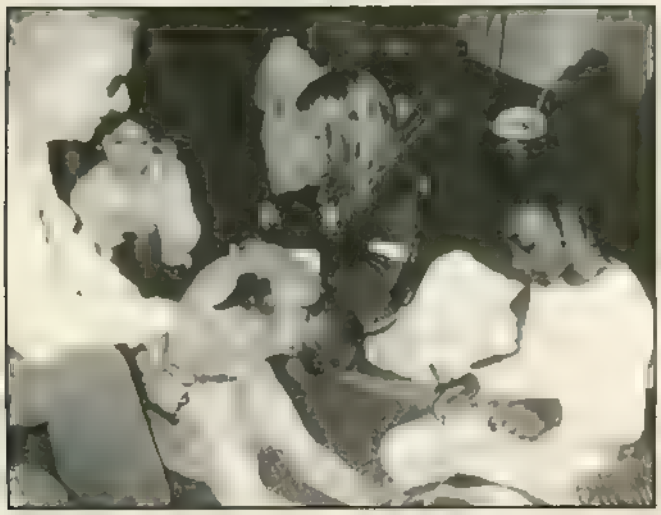
## *Fine Amnesty.....Food for Fido*

For the last several years, we have offered an amnesty period for fines biannually, in December and April. In December, 2003, we waived patron fines in lieu of donations of food and canned goods and thus contributed over 1,000 items to the Alton Area Crisis Food Center.

For our spring event and to commemorate April as Animal Cruelty Prevention Month, we will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food (one item each fine, current fines only, Hayner materials only). Thank you for your generous support of 'amnesty' events!

***Food collected during December Fine Amnesty Program.***



## *Win this Precious Pup!*

In conjunction with our 'Food for Fido' program, we will be raffling off these adorable pups to a lucky Hayner Library cardholder. Entry forms are available at each of the library locations during the month of April and the winners will be drawn on April 30, 2004. Enter as often as you like and feel free to bring an extra pet food item to contribute to our donation to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter!

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow is 'Arf-ully' Fun*

We continue to have such a great time at our monthly Bow-wow Pow-wows. June Walker of Walkers Wee Glen Training and her colleagues bring their certified therapy dogs to the Youth Library every second Saturday of the month from 10:00-11:00 am. Kids are invited to join us to read to the dogs. They can pick a book from the library collection or bring their own and the fun begins as they pick a dog to read to. The dogs love it! They love the hugs and kisses and the pets, too! This is a great way to encourage your child's love of reading and have a great time at the library. Our Christmas meeting was a blast - we had a full house of dogs (all accompanied by their handlers). Each dog wore a holiday collar or kerchief and was anxious to spread cheer to all! Everyone had a terrific time - including the moms and dads who came.

Please join us for our next Pow-wow. Remember, it's the second Saturday of each month. For more information, call Bernadette at 462-0677 or to register your child, call 1-800-613-3163. This program is free of charge and each child gets a Bow-wow tee shirt (while quantities last).

## New and Forthcoming Books

### FICTION

Barr, Nevada. **High Country**
Block, Lawrence. **The Burglar on the Prowl**
Coelho, Paul. **Eleven Minutes**
Danticat, Edwidge. **Dew Breaker**
Fowler, Karen Joy. **The Jane Austen Book Club**
Friedman, Kinky. **The Prisoner of Vandam Street**
Heller, Jane. **Best Enemies**
Laurens, Stephanie. **The Ideal Bride**
Oates, Joyce Carol. **I Am No One You Know**
Parker, Robert B. **Bad Business**
Patterson, James. **3rd Degree**
Pelecanos, George P. **Hard Revolution**
Peters, Elizabeth. **Guardian of the Horizon**
Siddons, Anne Rivers. **Islands**
Steel, Danielle. **Ransom**
Vaschss, Andrew. **Down Here**
Walker, Alice. **Now is the Time to Open Your Heart**
Woods, Stuart. **Reckless Abandon**
Wouk, Herman. **A Hole in Texas**

### NONFICTION

Bach, David. **The Automatic Millionaire**
Burns, Stewart. **To the Mountaintop: Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Sacred Mission to Save America, 1955-1968**
Christian, Shirley. **Before Lewis and Clark**
Fischer, David Hackett. **Washington's Crossing**
George, Elizabeth. **Write Away: One Novelist's Approach to Fiction and the Writing Life**
O'Hara, Maureen. **'Tis Herself**
Quindlen, Anna. **Loud and Clear**
Suskind, Ron. **The Price of Loyalty**
Walsch, Neale Donald. **Tomorrow's God: Our Greatest Spiritual Challenge**

## Its good to be oversized!

Yes, in some cases oversize is good...as in oversized books. These are the large books that are commonly referred to as coffee table books. This collection is housed in the Reading Room of the Main Library. The Branch Library keeps them inter-shelved in their regular stacks. These books are often composed of extremely high-quality paper and binding and incorporate beautiful photography and/or artwork to compliment the subject matter. They cover the full range of topics including cooking, nature, gardening, travel, animals, history, art, music, film and crafts. Don't overlook them because they are oversized - these books are truly colorful gems in The Hayner Public Library District's Collections.

## Staff Picks – What We're Reading

**The Nearly Departed** by Brenda Cullerton. Non-fiction
The drawing in the front of this book of the house with a concrete wall down the middle and a tar paper shack on the home property sets the stage for this memoir of a wildly funny dysfunctional family. In a well-to-do community in Connecticut, this family stands out. With a big dose of wacky weirdness, this book will have you alternately laughing and shaking your head in disbelief at this family's idiosyncrasies.–Jean S.

**The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time** by Mark Haddon. Fiction
Accused of killing the neighbor's dog, 15-year-old Christopher sets out to find the true killer, and ends up discovering a secret about his parents. What makes this story special is the way it is written, in the voice of Christopher, a bright, autistic teenager, who is gifted in math and likes to solve mysteries. Cleverly written in a clear and logical way, with chapters ordered by prime numbers, and problems solved in a mathematical fashion, this book is a delightful read. –Jean S.

**The Thin Pink Line** by Lauren Baratz-Logsted. Fiction
If you could be pregnant without really being pregnant, would you? Meet Jane Taylor, an endearing nut who thinks she's expecting, finds out she's not and yet continues to pretend because she likes the attention. You will find yourself empathizing with Jane as she deals with the people in her life –the 'perfect' sibling, the slimy boyfriend and the nagging mother. You'll be laughing out loud and cheering Jane as she gets closer and closer to d-day. –Bethany A.

**The Wedding** by Nicholas Sparks. Fiction
In *The Wedding*, Spark's sequel to *The Notebook*, Noah and Allie's daughter, Jane, is approaching her 30th wedding anniversary. Her husband, Wilson, fears his workaholic life may have cost him Jane's love and decides to change himself. Meanwhile, daughter Anna announces she is getting married, and Jane finds a new interest in life planning the perfect wedding for her, much to Jane's astonishment, with Wilson's help. This is a real tearjerker and the ending will surprise you, as will some of the characters in this story. –Shannon B.

**The Persian Pickle Club** by Sandra Dallas. Fiction
Times are hard in Depression-era Kansas, but the Persian Pickle Club still meets to quilt and 'improve their minds,' sharing the scarce fabric they have along with the honor of being a Pickle. The ladies find companionship, acceptance, support and loyalty in the quilting circle. Queenie Bean, the 'talkingest' Pickle, tells the story of how town and Pickle loyalties are tested when a farmer returns home with his city wife, a wannabe reporter who hopes a long-buried local murder will be her big break. This is a charming, humorous, quirky story, told in down-home dialect and spiced up with a little mystery. Fans of the *Miss Julia* books will love it. –Katie S.

**The Known World** by Edward P. Jones. Fiction
*The Known World* is a profound and deeply moving novel that examines the complex issue of a black man in the antebellum south who begins to purchase slaves after gaining his own freedom. The book follows the life of Henry Townsend, a freed slave turned slave owner, and his wife Caldonia, who must decide whether to free their slaves after Henry's death. In overlapping plot lines and time frames, the story of Henry's life, the future of the slaves he leaves behind after his death, the local townspeople, and the fate of the 'known world' they all inhabit, all unravel in this haunting and fulfilling novel. –Mary P.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Spring is here - the days are getting longer and warmer - all the more reason to get out and enjoy the wonderful programs at the Hayner Main Library. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise indicated, all programs are held in the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

*Please note: If you want to attend a program but cannot manage the stairs to the reading room, please contact Reynae or Bernadette at 618-462-0651. Arrangements can be made to let you enter from an alternate entrance on State Street.*

### David Massingill
### *'My Home Must be a Nice Place to Visit'*
**Thursday, March 11, 6:30 pm**

David Massingill is a critically acclaimed folk singer-songwriter. A native of Bristol, Tennessee, David's performances are filled with songs and stories that indicate the strong threads of family history, hilarious updates of classic folk tales and tall tales of his early mentors. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Bow-wow Pow-wow
**Saturday, March 13**
**10:00 am - 11:00 am**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Dianne Moran
### *Civil War Diary*
**Tuesday, March 16, 6:30 pm**

Listen to a woman who lived through the civil war as a wife and mother. What were the clothes of the period? What games did they play? What songs did they sing? In historical dress, Dianne answers these questions and more about the daily lives of those who lived during the Civil War era. Dianne also displays relics of the time. This is a fascinating performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Wayne Schell
### *The Lodge Brothers Band*
**Tuesday, March 30, 6:30 pm**

The popular local group, the Lodge Brothers, presents a program of traditional string music. This is the music that predated Bluegrass and from which Bluegrass evolved. Playing a combination of guitar, mandolin, banjo, bass and fiddle, this program will have you rocking in your seats! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dennis Stroughmatt
### *The Creole Stomp Band*
**April 6, 6:30 pm**

French Creole Fiddler and accordionist Dennis Stroughmatt and his band, Creole Stomp, bring the excitement and 'joie de vivre' of Lousiana Creole, Cajun and Zydeco music to us in this great program. They will perform a combination of traditional Louisiana Cajun two steps, reels and waltzes along with Creole blues, mazurkas and zydecos. The concert will include some explanation of Cajun and Creole culture, as well as bilingual translation and history of the songs performed. This is 'ga'unteed' to be an exciting program! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bow-wow Pow-wow
**Saturday, April 10**
**10:00 am - 11:00 am**

Join us for a Bow wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Paul and Win Grace
### *Fiddle, Folk and Feet: American Roots and Contemporary Folk Music*
**Tuesday, April 13, 6:30 pm**

This program will include contemporary and traditional folk music with a generous peppering of American old time fiddle music, gospel and some older country songs. There may even be some French voyageur songs from their recently released Lewis and Clark CD. The Graces concerts are fun-filled and their music ranges from funny to romantic to silly to lovely. Both Paul and Win sing lead with close duet harmonies and even some yodeling! They will be playing fiddle, mandolin, guitar, accordion, autoharp, harmonica and feet! (Seated clogging). Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Sue Birk Oertli
### *The World Came to St. Louis - A Visit to the 1904 World's Fair*
**Sunday, April 18, 1:30 pm**

**Note: Location to be announced.**

Revisit the magic of 1904 when 'the world came to St. Louis'. This popular program is based on the presentation developed by the presenter's mother, Dorothy Birk. She uses 35 mm copies of glass slides taken at the fair by her grandfather to give us a virtual tour of this historic St. Louis event.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Genealogy Roundtable
**Tuesday, April 20, 6:00 pm**

Paul Stilwell of Alton will share his love of genealogy and entertain us with his family stories. Paul has compiled a wonderful genealogy of his family back to the 1600s. You will be entertained and enriched by his experiences. Be our guest on April 20, 2004 at 6:00 pm in the Illinois Room. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat. Everyone is welcome.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Warren Brown & Lance Brown

### *A Humorous Encounter- An Evening with Mark Twain & Will Rogers*

**Thursday, April 22**

**Note- this program will start at 6:00 pm.** Rumors of these two men's demise are greatly exaggerated. Both have been watching us from afar and are now being called out of 'retirement' to share an evening of lively banter, witty observances, questions from the audience and even some music and trick roping. Actors Warren Brown and Lance Brown have teamed up to bring us this fascinating and fun program. Don't miss this one! Register at 1-800-613-3163. This program partially-funded by a grant from the Illinois Artstour.

## Susan Parton Stanard - Director

### *Limited Edition In Concert*

**Tuesday, May 4, 2004, 6:30 pm**

**Note- this program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL 62035**

Limited Edition is a select singing group and serves as Lewis and Clark's musical ambassadors to the community. The ensemble consists of ten singers that perform a broad spectrum of musical styles, ranging from vocal jazz to Broadway show tunes to music from the Big Band Era. The group is directed by Susan Parton Stanard. Come hear this wonderful group in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel where the acoustics are as beautiful as the surroundings! To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Bow-wow Pow-wow

**Saturday, May 8**

**10:00 am - 11:00 am**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow! Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills - and just great fun for everyone. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Nancy Cook Steeper

### *Biography of a Gatekeeper*

**Tuesday, May 11, 6:30 pm**

Author Nancy Cook Steeper discusses her book *Dorothy Scarritt McKibbin: Gatekeeper to Los Alamos*. Dorothy McKibbin worked as the 'secretary' for the secret Manhattan Project that led to the development of the atomic bomb. In this role, she acted as information center and full service concierge for the researchers assigned to Los Alamos. Author Steeper will discuss how Dorothy McKibbin not only watched the story of the United States' entrance into the nuclear age unfold from a front row seat, she also had a role in its making. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

## Folkhead

### *An Acoustic Ensemble*

**Tuesday, May 18, 6:30 pm**

Folkhead is a four piece acoustic ensemble based in Alton. It is made up of Matt Taul (formerly of the Stubblefield Band) who leads the group in vocals and acoustic guitar, Mike Youngberg on twelve string guitar and vocals, Jennifer Hayden on fiddle and Tim Bramstedt on mandolin

Together, they play a blend of original compositions, traditional folk songs, real country and Americana. The group is known for playing a diverse set list that is made up of songs with strong lyrical content and lots of heart! Be sure to join us for a great evening of music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Coming in June.....*

The Raffety Family presents an encore performance of their program of favorite gospel music. Kaye, her husband John and their son, Matthew, received standing ovations at the last Hayner performance. Join us in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on Tuesday, June 15 for an evening of beautiful, inspirational music. This program is free but registration is required. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

## Hayner Youth Library

All the youth programs are free of charge but do require registration.
To register, call 1-618-462-0652

**Preschool Story Time** will be at 10:00 am and be held at the Youth Library every other Monday on March 8 & 22, April 5 & 19, May 3 & 17. It will be held at the Branch Library every other Tuesday at 10:00 am on March 9 & 23, April 6 & 20, and May 4 & 18. Preschool Story Time is for children ages 3-5.

**Evening Story Time** begins at 6:30 pm and will be held on Tuesday evenings at the Youth library on March 2, 16 & 30, April 13 & 27, May 11 & 25.

The **Lapsit Program** continues. The Lapsit is designed for children from birth to age two. The program lasts from 20 to 30 minutes and consists of very easy books and songs. Its purpose is to get children used to the library. We don't expect the children attending this program to sit still for the entire program. The Lapsit begins at 10:00 am at the Youth Library on March 2, 16 & 30, April 13 & 27, May 11 & 25.

The **Reading Rockets Book Club** will be held at the Branch Library on Mondays at 4:30 pm on March 1, April 5 & May 3.

The **Read 'n Rant** book club for teens meets on Saturday at 10:00 am in the Youth Library on March 6, April 3 & May 1.

**After School Fun** will be held at the Youth Library at 3:30 pm on March 11 (bean mosaics), April 8 (crayon etching) and May 13 (chalk painting).

## *Special Events at The Hayner Youth Library*

(Register at 462-0652)

**Dr. Seuss' Birthday** - On Tuesday, March 2 at 4:00 pm, the Sylvan Learning Center will come to the Youth Library and read stories to celebrate the birthday of the wonderful Dr. Seuss.

**Trebor Promotions Magic Act** - Come see a great magic show by this talented troupe. Youth Library, Thursday, March 18, 4:00 pm.

**Easter Egg Hunt** - Join us Wednesday, April 7 at 3:30 pm for our annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Youth Library. This is always great fun and we will be having a special guest.

**Music of Cat Catalani** - Singer, songwriter, storyteller Cat Catalani is guaranteed to be a hit. Come see this vivacious performer on Thursday, April 29 at 4:00 pm.

**Children's Fingerprinting** - Members of the Alton Police Department will be at the Youth Library, demonstrating how fingerprinting is done and if a parent wishes to have their child's prints taken, they can do so on Tuesday, May 4 at 11 am.

*All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.*

## Take 15 for Family

West Elementary School in Alton is embarking on a wonderful program to help students improve academic performance. Reading skill and academic performance are critical to a child's future success in today's highly competitive business environment. We have many dedicated teachers that strive to encourage and empower our children to do the best they can in school, but study upon study has shown that to succeed, parents must be involved in their children's education. Unfortunately many children come from single parent homes or homes where both parents work and little or no time is given to the child's classroom activities. When home and school are partners, children work and learn best. Statements such as "parents are their children's first and primary teacher," "parents are their children's most influential teacher" and "parents can make a difference in their children's education" have been proven to be true over and over again.

To spread this message, Principal Mark Cappel and Parent Coordinator Bob Buhs have developed a program "Take 15 for Family" to develop family/school/community partnerships. This program will focus on involving families with their children in learning activities at home, including homework and other curriculum-linked activities and decisions. Targeting children whose academic testing indicates they are performing below their grade level, the program entails a series of parent gatherings at the school to show parents how to help their child read better and make better use of homework times. A key element of the program is encouraging parents to spend at least 15 minutes a school day to work with their children on school-related activities. The program will provide suggestions and assistance on how the parent can create opportunities to help their child be successful at school. Families will receive ongoing tips and information via newsletters that will stress five areas that parents can work on at home. These include 1) how to help your child read better, 2) communicating with the classroom teacher by phone or in person, 3) helping your child make better use of homework time, 4) checking and signing your child's Agenda Book (homework to do book) every night and 5) controlling TV watching at home.

Fifteen minutes may not seem like a lot of time to accomplish significant improvements. However, for a child that receives little parental guidance in school work, this is an achievable goal that will help create an ongoing dialogue and support structure between child and parent as well as between parent and teacher. Mr. Buhs has also developed a parental guide with invaluable information including articles such as "44 Ways Parents Can Help Their Children", "40 Ways to Help Your Youngster Achieve in School," "75 Parent Involvement Ideas That Work" and much more. Mr. Buhs and Principal Cappel should be highly commended for this exciting and innovative project and Hayner Library will certainly offer our full support to promote its success. We want to see every child in our community reading and learning, building towards a bright future.

## National Library Week April 18-24

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. This year, National Library Week is April 18-24. Along with special displays at Hayner Library locations, the Youth and Branch libraries will be holding story times to commemorate the week. At the Main Library, we will celebrate by bringing to stage two of America's great authors and humorists. On Thursday, April 22 at 6:00 pm we will present *A Humorous Encounter - An Evening with Mark Twain and Will Rogers*. This program will be held in the Reading Room of the Main Library at 326 Belle Street in Alton. Note the starting time is 6:00 pm! This program is free of charge, but reservations are essential. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## A Great Addition to Hayner Library CD Collection

Recently, the Main Library has acquired an important addition to our CD Collection, *The Complete Arkangel Shakespeare*. This set consists of 38 fully dramatized unabridged Shakespeare plays on CD. Produced with state-of-the-art technology, the CDs include original music and sound effects to heighten the drama. There is an extraordinary cast of over 400 actors including the likes of Joseph Fiennes and Sir John Gielgud. Five years in the making, this is the definitive audio Shakespeare- be sure to 'check it out'!

## OASIS Offers Spring Programs

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information.

**SIUE Arts & Issues:**
**Sam Abell in the Footsteps of Lewis and Clark**
Tuesday, March 16, 5:00 pm- departure Alton Square
Dinner at P.K.'s Restaurant in Edwardsville, IL
Fee: $40.00 per person
**St. Louis Symphony at Powell Hall**
Program includes music by composers Rossini, Mozart and Beethoven
Saturday, March 27, 6:00 pm departure from Alton Square
No meals with this trip - Fee: $40.00 per person
**Sheldon Theatre: Music from the World's Fair**
Saturday, April 3, 9:15 am departure from Alton Square
Lunch at Joe Boccardi's, St. Louis, MO
Fee: $35.00 per person
**Heritage Festival: New Harmony, IN**
Thursday, April 22, 9:00 am departure Alton Square
Lunch at Red Geranium in New Harmony, IN
Fee: $48.00 per person

## *Patron Profile - Minnie Hutchinson and Nita Gleghorn*

The Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) is part of Senior Corps, a network of national service programs that provide older Americans the opportunity to put their life experiences to work for local communities. Foster Grandparents serve as mentors, tutors, and caregivers for children and youth with special needs through a variety of community organizations, including schools, hospitals, drug treatment facilities, correctional institutions, Head Start and daycare centers. Here in the River Bend, this program is available through Senior Services Plus, Inc. in Alton.

Hayner Youth Library has benefitted from this program due to the wonderful services provided by foster grandmas Minnie Hutchinson and Nita Gleghorn. Minnie and Nita are so loved by staff, patrons and kids at the library, we wanted to let you get to know them, too!

Minnie's dad was a minister and her mother was a missionary at the True Church. They moved to Alton from Arkansas when Minnie was three years old. After attending Alton schools, Minnie married and raised two daughters. Sadly, one of the daughters is deceased but the other, Karen Hughes, lives in Alton. Today, Minnie also has three grown grandchildren. Minnie worked as an apprentice pharmacist at Campbell's Pharmacy on Broadway and later at Wardein's Pharmacy. When Wardein's closed, Minnie worked at Head Start Day Care. Then, in 1997, Minnie got into the Foster Grandparent program and has been at Hayner ever since!

Minnie says she loves being with the children and that spending time with them is the most important thing you can give them in these changing times. Minnie is a real people person. She also volunteers at a nursing home, helping to serve lunch. Every second Thursday, she holds Bible Study classes for the residents during which she sings, reads verses and discusses with the residents what the verses mean in daily life. Minnie loves helping the Seniors, especially visiting the lonely who often ask her to pray for them.

Minnie loves to sing and at one time had dreamed of pursuing a professional singing career. Today, she sings in the choir at Deliverance Temple where she also teaches Sunday school and works with the Praise dance group. This is a dance troupe she started 10-15 years ago that encourages girls to express themselves through dance.

Nita Gleghorn is also an Alton native and mother of two children, Steve Gleghorn and Paula Appleby, both who live in Alton. She also has four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. After reting from the Alton Glass Works, Nita also worked at Head Start, and, in the summer, she worked at Alton Day Care. In 1993, Nita came to Hayner as a foster grandparent.

Nita loves working with the children and they obviously love her attention. She says that every time she goes to the store or out around town there are always kids and parents from the library saying 'Hi Grandma!' She laughs, saying she is host to hundreds of grandkids! In Nita's spare time, she works on her quilts. She also takes care of an elder brother in Edwardsville, an elder sister in Alton and another sister currently in a nursing home. Nita comes from a family of thirteen which probably contributed to her talent in working with children.

Both grandmas work at the library four days a week from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm. Their activities include putting on puppet shows at both the Youth Library and the Branch Library and helping the kids during craft times. They also help out with inventory at the different library locations. Both Minnie and Nita develop many close and enduring relationships with both the kids and their parents. As the kids get older, they still come back to say hello to the grandmas. It is wonderful to see how happy the children are to have their foster grandmas and, of course, the grandmas are so happy to have all the children!

We can't thank Minnie and Nita enough for the wonderful work they do touching the lives of the children and giving the kids yet another reason to love coming to the library. If you are interested in obtaining more information on the Foster Grandparent Program, contact Senior Services Plus, Inc., 2603 N. Rodgers, Alton, IL 62002, 618-463-0067.

## *Notes from the Sunshine Express*

Did you know that the White House has been home to more than 400 pets during terms of many presidents? Thomas Jefferson kept grizzly bears in a garden cage. John Quincy Adams had his pet alligator live in the White House bathtub and Calvin Coolidge walked his raccoons around the White House grounds on a leash.

Our current President, George W. Bush, has four pets Barney is a Scotch terrier, India is a short-haired black cat and there is also Ernie, an orange and white six-toed kitten. Spot, his English Springer Spaniel, was born in the White House. She was the daughter of former President George Bush's famous dog, Millie, and was given to George W. as a gift.

Mysteries with animals as lead Characters include:
**Murder on the Pond** by Rita Mae Brown
**A Cat with the Blues** by Lydia Adamson
**The Cat Who Robbed a Bank** by Lillian Jackson Braun
**Death, Guns and Sticky Buns** by Susan Conant
**Murder on the Yukon Quest** by Sue Henry
**Ruff Way to Go** by Leslie O'Kane
And always favorites with animal lovers:
**All Creatures Great and Small** by James Herriot
**Vets Might Fly** by James Herriot
**Amazing Gracie** by Dan Dye and Mark Beckloff
**Dogs Never Lie About Love** by Jeffrey Moussaieff Masson

## SCORE Offers Two-Part Program to Help Small Business Owners

Do you have a small business and find yourself struggling with the complexity of issues such as financing, taxes, cash flow, marketing? Does it seem overwhelming? Perhaps you have gotten through the start up cycle with your small business and now need help improving day to day operations, or expanding services. Would you like to have a team of experts to guide and council you - free of charge? SCORE - Counselors to America's Small Business, is a volunteer organization of business people that provides free confidential business counseling to help you through start up and/or ensure your existing business prospers.

On Tuesday, April 13, SCORE members will present an informative program to demonstrate how SCORE can help you. Held at the St. Anthony's Wellness Center in the Alton Square Mall at 6:30 pm, this program will introduce you to SCORE counselors, overview the counseling session - what it entails and what the client can expect to receive from the session, how to apply for counseling and important documents the client should be familiar with/ prepare for counseling sessions (business plans, financial worksheets, statements, etc.). Use the program as a chance to network with other small business owners and hear the success stories from owners who have used SCORE expertise to successfully grow their businesses.

The local Alton/Godfrey SCORE chapter serves seven counties with Alton as its center and is made up of over 40 counselors with expertise in 55 areas of business. Counselors with expertise in your particular business sector are also available for online support and counseling. Don't miss this opportunity to find out more about a key tool to the success of your small business dream.

This program is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call the Hayner Library Program Hotline at 1-800-613-3163. For inquiries about SCORE, call 618-467-2280, ask for Jan and she will mail you additional information.

## Business Consumer Expo Coming April 3- with Lots of Surprises!

On Saturday, April 3, The Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois will sponsor its annual Business Expo at the Alton Square Mall. The Expo will run from 10:00 am until 8:00 pm and features some great events and surprises. During the day, throughout the mall, events will include Vendor Exhibits, children's activities, a Health Fair (12:00 noon-5 :00 pm), the highly popular Taste of the River Bend (12.00 noon-3:00 pm), a Pom Clinic (10 am-12:00 noon) and book signings by local authors at the Hayner Branch library (12:00-2:00 pm). Additionally, there will be a fashion show at 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm, and many more surprises.

For local business or civic groups, this is a great way to showcase your organization as an exhibitor. Last year, over 2,000 people attended the Expo. If you would like to participate as a vendor or would like additional information, call the Growth Association at 467-2280.

Don't miss this great event with truly something for everyone.

## Exploring the Waters

On Monday, April 26 and Friday, April 30, 2004, Lewis and Clark Community College will host hundreds of fifth grade students and their science teachers in the second annual Water Stewardship Project, 'Exploring the Waters'. This program educates the students on how to ensure a healthy ecosystem. The theme 'Exploring the Waters' will present water education issues and relate them to the bicentennial commemoration of the Lewis & Clark expedition. An interactive water festival with dynamic activities that include a water treatment demonstration, migratory waterfowl display, portable dam display and a host of others activities designed to educate teachers and students about water and other environmental issues. The meeting on Monday the 26th will be a training day for 25-30 teachers who will then bring their students to the college on Friday, April 30 for the field day of activities. Approximately 1100 students attend. On Friday evening, the Sierra Club, Lewis and Clark Community College and The Hayner Public Library District will sponsor a presentation and author event for children as well as adults, to be held at Lewis and Clark Community College. The details of this event will be announced. Watch for flyers at the libraries and Sierra Club. Press releases will also be issued to the local media as more information is available.

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Sunday, Noon to 6 pm

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## Reorganizing Reference Services

We're changing to better serve you. With the creation of a new, district-wide Reference Services Department, Hayner Library will begin offering reference service at its Alton Square Branch and will increase the reference hours offered at its Main Library location. This new district-wide department will oversee reference services, readers' advisory services, and collection development for all three Hayner branches.

What can the Reference Services Department do for you? Librarians, all holding a Master's Degree in Library Science, staff this department. They are experienced in searching both print and electronic sources and can help you find the facts or information that you need. Questions have ranged from researching Abraham Lincoln's Alton area duel to finding who holds the home run record for Busch Stadium. (No, it's not Mark McGwire—it's Ray Lankford.) Whether you're writing a term paper or a novel, they can help you find the answers to your questions or direct you to the sources you need. They can even recommend a good read or prepare a list of books similar to those by your favorite author. This service is free of charge and available to anyone, and does not require that you have a Hayner library card.

**Katie Schrimpf** has been promoted from Adult Services & Reference Librarian to the District-wide Manager of Reference Services and Collection Development and will head this new department. She has been with Hayner for twenty years and holds a Master's Degree in Library Science from the University of Missouri, Columbia. **Susan Kulasekara** has returned to work as a full-time reference librarian in this new department. She is a twelve-year employee of the library, having previously served as Adult Services Librarian at the Main Library and part-time reference librarian. She holds a Master of Science Degree in Library and Information Science from the University of Illinois. **Kelly Meier** was recently hired as a full-time reference librarian. She brings strong computer skills to this job, having served as a consultant to the Illinois State Library and to the Lewis & Clark Library System and as a Reference Librarian at Edwardsville Public Library. She holds a Master's Degree in Library Science from Indiana University, Bloomington.

Reference service will be available almost all weekday and weekend hours with reference staff available throughout the library district. The hours include Monday through Thursday, 8-8; Friday 8-5; Saturday 9-5; Sunday 1-4. The department recently received a large bequest that it will use to update and expand the reference collections at all three branches, including the Youth Library. The new department will also expand reference coverage and patron access by evaluating and adding new online reference databases.

The department is working to expand readers' advisory services by offering new and interesting book displays, reading suggestions, "best book" and "readalike" lists, and additional evening book clubs.

Jeffrey Owen, Executive Director for the Hayner Public Library District, is very excited about being able to offer these extended services to the public. "We have put together an incredibly talented team of reference librarians who can be of huge service to our library patrons." Please stop at the Branch or Main Library and meet Katie, Susan and Kelly. They are anxious to work on finding the answers to your reference questions.

**Susan Kulasekara, Katie Schrimpf, Kelly Meier**
**"REFERENCE DIVAS"**

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Memorial Day - May 30 & 31
Independence Day - July 4 & 5
Labor Day - September 5 & 6


### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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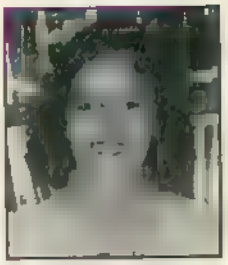
## New Staff at Hayner Main and Branch Libraries

Welcome new members of Hayner Library staff. In the Main Library, **Lona Fox** is working as a full-time Library Assistant. Lona comes to us from Telluride, Colorado. **Michele Kelly** has been promoted from Page to part-time Library Assistant. Michele is a student at Lewis and Clark Community College. **Ginger Thomeczek** has been named Main Library Manager.


Lona Fox

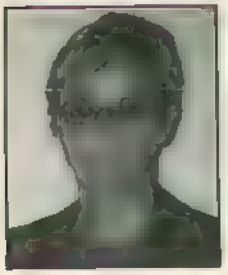
Michele Kelly

Ginger Thomeczek

Earla Mitchell

At the Branch, **Earla Mitchell** of Godfrey and **Lori Henseler** of Alton have both joined the staff as part-time Library Assistants.

Lori Henseler


Kelly Meier

**Kelly Meier** of Edwardsville has joined the Reference Staff as a Reference Librarian.

Martha Maloy

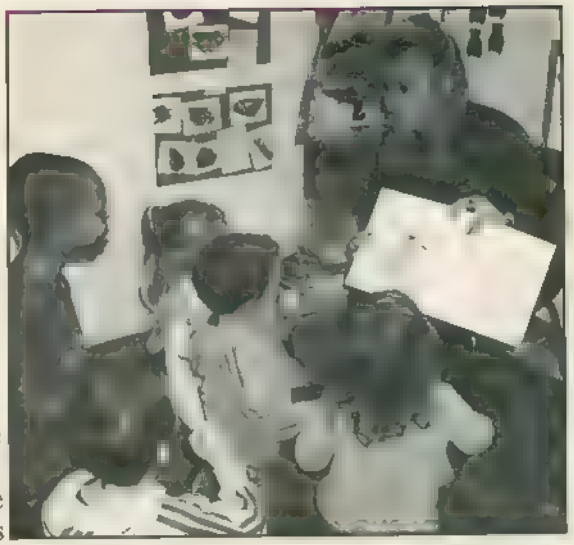
**Martha Maloy** of Godfrey has joined the Genealogy/ Indexing staff.

**Erika Schallenberg** has been promoted from Page to part-time Library Assistant and **Julie Belk** has been promoted from part-time Library Assistant to full-time Library Assistant. They will be working across all three library locations, fulfilling the requests for interlibrary loan of materials – both incoming and outgoing.

Julie Belk and Erika Schallenberg

This is a huge task and very time-consuming as we get literally hundreds of item requests each day. Welcome all!

## Change a life-Help a Child



Riverbend Head Start & Family Services wants to help you make a difference in the life of a local child. If you love young children and want to help foster a lifelong passion for reading, please call **Riverbend Head Start & Family Services at 463-5946** to arrange a Project Shadow visit where you can live life again through the eyes of a young child. It only takes about an hour of your time. Visits can be scheduled at any of the agency's Head Start centers located in Alton, Collinsville, Edwardsville, Granite City or Venice.

## Tips to Keep Kids Reading

West Elementary School has instituted a great program, "Take 15 for Family." The primary goal of this program is to give families ideas and suggestions on how to help their children at home with their homework and to encourage parents to take a more active role in communication with teachers. As the school year winds down, the program encourages parents to make sure they help their children to continue developing reading skills throughout the summer months. To this end, they offer the following reading tips you can use at home (adapted from The Parent Institute's "25 Ways Parents Can Read with Children"):

- Stop before the end of the story. Ask your child to predict what they think will happen next.
- After you finish a story, ask your child to think about how the story related to a personal experience they may have had.
- Ask your child how they might have changed the story

Look for unusual places for your daily reading time with your children, such as:

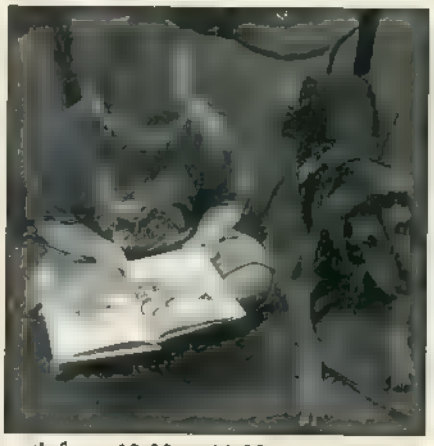
- Outside under a shady tree, in a sandbox or hammock, at a nearby park
- Toss a sheet over a clothesline or table to create a hideaway.
- Spread a blanket on the floor and have an indoor reading picnic.

## Bow-wow Pow-wow – Barking and Books!

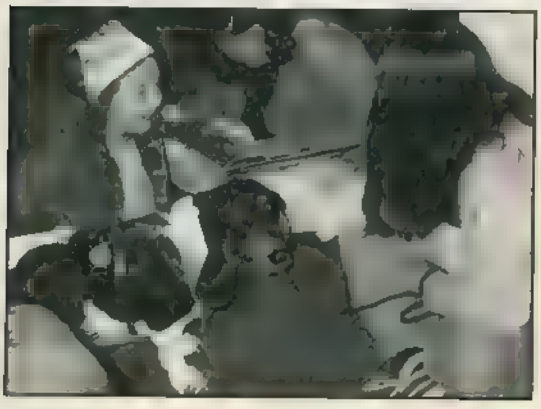
As ever, our monthly Bow-wow Pow-wow meetings have been great fun. June Walker, owner of Walker's Wee Glen Training Center, and fellow dog owners bring their certified therapy dogs to the library for kids to read to them. The kids have so much fun, they grow their love of reading, their confidence in their reading skills improves and they get to play with these wonderful, gentle animals. As word of the success of this program has spread, I have been contacted by libraries as far away as Colorado and North Carolina interested in starting their own reading programs.

The trainers who come every month are a wonderful group of people who so generously give of their time (and their dogs) for the benefit of the children. The library puts out a wide selection of books for the children to read, across different reading levels.

As a special incentive this summer, every child that attends three Bow-wow Pow-wow sessions between June and September will receive a prize of recognition! Let's make this a doggone reading summer! Remember, we meet on the second Saturday of each month from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.



This program is free of charge but does require registration. To register, or for more information, call Bernadette at 462-0677. Come meet the gentle giant – Blue, Bella, TC, Bailey, Margo, Helen, Oliver, Barney …oh, and their owners, too!



## Just for Fun!

Our therapy dogs have a great sense of humor. Here are some of the jokes they were telling at the last Bow-wow Pow-wow (really!).

**Question:** How many dogs does it take to change a light bulb?

**Answer (by Breed):**

*Golden Retriever:* "The sun is shining, the day is young, we've got our whole lives ahead of us and you're inside worrying about a stupid burned out bulb?"

*Border Collie:* "Just one. And then I'll replace any wiring that's not up to code."

*Dachshund:* "You know I can't reach that stupid lamp!"

*Rottweiler:* "Make me."

*Lab:* "Oh, me, me!!!!! Pleeeeeeeeze let me change the light bulb! Can I? Can I? Huh? Huh? Huh? Can I?"

*German Shepherd:* "I'll change it as soon as I've led these people from the dark, checked to make sure I haven't missed any, and make just one more perimeter patrol to see that no one has tried to take advantage of the situation."

*Maltese:* "Let the Border Collie do it. You can feed me while he's busy."

*Jack Russell Terrier:* "I'll just pop it in while I'm bouncing off the walls and furniture."

*Poodle:* "I'll just blow in the Border Collie's ear and he'll do it. By the time he finishes rewiring the house, my nails will be dry."

*Cocker Spaniel:* "Why change it? I can still go in the dark."

*Chihuahua:* "Yo quiero Taco Bulb."

*Irish Wolfhound:* "Can somebody else do it? I've got this hangover...."

*Pointer:* I see it, there it is, there it is, right there...."

*Greyhound:* "It isn't moving. Who cares?"

*Old English Sheep Dog:* "Light bulb? I'm sorry, but I don't see a light bulb."

*Hound Dog:* "zzzzzz zzzzzz zzzzzz....."

And finally.....

*CAT:* "Dogs do not change light bulbs. People change light bulbs. So, the question is: How long will it be before I can expect light?"

ALL OF WHICH PROVES, ONCE AGAIN, THAT WHILE DOGS HAVE MASTERS, CATS HAVE STAFF.....

## Fines Feed Fido

During the month of April, if you had a current fine on Hayner material, we waived it in lieu of a contribution of pet food. We collected over 250 items which were donated to the Alton Area 5A Animal Shelter. This wonderful organization is completely funded through your donations and, as a no-kill shelter, is always fully populated with unwanted or abandoned pets. We are happy to support the 5A's via the amnesty program and hope we all continue to support them throughout the year.

# *Staff Picks – What We're Reading*

**Home by Design: Transforming Your House into a Home** by Sarah Susanka. Nonfiction
The author of *The Not So Big House* and *Creating the Not So Big House* has crafted another visually stunning yet practical book about the way we live. When designing our homes, she says, we should look at the way we live and how we will use our rooms, rather than just slapping down a floor plan and sticking in windows and doors. To illustrate, she describes 28 of what she considers the best-designed homes in the U.S. As in her other books, the photographs are sumptuous and the information is practical and informative. Even though we may not all be able to have homes like those shown in the book, everyone can use the ideas she puts forth here. –Susan K.

**Power of One** by Bryce Courtenay. Fiction
Bryce Courtenay's *Power of One* is set in WWII era South Africa, where seven-year-old Peekay suffers horrible abuse at boarding school because he is English. After a chance meeting with a boxer on a train, young Peekay sets a goal that will guide him for the rest of his life—to become a welterweight boxing champion. Wonderful characters, both mentors and villains, teach and challenge Peekay to act "first with the head, then with the heart," and to believe in himself, and know the power of one. Courtenay's beautiful writing brings South Africa alive, with its music, atmosphere, and mix of cultures. This is a must-read book that you will recommend to others over and over again. –Katie S.

**SuperFoods Rx: Fourteen Foods That Will Change Your Life** by Steven G. Pratt, M.D. Nonfiction
*SuperFoods Rx* is based on an examination of the macro and micronutrients in 14 super foods, with their vitamin, mineral, and phytonutrient health benefits. The greatest health benefit of micronutrient enriched foods are their activity as powerful antioxidants in combating free radicals which have been conclusively linked to heart disease, cancer, diabetes, arthritis, vision problems, Alzheimer's disease, and premature aging. *SuperFoods Rx* identifies the richest sources of micronutrients in foods with the idea that the body benefits immeasurably from a constant rich infusion of phytonutrients, as well as all macro and other micronutrients. Sections describing each of the 14 super foods evaluate the amazing ability of each food to combat and prevent disease. –Lona F.

**The Bookseller of Kabul** by Asne Seierstad. Nonfiction
Following the Taliban's flight in Afghanistan, the author offers an intimate view of the daily life of an educated Afghan bookseller and his extended family, revealing the oppressive life of women living in a strictly male-dominated society. Sultan Kahn, the bookseller, prevails in keeping his bookstores going in the midst of destruction, and rules his household, offering little freedom to its members. At times frightening and fascinating, this story depicts a culture we know little about, a culture shrouded in tradition, waiting to lift the veil to a modern and free life. —Jean S.

**Desserts That Have Killed Better Men Than Me** by Jeremy Jackson. Nonfiction
For those faint of heart (or stomach), stop reading. For those with a penchant for desserts so good you'll cry, read on! Whether you enjoy fruits, cakes, puddings, or pies, this book has a recipe to suit every taste. Such recipes include Strawberry Crème Brulee, Chocolate Sinkholes, Hot Vanilla, Extra Cinnamon Bubble Bread, and Baked Pears with Pine Nuts, Dried Cherries, and Golden Raisins! If you are looking for a cookbook that has one fantastic recipe after another, look no further than this. –Mary P.

**An Unpardonable Crime** by Andrew Taylor. Fiction
If you enjoy reading atmospheric period thrillers, which are based on historical facts, then include *An Unpardonable Crime* to your reading list; the 2003 winner of the CWA Ellis Peters Dagger award for historical mysteries. The story moves from the dense, foggy streets of London, England to the stark winter landscape of Gloucestershire during the winter of 1819. The story's narrator is Thomas Shield, a young schoolmaster, whose charges include 10-year-old Edgar Allan Poe. Once you've finished the book, this multilayered literary murder mystery will have you asking yourself a few questions about the life of Edgar Allen Poe. You may also want to read Poe's poem *William Wilson*. – Kelly M.

# *New and Forthcoming Books*

**NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—NONFICTION**

Clancy, Tom. **Battle Ready**
Cuomo, Mario. **Lincoln Matters**
Kurson, Robert. **Shadow Divers: The True Adventure of Two Americans Who Discovered Hitler's Lost Sub**
O'Rourke, P.J. **Peace Kills: America's Fun New Imperialism**
Palahniuk, Chuck. **Stranger than Fiction**
Safire, William. **The Right Word in the Right Place at the Right Time**
Sedaris, David. **Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim**

**NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—FICTION**

Berg, Elizabeth. **The Art of Mending**
Brown, Dale. **Plan of Attack**
Burke, James Lee. **In the Moon of Red Ponies**
Child, Lee. **The Enemy: A Jack Reacher Novel**
Coonts, Stephen. **Liars and Thieves**
Coulter, Catherine. **Blowout**
Deaver, Jeffrey. **Garden of Beasts**
Evanovich, Janet. **Ten Big Ones**
Hiaasen, Carl. **Skinny Dip**
Hoag, Tami. **Kill the Messenger**
Koontz, Dean. **The Taking**
Leonard, Elmore. **A Coyote's in the House**
Mosley, Walter. **Little Scarlet**
Muller, Marcia. **The Dangerous Hour**
O'Shaughnessy, Perri. **Unlucky in Law**
Patterson, James. **Sam's Letters to Jennifer**
Reichs, Kathy. **Monday Mourning**
Sandford, John. **Hidden Prey**
Scottoline, Lisa. **Killer Smile**
Steel, Danielle. **Miracle**
Steel, Danielle. **Second Chance**

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Lazy summer days are upon us…but we'll be busy at the Hayner Main Library with a great schedule of special events. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL*

*Please note: If you want to attend a program but cannot manage the stairs to the Reading Room, please contact Reynae or Bernadette at 618-462-0651. Arrangements can be made to let you enter from an alternate entrance on State Street.*

### Genealogy Roundtable

**Thursday, June 10, 6:00 p.m.**

The Madison County Genealogical Society will meet on Thursday, June 10 at 6:00 pm in the Hayner Library Illinois Room. This will be a convenient way for you to attend an MCGS meeting without having to drive to Edwardsville! We are also hoping to attract interested genealogists from the northern section of the county and beyond and therefore will be inviting researchers from Macoupin, Calhoun and Jersey counties. Everyone is welcome. After a regular meeting of the society, we will have as our guest speakers Hearshal and Louise McKinney. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, June 12**
**Saturday, July 10**
**Saturday, August 14**
**Saturday, September 11**
**10:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and just great fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### The Raffety Family
### *An Evening of Gospel Music*

**Tuesday, June 15, 6:30 p.m.**

The Raffety Family, Kay, John and their son Matthew, are returning for an encore performance of their wonderful Southern gospel music. Well-known throughout the area, they frequently perform together in their church choir. Don't miss this opportunity to hear the inspiring music of this talented family. At their last performance for Hayner Library, they received standing ovations! This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL. It is free of charge but requires registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Dan LeMonnier
### *Chin Music*

**Tuesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Dan has been caught telling stories all his life and has taken his combination of music, wit and animation around the world, from Shanghai to the Smithsonian Institute and to the 53rd Presidential Inaugural. In the old days, if you were to sit back, sing songs and tell tales, you were making "Chin Music." Dan will perform a collection of songs and stories "just for the fun of it". Join us for a wonderful evening of stories, songs, tall tales, laughter and memories. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Chautauqua Actor/Scholars
### *Changed Lives: Lewis and Clark Meet the West*

**Monday, June 21-Saturday, June 26**

During the week of the Heartland Chautauqua, the Actor Scholars will be visiting the Main library every morning at 10:00. They will give you an insight into the different historical figures they portray, how research and character development were accomplished and provide fascinating insight into this important time in history. Come find out more about such historical figures as York, George Drouillard, Sacajawea, Andrew Jackson, Sac & Fox Native Americans and Shawnee Native Americans
For complete schedule, see page 11. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Joe Higgs
### *Mad Science*

**July 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Mad Science's mission is to spark the imagination and curiosity of children everywhere by providing fun, interactive and educational activities that instill a clear understanding of what science is and how it affects the world around them. When we had the opportunity to preview Mad Science we realized this enthralling program is not just for children. High energy discussion and demonstrations of the wonders of science will fascinate you! Don't miss this- it's something really different and full of surprises and fun. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Josh Farley
### *Managing Your Retirement Income*

**Tuesday, July 6, 6:30 p.m.**

Earning enough income from your investments in retirement is a difficult task, especially with interest rates as low as they are. Join Josh Farley, Investment Representative with Edward Jones Investments, for an idea exchange on how to manage your income in retirement. Register by calling 1-800-613-3163.

### *Double Play Masterpieces*

**Wednesday July 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Double Play, the world's only professional flute and tuba duo, returns to the Hayner Library with a new program entitled "Masterpieces." On summer tour of over 120

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cities nationwide, this program features the music of Mozart, Rossini, Joplin, Fillmore and Gershwin. Amy Ridings has performed as principal flutist for Michigan's Macomb Symphony and Patrick Sciannella, tubaist, is a former member of the Genesee and Southwest Brass Quintets. They travel with Patrick's Seeing Eye guide dog and incorporate information about guide dogs into their program. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Meet the Author- Harry Spiller
### *Vietnam: Angel of Death*
**Friday, July 16, 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

In partnership with OASIS and BJC Plus, we will present Harry Spiller, author of *Vietnam: Angel of Death*. Mr. Spiller's book details his experiences of two tours of duty in Vietnam as a Marine and his subsequent service as a Marine recruiter in Southern Illinois and southeast Missouri, also during the Vietnam War. He will discuss these experiences and the impact they had on his life. Copies of his book will be available for purchase during the program. Register with OASIS at 465-1490 or by calling 1-800-613-3163.

## Denise Wilson and Michael Lewis
### *Traveler's Dreams*
**Sunday, July 18, 1:30 p.m.**

Traveler's Dream performs music of the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries using historical and modern instruments such as fife, fiddle, Scottish smallpipes, guitar, mandolin, Irish flute, bodhran and penny whistles. As Midwesterners, they pull their repertoire from the songs and tunes carried to this region by settlers from France, Ireland, Scotland and Eastern America. In this program, you will enjoy listening to a combination of French voyageur songs, Irish jigs and reels, Scottish marches, American military tunes and songs and ballads from both sides of the Atlantic. This is music that would have been familiar to Meriwether Lewis, William Clark and the men who journeyed with them. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Carol Gavin and Charlotte Herren
### *A Little Bit of Broadway*
**Tuesday, July 27, 6:30 p.m.**

Join pianists Charlotte Herren and Carol Galvin for an evening of music straight from the Great White Way! Listen and sing-a-long to the greatest all time hits from Rogers and Hammerstein, Lerner and Lowe, Cole Porter, Ira Gershwin and more. "It's a grand night for singing!" Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Danny O'Day
### *Thief of Badgags*
**August 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Come hear comedian and song stylist Danny O'Day perform his stand up routine that will take you back to the years of vaudeville. His program combines singing and a large dose of old jokes that will make you groan and laugh at the same time. Performing his routine for the better part of the last 70 years, Danny is well-known in and around St. Louis. The self-proclaimed "Thief of Bad Gags" is sure to delight you – and he promises to live up to his billing as "the only clean stand-up comic still alive!". Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Kelly Meier
### *Ebay Basics*
**Thursday, August 12, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.**

Are you in the dark about Ebay or anxious to learn how to sell your "stuff" over the internet for fun and profit? Join us for a training session in Ebay basics and learn how to participate in an online auction site. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bobby Norfolk
### *Through the Eyes of York*
**Tuesday, August 17, 6:30 p.m.**

York was the slave of William Clark and the only African American to join the Corps of Discovery on the Lewis and Clark expedition. Bobby Norfolk portrays York in this one man program. Bobby tells the fascinating story of York's long struggle to freedom, recounting his early life as a slave, his experiences during the long journey, his return to slavery following the trip and finally his emancipation. Don't miss this riveting performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Configurations
### *A Return to the Classics*
**Tuesday, August 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Configurations is a St. Louis-based Chamber ensemble consisting of Alison Thompson playing violin, Christine Banda on viola and James Nacy on cello. All three members have played with different orchestras nationally and garnered numerous awards and recognition. The program will consist of a wonderful combination of Bach, Mozart, Strauss and more. This is a great opportunity to experience some of the world's most beautiful music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Rob Compton
### *Babaloo-Music and Fun*
**Thursday, September 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Babaloo is a hysterically funny program of music and yarns. He specializes in wacky, interactive musical performances. For all ages, don't miss the musical fun of Babaloo. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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## The Irish Xiles
## *A History of Irish Music*
**Tuesday, September 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Originally from Dublin, the Irish Xiles are a family group that has played together for over ten years. Their first performance at Hayner was hugely popular! They take you on a trip through Irish history in stories and songs. This is an absolutely delightful evening! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**…And coming in October…mark your calendars…The Hayner Public Library District will be presenting the Harman Family and their wonderful Bluegrass Music at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the Campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, October 21, 6:30 p.m.**

## Hayner Youth Library

### EXPLORE THE READING TRAIL, 2004

Kickoff for summer reading club is Saturday, June 5, 9:00 a.m. until close at the Youth Library and Sunday 9:30 a.m. – close at the Branch Library. Register in person at either location. We regret we cannot accept registrations by phone. Children under twelve must be registered by a parent or guardian. Teens, ages 12-15, may sign up on their own. Summer reading club registration closes Saturday, July 3rd. Registration for activity programs closes when all available places are filled. All programs at the library are provided free of charge. Due to space limits only residents or cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District may attend summer activity programs at the library.

Kids from birth through fifteen are invited to participate in the **Explore the Reading Trail,** Summer Reading Club at Hayner Public Library this summer. Pre-readers may participate if an adult agrees to read to them.

Participants agree to read at least six hours to complete the program and win a free paperback book of their choice. Time sheets must be returned to the Youth Library no later than Saturday, July 24th, in order to qualify. There are additional prizes for those who read 12, 18, 24, and 30 hours. Those who read 30 hours or more are listed on the Famous Wall of Fame display at the Youth Library all summer.

Award books and other prizes will be distributed at the End of Summer Party on Thursday, July 29th from 6-8 p.m. at the The Commons Building at Lewis & Clark Community College. The party will also feature a catered meal and a horse drawn stage coach will be providing live carriage rides! If you cannot attend the party you can pick up your award book at the Youth Library any time between July 30th and August 31st.

Summer schools and other community agencies can participate as outreach sites for the summer reading club. Please call Gloria Mitchell at 462-0652 for more information.

To register for activity programs children must be age specified by June 1, 2004. No programs meet the week of July 4th thru July 10th. The library will be closed July 4th.

### *Lapsit Story Times*
Ages birth-2 years. Group meets Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 8, 22, July 20 and August 3, 17 and 31. Registration limited to 25 children.

### *Preschool Story Times*
Ages 3-5. One group meets Mondays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library; one group meets Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates are June 14/15, 28/29, July 12/13, August 23/24 and September 9/10. Registration is limited to 25 children at both locations.

### *Reading Rockets Book Club*
This book club for preteens meets at the Alton Square Branch Library on June 7, July 5 and August 2 at 4:30 p.m.

### *Evening story times*
Ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult. Group meets Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 8, 22, July 20 and August 3, 17 & 31. Registration limited to 25 children.

### *Summertime crafts*
Ages 6-11; adults invited to assist. Group meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 9 (Summer Journal), June 23 (Pinch Pots), and July 21 (Trail Mix). Group meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates are June 16 (Circle of Courage Bracelets), June 30 (Bear Claw Necklaces), and July 14 (Native American Rattle). Registration limited to 20 children.

### *After School Fun*
Join us August 12 at 3:30 p.m. in the Hayner Youth Library for 'Back to School' Bingo.

### *Read-n-rant book discussion group for teens*
Ages 12-15. We will read and discuss various books chosen from recommended reading lists. Group meets Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 19, July 3, 17 and August 7. Registration limited to 10 children

### *j.d. junior volunteer program*
Ages 12-15. Application packets will be available at the Youth Library on April 19. **We will begin accepting completed applications at the Youth Library beginning Tuesday, May 10.** Volunteers work at the Youth Library one day per week from June 7 through July 23. They will not work the week of July 4-July 10. **All volunteers are required to attend the end of summer party on July 29.**

### *Added Feature:*
June 7th Monday 10:00 a.m. WBGZ will visit the Youth Division of Hayner and broadcast live with radio host, Mark Ellebracht. Join us for the fun and maybe you can be a radio star!

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***

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**These performances will be held at the Youth Library. All ages. No registration required.**

June 10th Thursday 11:30 a.m. DePriest Puppets, a professional performing troupe consisting of Ollie and Bridget DePriest, who will provide a wonderful puppet adventure.

June 17th Thursday 1:00 p.m. Jeff Miller, story poet with story and song will perform original, humorous, and inspirational poetry combined with oral histories and stories and songs.

June 22nd Tuesday 3:00 p.m. Dan LeMonnier will bring Illinois and American history, character education, world folktales and spiritual stories to life through his unique blend of banjo music and storytelling.

July 1st Thursday 3:00 p.m. Joseph "Nitro Joe" Higgs from the Mad Science of St. Louis will provide innovative and exciting demonstrations and activities.

July 15th Thursday 1:00 p.m. Jack and Danette Miller of Frilly and Miller Show combine high-energy music, comedy skits and audience participation to promote various themes, including reading and character building.

July 22nd Thursday 9:30 a.m. Chris Camp, Master of the Bullwhip, will give a unique, entertaining show with "fast draw" multiple cracking to precision tricks.

August 19th Thursday, 3:00 p.m. Meet Randy Erwin – a yodeler with fun for all ages!

**These performances will be held at the Alton Square Branch Library. All ages. No registration required.**

June 16th Wednesday 1:00 p.m. Mary Trudell, a talented musician, will entertain the children with humorous and interactive songs, poems and games.

July 14th Wednesday 2:00 p.m. Mama Lisa Gage-Ray with Fundisha Enterprises specializes in cultural education and performing arts of Africa, America and the Caribbean.

July 28th Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. Rick Eugene Brammer comedy magic show for all ages. He is winner of the International Brotherhood of Magicians 'Magician of the Year' in 1996, 1997 and 1998. Join us for the fun and laughter. Call Hayner Branch Library at 463-1276 for information.

***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

## *Discover the Secrets of Hayner Public Library District*

Did you ever wonder what goes on behind the scenes at a library…. who processes all those hundreds of new print and nonprint materials that come in daily? How are overdues and lost materials tracked? What exactly is the long running project to index previous years of the Alton Telegraph? What is interlibrary loan? What is weeding? Who and how does staff repair damaged books and other materials? Who are the people that make up the 50+ person staff of the three library locations and what do they do?

It is a huge job and takes a lot of hard work to offer you all the services and support you receive at the Hayner Public Library District. Circulating over 45,000 items each month is also complemented by offering a full schedule of youth and adult programs, internet services, genealogy research and more. It really is fascinating to see what goes on beyond the circulation desk. If you or your organization would like to discover the secret world of running libraries, call the Library's administrative office (462-0677) and we would love to set up a tour for you.

## *College Information Available Online*

The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) College Opportunities On-line (COOL) is a direct link to nearly 7,000 colleges and universities in the country. Whether for large universities, small liberal arts colleges, specialized schools, community colleges, career or technical colleges, or trade schools, IPEDSCOOL offers information on enrollment, awards/degrees conferred, cost (updated for 2004) and financial aid, accreditation and campus crime statistics. And, for the first time, it has graduation rates based on first-time, full-time degree-seeking undergraduate students; the rate is broken down by bachelor degree-seeking students, gender and race.

College Opportunities On-line helps you find out about a specific college or set of colleges. It is maintained by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) in the U.S. Department of Education. NCES was authorized by the Congress in 1998 to help college students, future students and their parents understand the differences between colleges and how much it costs to attend college. For more information or to access the IPEDS link, go to http://nces ed.gov/ipeds/cool/.

## Call out for Cookbooks!

Often a people's history and culture is largely reflected in the food they eat. How food is prepared and the ingredients used vary dramatically within different regions of the country and also have changed dramatically over the years, as lifestyle changes have occurred. In the interest of preserving this fascinating depiction of our changing world (and isn't everyone interested in food?), Hayner Library is instituting a project to develop a collection of local area cookbooks. You know the kind…those produced by churches and civic organizations with recipes donated by the organization's membership as a means of fund raising. If you own any of these cookbooks and are willing to donate them to the Library, they will be kept in the Illinois Room for all the community to enjoy. We would love the collection to include both current and older cookbooks. If you are a church or civic organization, perhaps you would also consider donating examples of cookbooks you may have published. Again, we are not looking for commercially published cookbooks (we do have a wonderful selection of those in our circulating collection), but the locally printed books with recipes from our own friends and families. Be sure to visit the Illinois Room to enjoy this growing collection.

## Senior Services Plus Builds Onsite Library

The Hayner Public Library District is partnering with Senior Services Plus. A small lending library is being organized at the Senior Services Plus Building on North Rodgers in Alton. The library will be named for the late Wayne Stice. Mr Stice was the husband of Rosann Stice. Rosann has served as Senior Services Plus Interim Director and is currently Director of the Foster Grandparent program. Senior Services staff contributed funding for the library in Mr. Stice's memory. The library will be manned by volunteers from Hayner Library and Senior Services Plus and will be open from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Large print books will be provided on loan by Hayner Library and rotated to keep the collection fresh. A dedication ceremony was held on Monday, May 17, 2004. Hayner Library looks forward to instituting another avenue for patrons to have access to library materials. If you have any questions or would like more information on this project or other library volunteer opportunities, contact Stephanie Munson at the Hayner Main Library, 462-0651.

## OASIS Offers Summer Programs

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**T'ai Chi for Seniors**
Mondays, June 21-July 19 (4 sessions) no class July 5-10:30-11:30 a.m.
Mondays, July 26-August 16 (4 sessions), 10:30-11:30 a.m.
A great way to exercise-easy to learn.
Fee: $27

**An Introduction to Feng Shui**
Thursday, June 17, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Learn all about this Eastern Philosophy in this class.
Fee: $5

**Meet the Author**
Friday, July 16, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Meet Harry Spiller, author of *Vietnam: Angel of Death.* He will discuss his book about his experiences during two tours of duty in Vietnam. This program will be held at the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street in Alton, IL. Free

**ABC's of Bird Feeding**
Wednesday, July 21, 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Learn about our feathered friends in this class. Free

**A Synopsis of World Religions**
Thursday, July 29, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
A great overview of the world religions will be discussed in this class.
Fee: $5

**Stages Theatre – The Sound of Music**
Wednesday, August 11 – 12:15 p.m. departure from Alton Square
A great musical – dinner at Two Nice Guys in St. Louis/great trip
Fee: $70 per person

## Genealogy Notes

The Genealogy and Indexing Department has been working hard (as ever) and the Alton Telegraph Index is now complete for the years of 1836 through 1941. Patrons can look up family information and items of interest using our extensive index. The years 1970 through 1994 are also complete and available for use. Also, remember that our Genealogy Staff is available for consultation to help you with your genealogy research. There is no fee for this service but an appointment is necessary. To schedule an appointment, call Hayner Genealogy at 462-0677.

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# *Patron Profile Phillip and Cherie Mazzone*

I had a delightful time interviewing Philip and Cherie Mazzone for this issue's patron profile. What a charming couple! Phil and Cherie are avid library users, well- known to both the Branch and Main Library staff. Cherie, originally from a small town outside of Cleveland, Ohio, first met Phil when she was working as a third grade teacher in Elmhurst, IL, a suburb of Chicago, her first job after college. Phil, originally from Elmhurst himself, was serving in the Fifth Army Headquarters in Chicago. Phil worked with IBM Tabulating Equipment and laughs recalling how the punch card system evolved into today's computer technology. Phil and Cherie met in 1955 and were married in 1957. In September of this year, they will be married 47 years.

After his discharge from the army and finishing his last year of college, Phil worked for a short time in the family business before going to work for Leo Burnett Advertising and subsequently, Ryerson Steel. Cherie left teaching to work as the Program Director for Girls at the Elmhust YMCA. After living in Elmhurst for 11 years, the Mazzones moved to Boston, where Phil took a job with a publishing firm. They also now had two children – a daughter, Cara, and a son, Peter. Cherie said they loved living in New England. They lived in an older home that needed updating "when the spirit moved us". Cherie laughingly recounts one night they were lying in bed and she was looking at the original wallpaper and she said "I really hate the wallpaper". Phil quickly agreed with her and they spent the rest of the night, until 3:00 a.m., stripping the walls (reminds me of the anecdote of Oscar Wilde's last words "I am in the duel to the death with this wallpaper. One of us has to go").

After five and a half years in Boston, the Mazzones decided it was time to make a major lifestyle change away from the corporate world. They had always dreamed of living out west, so they packed up and moved to Sedona, Arizona, where they dreamed of perhaps buying their own business. During their three years in Sedona, Cherie worked in a restaurant and Phil worked for a builder, as office manager for a local hospital and even as a house roofer – not the easiest job under the hot Arizona sun. Cherie commented that the children loved living in Sedona and have wonderful memories of their three years there, "playing the Waltons". The Mazzones commented how many special friends they made over the years, mentioning Sedona specifically. While there, they lived next door to a much respected cowboy artist, Gary Niblett (Mr. Niblett also painted the background for the original Scooby Doo cartoons). It was Mr. Niblett who recognized the exceptional talent of the Mazzone's son, Peter, and recommended against formal training, believing it would be more effective for Peter to develop his own artistic styles. Their other friends and neighbors included the founder of a major music company, one of the prime photographers for National Geographic, and an engineer who built bridges all over the world including the Medley Bridge which connects Sedona to Oak Creek Canyon and consequently to Flagstaff.

The Mazzone's next move brought them to Elsah Hills where Cherie worked for Principia College in the Financial Aid Office and Phil was the Director of Book Stores for the Principia campus in Elsah and St. Louis. After 12 years, they left Elsah to move to Shippensburg, a small town in Pennsylvania. There, Phil worked at Shippensburg University in a similar capacity as his job at Principia. Cherie worked as a teacher's aide in Special Ed. At this time, their son, Peter, was living in the nearby Chambersburg with his family which included a grandson and granddaughter for the Mazzones. Peter and his wife build unique high-quality furniture pieces which are truly works of art. Cherie commented that Peter is artistically talented and paints when time allows. They are very proud of his achievements.

They are similarly proud of their daughter, Cara, who lives in Edwardsville with her two daughters. Cara thoroughly enjoys her work as a Program Assistant for Madison County the ETC/CEO school in Alton. She is a wonderful caring person and, like her brother, a great parent. Cherie and Phil agree that they are most proud of their children. Consequently, on Phil's retirement, they decided to move back to Alton to give 'equal time' to their grandchildren by their daughter and to reconnect with the many friends they had left behind. Interestingly, prior to the move back to Alton, Phil became involved with a group of investors who were initiating a joint venture with dairies in Belaruse (a former country of the Soviet Union) to make cheese. He ended up making three one-month trips to this country, living on farms part of the time and getting to know the people. He recounts that this was a fascinating experience.

Their life now in Alton revolves around their daughter's children, their many friends, updating their current home, gardening, walking and, of course, books. They frequent the library often and find the staff to be "just delightful". Cherie loves mysteries and biographies. Phil also enjoys mysteries, is most interested in history, particularly World War II, and anything about the Enigma code. Phil is teaching himself Italian as he and Cherie are planning a future trip to Italy to visit the town where Phil's father was born. We look forward to hearing about the trip. I am sure they will make many great friends wherever they go.

## *2004 Heartland Chautauqua Coming this June!*

We are thrilled that Heartland Chautauqua is returning to Alton June 21st through the 26th. This year's event is titled *Changed Lives: Lewis and Clark Meet the West*. Throughout the week, a team of five scholars will present evening programs under a big top tent representing people from the Lewis and Clark era. There will also be presentations from Native American spokespeople and first-person historical characterizations. Other festivities include musical entertainment as part of the evening activities. These events will take place at Haskell Park in Alton.

Monday night, June 21st is the community tent raising which has been great fun in the past. Each night, there will be musical entertainment starting at 7:00 p.m. The actor/scholar performance will start promptly at 7:45 p.m. Also, picnic suppers, catered by Golden Corral, will be available at tent side Tuesday through Saturday at 6:00 p.m. for $8.00.

The 2004 Heartland Chautauqua Troupe includes the following actor/scholar characterizations: Hasen Davis portrays York, slave to Co-captain William Clark. Darrel Draper portrays George Drouillard, hunter, interpreter and Indian Sign talker. Joyce Hunsaker portrays the Indian woman Sacajawea, the only female member of the expedition. Ted Jackson portrays Andrew Jackson, 7th president of the United States. Sandra Kaye Massey is a representative of the Sac & Fox Native Americans. Lewis and Clark encountered the Sac & Fox when they camped in Wood River, IL. Glenna Wallace, a member of the Eastern Shawnee, represents the Shawnee Native Americans that Lewis and Clark encountered in both Missouri and Illinois. For a complete schedule or for more information, contact the Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau at 1-800-ALTON-IL or 618-4654-6676. All the performances are free of charge. This event is sponsored by the Illinois Humanities Council, The Missouri Humanities Council and The Alton Marketplace.

**Visit with Chautauqua Actor/Scholars at Hayner Main Library.**

During the week Heartland Chautauqua will be in Alton, we will have daily programs by the individual actor/scholars. These programs will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the Reading Room of the Main Library. They are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. The program schedule follows: Monday, June 21, Hasan Davis "The Past is not Just the Past"; Tuesday, June 22, Joyce Badgley Hunsaker "After the Expedition, Pomp: An Extraordinary Life"; Wednesday, June 23, Darrel Draper "Follow the Stars with Lewis and Clark"; Thursday, June 24, Ted Jackson "The Field of Honor: Maybe it's a Guy Thing," Friday, June 25, Sandra Kaye Massey "Jim Thorpe"; and Saturday, June 26, Glenna J. Wallace "Tecumseh". During these programs, the actor/scholar will give you insight into their characters' development and time in history. This is a great opportunity to interact with the performers and will give you a greater appreciation for the evening performance in Haskell Park when the actors perform "in character."

## *Vintage Voices Resound in Alton!*

Many of us don't realize how much history and how many colorful personalities of the past are buried in the Alton City Cemetery. To help preserve these histories, the YWCA of Alton and Alton Little Theater are bringing back the popular series, Vintage Voices, with all new characterizations. The program will be repeated each of the first three Saturdays in October. The fourth Saturday will be held as a rain date. The program consists of a tour of the Alton City Cemetery, stopping at different grave sites where actors will recreate the character of the deceased, recounting their life and times. The personalities are a combination of famous members of Alton's past histories and others less well-known. An example of just a few of the personalities we will meet this year include Eunice Smith, one of Alton's greatest benefactors, John D. Hayner, founder of the Jennie D. Hayner Library, Lawson A. Parks, one of two founders of the Alton Telegraph in 1836 and Francis Maguire, a young deaf woman who died in the flood of 1912 with her small daughter in her arms.

This event in the past has always been fascinating and full of fun. It runs from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. and costs $12 per person. A special ticket price will be available for children or groups of ten or more. For more information, prior to August 1, call the YWCA at 465-7774. After August 1, for ticket and program information, call 474-2006. This is a great way for the whole family to spend a beautiful fall day together. The event has been growing each year in popularity so make sure to get your tickets early!

## *Vintage Voices- Preview at Hayner Main Library*

Two special programs are being offered at the Hayner Main Library as a preview to the Vintage Voices Series offered by the YWCA and Alton Little Theater in October 2004 (see above). On Sunday, August 22, 1:30-3:30 p.m., Diana Enloe, member of the Board of Governors for Alton Little Theater, will conduct a workshop, *From Page to Stage*, focusing on how to write a monologue for historical performance. She will identify how to research characterizations, how to use historical data, personal journals, newspaper accounts and more to develop first person narrations. This fun, informative workshop is for all ages and all skill levels – aspiring play writers and historians don't want to miss this unique opportunity! This program is free of charge and will be held at the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

On Thursday, September 9th at 6:30 p.m., the Main Library will present *A Taste of Vintage Voices*. The actors who will be performing in the Vintage Voices event on Saturdays in October will give us a preview of their monologues and then will step out of character for questions and to solicit feedback. This is a wonderful way to interact with the performers and get a glimpse of the fun to come. The program is free but registration is required at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Congratulations to SCORE!!!*

The 10,500 volunteers of SCORE, Service Corps of Retired Executives, were honored during National Volunteer Week on April 21 with a reception held at the White House for 40 years of volunteer service to the small business community across the nation. The volunteer counselors of the Alton/Godfrey chapter of SCORE work with several hundred clients each year.

A growing business collection, available at the Hayner Library, ranks as a major resource for both business owners and entrepreneurs in our area. This spring, SCORE made a donation to Hayner Library which will be used to augment the business reference holdings at the Hayner Branch Library. The success of many area businesses is due, in part, to the partnership of SCORE, Hayner Library, the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois and Lewis and Clark Community College.

Attending the White House ceremony was N. Gail Weinrich of Godfrey, the SCORE District Director for the 13 SCORE chapters in Illinois and a member of the SCORE Association's Washington-based Advisory Council. SCORE counseling for small business success is available locally by calling 467-2280, or logging on to score@lc.edu (email) or www.score.org. All counseling is free and confidential.

## *For Women by Women Seminar- Coming in September*

Members of SCORE, The Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois, Hayner Library and local business women work each year to produce a high-quality seminar covering topics of interest to woman in today's volatile and challenging business environment. The 2004 For Women by Women Seminar will be held at the Alton Holiday Inn on Thursday, September 23. Put this date aside now and look for more details in the Fall Newsletter or for questions, call the Growth Association at 467-2280. If you would like to volunteer some time to the conference committee, we always welcome new faces! If interested, call 467-2280.

## *Voter Registration Support Available at Library Locations*

At both the Main Library and Branch Library, staff is available to register you to vote. It is a simple process that only requires a few minutes. You do need to have two forms of ID, one of which must be a photo ID with your current address (driver's license or state ID).

On July 27, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., a staff member at the Alton Square Branch Library will be dedicated strictly to doing voter registration. We will repeat this exercise in the fall. However, most of the Library Assistants at both the Main and Branch are certified to register, so you can ask one of them to help you next time you are in the library. An appointment is not necessary. With the national elections this fall, be sure to register so you are ready to participate in voting.


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# THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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## *Library Calls on Community in Updating Long Range Plan*

In May, 2004, The Hayner Public Library District completed an extensive effort to update its long range plan. Initially, the Library District began the planning process by conducting a random public survey funded by a grant from the Illinois State Library. As a result of the survey, the process defined in *The New Planning for Results* (Public Library Association, 2001) was chosen to guide the development of a new long range plan, covering the years 2004-2009. The Hayner Library Board of Trustees determined the most efficient means of addressing this task was to enlist the assistance of a library consulting firm. Wiseman Consulting and Training, Inc. was hired for this purpose. The consultants facilitated the planning process which was a collaborative effort between community stakeholders and members of The Hayner Public Library District Staff.

A community planning committee was identified based on the input of various constituencies and HPLD staff. The committee was responsible for crafting a community vision, identifying community needs, prioritizing the needs best addressed by the library and reviewing the progress and drafts of the planning document. The participants on the community planning committee included Ms. Rita Backstrom, Deputy Director, Department of Development and Housing, City of Alton, Ms. Ann Bromaghim, President YWCA Board of Trustees, Mayor Michael J. Campion, Village of Godfrey, Dr. Kevin Chapel, DMD, Dr. Linda Chapman, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Lewis and Clark Community College, Ms. Diana Enloe, Community Service Volunteer, Dr. Leo R. Green, MD Retired Physician, Mr. Patrick J. Heitzig, Senior Vice President, Cornerstone Bank and Trust NA, Mr. Jim Kulp, Retired Editor, Alton Telegraph, Ms Dorothy R. Nagy, Supervisor, Foster Township and Mr. Gail Weinrich, District Director, SCORE. Members of Library staff that participated in the planning committee included Ms. Gladys Butler, Ms. Bernadette Duvernoy and Ms Barbara Ulffers. Mr. Jeffrey A. Owen, Hayner Library Executive Director and Ms. Susan Huber, President, Hayner Library Board of Trustees completed the planning committee. Output of the work sessions resulted in defining the library's mission statement and vision statements, its core values and five key service responses that will be the library's focus for the next five years. Each service response was defined in terms of goals and objectives. Further planning process will include a Service Response Team, comprised of library staff and community focus groups, to develop ongoing programs and services designed to respond to the needs identified by the committee.

Copies of The Hayner Public Library District Long Range Plan 2004-2009 are available at all three library locations. We encourage you to pick one up and review the service responses, goals and objectives as determined through the efforts of library staff and community stake holders. We thank all the participants for their hard work and generous donation of their personal time to complete this effort.

## *Small Changes Have Big Importance*

Historically, libraries have referred to their users as patrons This newsletter as well as the staff at the three Hayner library locations have adhered to this tradition. However, sometimes traditions need to be updated. The *Webster's New World Dictionary and Thesaurus* has three definitions for "patron". In order of preferred usage, patron is defined as 1) a protector, benefactor 2) a person, usually wealthy, who sponsors and supports some person, activity, etc. and 3) (least common) a regular customer. While we would love to think of all our cardholders as "usually wealthy protectors", that is not quite relevant. But you ARE our customers. Our goal is to provide you goods and services of the highest quality to deserve your business. We feel it is time to update our vocabulary. Referring to cardholders as customers helps to consistently reinforce for all the members of The Hayner Public Library District staff the importance of providing you high quality, friendly service, while maintaining a high level of knowledge about our "products" and thus ensuring your return "business". It may seem like a little change but the meaning behind it is most significant.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Labor Day - September 6
Veterans Day - November 11
Thanksgiving - November 25


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## *Who Let the Dogs out?*

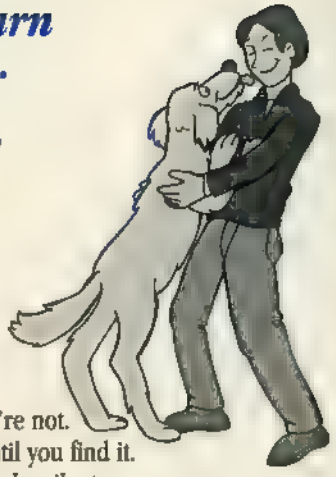
The dogs are out and they are all at the Hayner Youth Library every second Saturday each month for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. School is back in session and it is more important than ever that you help you child develop strong reading skills. One of the best (and certainly most fun) ways of developing these skills is to participate in our Bow-wow Pow-wow sessions. Every second Saturday of the month, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., we bring in certified therapy dogs for kids to read to. They love it! They get to read to the dogs, play with them, love on them and have a great time reading in a totally relaxed and non-threatening environment. It teaches the child that reading is fun and that libraries are more than just buildings that hold books. Handlers provide the therapy trained dogs, the library provides the books, you provide the smiling faces. This program is free off charge – just register at 1-800-613-3163.

Meet our wonderful handlers who, over the last year and a half, have so generously given many hours of their time to ensure the success of the Bow-wow Pow-wow program.

Pictured left to right: Tina Lohr (with Miss Margo), Pattie Gibbs (TC and Bailey) June Walker (of Walkers Wee Glen Training Center in Godfrey IL., Certified Evaluator for Therapy Dog International, with Oliver and Blue) Karen Nichols (with Barney), Louise Chapman (with Guinness) Jason Chapman (with Bella) and Julia Kubrick (with Shinia).

June Walker (Oliver and Blue), Jill Hunt (Jasmine) Jason Chapman (Bella) Pattie Gibbs(TC and Bailey), Donna Behle (Gryhon), Martha Spadaro (Titus) Kelly Nichols (Barney) and Tina Lohr (Miss Margo) Not pictured: Joan Kuebrick with her black lab, Helen.

## *Things We Can Learn From Our Dogs.....*



When family members come home,
drop what you are doing
and run to greet them.
Let others know when they
have invaded your territory.
Take naps, stretch before rising.
Run, romp and play daily.
Eat with gusto and concentration.
Be loyal.
Never pretend to be something you're not.
If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.
When someone is having a bad day- be silent,
sit close and nuzzle him or her gently.
Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.
When you are happy, dance around and wiggle your entire body.
No matter how often you're scolded, never pout.
Run right back and make friends.
Delight in the simple joys of a long walk.

*– unknown*

## Check out Exciting New Services at the Library!!

**Redesigned District Web Site**
The Hayner Public Library District has recently redesigned their web site at www.haynerlibrary.org. New site features include an online reserve form for forthcoming book titles; an updated list of new DVDs and videos, and access to your library account. New web pages have been added, including a site for kids and another site for teens. Also, check out FAQ for general library information. Come visit us!

**Computer Tutor**
Need some help with using a computer? Are you confused with the difference between an email address and a web address? Schedule a one-on-one tutoring session with your personal computer tutor, Kelly at our Alton Square Branch location. Sixty minute sessions can be scheduled for most Fridays from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Call 463-1276 or email kellymeier@lcls.org.

**Graphic Novels**
Sometimes referred to as comic books, graphic novels feature stories that are set to artwork. Graphic novels, like other reading materials, are written for children, young adults or adults. The Hayner Public Library District, in an effort to reach out to the young adult population of Alton and Godfrey, has begun collecting graphic novels. Watch for displays of our new materials this Fall.

**Reading Rockets**
The Reading Rockets is a reading club for elementary school age girls. The girls pick a book for the group to read and discuss. The group is lead by Library Assistant Susan Dykeman. They meet the first Monday of each month at 4:30 pm at the Branch Library.

**Voter Registration**
The Hayner Branch Library will be holding a Voter Registration Drive on Wednesday, September 22 from 4 to 8 pm. Both the Main and the Branch Libraries have staff members deputized to complete voter registration throughout the coming weeks.

**New Learning Aids – Great for Students and Home-schoolers!**
The Branch Library will soon add multivolume educational video series to their collection. The video series will cover a broad range of topics from US history and government to math and grammar. The videos are made for students from kindergarten to high school and most are about 30 minutes long. These videos are a wonderful way to help students with their lessons, as they make learning fun! Parents, teachers, home-schoolers, and students (as well as anyone wanting to brush up on their basics) should check them out!

**Computers for Kids**
The Branch library has installed 6 computers in the Children's area. The computers have online access, educational games, and online library databases. All children 15 and under must use these computers. Printing charges are still .15/black and white .30/color. You must sign in at the Circulation desk for use. Children must have a library card and both child and parent must sign the computer agreement. Children under 8 years old must have a parent with them while they use the computer.

## That's Entertainment!

The following reviews are of CDs, DVDs and Videos that are particular favorites of library staff.

**CD**
*Dig My Mood* by Nick Lowe—This wonderful CD is a collection of songs that fuses torch music, rockabilly, and R&B together seamlessly. The intelligent lyrics are complemented perfectly by Lowe's gentle and unassuming voice. A real gem.

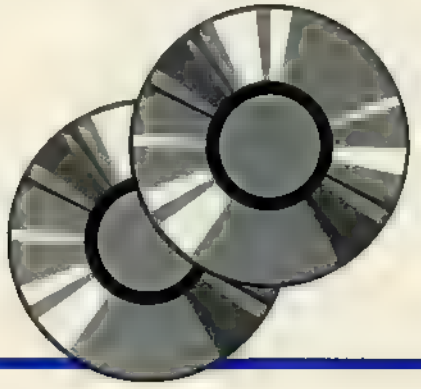
**DVD/ VHS**
*Bill Monroe: The Legend Lives On*—If you love bluegrass music (or would like to learn more about it), this is the DVD for you! Disc 1 features more than 15 artists paying (playing!) tribute to the songs of Bill Monroe—the father of Bluegrass music. Disc 2 features commentary from artists who worked and collaborated with Monroe over his prolific career. This is a DVD everyone should love.

*Spellbound*—This critically acclaimed documentary follows the lives of 8 students as they journey towards their lifelong goal of winning the National Spelling Bee. Viewers of this DVD will become attached to the students and their families, and will feel the emotional ups and downs that come with competing in this prestigious competition. This is no ordinary documentary—it will have you laughing, crying, thinking, and cheering as the students make their way to the competition. G-R-E-A-T!!!

*Midsomer Murders*—There are several volumes of this mystery series available at the library (so far three seasons have been released), and each one is more addictive than the last! Based upon the Inspector Barnaby books by Caroline Graham, this series is a "cozy" English mystery with just the right amount of zing to keep it interesting. A nice mix between Miss Marple/Poirot and Inspector Morse.

*In America*—If you're looking for a beautiful story about a young family that moved from Ireland to the U.S., this is the one to see. In the 1980's, the immigrant family had all experienced the loss of their son and brother and were in New York City for a fresh start. The father is a struggling actor and cab driver and the mother got a job at "Heaven", the ice cream store on their block. The two daughters are joyful and full of hope as they learn about American customs. The daughters teach the parents how to appreciate their unusual neighbors and one neighbor has a very powerful and spiritual influence on the whole family. The ending is awesome! (this film won 3 academy awards)

*The Natural History of the Chicken. Mark Lewis, 2001. (VHS)*—Take 60 minutes and come meet Mike, Liza, Cotton, Valerie, and Moonrooster. The documentary made its U.S. theatrical debut at Sundance 2001. Interspersed between highlighting these wonderful chicken personalities and their owners is a glimpse of the factory farming industry, which illustrates another reason to pay a little extra at the market for those cage free eggs You'll also meet a free range chicken farmer, a cock fighter, and an oddball red-and-white Danny's Fried Chicken delivery vehicle, a late-model gas-guzzler creatively adorned with one very huge decorative chicken head.



## Get the Smartest Card @ Your Library

Some cards in your wallet could cost you the world. The smartest card – your library card- can deliver the world to you. Your library card is your ticket to a world of opportunity. With the Smartest Card, you have access to a goldmine of books, magazines, audio books, CDs, videos and DVDs, not to mention computers and Internet access. It's all @ your library and it's all free.

A Hayner Library card is free to anyone living in Alton, Godfrey and Foster townships. All you need is a picture ID and another form of ID with your current address. For children under 18, a parent or guardian's signature is required.

Make sure you and your children have the Smartest Card. Get it. Use it. @ your library.

## Madison County Arts Council Has a New Home

The Jacoby Family, owners for years of the Jacoby Furniture Building, has generously donated this facility to the Madison County Arts Council. What an exciting development for downtown Alton as well as our entire community! The building will be developed in stages over a three year period and will eventually house classrooms for children and adults, exhibition space, individual artist studios and rehearsal/performing arts venues. The Jacoby Arts Center welcomes everyone – all ages, cultures and backgrounds – to participate in its activities and programs. Fall classes start on September 13 and the weekend of September 18 and 19 will be dedicated to Grand Opening Activities. Individual, family, patron and benefactor memberships are welcome. For more information on classes, the facility, membership and the Grand Opening Gala, contact the Jacoby Arts Center at 618- 462-5222 or email MCAC@lc.edu. The Arts Center is located at 627 East Broadway, Alton, IL.

## OASIS Offers Fall Programs

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**T'ai Chi for Seniors**
Mondays, Sept. 20-Nov. 8, (8 sessions)
10:30-11:30 am
A great way to exercise- easy to learn.
Fee: $40 ($5 a session)

**Beginning Keyboard**
Tuesdays, Oct 5-Nov 23, (8 sessions)
10:30 am-12:30 pm
Individualized instruction, hands on experience.
Fee: $35

**Lewis & Clark, Journey to Another America**
Weekly discussions on the amazing journey by Lewis & Clark
Thursdays & Fridays, Oct. 14-Oct. 29 (6 sessions),
10:30 am-12:30 pm
Fee: $25

**Mollie-Pioneer Woman**
Wednesday, Nov. 17,
1:00-2:00 pm
Dianne Moran, storyteller
Fee: $10

**Holiday Dance**
Thursday, Dec. 9,
5:00-10:00 pm –
KC Hall in Godfrey, IL
Alley Kats Band,
Fema's Catering,
dancing, dinner and fun!!
Fee: $12 per person

## Fine Amnesty to Benefit Boys and Girls Club of Alton!

As most of our faithful library customers are aware, several times a year we hold amnesty programs during which we waive current fines on Hayner library materials in lieu of a small donation. In the past, we have asked you to bring in food items that can be donated to a local food crisis center and we have also run an amnesty program based on donations of pet food/pet care items that are then provided to the 5 A's animal shelter. You have responded generously to these programs and we certainly intend to continue sponsoring them.

This September we are sponsoring a new amnesty program. From September 1 through September 30, we will waive overdue fines when any of the following donations are made: new books (age appropriate for 6-18 years), school supplies, hygiene supplies. These items will be donated to the Boys and Girls Club of Alton (BGCA). This wonderful organization serves as a place for kids to go after school to socialize as well as participate in sports and various learning activities. The BGCA strongly emphasizes reading activities though books are always in short supply. Many of the kids that attend the BGCA come from low income families that cannot afford basic commodities such as school supplies and personal hygiene products. BGCA will make sure your donations get distributed equitably to the kids as rewards for accomplishments in their various reading programs.

Please help us make this amnesty program a success. Bring in one item as described above for each overdue fine and we will waive that fine. This program applies to Hayner material only and current fines only.

## Friends of the Library Preparing for Fall Book Sale

The bi-annual Fall Book Sale sponsored by Hayner Friends of the Library will be held October 7, 8 and 9 in the Friends Building on State Street. Thursday, October 7 is a preview night and for this night only, there is a $ 5.00 admission fee. Sale hours on Thursday are from 6 pm – 8:30 pm. Friday, October 8, the sale will be open from 9 am – 7 pm and on Saturday, October 9, from 9 am to 2 pm There is no admission charge on Friday or Saturday.

## *Enjoy the 2004-2005 Greater Alton Concert Series*

The Greater Alton Association Foundation is presenting its 64th concert series for 2004-2005. This year's series combines a wonderful variety of musical performances to please all tastes. The concerts are held at the Ann Whitney Olin Theater on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College. Season tickets are available for adults at $50 each and $20 each for students. Individual program tickets are available- in advance, adults are $12 each and student tickets are $5 each. At the door, adult tickets are $14 and student tickets are $6. For further information or a ticket order brochure, call 466-7751

**Saturday, September 18, 7:30 pm**
Jack Daniel's Original Silver Cornet Band
Yesterday's band for today's audiences will present "Hometown Saturday Night"

**Sunday, October 10, 7:30 pm**
The Tiller's Folly
Four talented musicians sing and play Canadian, Celtic and Northwestern folk music

**Sunday, December 12, 7:30 pm**
Silver Bells and Diamonds
The four Diamonds present vintage classics from the 50s and 60s as well as a variety of Christmas favorites.

**Saturday, March 19, 7:30 pm**
Ambassadors of Harmony
A cappella chorus of over 100 men perform close-harmony barbershop-style singing.

**Sunday, April 10, 3:00 pm**
Andrew Jackson Pianoforte
Two musicians on concert grand piano play contemporary and classical music adding a touch of Victor Borge style humor.

All performances are partially funded by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council

## *Banned Books Week 2004*

Banned Books Week: celebrating the Freedom to Read is observed during the last week of September each year. Observed since 1982, this annual event reminds Americans not to take our precious democratic freedom for granted.

Banned Books Week emphasizes the freedom to choose or the freedom to express one's opinion, even if that opinion might be considered unorthodox or unpopular, and the importance of ensuring the availability of those unorthodox or unpopular view points to all who wish to read them.

During this election year, the American Library Association (ALA) is urging Americans to "Elect to Read a Banned Book" in honor of Banned Book Week, September 25 to October 2.

For more information about Banned Book Week or to obtain a list of the 100 Most Frequently Challenged Books or The Most Challenged Books of 2003, log on to the ALA site, www.ala.org/bbooks

*"Restriction of free thought and free speech is the most dangerous of all subversions. It is the one un-American act that could most easily defeat us"* – Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas

**NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—NONFICTION**

Clancy, Tom. **Battle Ready**
Cuomo, Mario. **Lincoln Matters**
Kurson, Robert. **Shadow Divers: The True Adventure of Two Americans Who Discovered Hitler's Lost Sub**
O'Rourke, P.J. **Peace Kills: America's Fun New Imperialism**
Palahniuk, Chuck. **Stranger than Fiction**
Safire, William. **The Right Word in the Right Place at the Right Time**
Sedaris, David. **Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim**

**NEW AND FORTHCOMING BOOKS—FICTION**

Berg, Elizabeth. **The Art of Mending**
Brown, Dale. **Plan of Attack**
Burke, James Lee. **In the Moon of Red Ponies**
Child, Lee. **The Enemy: A Jack Reacher Novel**
Coonts, Stephen. **Liars and Thieves**
Coulter, Catherine. **Blowout**
Deaver, Jeffrey. **Garden of Beasts**
Evanovich, Janet. **Ten Big Ones**
Hiaasen, Carl. **Skinny Dip**
Hoag, Tami. **Kill the Messenger**
Koontz, Dean. **The Taking**
Leonard, Elmore. **A Coyote's in the House**
Mosley, Walter. **Little Scarlet**
Muller, Marcia. **The Dangerous Hour**
O'Shaughnessy, Perri. **Unlucky in Law**
Patterson, James. **Sam's Letters to Jennifer**
Reichs, Kathy. **Monday Mourning**
Sandford, John. **Hidden Prey**
Scottoline, Lisa. **Killer Smile**
Steel, Danielle. **Miracle**
Steel, Danielle. **Second Chance**

## *Choices, Choices and More Choices!*

Along with all the big blockbuster titles, we have hundreds of videos and DVDs of a wide range of interests.

**Ambassador: Inside the Embassy** DVD & VHS
**Artists of the 20th Century—Warhol, Chagall, Picasso, Klee, Kandinsky** DVD
**Bataan Rescue** DVD
**Broadway's Lost Treasures** VHS
**CSI, Miami: The Complete First Season** DVD
**Digital Golfschool** DVD
**Elegant Universe** DVD
**Everest** (I-MAX Documentary) DVD
**Fog of War** DVD
**Human Face** (BBC Documentary with John Cleese) DVD
**Imitation of Life** VHS
**Inside Mecca** DVD
**Northern Exposure: Season One** DVD
**Outer Limits: the Original Series** DVD
**Pink Panther Film Collection** DVD
**Skinwalkers** DVD & VHS
**This Land is Your Land: The Folk Years** DVD
**Tuskegee Airmen** DVD & VHS
**Winged Migration** DVD

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*The weather is turning cooler but we've turned up the heat in the Main Library where we have a busy semester of fall programs scheduled for you to enjoy. Remember all programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

**Please note:** If you want to attend a program but cannot manage the stairs to the reading room, contact Bernadette or Reynae at 462-0651. Arrangements can be made to let you enter form an alternate entrance on State Street.

### Bob Compton
### *Babaloo-Music and Fun*
**Thursday, September 2, 6:30 pm**

Babaloo is a hysterically funny program of music and yarns. They specialize in wacky, interactive musical performances. For all ages, don't miss the musical fun of Babaloo. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bow-wow Pow-wow
**Saturday, September 11**
**Saturday, October 9**
**Saturday, November 13**
**Saturday, December 11**
**10:00 -11:00 am**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### The Irish Xiles
### *A History of Irish Music*
**Tuesday, September 14, 6:30 pm**

Originally from Dublin, the Irish Xiles are a family group that has played together for over ten years. Their first performance at Hayner was hugely popular! They take you on a trip through Irish history in stories and songs. This is an absolutely delightful evening! Register at 1-800-613-3163

### Dr. Farook Muhiuddin
### *Alternative Medicines and Disciplines for Pain Relief*
**Wednesday, September 15, 10:00 am**

**Note:** This program will be held in conjunction with OASIS/BJC Plus and will take place in the OASIS Alton center located in Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall

Dr. Farook Muhiuddin operates the Healthtrax Whole Body Health Clinic in Edwardsville, IL and Brighton, IL. At the clinics, Dr. Muhiuddin and his colleagues offer several disciplines of treatment for pain and a variety of illnesses including chiropractic, hypnosis, acupuncture and now, auriculotherapy. Auriculotherapy is a type of acupuncture of the ear but it involves no needles. Dr. calls it the ultimate treatment for pain management. If you have ever considered natural alternatives to managing an illness, pain or for behavioral modification, it is important you attend this seminar. Dr. Muhiuddin offers treatment to patients who have been told "there's nothing we can do". His treatments are successful for a broad range of problems. To register, call OASIS at 465-1490 or Hayner program registration at 1-800-613-3163. **Note:** This program will be repeated at the Hayner Main Library on Wednesday, October 13 at 10:00

### Andy Cohen
### *Blues, Old Time and Vintage American Music*
**Tuesday, September 21, 6:30 pm**

Andy Cohen is a virtuoso blues guitarist who also plays folk, Celtic fiddle tunes, country songs, piano rags, southern mountain music and gospel and English Music Hall material. He is also the only performing Dolceolist anywhere. The Dolceola is a chord zither with a keyboard, vintage early 1900s. It is played like a piano and sounds similar to a harpsichord. Come enjoy Andy's wonderful music. He is a delightful singer who is a showman and engaging speaker and humorist as well. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Kelly Meier
### *EBAY Basics*
**Thurs., September, 30**
**5:30 – 7:30 pm**

By popular demand, Kelly returns to teach Ebay basics and show you how you can participate in an online auction site. Kelly is a wonderful instructor and does a great job explaining in plain language how you can sell your 'stuff' for fun and profit. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Genealogy Round Table*
**October 6, 6:30 pm**

Held in the Illinois Room, Hayner Main Library. Join us with our featured speaker, Charlotte Johnson. Charlotte will discuss the Underground Railroad and her own research efforts. Call 1-800-613-3163 to register.

### *Digital Camera Basics*
### Kelly Meier
**October 7, 6:30 pm**

Have you bought yourself a digital camera but still feel 'in the dark'? Perhaps you're thinking about buying one, but nervous to take the step without understanding their function and capabilities. Join Kelly as she introduces us to the fun and exciting world of digital photography. Bring your camera if you wish! Register at 1-800-613-3163. **Note:** This class will be offered on two dates, October 7 and again on October 14. Please indicate your preference when you register.

### *Flu Clinic*
**Saturday October 9, 1:00 – 2:00 pm**

Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall

VNA Healthcare will hold a flue clinic at the Branch Library offering both flu shots and pneumonia shots. Flu shots are $20 and pneumonia shots are $30. You may pay by cash or check. If you have Medicare part B, Mercy Premier or Advantra Insurance there is no charge.

### Lee Murdock
### *Folk Songs of the Great Lakes*
**Tuesday, October 12, 6:30 pm**

Great Lakes folk songs are about hard work, hard living, ships that go down and ships that come in. This is the music Lee performs. His

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songs find drama and inspiration in the lives of sailors and fishermen, lighthouse keepers, ghosts, shipwrecks, outlaws and everyday heroes. Come hear Lee transport you to another world and time. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## The Harman Family
## *An Evening of Bluegrass*
**Thursday, October 21, 6:30 pm**

**Note:** This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL

This program is so much fun; we are bringing them back for the third year in a row! The Harman family has been playing bluegrass throughout the Riverbend for two generations. Join Mike, his wife Stacey and their sons-16 year old Mark, 13 year old Jeff and 7 year old John for a program of great picking, singing and down home fun. If you haven't seen the Harman's perform, you don't want to miss this opportunity. We guarantee you'll have a hard time staying in your seats! You will not believe how these boys can play! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Samantha Gloria and Lance Brown
## *Sing Them Blues- from the Roots to the Fruits*
**Thursday, October 28, 6:30 pm**

*"The Blues is the Roots Everything Else is the Fruits" – Willie Dixon*

This terrific program by the Chicago team of Samantha Gloria and Lance Brown is a journey into the history of the Blues and its influence on the popular music of our day. The collaboration of these two outstanding performers was built through their mutual love and respect for the music and musicians who have not only given us some great songs over the years but have shown us how this music knows no boundaries of race, class or ethnicity. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Leela and Winn Grace
## *To Dance and Sing!*
**Tuesday, November 9, 2004, 6:30 pm**

Leela and Ellie are the daughters of Paul and Winn Grace who performed for us (and brought the house down) last spring. The sisters have been acclaimed by audiences and fellow musicians for their close harmonies, warm and zany stage presence, driving old time instrumentals and spirited precision dancing. Their music has a strong grounding in traditional American and old time string band styles but often crosses over into the contemporary folk realm. Their performances include examples of percussive dance styles including Appalachian clogging, Irish step dancing and rhythm tap. They have performed in Lincoln Center in New York City as well as across the country. Their new CD is winning rave reviews. Don't miss this very special performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Amy (Conrady) Camie and Bridgette Kossor
## *Illuminations*
**Tuesday, November 16, 6:30 pm**

**Note:** This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL.

Amy (Conrady) Camie and Bridgette Kossor share their musical gifts of harp and voice. Together they create an intimate evening full of gratitude, reflection and relaxation. The perfect way to start your holiday season and the serene surroundings of the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel are the perfect setting for this beautiful concert. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Please Give Blood*
**Saturday, November 20,**
**10:00 am – 2:00 pm**
**Hayner Main Library**

The Central Illinois Community Blood Center is the sole provider of blood for many local hospitals. They are a non-profit organization that provides a wide variety of important health services. Please volunteer. There is always a critical need for blood. Donors will receive a free t-shirt, cookies and juice and more! We need at least 25 registered donors to make this drive cost effective. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Pam Vaccaro
## *Beyond the Ice Cream Cone: The Whole Scoop on Food at the 1904 World's Fair*
**Tuesday, November 23**

**Note:** Start Time for this program is 6:15 pm

Pam is a nationally recognized speaker on managing time and attention and president of the company, Designs on Time. She is also the nationally recognized author of "Beyond the Ice Cream Cone- the Whole Scoop on the Food at the 1904 World's Fair". She has been a food history enthusiast since 1974 and her research for this book started in 1981 with oral histories of people who attend the 1904 Fair in St. Louis. During her discussion on researching her book, you will learn gastronomical facts of the fair – many of which will surprise you. If you are a culinary enthusiast or 1904 Fair

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history buff, you will love hearing Pam's entertaining discussion. Her book has attracted the attention of food editors throughout the United States and been featured in the St Louis Post- Dispatch and the New York Times. Register at 1-800-613-3163,

## Joni Laurence
### *Trash Bag Birdie*
**Tuesday, November 30, 6:30 pm**

Falling under the contemporary folk singer/ songwriter umbrella, Joni's accessible lyrical style along with her understated, yet powerful musical arrangements put her on par with such artists and Mary Chapin Carpenter and Nanci Griffith. Her strength as a story teller embraces the audience and her stellar vocal talents and engaging melodies combine in performances that are heartfelt and sure to please folk music lovers. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
### *Holiday Favorites*
**Sunday, December 5, 3:00 pm**

**Note:** This concert will be held at the held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL.

What better way too celebrate the holiday spirit than through the music of this fabulous choral group, Limited Edition?! This musical ensemble, recognized as the Lewis and Clark Community College musical ambassadors to the community is directed by Susan Parton Stanard and comprised of an incredible compilation of talented singers. They received standing ovations at the Hayner Library Spring 2004 concert. Come spend a wonderful, festive Sunday afternoon that is sure to melt any Grinch's heart. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Hayner Youth Library

All events are free of charge. To register, call the Youth Library at 462-0652.

### *Lapsit Story Times*

Ages birth-2 years. Group meets Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are September 14 & 28, October 12 & 26, November 9 & 23. Registration limited to 25 children

### *Preschool Story Times*

Ages 3-5. One group meets Mondays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library; one group meets Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates at the Youth library are September 20, October 4* & 18 and November 1, 15 & 29. Meeting dates at the Branch are September 7 & 21, October 5 & 19 and November 2, 16 & 30. Registration is limited to 25 children at both locations. *See "Special Events" October 4

### *Reading Rockets Book Club*

This book club for preteens meets at the Alton Square Branch Library at 4:00 pm on September 13, October 4, and November 8

### *Evening Story Times*

Ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult. Group meets Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are September 14 & 28, October 12 & 26 and November 9 & 23. Registration is limited to 25 children.

### *After School Fun*

Meet at the Hayner Youth Library on Thursdays at 3:30 pm for the following events/activites:

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| September 9: | Sports Zipper Pull |
| October 14: | Chris Vallillo – Musician |
| November 4: | Calligraphy Art |

### *Read-n-rant book discussion group for teens*

Ages 11-16. We will read and discuss various books chosen from recommended reading lists. Group meets Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are September 4, October 2 and November 6. Registration limited to 10 children.

### *Special Events at Hayner Youth Library:*

These events are for all ages, no registration required.

***Music and Laughter by Babaloo (Rob Compton)*** – Thursday September 2 at 4:00.

***Fire Prevention Week*** – a demonstration by Alton Fire Department - a pumper truck and fire crew will be at the Hayner Youth Library October 4th at 10:00 am

***Teen Read Night with Folklorist Diane Moran*** – Thursday, October 21 at 6:30 pm

***Spooks and Sparks with the Riverbend Storytellers*** – Thursday, October 28 at 6:30 pm

***Family Reading Night with storyteller Janice Lesane Katambwa*** – Thursday, November 18 at 4:00 pm

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, September 11**
**Saturday, October 9**
**Saturday, November -13**
**Saturday, December 11**
**10:00 -11:00 am**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library to have your child read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and just great fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163 or the Youth Library at 462-0652.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***

***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

# *Popular Speaker Returns in Fall 2004 "For Women by Women Seminar"*

It's not your imagination. You do have more to do these days and you are expected to do it in less time. So what to do? Pam Vaccaro, MA, CSP owner of Designs On Time believes that traditional time management and organization solutions are outdated and do not address the reality created by the current technological revolution. Pam is a nationally recognized speaker, trainer, author and productivity coach. Her research into personality based time management styles and time management for the future challenges everything you've been taught about managing your time.

For our 2003 Seminar, Pam presented "How to Have the Time of your Life and Get Your Work Done Too". It was an outstanding presentation and she received rave reviews. This year she returns with an exciting follow up to the topic of time management in her winning presentation, "Managing your Time with Style: Nine Ways of Looking at Time" One of Pam's most well received time management programs, she demonstrates the influence of PBTM – Personality Based Time Management Style. The "one size fits all" approach to managing time is outdated and ineffective. Pam uses the Enneagram Personality Theory to demonstrate how your view of time impacts both the effective and ineffective habits around managing your time and getting organized. Each of the nine personality types views and approaches the use of time differently. Learn how to maximize your particular assets around managing time and how to avoid "getting in your own way" with your liabilities. See how you can work better with others whose styles are different than your own. Don't miss this great opportunity to let Pam help you get control of one of your most precious commodities – time! Pam's insightful, well researched, quick paced and humorous style keep her in constant demand and we are thrilled to have her back.

The seminar will be held at the Alton Holiday Inn, on Thursday September 23. Registration will be from 8-8:30 a.m. and the seminar will run from 8:30 a.m. – noon. Seminar fee is $50 if you register by September 10th, otherwise it is $75 at the door. If three or more attend from the same organization, registration is $40 a piece. Registration forms are available at all Hayner library locations or call the Growth Association at (618) 467-2280. The *For Women By Women* Seminar Series is produced by members of SCORE, The Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois, Hayner Library and local business women.

# *Staff Picks—What We're Reading*

**Reading Lolita in Tehran: A Memoir in Books** by Azar Nafisi. Nonfiction
For two years, after resigning her job as professor of literature at a university in Tehran, Azar Nafisi met secretly with seven of her former students to study great Western literature in her home. She did this at a time when just smoking an American brand cigarette was considered so "Westernized" that it might invite a visit from the morality squad. Her story mixes literary analysis of some great Western classics with a fascinating look at the lives of women under revolutionary Iran. It shines a light on why we read and reminds us of the power of empathy, imagination and individuality in both literature and life.–Katie S.

**Jane Austen in Boca** by Paula Marantz Cohen. Fiction
If Jane Austen had lived in the present day and written about Jewish senior citizens living in a Florida retirement community, this book would have been the result, and its social (but never cruel) satire is worthy of Austen herself. May Newman, Flo Kliman, and Lila Katz, all widows, live in the Boca Raton retirement community of Boca Festa. The story centers around their romances—whether unlooked-for, arranged by a meddling daughter-in-law, or determinedly sought out—with the retired men in their social sphere, for to paraphrase Jane Austen, "A nice widower with a comfortable living can be nudged into settling down by a not-so-young woman who plays her cards right." An entertaining and humorous read.–Susan K.

**A Rip in Heaven: A Memoir of Murder and its Aftermath** by Jeanine Cummins. Nonfiction
This title is a true crime story that details the horrifying circumstances the author's brother and two female cousins found themselves in during one spring night in 1991 on the old Chain of Rocks Bridge. The writing is fast paced and will easily keep you reading the story in one sitting. The author does a compelling job of showing you the emotional effects of being exposed to a violent crime and further details the police procedures.–Kelly M.

**Sam's Letters to Jennifer** by James Patterson. Fiction
This is very captivating and a "cannot be put down" book. I loved the way Mr. Patterson showed the love between a grandmother and granddaughter. It is both romance and suspense and keeps you interested. Make sure that you have a box of Kleenex next to you.–Shannon B.

**Eats, Shoots and Leaves** by Lynne Truss. Nonfiction
At first glance *Eats, Shoots and Leaves* is a guide to punctuation. Upon further examination we realize that it is, in fact, equal parts comedy, history, and manifesto. Lynne Truss points out hilarious examples of misused punctuation, made even funnier by her sharp-witted comments on these misuses. Amid all the pointers and no-no's we learn a lot about the history of punctuation, and her sometimes harsh philosophy of punctuation becomes clear–Don't be an idiot. Don't put commas, apostrophes, or colons where they don't belong. It may be surprising that a book about punctuation is entertaining, but this one certainly is. I hope I punctuated this piece correctly.–Michael H.

**The Mapmakers Wife** by Robert Whitaker. Nonfiction
In a quest to discover the precise shape of the earth, a team of French scientists set out in 1735 on a decade long expedition through South America. Measuring latitude and longitude in the Peruvian Andes and along the equator, these mapmakers reveal mysteries of the little known continent. What is truly amazing is the vivid story told alter in the book of the Peruvian-born Isabel Grameson's harrowing 3000 mile trek down the Amazon to be reunited with her mapmaker husband, Jean Godin, after being separated at opposite ends of the continent for 20 years. Her story alone is well worth the wait . – Jean S.

## *Patron Profile – Harold Meisenheimer*

Harold Meisenheimer has been a great friend to the Hayner Public Library District as well as to our community. He has preserved hundreds of articles, pictures and historical artifacts of the history of our area, industry and local personalities. Born and raised in Alton, he graduated from Alton High School in the military class of 1946. After high school, he served in the Air Force as a medic. Upon discharge, he was employed at the Owens Illinois Glass Works (Plant #7) as a carpenter. He remained with the Glass Works for 33 years until he retired in 1983. His wife, Alvie and he have been married for 55 years. She originally hales from Lauderdale County, Alabama.

Throughout his life, Harold has been an avid reader, collector and historian. He has saved and cataloged volumes and volumes of articles and photos from local newspapers. He has also created scrapbooks with articles form many varying sources on each one of the American presidents. Additionally, he has a voluminous collection of other author's writings on the U.S. Presidents.

He has donated much of his work to The Hayner Public Library District. Volumes include multiple histories of Alton, local businesses of the past, articles of regional interest, Civil War happenings in Madison County, histories of the Clark Bridge, Coroners of Madison County, Illinois obituaries of Owens Illinois past employees and many other titles, totaling 23 books. Of particular interest is *A Photographic Guide to the Madison County Cemeteries*. For this work, Harold researched locations and photographed almost 200 cemeteries in Madison County, some of which were no bigger than a few yards. Other unique topics include a work on the schools of the Alton area, when they were built and at what cost and a compilation of biographical information on Alton's past mayors. His collections are kept in the Illinois Room of the Hayner Main Library and while they can not be checked out, they are available for any one's use in the library. His other personal collections include soda bottles from the many local soda companies in Alton's past as well as a complete collection of etched glasses that were used to commemorate annual service banquets at Owens Illinois Glass Works. He believes he may be the only person who has a complete collection of these glasses which were of a different pattern every year.

Harold is not just generous with his collections. He loves helping other people with their research and is frequently at the Main Library educating new researchers on how to use the microfilm machines and the Illinois Room. One researcher was struggling with obtaining information on the Ursuline Convent so Harold went home and returned with articles, postcards and pictures of the convent over the years, from his personal collection.

Harold keeps all his "stuff" in cabinets in his basement. He says he must have 60 oversized binders catalogued with area information and articles. His wife, Alvie is a collector too. She collects bird and cat plates which she hangs on the walls of the house. Harold said he likes them except when it comes time to dust! Alvie is secretary for the Vaughn Hill Church of Christ. Harold also volunteers at the church, helping out with maintenance chores whenever necessary. Harold uses his carpentry skills to complete a wide variety of wood working projects. He has made tables, chairs, cabinets, children's trains and whirly birds among other projects but he say he currently doesn't like to take on big projects (anything that would take over a week) because he is so busy otherwise.

The library staff has so enjoyed getting to know Harold and the entire District has benefited from his generous donations of his research work. Please stop in the Illinois Room the next time you visit the Main Library and look over these fascinating compilations.

## *Vintage Voices Resound in Alton!*

Many of us don't realize how much history and how many colorful personalities of the past are buried in the Alton City Cemetery. To help preserve these histories, the YWCA of Alton and Alton Little Theater are bringing back the popular series, Vintage Voices with all new characterizations. The program will be repeated each of the first three Saturdays in October. The fourth Saturday will be held as a rain date. The program consists of a tour of the Alton City Cemetery, stopping at different grave sites where actors will recreate the character of the deceased, recounting their life and times. The personalities are a combination of famous members of Alton's past histories and others less well known. An example of just a few of the personalities we will meet this year include Eunice Smith, one of Alton's greatest benefactors, John D. Hayner, founder of the Jennie D. Hayner Library, Lawson A. Parks, one of two founders of the Alton Telegraph in 1836 and Francis Maguire a young deaf woman who died in the flood of 1912 with her small daughter in her arms.

This event in the past has always been fascinating and full of fun. It runs from 1 to 3 p.m. and costs $12 per person. A special ticket price will be available for children or groups of ten or more.

For ticket and program information, call 474-2006. This is a great way for the whole family to spend a beautiful fall day together. The event has been growing each year in popularity so make sure to get your tickets early!

### *Preview Vintage Voices at Hayner Main Library*

On Thursday, September 9 at 6.30 pm, the Main Library will present *A Taste of Vintage Voices.* The actors who will be performing in the Vintage Voice event on Saturdays in October will give us a preview of their monologues and then will step out of character for questions and to solicit feed back. This is a wonderful way to interact with the performers and glimpse of the fun to come. The program is free but registration is required at 1-800-613-3163.

## Genealogy Notes

The Genealogy Department would like to recommend FINDING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY IN THE ATTIC. This video is especially good for beginning your ancestry research. The film covers the utilization of one's attic as a repository for clues to a family's past. The individual is urged to be creative and discover their own hidden resources in bookcases, trunks, drawers or closets. The filmmaker suggests authenticating "finds" by comparing dates, events, and timelines by talking with family members, and using handwritten notes or diaries. Once facts are proven, the illustration and creation of the finished product becomes a fun project. All in all, this is a "must view" video for those researching their family tree.

Our Genealogy Roundtable will feature Charlotte Johnson as speaker. A frequent user of our Illinois Room, she will share with us her knowledge about our local connections with the Underground Railroad, and her experiences researching her own family history. Plan to join us for an enjoyable evening on October 6, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. in the Illinois Room. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

Charlotte is a retired teacher, author and historian. She attended the Genealogical Institute of Mid-America and is a member of numerous local historical committees and serves as a member of the Madison County Museum and Historical Archives Board of Directors.

## *Lewis and Clark Library System receives $199,672 grant from W.K. Kellogg Foundation!*

The Lewis and Clark Library system is thrilled to announce the receipt of the Library Centers for Effective Nonprofits grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan for the Lewis and Clark Library system The Hayner Public Library District is one of a select number of libraries that will participate in this grant.

The Lewis & Clark Library System will work with the Nonprofit Services Consortium of St. Louis, the St. Charles (MO) City County Library District, The Hayner Public Library District in Alton, the Carbondale Public Library, the East St. Louis Public Library, the C E Brehm Memorial Library in Mt. Vernon, and the O'Fallon Public Library on this exciting project.

The five public libraries will receive materials, computers, access to electronic resources, training, and programming in order to specifically target services to nonprofit organizations in southern Illinois. Efforts will focus on providing the knowledge and resources to better offer information, workshops, consultations, and administrative support to nonprofits through public libraries

It is often cost prohibitive for nonprofit organizations to collect the breadth and depth of information necessary to assist their efforts to become vibrant, vital community resources. And, it is redundant for several nonprofits to purchase duplicate copies of information that may have a limited usefulness. Libraries are prepared and able to collect and disseminate information covering the variety of issues that nonprofits face. That's what libraries do: collect, organize, and distribute information on a myriad of topics.

By targeting specific services to nonprofit organizations, libraries can affect the course of their communities and provide more efficient modes of community growth. The Lewis & Clark Library System is one of ten regional library systems in Illinois that works with academic, public, school, and special libraries in the timely delivery of information when and where it is needed

*The W.K. Kellogg Foundation was established in 1930 "to help people help themselves through the practical application of knowledge and resources to improve their quality of life and that of future generations " Its programming activities center around the common vision of a world in which each person has a sense of worth; accepts responsibility for self, family, community, and societal well-being; and has the capacity to be productive, and to help create nurturing families, responsive institutions, and healthy communities.*

*To achieve the greatest impact, the Foundation targets its grants toward specific areas. These include: health; food systems and rural development; youth and education; and philanthropy and volunteerism.Within these areas, attention is given to exploring learning opportunities in leadership; information and communication technology; capitalizing on diversity; and social and economic community development. Grants are concentrated in the United States, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the southern African countries of Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Swaziland, and Zimbabwe.*

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## *The Value of Time*

There was a tiny, almost inaudible knock at the door. "Yes," grumbled Sam from behind the desk.

The door opened and Sam's young son, Chris, poked his head into the study. "Dad?" he asked.

"What is it?" Sam answered never taking his eyes off the computer screen in front of him.

Chris walked across the room and placed his piggy bank on his father's desk. The bank had a note on it that read: Disney World Vacation Spring 2005. "It's full now," the child murmured.

That's great. Can we talk about this later, though?" Sam asked. "I'm in the middle of something right now. Remember – a closed door means that daddy is busy and should not be disturbed."

"I remember," Chris nodded. "And I also remember that your *time* is val-u-a-ble, too. That's why I brought my money." The boy placed his favorite storybook on the desk, next to the bank. "If I pay you for your time, will you read to me?"

Sam blushed. Yes, indeed, he'd managed to make his son understand that time is money. But at what cost? He turned off his computer and reached for Chris. "Come here," Sam said.

He scooped the boy into his lap and hugged him. "I guess I forgot to tell you the absolutely most important thing to remember."

"What's that, daddy?"

"The time we spend together is *priceless*."

And, for the first (but not the last) time, Sam began to read Chris's favorite storybook to him.

## *New Magazine Subscriptions*

Currently, The Hayner Public Library District subscribes to over 300 magazines and newspapers for you to read and check out. We are consistently evaluating our subscriptions to ensure they include the most current, popular and relevant material to meet our patrons interests. We have augmented our current magazine collections with the following new subscriptions:

***New at the Hayner Main Library:***

*American Patchwork and Quilting*
*Do*
*Figure*
*Fine Gardening*
*Fitness*
*Inspired House*
*Instyle*
*International Debates*
*Lucky*
*Movieline's Hollywood Life*
*Organic Style*
*Real Simple*
*Smart Computing*
*Where to Retire*

***New at the Hayner Branch Library:***

*Cricket*
*Ebony*
*Essence*
*Instyle*
*Teen People*
*USA Weekly*

***New at the Hayner Youth Library:***

*Black Issues in Higher Education*
*Dig*
*Family Digest*
*Junior Baseball*
*Scholastic Early Childhood Today*
*Scholastic Parent and Child*

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Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm

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## *The Hayner Public Library District Provides a Great Deal!*

The Hayner Public Library District provides a great deal of services but it also provides a great deal of value!

During fiscal 2003-2004, we saved you, library users, $7,275,401! All three library locations are open seven days a week, 12 months a year. We offer access to a large number of online research data bases 24/7. We circulate over 480,000 items, all free of charge! If library customers had to purchase the materials we provide for free, let's analyze what they would have spent...

You borrowed 284,543 books. Buying them at an average of $25 per book, you could have spent...$7,113,575.
You borrowed 29,072 paperbacks. At an average of $8 per paperback you could have spent...$232,576.
We subscribed to 375 magazines for you. At an average of $30 per subscription, you could have spent ...$11,250.
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You borrowed 22,915 audiobooks. At an average of $25 each, you could have spent...$572,875.
You borrowed 24,215 CDs. At an average cost of $15 each, you could have spent...$363,225.
We borrowed 21,541 items on interlibrary loan for you. Some of these are out of print titles that cannot be purchased, but at an average cost of $25 per item, you could have spent...$538,525.

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Your library district is a money-saving investment for the community. The quality of a library is a showcase of the quality of the community. Use the library – get your fair share of the savings.

## *Food For Fines During the Holidays!*

Beginning December 1, 2004 and continuing through December 31, 2004, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item. Materials must be returned with food donations, one food item each fine, and Hayner materials only. All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Last year we collected over 1000 items for the Crisis Center- Let's see if we can beat that!

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas - Dec. 24, 25 & 26
New Years - Dec. 31, Jan 1
Dr. Martin L. King Day - Jan. 17
President's Day - Feb. 21

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## *The Influence of Dogs*

"In a paper entitled 'The Influence of Dogs on the Behavior of Juveniles in the Big Cities', Professor R. Bergler and Christa Westendorf of Germany studied the influence of pet dogs on 480 children, ages fourteen to eighteen. The results showed that children with dogs were more content with their lives, more goal oriented at school and work, and had positive relationships with superiors. Children who did not have dogs had more alcohol and tobacco use, conflicts with parents, and self-doubt."*

Unfortunately, in today's fast paced world where often both parents are working, adding a dog (or any pet) to the family is not viable. What to do? Come to the Bow-wow Pow-wow at Hayner Youth Library. On the second Saturday of each month, dog handlers, led by June Walker of Walker's Wee Glen Training Centers, come to the library with their certified therapy dogs. Kids of all ages are invited to come and read to the dogs and see how much fun it is to read a story to a loving, non-judgmental, furry friend. Their reading skills and confidence can benefit immensely while they become excited about using the library for new and different activities. The greatest bonus for many kids is just spending time petting and playing with the wide variety of dogs. Join us on Saturday, December 11, January 8, February 12, and March 12 at 10 a.m. This program will continue to run throughout the year. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. For more information, call Bernadette at 462-0677.

**"Dogs to the Rescue", J.C Suares & J. Spencer Beck, Welcome Enterprises, 1996*

## JUST FOR FUN
## *Sleeping In*

The joy of living with Nessie, a 130 pound Newfoundland, Cassie, a 120 pound Great Pyrenees and Mic, a 100 pound Bernese Mountain Dog…..

It was a glorious, glorious morning. After a run of 12 hour work days, broken up with days of getting all the things done which needed to be done on the workdays on the days off days, TODAY I was going to be able to sleep in. I had the day off work, no errands to do and even the hubb-ster, who has an alarm-clock time of 5:30, is traveling on business, so no bzzz bzzzz bzzzz in the dawn light.

A day to sleep in. Bliss.

**6:00 a.m.** Nessie the Newfie clunks into the room, causing Cassie the Great Pyr to bark from her chunk of the floor. Nessie paces to the bed side. Pokes me with her nose, bottlenosed dolphin style. "GO LAY DOWN." Huge sigh. Thunks to floor like small piano being dropped from great height.

**6:15 a.m.** Mic the Berner boy races up the stairs, pauses to show his teeth to Cassie, who barks stridently in protest, vaults over the Nessie Barricade and crash lands on the bed. Kicks blanket on Mama, who throws it off, digs sheet away from Mama, who drags it back. Mic finishes fluffing bed to his liking and throws himself down for a nap.

**6:20 a.m.** Nessie begins snoring like a fat man down a well.

**6:25 a.m.** A large construction truck drives by. All dogs start baying like the *Hounds of the Baskervilles*.

**6:40 a.m.** Cassie appears on the right side of the bed. She NEVER comes to pester me in bed. Never. Whacks me with her paw. "NO PAW." Ok. No paw. Hhmmmmm. Suddenly, Pyr head comes tunneling through sheet and pillow, poking Mama's eye, followed by a head roll and a pair of front paws on the bed. Nessie sees someone other than her making it onto Mama's bed, actually BEING TOUCHED and starts barking wildly, maddened by jealousy. So. Now I am petting Nessie on the left, Cassie on the right. Mic of course is consumed by jealous desire and throws himself on top of me entirely, burrowing his face into my armpit and grabbing a petting arm with a free foot. "Only me, Mama, only me!"

So now I am covered and surrounded in Bad Dogs, petting everyone in turns and fending off wounded paws and noses when it is someone else's turn.

I give up. Get out of bed, get dressed, head for the leashes. Obviously this crowd needs a walk.

Yeah. I love sleeping in.

– Eileen Morgan, The Mare's Nest Farm, PA
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***C.J. Windham takes his attendance at the monthly Bow-wow Pow-wow very seriously.***

## Genealogy News

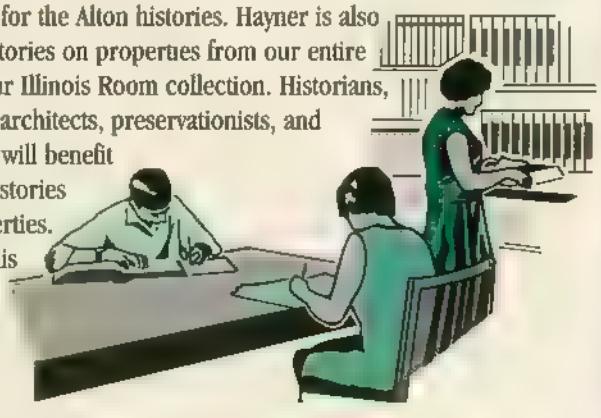
Our next Genealogy Roundtable Discussion will feature Kelly Meier. Kelly will help us learn the features of Ancestry Plus and show us the tools available on this great website. Hayner Public Library District has purchased a subscription for our genealogy researchers to use in our Illinois Room. If you have a subscription to Ancestry.com at home, you know how frustrating it is to find the information you need only to be told you must pay an additional fee for a subscription to another specific file. Ancestry Plus is tailor-made for libraries, and you won't find any more locked files. Researchers who have already used this website say it's wonderful. Kelly will show us how to save and print images so you can take them home and add them to your files. Join us for a fun and informative evening on January 18, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the Illinois Room in the Hayner Main Library. Reserve your seat by calling 1-800-613-3163.

## Look what's new in our Illinois Room collection:

*Scots-Irish Links 1575-1825* (3 volumes)
*Index to the Final Rolls of Citizens and Freedmen of the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory* (2 volumes)
*New Genealogical Atlas of Ireland*
*Illinois Manuscripts from the Draper Collection*
*The Ancestry Family Historian's Address Book*

We appreciate the response we have had to our request for local cookbook donations and are still collecting them. Our Illinois Room collection is really growing. Also, we are always looking for City Directories (Alton and East Alton), local school yearbooks and any books or maps that might help researchers in the Illinois Room.

Hayner Public Library and the Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA) are combining resources and working together to collect histories of homes, buildings and businesses of Alton. AALA has provided a file cabinet for the Alton histories. Hayner is also collecting histories on properties from our entire district for our Illinois Room collection. Historians, genealogists, architects, preservationists, and homeowners will benefit from these histories of area properties. In growing this collection, along with the property histories, we hope to include photographs, copies of deeds and abstracts, interesting stories, architectural information and names of past owners. We have approximately 300 histories provided by the Alton Area Landmarks Association and we're excited to watch this new feature grow. If you would like to learn more about including your property in our files, contact us at genealogy@haynerlibrary.org or call (618) 462-0677 and ask for Cathie.



## Another Great Resource...

*One Memory at a Time, Inspiration and Advice for Writing your Family Story* by D. G. Fulford. This book offers encouragement and guidance for those who have thought of writing their family history but just haven't taken the plunge. What frame of reference do we use throughout life but our family memories? By recording our stories of incidents and our memories, we give future generations the opportunity to see into our lives and those of our ancestors. If we let this time go by unrecorded, it will be lost forever. We all have those snapshots in our minds of happenings when we were young. How often we say, "I remember when..." or "remember when Grandma would..."

The author walks you through the steps of the recording process with suggestions for making the process fun. She gives tips for collecting and organizing the information. With open-ended questions, Fulford shows us how to get people to open up, as we make a record of their stories and memories. *One Memory at a Time* is a warm invitation to record your living histories.

## Take 15 for Family

Mark Cappel, Principal, and Bob Buhs, Parent Coordinator, at West Elementary School, have instituted a wonderful program- "Take 15 for Family- Building a lifetime of Learning". The goal of the program is to focus on children with unrecognized and underdeveloped abilities – stressing to parents that recognition of achievement, at whatever level, matters. The program emphasizes that parents need to become more involved in helping their children improve their school work by :

- Providing encouragement for them.
- Arranging appropriate study time and space.
- Modeling desired behavior, such as reading for pleasure, how to get along with others, completing homework, etc.
- Monitoring homework.
- Actively tutoring their children at home.
- Calling the teacher to find out how their child is doing in school. *(This is so important)*

To find out more about this program and for more helpful information, please contact the school at 463-2134. Hayner Library encourages all schools to contact us with information we can share regarding reading and learning programs they have instituted.

## Hayner Helps Spread 'Litter'-ature

The Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee's Educational Subcommittee is bringing the first ever 'Litter'-ature Education Program to Alton Public Schools this fall. They have partnered with The Hayner Public Library District to move this worthy program forward. There are four stages of the project:

**1. Read Great 'Litter'-ature**
Teachers sign up to read grade-appropriate books encouraging a clean environment. These books are provided by The Hayner Public Library District. Teachers read the books to their classes and hold student discussions incorporating questions that the committee has provided (meeting Illinois State Educational Goals and Standards). Afterwards, the books are donated to the school.

**2. Litter Patrol**
Teachers and their classes clean a two block area. Then, they return to class and discuss litter questions and solutions.

**3. Pledge Cards**
All k-8 grade students will be able to sign the 2-sided pledge cards.

### Keep Alton Clean Pledge

Litter spoils the natural beauty of Alton and can be harmful to public health and the environment. I will not be part of the problem. I will be part of the solution.

- I promise to keep Alton clean by putting litter in its place! If no container is available, I will keep my trash until I find one.
- I will tell my friends and family not to litter.
- When I see litter, I will pick it up. If I see litter that is dangerous, I will tell someone who can safely pick it up.

**4. Litter-Free Zone**
At the end of the year the Mayor and City Officials award the schools with a 'Litter-Free Zone' sign at an outdoor assembly.

The Alton Beautification and Clean City Committee's mission is to educate citizens on the importance of having a clean and beautiful city and to improve the general appearance of the city. They feel that littering is an individual behavioral problem that becomes a problem for the community. Changing societal norms like littering begins with each of us, thus educating that the youngest members of our society ought to make a difference.

This is a great program and Hayner Library Staff was proud to contribute.

## Celebrate Black History!

February is Black History month and there will be recognition of this at all three library locations. The Branch Library will be creating Black History window displays and will offer a "Suggested Reading List" for Black History topics. The Youth Library will be holding several different programs presenting three different storytellers including:

- Bobby Norfolk on Monday, February 7 at 4:00 p.m.
- Mama Lisa Gage-Ray on Thursday, February 17 at 4:00 p.m.
- Janice Katambwa on Wednesday, February 16 at 4:00 p.m. (This program will be held at the St. Anthony's Wellness Center at the Alton Square Mall.)

The Main Library will hold a commemorative program on Tuesday, February 22 at 6:30 p.m. Bobby Norfolk will present *This Side Up – The Story of Henry "Box" Brown.* Henry "Box" Brown was a slave born in Virginia in 1816. After his wife and children were taken from him, he had himself sealed in a small wooden box and shipped to friends and freedom. He later traveled the country speaking against slavery. This program requires registration, call 1-800-613-3163. All programs are free of charge.

## OASIS Winter Programming

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**Holiday Dance**
Thursday, Dec. 9, 5:00-10:00 pm – KC Hall in Godfrey, IL
Alley Kats Band, Fema's Catering, dancing, dinner and fun!!
Fee: $12 per person

**Medicare & You 2005**
Friday, February 18, 1:00-2:00 pm
Kelly Dehlinger, IL. Dept. of Insurance Representative
Learn current information on Medicare, Medicare Supplements and the new Prescription Plan.
Free

**Refuse to be a Victim**
Saturday, February 26, 12:30-4:30 pm
Donald Torrini
This is a crime prevention and avoidance seminar that provides you with common sense information and focuses on awareness and how not to become victims of crime. Fee includes seminar and student workbook
Fee: $5

**Living the Legacy: 150 Years of Women's Rights**
Thursday, March 10, 6:30-7:30 pm
Mary Rose Grant, Adjunct Faculty SWIC
This session provides an entertaining and historical perspective of the Women's Rights Movement. Knowing the history enhances an understanding and appreciation of where women have come from and where they are headed.

# *Staff Picks—What We're Reading*

**Ambulance Girl** by Jane Stern. Biography
Jane Stern, a columnist for *Gourmet* magazine, is suffering from a mid-life "event," burdened with anxiety and fear. Unable to even ride in a bus, she is an unlikely person to respond to an advertisement for EMT recruit training at her local fire station, but she does. In hilarious and riveting fashion, she recounts her experience as an emergency medical technician and tells how, in volunteering to help others, she helped herself. –Jean S.

**My Sister's Keeper** by Jodi Picoult. Fiction
"If you use one of your children to save the life of another," the author asks, "are you being a good mother…or a very bad one?" *My Sister's Keeper* is an intensely moving, modern novel. Told through the eyes of Anna Fitzgerald, a child expressly created to help save the life of her dying 16 year-old sister, the reader feels her anger, her outrage and her helplessness. Anna is seeking medical emancipation from her parents after spending the first 13 years of her life in and out of the hospital as much as her sister. Anna's decision to stop the medical treatments throws the family into turmoil with only her father seeming to understand Anna's frustrations. It is the perfect blend of maturity, ethics, science and beautiful writing that makes this book tough to put down. –Bethany A.

**The Man in the Flying Lawn Chair** by George Plimpton. Nonfiction
This book is a posthumous collection of writings by author George Plimpton, founder of "The Paris Review." At turns humorous, warm, wicked and poignant, the book is a fond reminder of why Plimpton remained one of America's foremost authors. Elegantly written, the stories in the book cover many of his exploits in "participatory journalism" and never fail to reveal his love for a good adventure and his wonder at the humanness of us all. –Mary C.

**The Circus in Winter** by Cathy Day. Fiction
I've always been fascinated with the notion of a circus and circus people. It probably started when I first read about PT Barnum and his unordinary people. Cathy Day's debut novel tells the history of the Great Porter Circus and the ordinary people of Lima, Indiana. Woven into each story is historical fact, beginning with a circus photo and connecting each tale to the next. *The Circus in Winter* is a satisfying novel and highly recommended. –Kelly M.

**CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. Body of Evidence** by Max Allan Collins. Fiction
In this book Janice Denard prepares for an ordinary day, but when she gets to work she discovers shocking photographs abandoned in a printer. The CSI computer forensics expert helps the CSI team of Willows and Stokes track through hardware. Grissom, Brown and Sidle uncover disturbing evidence in the brutal murder of the mayor's missing secretary. There are many twists and turns as the evidence leads them to the perpetrators in each case. The library has many books in this series of thrilling page-turners. –Shannon B.

**The Name of the Rose** by Umberto Eco. Mystery
Master of semiotics, Eco seamlessly weaves theology, politics, history and science into a thrilling and intricate mystery. In a 15th century Benedictine abbey, a monk's death triggers an investigation and uncovers more than intended. Fans of the *Da Vinci Code* will love this! Hayner also carries the DVD. –Juan F.

**No Plot? No Problem! A Low-Stress, High-Velocity Guide to Writing a Novel in 30 Days** by Chris Baty. Nonfiction
Many of us have said to ourselves, "I should write a book." But then the pressure follows of how to develop a character, devise a plot and subplot, and then find the time to do it. *No Plot? No Problem!* gives you the tools you'll need to write a 50,000 word novel in 30 days. No kidding! Written by the founder of the National Novel Writing Month, which is an international online event held annually in November, this book is a fine catalyst for throwing your insecurities and serious author traits out the window. Or as the cover sez, "the kick in the pants you've been waiting for." Recommended for those wanna-be authors like me. –Kelly M.

## NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS – NONFICTION

Ali, Muhammad. **The Soul of a Butterfly**
Bastianich, Lidia. **Lidia's Family Table**
Canfield, Jack. **The Success Principles**
Carter, Jimmy. **Sharing Good times**
Dwyer, Jim. **102 Minutes: The Untold Story of the Fight to Survive Inside the Twin Towers**
Haney, Lynn. **Gregory Peck: A Charmed Life**
King, Stephen. **Faithful: Two Diehard Boston Red Sox Fans Chronicle the 2004 Season**
Sansone, Leslie. **Walk Away the Pounds: The Breakthrough 6-Week Program**
Weil, Andrew. **Healthy Aging**

## NEW & FORTHCOMNG BOOKS – FICTION

Braun, Lilian Jackson. **The Cat Who Went Bananas**
Burke, Jan. **Bloodlines**
Collins, Max Allan. **Road to Purgatory**
Crichton, Michael. **State of Fear**
Cussler, Clive. **Black Wind**
Gardner, Lisa. **Alone**
Griffin, W.E.B. **By Order of the President**
Grisham, John. **The Broker**
Haig, Brian. **The President's Assassin**
Hamilton, Laurell K. **A Stroke of Midnight**
Iles, Greg. **Blood Money**
Kellerman, Jonathan. **Twisted: a Novel**
Koontz, Dean. **Life Expectancy**
Leonard, Elmore. **Complete Western Stories of Elmore Leonard**
McBain, Ed. **Alice in Jeopardy**
McMurtry, Larry. **Loop Group**
Patterson, James. **Honeymoon**
Patterson, Richard North. **Conviction**
Rankin, Ian. **Fleshmarket Alley: an Inspector Rebus Novel**
Robb, J. D. **Survivor in Death**
Scottoline, Lisa. **The First Two Novels**
Silva, Daniel. **Prince of Fire**

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*The winter winds are blowing and chill you through and through. Come and warm body and soul by attending The Hayner Public Library District Winter Arts Series. All programs, unless otherwise stated, are held at the Hayner Main Library, 401 State Street, Alton, Illinois. They are free of charge but do require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.*

### Limited Edition
### *Holiday Favorites*
**Sunday, December 5, 3:00 p.m.**
Note. This concert will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.
What better way to celebrate the holiday spirit than through the music of this fabulous choral group, Limited Edition?! This musical ensemble is directed by Susan Parton-Stanard and is comprised of an incredible compilation of talented singers. They received standing ovations at the Hayner Library Spring 2004 concert. Come spend a wonderful, festive Sunday afternoon that is sure to melt any Grinch's heart. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, December 11**
**Saturday, January 8**
**Saturday, February 12**
**Saturday, March 12**
**10:00 – 11:00 a.m.**
Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Ellebracht
### *WBGZ 1570*
### *Remote Broadcast*

**Wednesday, December 8, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.**
Popular radio host Mark Ellebracht will broadcast his show "Let's Talk" from the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Come out to the branch and see the mechanics of a live radio show and meet Mark. If you show your Hayner Library card at the Branch Library (or sign up for one) during Mark's broadcast, receive a neat "gold star" bookmark.

### Kelly Meier
### *Using EbscoHost*

**Tuesday, January 11, 6:00-7:30 p.m.**
In this class, instructor and Reference Services Librarian Kelly Meier introduces you to EbscoHost, a finding tool which is searchable from your home computer. She'll give you an overview of three different resources, which includes searching a variety of databases for full-text articles, using the Auto Repair Reference Center and browsing Novelist for fiction recommendations. EbscoHost is a great resource that the library is providing to help you research a wide range of topics whether for personal projects or academic needs. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Jeff Miller
### *Story Teller*

**Thursday, January 13, 6:30 p.m.**
Twice voted "Best Performance Artist/Poet" by the readers of the St. Louis Riverfront Times, Jeff Miller returns to Hayner Main Library with a program that offers a unique blend of humor, inspiration and imagination. Look for side-splitting story poems, absorbing oral histories and a few twisted stories. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Configurations
### *The Music of Brahms*
**Tuesday, January 18, 6:30 p.m.**
Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL
Configurations is an award-winning string ensemble based in St. Louis. Alison Thompson, violin, Christine Banda, viola, and James Nacy, cello, have all played with different orchestras nationally. This program will feature the beautiful composition by Johannes Brahms, *G Minor Piano Quartet in Four Movements*. For this special performance, they will be joined by the popular local pianist, Theresa Crane. Don't miss this first-class evening! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dr. Farook Muhiuddin
### *Alternate Medicines and Disciplines for Pain Relief*
**Tuesday, January 18, 10:00 a.m.**
Dr. Farook Muhiuddin operates the Healthtrax Whole Body Health Clinic in Edwardsville, IL. At the clinic, Dr. Muhiuddin and his colleagues offer several disciplines of treatment for pain and a variety of illnesses, including chiropractic, hypnosis, acupuncture and now, auriculotherapy. Auriculotherapy is a type of acupuncture of the ear, but it involves no needles. Dr. Muhiuddin calls it the ultimate treatment for pain management. If you have considered natural alternatives to managing

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an illness or pain or for behavioral modification, you should attend this seminar. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Genealogy Round Table
### *Ancestry Plus*
**Tuesday, January 18, 6:00 p.m.**

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## Randy Erwin
### *Cowboy Music, Folklore and History*
**Tuesday, January 25, 6:30 p.m.**

Yodeler Randy Erwin has been described by the *Los Angeles Times* as "one of the most versatile, far ranging voices this side of Bobby McFerrin." He has performed at Carnegie Hall, London's Queen Elizabeth Hall, The Library of Congress and all over the U.S., Canada and Great Britain. He has four critically-acclaimed CDs and recently provided the yodeling score for the new Walt Disney animated film, "Home on the Range." Come hear – and participate in – the music that has made the cowboy such a special part of American history.

Randy also discusses the origins of cowboy culture: how they lived, worked and spun tall tales. He may even do some rope tricks! This is a great program for all ages by an award-winning performer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
### *Celebrate Mardi Gras*
**Tuesday, February 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.

A Hayner tradition and highly-anticipated yearly event, Bud and his band are back to help us kick off the festive Mardi Gras Season. Bud and the band play New Orleans-style jazz and guarantee a raucous evening of fun, swing and soul. A local favorite in the St. Louis area, the band always packs the house. Don't forget your beads! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Kelly Meier
### *Ebay Basics*
**Tuesday, February 15, 5:30-7:30 p.m.**

By popular demand, Kelly returns to teach Ebay basics and show you how you can participate in an online auction site. Kelly is a wonderful instructor and does a great job explaining in plain language how you can sell your 'stuff' for fun and profit. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bobby Norfolk
### *This Side Up - The Story of Henry "Box" Brown*
**Tuesday, February 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Journey back to the historical era of the Underground Railroad in this theatrical re-enactment of one man's struggle for emancipation. Emmy Award winning storyteller, Bobby Norfolk breathes life into this amazing story of a slave turned hero, along with other tales of ordinary people taking extraordinary risks in the name of freedom. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Steve Davis
### *Elvis Performs at Hayner Main!*
**Thursday, February 24, 6:00 p.m.**

Elvis (yes, THE ELVIS) returns to Hayner with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis will sing, take requests, answer questions and reminisce about his career. Don't miss this great opportunity to see "The King" perform. This event will fill up fast, so register now at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dr. David Cornell
### *Piano Recital*
**Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL

Pianist Dr. David Cornell has performed a variety of recitals at Principia College and in many cities around the U.S.A and Europe, as well as in Zimbabwe. In 2000, Dr. Cornell was invited to participate in the second Van Cliburn International Competition for Outstanding Amateurs. In this return performance, his program will include Beethoven's Sonata, Op. 31, No 3, Nocturnes by Chopin and Jazz-Gospel Settings for Piano as arranged by Michael Hassell. This is an extraordinary opportunity to enjoy such an accomplished performer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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## Nancy Lippincott and Ben Schreiber *Traditional Strings*

**Tuesday, March 15, 6:30 p.m.**

Nancy Lippincott is a popular local vocalist who plays guitar, autoharp, mandolin and hammered dulcimer. She enjoys exposing audiences to traditional music that is seldom heard these days. Her repertoire includes Celtic music, early country, American folk, blues, swing and gospel. She has performed extensively throughout the area, including the International Folk Festival, where she performed music from the Appalachian and Irish traditions. For this program, Nancy will be joined by Ben Schreiber, an incredibly accomplished 15-year-old fiddle and banjo player. Don't miss this event, which will include something for everyone! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Folkhead - *Acoustic Folk*

**Tuesday, March 29, 6:30 p.m.**

Folkhead is a five piece acoustic group based in Alton, Illinois. The name is just about all the explanation you need, but - what's the harm in a brief introduction? Matt Taul leads the group on vocals and acoustic guitar. On the twelve string guitar and backup vocals is Mike Youngberg, Jennifer Hayden on fiddle, Tim Bramstedt on mandolin and Adam Peipert on the banjo. Together they play a blend of original compositions, traditional folk songs, real country and Americana. The songs of VanZandt, Garcia & Hunter, Dylan, John Hartford and a host of others find their way into their sets. This is an extremely popular group you must experience! Register at 1-800-6131-3163.

## Hayner Youth Library

***Preschool Story Time*** will be at 10:00 a.m. and be held at the Youth Library every other Monday on December 13, January 10 & 24 and February 7. It will be held at the Branch Library every other Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. on December 14, January 11 & 25 and February 8 & 22. Preschool Story Time is for children ages 3-5.

***Evening Story Time*** begins at 6:30 p.m. and will be held on Tuesday evenings, December 7, January 4 & 18 and February 1 & 15 at the Youth Library.

The ***Lapsit Program*** continues... The Lapsit is designed for children from birth to age two. The program lasts from 20 to 30 minutes and consists of very easy books and songs. Its purpose is to get children used to the library. We don't expect the children attending this program to sit still for the entire program. The Lapsit begins at 10:00 a.m. The program is held every other Tuesday at the Youth Library December 7, January 4 & 18 and February 1 & 15.

The ***Reading Rockets Book Club*** will be held at the Branch Library on Mondays at 4:00 p.m. on December 6, January 3 and February 7.

The ***Read 'n Rant*** book club for teens meets on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. on December 4, January 8 and February 5.

***After School Fun*** meets at 3:30 p.m. in the Hayner Youth Library on Thursday at 4:00 p.m. for the following activities:

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| December 9 | Glowing Votive Candles |
| January 13 | Stain-A-Frame |
| February 10 | Mardi Gras mask |

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These events are for all ages, no registration required. Call 462-0652 for more information.

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***Christmas Party with Mr. & Mrs. Santa*** – Saturday, December 18, 2:00 p.m., Hayner Youth Library

***December Performance- "Nitro Joe" Higgs*** – Wednesday, December 15, 4:00 p.m., Alton Square Mall– St. Anthony's Wellness Center

***Dr. Martin Luther King Program – Loretta Washington***, Story Teller, Wednesday, January 19, 4:00 p.m., Hayner Youth Library

***Black History Month Program- Bobby Norfolk***, Monday, February 7, 4:00 p.m., Hayner Youth Library

***Black History Month Program- Mama Lisa Gage-Ray***, Thursday, February 17, 4:00 p.m., Hayner Youth Library

***Black History Month Program – Janice Katambwa***, Wednesday, February 16, 4:00 p.m., Alton Square Mall- St. Anthony's Wellness Center

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***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

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## *Look Who's Reading....*

Repeating a popular initiative from 2003, The Hayner Public Library District was excited to participate in the 2004 "Look Who's Reading in the River Bend" campaign. In partnership with River Bend Head Start and Family Services and *The Telegraph*, the campaign was developed to highlight local "celebrities" promoting reading and literacy. Jennifer Hayden of Hayden Designs donated the graphic layout services.

This year's campaign kicks off on November 18, Family Reading Night, and will run as a series of ads in the Alton Telegraph each week through February 2005. The ads will also be replicated in the Main and Branch library locations, area businesses and on newspaper distribution boxes. Please watch the Telegraph each week for the selected celebrity- see how many you know- and join them in promoting literacy. Also, watch for the ad featuring Kevin Chapel, DMD, Hayner Library's newest Board Member.

Let's ALL get reading in the River Bend!

## *Choices, Choices and More Choices!*

Along with all the big blockbuster titles, we have hundreds of videos and DVDs covering a wide range of interests.

**46664: The Event** (DVD)
**633 Squadron** (DVD)
**A Program About Unusual Buildings & Other Roadside Stuff** (VHS)
**Africans in America: America's Journey Through Slavery** (DVD)
**American Photography** (VHS)
**An Altered Journey with Tim Holtz** (Rubber stamp art) (DVD)
**Angels in America** (DVD)
**B-17: Flying Legend** (DVD)
**Be Good, Smile Pretty** (DVD)
**The Best of Ground Force: Garden Rescues** (DVD)
**The Burning Bed** (DVD)
**The CIA** (DVD)
**Combat! Season 1** (DVD)
**Down Syndrome: The First 18 Months** (DVD)
**The Family Guide to Alzheimer's Disease** (VHS)
**Heir to an Execution: A Granddaughter's Story** (DVD)
**Hetty Wainthropp Investigates: The Complete First Series** (DVD) Mystery
**Ike: Countdown to D-Day** (DVD)
**Japan: Memoirs of a Secret Empire** (VHS)
**John Brown's Holy War** (VHS)
**King Arthur: The Truth Behind the Legend** (DVD)
**Kitty Hawk: The Wright Brothers' Journey of Invention** (VHS)
**Korean War Stories** (VHS)
**Liberty! The American Revolution** (VHS)
**Mel Gibson's Passion: An Interview with Mel Gibson** (DVD)
**Mystic Iran: The Unseen World** (DVD)
**The Name of the Rose** (DVD) Mystery
**Pale Male** (meet the wild bird who became a Fifth Avenue celebrity) PBS (DVD)
**Red Skelton: America's Clown Prince** (episodes from Red's television show) (DVD)
**Safe Harbor: All Men Are Created Equal** (Underground Railroad) (DVD)
**Stamp Art Inspirations** (DVD)
**WW II Memorial: A Testament to Freedom** (VHS)
**Yoga for the Rest of Us** (DVD, VHS)

## *Hooray for Hollywood!*

Do you recognize the name Minor Watson? If you are a film buff, you have seen him in hundreds of roles. His career in movies as a character actor spanned the years of 1931-1956. Proudly, we can claim him as a native son as he began his theatrical career at Shurtleff College, now part of the Southern Illinois University campus.

In 1912, he brought a play, "Nobody's Fool" to the Temple Theatre which was reviewed as "the best show seen in Alton this season and attended by a capacity house".

His Hollywood years included performances with the most elite of cinema's stars including Bing Crosby, Elizabeth Taylor, William Holden, Humphrey Bogart, Bette Davis, Errol Flynn, Katherine Hepburn, Paul Muni, Spencer Tracy and many more.

This past fall, Mr. Watson's daughter, Mary Watson, donated a video to Hayner Library commemorating Minor Watson's legacy. The video is comprised of shorts of his performances throughout his film career. To accompany this, she has also provided us with a brief biography of her father's career and an annotated list of his film repertoire. Check out the Minor Watson Annotated video and see him in such movies as "Woman of the Year" with Spencer Tracy and Katherine Hepburn and many more, all available through Hayner Library.

**My Kind of Advice....**

The only time to eat diet food is while you're waiting for the steak to cook.

*- Julia Child 1912-2004*
*Professional Chef, Author, TV Personality*

**Better yet...**

"Censorship is telling a man he can't have a steak just because a baby can't chew it."

*...Mark Twain*

## *Patron Profile- Tammy Yogore-Emery*

Tammy Yogore-Emery and her four delightful children are a library's dream. They use every facet of the library for home schooling (as well as recreation) and have achieved remarkable results.

Tammy, an Alton native, graduated from SIUE with a BS in Accounting and a minor in MIS. She worked as an accountant for about a year and a half but left when she started a family. After having three children (2 boys and 1 girl) Tammy went back to work. She worked seven years at the River City Paper Board before the company relocated to Arizona. Tammy decided to run an in-home day care center and did so for several years until she had her fourth son. Her children are Connor, 13, Morgun, 12, Riley-Ann, 10, and Kutter, 6.

When asked how she arrived at the decision to home school her children, Tammy recounted that the kids asked for it themselves. They had friends that were being home schooled and they wanted to know why they couldn't do that also. Initially, Tammy says she was petrified. But with the support and encouragement of her husband, Steve, Tammy decided to take on the challenge. She decided that since, from birth, she taught her kids how to walk, talk and tie their shoes, she could teach them school! Her first step was to head straight for the library (which Tammy calls "her best friend") and check out all the material she could find on home schooling. She studied the three basic methods of learning theory (visual, auditory or kinetic/hands-on), how to determine what type of learner each individual child was and how best to build a curriculum for that specific learning type. She developed a core curriculum herself in the subjects of history, religion and science and for other topics relied on Rainbow Resources, a company that distributes home schooling course materials and supplies.

Each child soon developed their own areas of expertise. Thirteen year-old Connor, an eighth grader, tests overall at the 12th grade level and at first year college for reading, composition, vocabulary and spelling. Hoping to write a book someday, Connor has already researched at the Branch Library methods of self-publication. Morgun, 12 years old and in 7th grade, tests at the 9th grade level for general courses and at first year college in science and mapping skills. Morgun, as does Riley-Ann and Kutter, loves to draw. They all have checked out many art books and have taught themselves to draw skillfully- they love to draw their pets and farm animals. Riley-Ann is 10 and in fifth grade. She excels in all subjects, particularly in English and Logic. She plays piano by ear and is also teaching herself to read music. She loves music and "sings everywhere" says her mother. Kutter is six and just starting to read and write. He already shows promise to be the family mathematician.

Tammy schools the children Monday through Friday, year-round. They do get two weeks off at Christmas and one month in the summer. The day starts out with all four children together for prayer and bible reading. Then Tammy dedicates 2-3 hours to Kutter's schooling while the other kids study Math, Logic and The Constitution. Tammy has determined that Riley-Ann learns quickly when they concentrate on one core subject per day, rotating through the week. The older boys are studying fairly independently, using high school texts. Every day they all are required to write a paper on what they have read and studied.

Tammy uses the library to supplement the kids' studies with hands on activities, crafts and other media. When they were studying the crusades, Tammy checked out a video and a computer game based on the crusades. Kutter was fascinated with Ancient Egypt history and Tammy found a kit at the library that was a collection of ancient civilizations' board games. Tammy's creativity and wide use of materials have helped her kids develop a strong love of learning and sense of independence.

Tammy has committed to her children that she will home school them as long as that is their choice and they will all have the opportunity to attend college. To this end, Tammy maintains detailed records for high school transcripts to use in college application. She keeps files of information on the materials they have studied (texts, etc.), the papers they have written and their test scores. They take the IOWA Basic Standard Achievement tests to chart their advancements. She has also already contacted the University of Chicago regarding the entrance requirements for a science major as this is Morgun's special interest.

The kids keep busy socially also. Every month they participate in bowling leagues and field trips that are sponsored by an Alton Home Schooler organization. They're very active in church activities and have friends from the public school system as well as other home-schoolers. They also keep very actively involved helping with chores and taking care of the family animals. The animals include a miniature Doberman, a lab/husky mix and three rescued Greyhounds. Tammy is a strong supporter of Rescued Racers, the group that saves Greyhounds after they can no longer race. She recounted that just recently they saved 19 dogs that were going to be put down. She recommends adoption of these dogs as they are wonderful family pets. She encourages anyone interested in more information to contact Leann Zalansky at 314-423-4126.

Overall, Tammy says that home schooling has worked out very well for them though she freely admits it is not for everyone. She credits her husband's support as being critical to her success with the children. Also key to success has been the Hayner Branch Library where she uses all the resources available, from computers to books to videos, and more. If she cannot find something at the branch, she knows they will get it for her from another library. She says the staff has become an extended family to her and the children and they love to visit at least twice a week. Tammy's children are favorites of the library staff also. Tammy admits it can be a challenge building a curriculum that interests and involves the children. However, the first time she heard one of her children read their first word was one of the greatest thrills she has experienced. Good luck to the whole family in all their future success – academic and otherwise.

## Online Research Services- Helping All Levels of Achievement

To enhance our services to the young adult, The Hayner Public Library District has purchased subscription access to a variety of online databases. These databases can help you, your students and your children with a wide range of research needs. Our database subscriptions include access to full-text articles through EbscoHost; practice tests and skills development aimed at middle school, high school and adult learners through Learn a Test; and auto maintenance and repair through the Auto Repair Reference and NoveList, a reader's advisory tool. Some of the databases are searchable from your home computer or from a classroom, but you must have a username and password. Library access requires only that you have a library card. Browse our website at www.haynerlibrary.org to learn more or contact the library for information.

## Jim Trelease – Read Aloud's Loudest and Proudest

Inspired by observations made during volunteer visits to community classrooms, journalist Jim Trelease decided to research connections between how much a child was read to and how much a child wants to read. He found plenty of evidence linking the two in educational journals, and when he self-published his findings in layman's terms, it was the beginning of a read-aloud revolution. The book came to the attention of Penquin Publishing and shortly after, the U.S. Department of Education's Commission of Reading cited that reading aloud to children is the single most important activity one can do to raise a reader. His *Read Aloud Handbook* is now the all-time best selling guide to children's literature for parents and teachers.
(excerpted from *How to Get Your Child to Love Reading* by Esme Codell, Algonguin Books, 2003, p 54)

## The Happy Childhood Checklist

✔Have your child dictate stories to you
✔Have a family Newsletter
✔Go to the Museum
✔Make positive comments about your child's teacher or caretaker in front of your child
✔Ask your child about his or her day at the end of it
✔Tell stories about grandparents and the child's family history
✔Help your child write and mail letters to people
✔Put notes in your child's lunch
✔Listen to knock knock jokes
✔Make music with your child
✔Get your child his own library card…and use it
✔Leave a night light on
✔Dance with your child standing on your feet
✔Read aloud to your child
✔Read to your child
✔Did I mention you should read aloud to your child?

(excerpted from *How to Get Your Child to Love Reading* by Esme Codell, Algonguin Books, 2003, p 64)

Both *How to Get Your Child to Love Reading* and *Read Aloud Handbook* are available at Hayner library locations.

## Young Reader's Manifesto

I READ: BECAUSE one life isn't enough; and in the pages of a book I can be anybody;
I READ: BECAUSE the words that build the story become mine to build my life;
I READ: NOT for happy endings, but for new beginnings; I'm just beginning myself and I wouldn't mind a map;
I READ: BECAUSE I have friends who don't and young though they are, they're beginning to run out of material;
I READ: BECAUSE every journey begins at the library and it's time for me to start packing,
I READ: BECAUSE one of these days, I'm going to get out of this town and I'm going to go everywhere and meet everybody and I want to be ready.

*Richard Peck*

## Reader's Rights

The right not to read
The right to skip pages
The right to not finish a book
The right to reread
The right to read anything
The right to escapism
The right to read anywhere
The right to browse
The right to read out loud
The right to not defend your tastes

…if we want our sons, our daughters, all young people to read, we must grant them the same rights we grant ourselves.

- Daniel Pennac in *Better Than Life*

**DO YOU KNOW** the answers to these questions about one of our most famous United States Presidents, Abraham Lincoln? Information taken from: *Illinois History* Vol. XII no. 5 and other Illinois Room resources.

1. In what theater was the President assassinated?
2. Who did Abraham Lincoln marry?
3. When did Abraham Lincoln pass his bar examination?
4. Of the seven Lincoln-Douglas debates, which occurred in Alton?
5. The Emancipation Proclamation took effect on what date?
6. He was watching what play at the time he was shot?
7. Who shot the President?
8. On what date did Lincoln die?
9. Who replaced Lincoln as President?
10. What was the occupation of Lincoln's assassin?

Happy President's Day!

**Visit our Illinois Room to learn more about Abraham Lincoln.**

Answers To Did You Know...
1. Ford's Theater 2. Mary Todd 3. September 1836 4. The seventh and last 5. January 1, 1863 6. *Our American Cousin* 7. John Wilkes Booth 8. April 14, 1865 9. Andrew Johnson 10. Actor

## *2005 Adult Winter Reading Program January 15 – February 26*

Cure your winter blues with something great between the covers and let Hayner make it a little more interesting. Of course we mean books and our Adult Winter Reading Program! From January 15th to February 26th, 2005, for every book or audio book you read, you can enter a drawing to win gift baskets stuffed with goodies. The baskets, two for the guys and two for the ladies, will be on display at Hayner's Main and Alton Square branches during the contest. Every time you finish a book or audio book, fill out an entry form and drop it in a basket's entry box. The more you read, the more chances to win! Even the rules are easy: you must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; register at the Main or Branch library's circulation desk to participate and pick up additional entry forms. Grand prize drawings for these fabulous baskets will be held on Saturday, February 26th. Come on–it's easy! We've even included your first entry form here!

**2005**

**Hayner Adult Winter Reading Program**

**January 15 – February 26**

Name

Address

Phone: ____

Book Title and Author:

## *Win a Holiday Gift Basket*

On December 17, each of the three Hayner Library locations will hold a drawing for a Christmas Gift Basket provided by WBGZ Radio 1570 AM The baskets will contain all kinds of goodies to enjoy over the holidays and beyond. The baskets will be displayed and entry forms will be available at each library beginning December 1. Sorry, only Hayner cardholders are eligible to win. Stop by any location and enter! Winners will be announced on December 17 on WBGZ 1570 AM radio. Winners will also be contacted by phone.

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# The Hayner Public Library District

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## Announcing a New Millennium

In 2004, as a member of the Lewis and Clark Library System, Hayner Library staff participated in a lengthy effort to evaluate library catalogue software systems. The result of this evaluation is that all member libraries have converted to a software system that will provide patrons and library staff new functions and capabilities when accessing the online catalogue. This new and improved circulation/patron services system is the Innovative Interfaces Millennium Integrated Library System Software. Conversion to the Millennium System occurred this past May. Some of the functions described in the following paragraphs are not immediately available and will be rolled out as the year progresses but, we wanted to give you an overview of just a few of the new library catalogue tools you will have in the next few months.

As ever, you will be able to search all Hayner Library collections as well as the collections of 50 other libraries online. (Library staff still has the capability to search libraries in all 50 states to find you items not locally held.) The system is much more "point and click" friendly which we are sure you will appreciate.

The new system will have a new function called "Create Lists". This will be similar to a Readers Advisory. For example, if you like medieval mysteries, you can enter that search term and the system will create a bibliography identifying titles in that genre. This will be great for teachers and home schoolers who want to identify material for course subjects as well as for us pleasure readers. Another big advantage of the new system is that it will track the books you have checked out in the past so you can keep a record of what you have read. Many of you have requested this function and we are excited to now be able to provide it to you.

This system also allows you to have your record linked to other individuals.

For example, if you and your spouse and children wish to do so, you can link all your records together. This allows you to check out materials reserved by other members of your family with your library card. Previously, you could check out items only to the card under which they were reserved. This is a great convenience we think you will appreciate.

The system will also tell you if the item you are looking for is in transit to another library and has features that will greatly diminish the possibility of books being lost between borrowing libraries.

Another great feature of the new system is a separate kids catalogue called "KidsOnline". This catalogue will be much easier for children to use, based on a simple picture-oriented point and click search feature. It will provide titles of all kid-oriented materials up to the juvenile reading level. Not only will kids find it much easier to locate age appropriate materials but home schoolers and teachers will love to access materials on particular subjects without having to wade through title after title of adult level material. Of course this catalogue will continue to allow searches on title, author or subject.

Another new feature will be an online notification function where patrons will be notified via email regarding overdue materials, the arrival of material you may have requested, library closings and more. If you do not have an online account with us, you will continue to be notified via U.S. mail.

As with the previous system, you can access the library catalogue from your home computer. All requests, fines, checkout material and overdue records will be transferred to the new system.

There is also a homebound component that will allow the homebound coordinator to track the materials that different homebound users have received. This will be a great help in preparing homebound deliveries, ensuring fresh materials each time.

Statistics compiled by the new system are much more full function and permit library staff to more accurately analyze inventory, reciprocal borrowing activities and provide material selection support.

During the conversion, we did have to close the library for two

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Memorial Day, May 29 & 30
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 4 & 5


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## ANNOUNCING A NEW Millennium (Cont.)

and a half days in May. One day was to provide training for library staff on use of the new software. The second closing was during the actual software conversion which left all three libraries' circulation computers out of service. We are sorry for the inconvenience of having to close for those few days in May but we think you will be very pleased with the ease of use and improved circulation services that the Millennium System will afford you.

## *Food for Fido*

The month of April was Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month and, as in past years, we waived overdue fines of current Hayner material when a contribution of pet food was given to the library. This year we collected over 600 items of pet food that will be donated to the Alton Area 5A animal shelter. Members of 5As also decorated one of the windows of the Hayner Branch in the Alton Square Mall.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow is Moving Up!*

The Bow-wow Pow-wow program at the Hayner Youth Library is a wonderful way to keep your child's reading skills growing over summer vacation. The second Saturday of every month, we bring certified therapy dogs to the library for kids to read to. They love reading to the dogs! We have received many testimonials from parents who have seen dramatic improvements in both their child's reading skills as well as their increased enthusiasm for reading and coming to the library. We have moved these sessions to the main area of the Youth Library to give us and the dogs more room to stretch out. These sessions are all free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Keep your child reading this summer – everyone has a blast, kids, parents and dogs alike!

## *Spending a Spirited Afternoon.....*

It was with much anticipation that I waited outside the Mineral Springs Mall on a beautiful spring day. I was meeting with Wayne Hensley, the owner and operator of the In Zone Barbershop in the mall since 1981. Wayne is also known as the Mall Historian due to his vast knowledge of the history of the building and its previous inhabitants. Wayne had agreed to take me on a tour of the facility that, he suggests, could be one of the most haunted buildings in Alton (one of the most haunted, per capita, towns in America).

I have to admit to a fair set of goosebumps as we entered the building. Wayne recounted that when he started working in the mall, he was not aware of its haunted reputation and on a scale of 1-10 (10 being the highest belief in spectral beings) he was probably a 2. That started to change during Thanksgiving week. The mall was going through bankruptcy proceedings that year and many of the tenants had left. Wayne was the only tenant on the street level. Wayne started his day every morning turning on the furnace in a back closet by flipping its toggle switch to on. As he was working through the day, his shop got colder and colder. Checking on the furnace he saw that the toggle switch had been flipped to off. There was no one else in the building that knew where the furnace was. This occurred four different times that day. Consequently, in following years, Wayne noted that during the months of October and November, unexplained events and 'sightings' increased dramatically. Back in the area by the furnace closet was an art studio, Vicky's Painting Parlor. Vicky found things being moved around in her shop frequently and the lights and radio were turned on and off, seemingly by themselves. One night, a young woman who was helping Vicky stayed late to work in the shop. The shop butts up to the old swimming pool used by hotel guests. The worker heard someone calling her name from the pool area. She unbolted the lock on the door to the pool and upon entering saw a man standing at the bottom of the long drained pool. As she stood there, he vanished. Understandably, the young woman left the job. Some months later, another woman was hired by Vicky and she had the exact same experience, hearing her name called and seeing a man in the pool. This woman related the story directly to Wayne though she had never heard of the previous worker's experience.

Wayne has researched the history of the Mineral Springs building extensively. Shortly after the Civil War, before the building was erected, two local businessmen became convinced there was oil under the current site location. They drilled down over 1450 feet only to hit water. They discounted any value to the underground well and sold the site to the astute businessman, August Luhr, in 1888. Luhr had identified that the water was artesian spring water and knew that the high salt content was perfect for curing meat. He built the first level of the mall (now the third sublevel) as a meat curing and packing facility. The wooden hooks to hang meat are still intact in this cavernous area. Luhr, however, was a man of vision and realized the growing popularity of salt water baths for their curative powers and decided to build an opulent hotel with pools for people to restore themselves. The hotel had a bar, a ballroom, dining room, guest rooms on the first floor and guest rooms on the second floor. The first sublevel was the men's pool (open to women during "open swims".) The second sublevel was the women's pool and the third sublevel (previously the meat packing plant) housed a large tank which was the holding tank for the water that filled the pools. The tank is still in tact in the building. The pools and hotel flourished from 1914 until the stock market crash of 1929.

Of the ghosts that inhabit the mall today, there are four distinct apparitions. One is the aforementioned man in the pool known as George (though one psychic identified him by the name of William Freeman). He has been seen by many people in the pool area and several psychics have born witness to seeing George being pushed into the pool, in full dress, hitting his head which caused his death. Wayne has never seen this apparition but has felt his presence on several occasions. One time, while working by the pool, Wayne felt his forearm being grabbed quite tightly with a distinctly human grasp. Several times he has had keys knocked out of his hand by a force he attributes to George. George will not leave

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## SPENDING A SPIRITED AFTERNOON (Cont.)

the pool sublevel. There is also a little girl who appears in the pool area (she has been sighted on other floors of the hotel). It is identified that she died either running at the pool and falling and hitting her head or during a swimming lesson.

Another active ghost is the Jasmine Lady. Many people have seen her and many more have smelled her perfume, thus the nickname Jasmine Lady. She was a well-to-do young woman from St. Louis who was married, not very happily, to a wealthy businessman. Unfortunately, she fell in love with another but did not want to give up a marriage that provided for her very comfortably. She and her lover would escape from St. Louis to Alton to meet at the Mineral Springs Hotel.

Unfortunately, her husband followed her one day and burst into their hotel room. She ran off to the landing of the stairs to the lobby with the husband in pursuit. He reportedly pushed her so hard down the stairs, she broke her jaw, back and fractured her skull. The husband then went back to the hotel room and hung himself. This sad lady is often seen by the stairs where she fell, though occasionally she has been seen in the sublevels. Wayne has never seen her but has smelled her perfume on many occasions.

A forth active ghost on the main level has been sighted in the area that is now an active café. This used to be the hotel bar. This ghost is known as the drunken ghost. In order to pay his bar bill, he painted a mural on the wall between the bar and then dining room. You can still see this mural today (it is a river scene of Alton). He died while he was painting the mural of unexplained causes (some think he, too, hung himself). He has appeared to women only and has been known to flick the back of their hair or pull on their purses.

Wayne had so many fascinating anecdotes about the hotel and its history. It was a natural fit that, for two years, he has worked with Alton Haunted Tours, run by Jericka Bateman. He is currently conducting tours for the city. For more information regarding Alton Haunted Tours, contact 618-917-6658.

Where do you go to do your own ghostly research? Come to the Hayner Main Library and browse around our historic Illinois Room. Whether researching folk law or fact, many fascinating facets of Alton's colorful history are preserved in the Illinois Room as well as in our Vertical File collections. Also, you might want to stop by the Mineral Springs Mall (open to the public Tuesday – Saturday) at 301 E. Broadway in Alton and see if you sense anything "out of this world."

…..oh, by the way, on the "spectral beings belief scale", Wayne says he now calibrates at a 9.99!

## *The Illinois Room Collection Overview 2005*

The Illinois Room at the main branch of Hayner Public Library is a wonderful resource available to the public for genealogical and historical research Materials about Illinois are contained here with a special focus on history and genealogy of Madison County and nearby communities. The library also has microfilm/fiche reader-printers for public use. These are located outside the Illinois Room, and the cost to print is .15/page. Illinois Room materials are available for in-library use only, but you are welcome to photocopy materials on the copy machine inside the Illinois Room. If you need assistance, please ask for help at the Circulation Desk. (Call numbers are in parentheses, and are preceded by the Illinois Room designation "IR".) Our collection contains the following:

**ABRAHAM LINCOLN**
Extensive collection of Abraham Lincoln books. (B LINCOLN, 973.6)

**ALLIED FAMILIES**
Multi-volume set of genealogical surname histories. (929.2 ALL)

**ALTON CITY CODES** (352 ALT)

**ALTON PROPERTIES**
A file cabinet full of information on historic properties in Alton

**AMERICAN FAMILY GENEALOGICAL & BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORIES**
A multi-volume set for genealogy research. (929.2 AME)

**AMERICAN STATE PAPERS**
Land grants and claims. (Microfilm)
Grassroots of America 1789-1837 (929.1 GRA)

**BIOGRAPHIES**
Many biographies on historically prominent Illinois figures. (B *****)

**CENSUS MATERIALS**
Various county censuses in Illinois from 1810 through 1930. We also have Illinois State census. (Print-929.3, and microfilm)

**CHURCH HISTORIES**
A collection of church histories from our local area (270)

**CITY DIRECTORIES**
Alton City Directories—oldest is 1858, incomplete set for late 1800's; 1900-present (917.738 ALT)
Gazetteer of Madison County 1866 (917.73 ALT)
Wood River/East Alton City Directories back to 1920's (917.738 WOO)
Some Alton Bell Telephone Directories (917.7386 BEL)

**CIVIL WAR**
Selected records of the War Department relating to the Confederate Prisoners of War, 1861-1865. (Microfilm)

**COOKBOOKS**
We have a collection of cookbooks from local organizations and groups from around the state. (641.5, 641.8)

**COUNTY HISTORIES**
Collection of various county histories throughout Illinois (977)

**DIGITAL RECORDS** "AncestryPlus" and Family Tree Maker®. "AncestryPlus" can help you with your family research. Various CDs are available for use and our collection is growing. We have some census, naturalization and immigration, pension, Civil War and other military, marriage, land, and mortality records

**ILLINOIS BLUE BOOKS** (353.9 ILL)

**ILLINOIS STATUTES**
Multi-volume set of Illinois Statutes (348.773 ILL)

**LOCAL HISTORY**
We have a large collection of local histories and other Illinois histories. Vertical files contain local news clippings. Vertical files are located outside the Illinois Room

**MAPS**
Large collection of regional maps for the area. (Kept in the map table in the Illinois Room)
Plat Maps (977.386 LAN)

**NEWSPAPERS**
Alton Telegraph, 1836-present on microfilm. (Indexed from 1836-1941, then 1970-1994)

**PERIODICALS**
Various newsletters and journals

**STATE HISTORIES**
Several volumes on the history of Illinois (977.3)

**VITAL RECORDS**
Births, deaths (including Madison County cemeteries and some funeral homes), land records, marriage records, Naturalization records, and war records (929)

**YEARBOOKS**
Many of the local "yearbooks" and directories are kept in the Illinois Room. (373 and 378)

**WAR RECORDS**
A variety of materials on the different wars involving Illinois. This includes some pension records (973.3)

## *Staff Picks—What We're Reading*

**Invisible Eden** by Maria Flook. *Nonfiction*
Leaving the high profile life of the fashion world, Christa Worthington retreated to a simpler life to live in the "no man's land" of Truro, Cape Cod, where she was mysteriously murdered. Weaving the true story of Christa's murder against the backdrop of the stunning wilderness of the Outer Cape, the author mesmerizes the reader with images of her life set against the poetic picture of Cape Cod. Since the publication of Invisible Eden, police have arrested a suspect in this case, making this a timely story. –Jean S.

**Kafka On The Shore** by Haruki Murakami. *Fiction*
Murakami's style is at once right before you, like that of a good magician who reveals his trick as he performs it, and yet mysterious and elusive. His latest is ethereal, ephemeral, enchanting and all sorts of buzzwords that fail to capture this magic. A truly imaginative journey between the boundaries of the ordinary. See also The Wind-up Bird Chronicle, arguably his best. –Juan F.

**Gilead** by Marilynne Robinson. *Fiction*
In 1956, in Gilead, Iowa, Rev. John Ames, elderly and in poor health, begins writing, hoping to leave an account of his family history and thoughts about life for his 7-year-old son. From his fiery Civil War ancestor to the recent, unsettling return of a friend's prodigal son, we see large truths learned through everyday moments. Exquisitely written, Gilead is the 2005 Pulitzer Prize winner for distinguished fiction. –Katie S.

**Ain't She Sweet?** by Susan Elizabeth Phillips. *Fiction*
*Ain't She Sweet?* is a book about a spoiled little rich girl who leaves few friends and many enemies when she leaves her hometown to make her way in the world. The story begins when she is returning home after several years and many broken dreams later. Her rich husband died broke and all she has left is the dog named Gordon. This book is about revenge and mending relationships mixed with drama and humor, plus there is a surprising twist at the end that will leave you laughing through your tears – Holly P.

## *Patrons' Picks*

Have a book you just finished that you loved? Why not share your recommendations with other library patrons? Or maybe you can't find something that interests you on shelf and you would like a recommendation. At both the Main and Branch libraries, we are maintaining notebooks to record some of our library readers' favorites. They are organized by genre including: mysteries, biographies, graphic novels, religious fiction, westerns, romance, science fiction, suspense, fiction, health & beauty, true crime, cookbooks, history, travel and home design. Even if you are not currently looking for a title, we all know that fellow bibliophiles are always curious to see what other people are reading. And of course library staff is always available to help with Reader's Advisory services!

## *Interested in Alton history? Then LOOK WHAT WE HAVE!! ...*

A document giving the details of the first log cabins built on Alton soil! This is a copy of the contract made between Rufus Easton, founder of Alton, and builders Daniel Crum and William G. Pinckard. It details the construction of the first four log cabins built on Alton soil in December 1818. This document tells the location of these cabins along with interesting facts regarding construction plans, dimension sizes, and the price Mr. Easton paid for the building of these structures. The public is invited to come in and read this historic contract and see how Alton got its start with only four small log cabins and one man's plan to build a city on the hills along the Mississippi River.

The Alton Landmarks Files, stored in a fireproof cabinet located in the Illinois Room, hold many area land and property histories. Maybe your house is already included; or you would like to donate information, photos, or the history of your property to be included in our files. Hayner Public Library accepts for approval information on Alton area properties. For information on how to donate your house or business history, please call the Genealogy/Indexing Department at 462-0677.

## NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

**--NONFICTION**

Brinkley, Douglas. **The Boys of Pointe du Hoc: Ronald Reagan, D-Day and the U.S. Army 2nd Ranger Battalion**
Casey, Susan. **The Devil's Teeth: A True Story of Survival and Obsession Among America's Great White Sharks**
Couch, Dick. **Down Range: Navy SEALs in the War on Terrorism**
Croke, Vicki. **The Panda Hunter: The True Adventures of Ruth Harkness, the First American to Capture China's Most Exotic Animal**
Gallagher, Mike. **Surrounded by Idiots: Fighting Liberal Lunacy in America**
Harris, John F. **The Survivor: Bill Clinton in the White House**
Joachim, David. **The Tailgater's Cookbook**
Leamer, Laurence. **Fantastic: The Life of Arnold Schwarzenegger**
McCullough, David. **1776**
McMurtry, Larry. **The Colonel and Little Missie: Buffalo Bill, Annie Oakley, and the Beginnings of Superstardom in America**
Phillips, Michael. **The Gift of Valor: A War Story**
Trump, Donald. **Trump: The Best Golf Advice I Ever Received**
Wise, James, Jr. **U-505: The Lone Wolf of Chicago's Museum of Science and Industry**

**--FICTION**

Brown, Dale. **Act of War**
Burke, James Lee. **Crusader's Cross**
Child, Lee. **One Shot**
Cussler, Clive. **Polar Shift**
Deaver, Jeffery. **The Twelfth Card: A Lincoln Rhyme Novel**
Delinsky, Barbara. **Looking for Peyton Place**
Evanovich, Janet. **Eleven on Top**
Garwood, Julie. **Slow Burn**
Gerritsen, Tess. **Vanish**
Hooper, Kay. **Chill of Fear**
Howard, Linda. **Killing Time**
Jance, J. A. **Long Time Gone**
Koontz, Dean. **Dean Koontz's Frankenstein: City of Night**
Lowell, Elizabeth. **Always Time To Die**
Maron, Margaret. **Rituals of the Season**
McCall Smith, Alexander. **44 Scotland Street**
McMillan, Terry. **The Interruption of Everything**
Muller, Marcia. **Cape Perdido**
O'Shaughnessy, Perri. **Case of Lies**
Paretsky, Sara. **Fire Sale**
Parker, Robert B. **Appaloosa**
Patterson, James. **Lifeguard**
Quick, Amanda. **Lie By Moonlight**
Reichs, Kathy. **Cross Bones**
Roberts, Nora. **Two of a Kind**
Rowling, J. K. **Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince**
Scottoline, Lisa. **Devil's Corner**

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Summer's here and the heat is upon us. There is also a full schedule of hot summer events at the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL. All events are free of charge but do require registration at 1-800-613-3163*

### Raven Moon
### *A Musical Mixed Bag*
**Tuesday, June 7, 6:30 p.m.**

The real strength behind Raven Moon, an extremely popular band from Columbia, IL, is their variety of material that spans the genres of old-time, bluegrass, Irish, Cajun blues, and even jazz. Christine Peick, founder and band leader, lends her crystal clear vocals to the many styles that Raven Moon performs. They are enormously entertaining when heard in a live performance setting. You will be taken on a musical journey by the band's soloist. The energy put forth will move you to your feet with toe tapping and hand clapping excitement. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, June 11**
**Saturday, July 9**
**Saturday, August 13**
**10:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Carolyn Green
### *Keeping the Memories Alive: Writing for Family*
**Tuesday June 14, Note start time: 6:00 p.m.**

Learn how to keep your family memories alive by journaling and sharing favorite stories. If your kids keep telling you to write it down and you don't know where to start, this is it. Also great for people with aging parents and know the value of sharing memories with future generations. All ages and all levels of writers will be able to pick up some tips and get the encouragement to move forward. Bring along samples of what you have written for a quick show and tell (optional). The class will be led by Carolyn Green who has over 20 years' experience in writing for public relations and freelance writing. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Ellebracht
### *Let's Talk, WBGZ 1570, Remote Broadcast*
**Wednesday, June 15, 10:00 a.m.**

Popular radio talk show host Mark Ellebracht will broadcast his show, "Let's Talk", from the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Come out to the Branch and see the mechanics of a live radio show and meet Mark. If you show your library card at the branch (or sign up for one) you will receive a free gift!

### Samantha Gloria and Lance Brown
### *Sing them Blues from the Roots to the Fruits*
**Wednesday, June 15, 7:00 p.m.**

Note. This program is jointly presented by The Hayner Public Library District and the North Alton/Godfrey Business Council. It will be held outside at Glazebrook Park, Godfrey, IL.

This terrific program by the Chicago team of Samantha Gloria and Lance Brown is a journey into the history of the Blues and its influence on the popular music of our day. Tracing the history of the Blues from its earliest African roots to present day in story and song, the duo give a riveting performance that makes you want to learn more. You won't want the music to stop! For all ages; bring your lawn chairs and/or blankets. Soda and popcorn will be available for sale. No alcoholic beverages, please. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

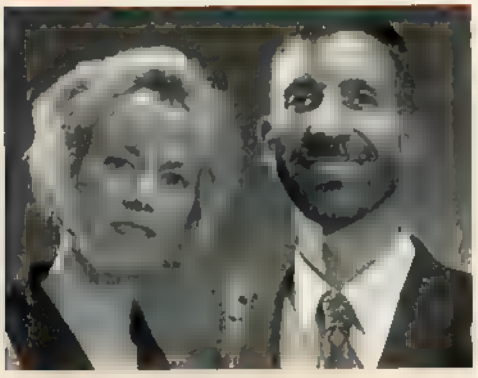
### Derek Evans
### *Theodore Roosevelt: The Most American American Who Ever Lived!*
**Tuesday, June 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Meet Theodore Roosevelt, live and in person through the talents of veteran actor Derek Evans. Traveling through his days as a soldier, conservationist, athlete, philosopher, adventurer, Nobel Prize winner, scholar, teacher, visionary, father and 26th President of the United States, the exciting personal and public life of TR comes to life with amazing clarity and surprising present-day similarities. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Chris Everett
### *Mother Goose and Friends*
**Monday, June 27, 6:30 p.m.**

Meet Mother Goose as you've never known her. Storyteller, singer and artist presents a program of 'fractured Mother Goose' (remember Fractured Fairy Tales?) that will absolutely have you rolling in the aisles. You'll be amazed how many songs and rhymes you'll remember but you've never heard them with Chris' imaginative (somewhat irreverent) interpretation. Enjoy an evening of hilarious story and song. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner



## Doubleplay- Amy Ridings and Patrick Scianella

### *Fanfares and Fantasy*

**Wednesday, July 13, 6:30 p.m.**

Doubleplay, the world's only professional flute and tuba duo, returns to the Hayner Library with a new program titled "Fanfares and Fantasy". This program, a wonderful combination of Baroque Fantasy and the music of Camelot, will enchant you. This unique duo has toured nationwide and always with Patrick's Seeing Eye dog who will be part of our program. Amy and Patrick are incredible musicians and their unique orchestrations of music blend the unusual pairing of flute and tuba beautifully. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Tamed and Trained Exotic Animals*

**Tuesday July 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Something completely different…
Animal Rentals from Chicago will visit us with a collection of tamed and trained exotic animals to educate and entertain you! You will be able to interact with the animals. They are all handleable and able to be petted and held. This should be great fun. See how brave you are! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Beginning your Genealogy*

**Thursday, July 21, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.**

Join us at the main library downtown for an evening of fun at our roundtable discussion on "Beginning Genealogy". Don't throw out those dusty old treasures! It's time to sort through those old boxes from the attic and we will give you ideas on how to gather clues to begin documenting your family history. This is a great project for the whole family. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## Kathy Schottel

### *Guitar, Songs and Stories*

**Tuesday, July 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Kathy, a featured storyteller at the St. Louis Storytelling Festival, has also been an actor and director. In her upbeat and energetic performance, she intermixes humorous stories from around the world with quirky, comical, obscure songs. Come join us for an evening of laughter, acoustic guitar and sing-a-longs. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mavenettes

### *Looking for Laughter in all the Right Place*

**Tuesday, August 9, 6:30 p.m.**

The Mavenettes, a musical comedy group, are energizing, laugh out loud funny and refreshingly different. The Mavenettes entertain audiences with a variety of humorous songs and parodies, as well as funny stories, all based on their belief that everyday life is filled with humor and that laughter is great therapy. They tackle such topics as jobs, men, stress, household chores, exercise and more. The group's original lyrics are set to many familiar tunes and a few original musical compositions. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Elsie Wasser

### *What's in the Courthouse*

**Thursday, August 18, 6:00 p.m.**

Bring your questions and find out with us. Elsie Wasser of the Madison County Genealogical Society will advise us about courthouse research as the society conducts their regular monthly meeting at our library. This is a great way to learn about this group and all the good things they do.
Call 618-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## Dennis and Iris Price

### *The Songs We Sing*

**Tuesday, August 23, 6:30 p.m.**

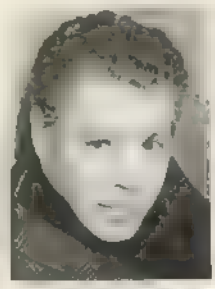
Reverend Dennis Price performs with his wife, Iris, widely throughout southern Illinois. Reverend Price is the pastor at Troy United Methodist Church. The Prices have been singing together since 1970 and used to be part of a singing group called the Kings Kids. In November 2004, the Prices released their first CD featuring Reverend Price on guitar and vocals and his wife singing harmonies. Their program will include 'fun songs' such as Mississippi Squirrel Revival, John Denver compositions and older hymns. Join us for an evening of wonderful music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## David Massengill

### *My Home Must be a Special Place*

**Tuesday, August 30, 6:30 p.m.**

Currently living in New York City, David's speaking voice defiantly gives away his Tennessee roots. He is a critically acclaimed folksinger and songwriter who has performed throughout the U.S. and Canada including Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C. His recent work, *My Home Must be a Special Place*, is a collection of family histories and song, and an affectionate remembrance of his rural southern upbringing. *The New York Times* cited him as "one of the most talented young singer-songwriters of the Village-based circle." *The Halifax Herald* wrote "Massengill gets into the same American tradition or ironic exaggeration and humor that gave rise to Mark Twain and Garrison Keillor." Don't miss this magical evening. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

## SUPERHEROES– POWERED BY BOOKS

Registration for summer reading club and activity programs opens Saturday, June 11th unless otherwise stated. Register in person at the Hayner Youth Library for summer reading club and activity programs or the Hayner Branch Library for the summer reading club, only. We regret we cannot accept registrations by phone. Children under twelve must be registered by a parent or guardian. Teens, ages 12-15, may sign up on their own. Summer reading club registration closes Saturday, July 16th. Registration for activity programs closes when all available places are filled. All programs at the library are provided free of charge. Due to space limits only residents or cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District may attend summer activity programs at the library.

Kids from birth through fifteen are invited to participate in the **Superheroes—Powered By Books** Summer Reading Club at Hayner Public Library this summer. Pre-readers may participate if an adult agrees to read to them.

Participants agree to read at least six hours to complete the program and win a free paperback book of their choice. Time sheets must be returned to the Youth Library no later than Saturday, July 30th, in order to qualify. There are additional prizes for those who read 12, 18, 24, and 30 hours. Those who read 30 hours or more are listed on the Wall of Fame display at the Youth Library all summer.

Award books and other prizes will be distributed at the End of Summer Party on Thursday, August 4th from 6-8 p.m. at the The Commons Building at Lewis & Clark Community College. If you cannot attend the party you can pick up your award book at the Youth Library any time between August 5th and August 31st.

Summer schools and other community agencies can participate as outreach sites for the summer reading club. Please call Gloria Mitchell at 462-0652 for more information.

To register for activity programs children must be age specified by June 1, 2005. No programs meet the week of July 3rd thru July 10th. The library will be closed July 4th.

**Lapsit Story Times**
Ages birth-2 years. Group meets Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 7, 21, and July 19. Registration limited to 25 children.

**Preschool Story Times**
Ages 3-5. One group meets Mondays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library; one group meets Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates are June 13/14, June 27/28, July 11/12 and July 25/26. Registration is limited to 25 children at both locations.

**Evening Story Times**
Ages 2-5 accompanied by an adult. Group meets Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 7, 21, and July 19. Registration limited to 25 children.

**Summertime Crafts**
Ages 6-11. Adults invited to assist. Group meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 22, July 13, and 27th. Group meets Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Alton Square Branch Library. Meeting dates are June 15, 29, and July 20. Registration limited to 20 children at both locations.

**Read-n-Rant Book Discussion Group For Teens**
Ages 12-15. We will read and discuss various books chosen from recommended reading lists. Group meets Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Youth Library. Meeting dates are June 18 and July 2. Registration limited to 10 children.

**Reading Rockets**
Ages 8-12. A book discussion group. Group meets Mondays at 4:30 p.m. at the Hayner Branch. Meeting dates are June 13 and July 11.

**J.D. Junior Volunteer Program**
Ages 12-15. Volunteers work at the Youth Library one day per week from June 13 through July 29. They will not work the week of July 3-July 9. All volunteers are required to attend the end of summer party on Aug. 4th.

### *Added Features:*

**June 15th** - Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. WBGZ will visit the Branch Division of Hayner.
**August 4th** - Thursday, 7:00 p.m. Mr. Victor Pacini will perform at the End of Summer Party.

### *Special Events:*

These performances will be held at the Youth Library. All ages. No registration required.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

Saturday, June 11
Saturday, July 9
Saturday, August 13
10:00 – 11:00 a.m

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**June 13th** - Monday 10:00 a.m. Victor Pacini an inspirational super heroes performer.
**June 21st** - Tuesday 10:00 a.m. DePriest Puppets will perform Sleeping Beauty.
**June 27th** - Monday 10:00 a.m. Chris Everett will entertain us with a "Mother Goose and Friends" theme.
**July 11th** - Monday 10:00 a.m. Troy Roark will perform juggling acts.
**July 19th** - Tuesday 10:00 a.m. Laughing Matters a husband and wife comedy show.
**July 25th** - Monday 10:00 a.m. Trebor Promotions performing magic acts.
**July 27th** - Wednesday 4:00 p.m. Richard Landry master magician.

These performances will be held at the Alton Square Branch Library. All ages. No registration required.
**June 15th** - Wednesday 10:00 a.m. Jeff Weigel an author who wrote "*Atomic Ace (He's Just My Dad)*".
**June 28th** - Tuesday 10:00 a.m. Chris Everett has another Mother Goose and Friends performance.
**July 12th** - Tuesday 10:00 a.m. Troy Roark, our famous juggler, returns.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Events at OASIS Alton Center

*The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held. The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall- follow the hallway to the right of Famous Barr Customer Service. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163*

### *Family Game Night*

**June 20, July 18, August 16 - 6:30 p.m.**

Come join the family fun at OASIS! One night each month during the summer, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own favorite game. Have fun playing with members of your family, or play with some other great library patrons! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Meet the Author: Holly Cleeland*

**June 22, 12:00 noon**

*Note: this program will be held in the court outside of Famous Barr, lower level*

The Hayner Branch Library is excited to welcome Holly Cleeland, author of the book "Glue and Go Costumes for Kids". Holly is a nationally known author whose work has been featured on HGTV's "The Carol Duval Show" and "The Rosie O'Donnell Show". Watch as Holly creates great costumes for children using household items, right before your very eyes. Several lucky children will also win the costumes Holly makes that day! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Let's Go to the Movies!*

**June 6 - Noon**
**July 13, 14, and 15 - 10:30 a.m.**
**August 15 - Noon**

Now playing at OASIS - We would like to invite you to join us for a viewing of three great movies from the Hayner Library collection. Each movie/documentary is sure to entertain patrons of all ages. We will travel to the wilds of Alaska in our first documentary, re-live the Revolutionary War in our second documentary, and figure out "who done it" in our last movie. Refreshments will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Alton: Its History and Hauntings*
### Gary Hawkins

**June 23, 7:00 p.m.**

Have you ever wondered exactly what a ghost is? Have you ever wondered if they can be found in Alton? If so, join us for a "spooktacular" evening of ghostly entertainment, when paranormal investigator Gary Hawkins comes to OASIS as sponsored by Hayner Branch Library. Gary, whoholds doctorial degrees in Philosophy and Divinity, has been a paranormal investigator since 1996 and also gives tours of haunted sites in Alton. You will learn what a ghost is and is not and where in Alton they can be found. This is a great program for anyone interested in ghosts or local history. Gary will also have his book "Ghosts: Investigating the Other Side of Life" available at the program. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Underground Railroad*
### Eric Robinson

**August 11 - 7:00 p.m.**

History Instructor, Eric Robinson, will share his extensive research into the history of the Underground Railroad. He will discuss the Railroad's existence in our own Riverbend area and also how its history came to be passed on. Step back in time and relive this frightening yet often inspirational experience. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

*All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.*

***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

## *Another Wonderful Donation and a Special Event!*

Saints Peter and Paul Church, the "Old Cathedral," has presented The Hayner Public Library District with two copies of the book, *One Hundred and Fifty Years of Salvation of Souls* in commemoration of the church's Sesquicentennial year in 2005. The book is a collaboration between Father Robert Heinz, Bob St. Peters, Jim Ryan, Patti Kruegel and David Stafford with special thanks for contributions by Charlotte Stetson of *The Telegraph* and Sister Susan Karina Dickey, Archivist and Historian for the Springfield Diocese. The book is a wonderful compilation, through words and pictures, of the history of the church and the many Altonians who were members of the church and/or students of the Cathedral School, over the years. The book is available in the Illinois Room in the Main Library.

The book is also available for purchase during the Sesquicentennial Celebration on June 26th of this year ($10.00/copy). The Anniversary Celebration begins at the Church, 717 State Street, at 11 a.m. with a special mass concelebrated with Bishop Lucas of the Springfield diocese, followed by tours of the church, including the tombs of the Bishops, from 12 noon until 4 p.m. There will be a display of the artifacts and relics used in the traditional rites and ceremonies in the Sloan Room (in the basement of the church) as well as a scrapbook of photos from the past. This is an exciting opportunity to learn more about one of the most historical churches in the state, and perhaps in the Midwest. Please join us as we celebrate this 150th birthday on June 26.

## 2005 Hayner Adult Summer Reading Program June 11 – July 23

Reading programs aren't just for kids! Our Adult Winter Reading Program was such a success with patrons that we'd like to continue the fun with a 2005 Adult Summer Reading Program. While the kids enjoy their reading theme, "Superheroes…Powered By Books," adults can check out some super reads of their own and earn chances for our grand prize drawings. From June 11th to July 23rd, for every book or audio book you read, you can enter a drawing to win a gift basket stuffed with goodies. Thanks to the generosity of private funding, we'll have a grand prize gift basket at each of our three Hayner branches, including the Youth Library. The baskets will be on display at all three branches throughout the program. Every time you finish a book or audio book, fill out a form and drop it in an entry box by one of the baskets. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! Even the rules are easy: you must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening material must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; register at any Hayner circulation desk to participate and pick up entry forms. Grand prize drawings for these great baskets will be held on Saturday, July 23rd. Basket winners from Hayner's winter reading program were: Frederica Moore, Paula Arnold, Carol Simcox and Dale Eisenreich. Come on and enter…maybe you'll be as lucky!

## Great Summer Reading Programs in Store!!

The theme for this summer's 2005 reading program at Hayner Youth Library is called "Superheroes—Powered by Books." It begins June 11th and ends August 4th at the Hayner Library. Any child from birth – 15 years old may participate in this program. If you love to read, this is the program for you. To register for the reading program, the dates are Saturday, June 11th – Saturday, July 16th.

During our reading program, the Youth Library will be giving away all kinds of nice incentive prizes to keep the children interested in reading. If you want to keep those reading skills sharp for the upcoming school year, then this is the way to do it. Bow-wow Pow-wow meetings will continue every second Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Hayner Youth Library. During the Pow-wows, children strengthen their reading skills and vocabularies reading to certified therapy dogs. This is another fun and proven way to ensure your child maintains strong reading skills through the busy summer months. Along with the reading programs, any resident of Alton, Godfrey and Foster townships or non-resident cardholders of The Hayner Public Library District can join the extra activities, like story times, crafts, and a Read 'n Rant book discussion group.

Hayner Youth Library will also be hosting wonderful performers; authors, storytellers, puppeteers, a juggler, and a magician.

Anyone and everyone can attend these performances, no registration required.

We also welcome the public on the morning of June 15th at 10:00 a.m. when WBGZ will be broadcasting the "Let's Talk" radio show from the Hayner Branch Library. During the broadcast, come to the branch and show your Hayner Library card (or sign up for a card) and receive a special free gift.

To top it all off, there will be a grand End of Summer Party at the Commons on the campus of the Lewis & Clark Community College where awards and prizes will be given away, recognizing reading achievements of those who participated in the "Superheroes" reading program. The date for the party is Thursday from 6:00-8:00 p.m., on August 4, 2005. During this event, we have a very inspirational program planned. The Superhero in You by Victor Pacini will show us how we all can become superheroes. Come join all the fun sponsored by the Library District and have a great reading summer! Special performances and the End of Summer Reading party are all funded through private endowment.

## Family Friendly Summer Fun

The Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau is a good friend to the Hayner Public Library, often steering visitors and tourists to the library to check out the beautiful architecture of the Youth Library or research our area history in the Main Library's Illinois Room. Many of the events promoted by the CVB can be complimented by resources from the Library. Stop by the farmer's market every Sat. June through October and load up on fresh fruit and vegetables. Then, stop at the library to check out cookbooks or perhaps books on canning and preserving. The Two Rivers Family Fishing Fair is held at Pere Marquette State Park on June 11. The event includes a trout pond, seminars on fishing and water safety, make a cane pole, prizes and more. And guess what? If you want to bring your own fishing pole, you can check one out at the Hayner Youth Library.

Another great family event is the Great Rivers Towboat Festival on June 25 and 26. You can experience life on the Mississippi with free tours of working towboats on the Mississippi. Enjoy a Cajun crawfish and shrimp boil, live music, rope throwing contests, the art of the Mississippi and much more.

A new addition to summer activities is the "R" Pizza farm on 25873 State Hwy. 3 in Dow, IL. Here you can see the only farm in the Midwest where pizza is grown. Take a tour of this 2-acre farm in the shape of one of America's favorite foods...pizza! Each slice of the pizza represents a different ingredient, which is organically grown on the farm. Herbs, tomatoes, wheat, pigs…it's all part of the pie and the tour educating young and old alike on the importance of agriculture. Following the tour, indulge in a slice of fresh hot pizza made from ingredients grown on the farm. The farm is open April through October and does require advanced reservations at 618-466-5950. Then stop by the library for some gardening books to start your own pizza farm!

These are just a few of the many family fun activities available in the Riverbend this summer. For more activities and information, be sure to stop by the Convention and Visitors Bureau in downtown Alton, or call the CVB at 465-0491.

## Patron Profile – Joe Benoit

Meeting Joe Benoit in his beautiful Alton home was such a treat. After years of international travel for his job as well as personal pleasure, his home is a showcase for the artwork and mementos he has collected from many different countries.

An Alton native, Joe attended Sts. Peter and Paul school and graduated from SIUE with a degree in English. Following college, Joe served a three-year term in the Army during which he was based in the Panama Canal Zone. Upon release from the Army, Joe headed north to Chicago for a stint at the Art Institute. Joe is a remarkably talented artist. As a child he studied art at the Ursuline Convent and hanging on the wall of his house are three oil paintings of great ships that he painted as a little boy. They are incredibly accomplished – one would never guess they were the work of a child.

In Chicago, Joe recalls wonderful times exploring the city and living and working with other artists. However, one day, he had an epiphany of sorts and decided he didn't want to be a starving artist anymore - it was time to find a job. He walked into the first employment agency he came to and was immediately sent to an interview with First National Bank of Chicago (which now, after several mergers, is J. P. Morgan Chase Bank). That very afternoon, Joe was offered a job that would be the start of a 30 year career with the bank. Starting as an entry-level clerk in the International Department of the bank, Joe quickly moved forward in his career. Ultimately he was named Vice President of Human Resources for the International Department- a Department of 3000 people. His job responsibilities included visiting international bank locations around the world facilitating management staffing, placement and training. These trips would take him out of the country approximately three months out of the year traveling to Asia, Middle East Africa, South America and all over Europe. He also had the responsibility of courting graduating MBAs from the top U.S. business schools for entry into the International Department. Joe notes that though it sounds glamorous to be traveling all over the world, it was a lot of hard work and long hours- often 12 hour work days. Also, in one month, he routinely traveled to a dozen different countries, often at opposite ends of the continents, which meant many long hours in airports, on planes and dealing with Customs.

One of Joe's favorite destinations included was at a game preserve in Kenya, where animals such as lions, giraffes, elephants and wildebeests would gather at dusk within feet of the guests. The walls of the lodge were 36 inches thick because the elephants would butt them. Joe mentioned Hong Kong as a beautiful, congested city with wonderful people. He visited Bali before it was the vacation mecca it has become today. He recalls the country as a paradise – lush and primitive. On the wall of his living room hangs a large painting of exquisite detail and color depicting a ceremonial Balinese wedding. Joe bought the painting in a Bali marketplace where artisans would sit on the floors of huts first penciling the designs, then painting in magnificent colors and details. Joe traveled to Russia before the Iron Curtain came down. The art and palaces in Saint Petersburg were incredible, he said, and he found the people friendly even though foreigners could not go anywhere alone. You were always accompanied by a Russian guide.

A more harrowing memory was a trip Joe made to Beirut during their war. There was open warfare and fighting in the streets. Joe was at a window in the downtown bank and was called away by a colleague for fear of catching sniper fire.

In 1969, First National Bank decided to open a Branch in Paris. Joe was put in charge of staff hiring and training operations. To accomplish this, he lived in Paris for three years, until 1972. Joe adored Paris. He lived in the city in an apartment off the Champs-Elysee and was completely in his element enjoying the art, architecture and Parisian culture. After Joe returned to live in the States, he continued to make yearly trips back to France, visiting with the many friends he had left behind.

After he retired in 1986, Joe decided to move back to Alton as his only sister lived here. He continued to travel frequently and was often in Chicago attending the Symphony or the Lyric Opera (which he has attended for 45 years).

Today, Joe is an avid library user, his reading preferences leaning toward biographies and history. He walks daily, sometimes as much as five miles. He also volunteers his time to multiple organizations. He has served on a variety of local boards and gives his time working for the Heart Transplant Association of St. Louis. This association provides funds for transplant patients and their families to cover ancillary costs not reimbursed through health insurance. Joe is also a mentor at an Alton Grammar School as part of the Alton School District Mentoring Program. This wonderful program pairs a volunteer with a child who is being raised in a difficult environment.

Talking with the child, sharing activities at the school and providing an emotionally supportive relationship, the mentor helps the child overcome the many challenges he or she may face. This program is designed for the mentor to stay paired with the same child through high school graduation. Joe absolutely beamed as he read a letter written by his student, citing Joe as the student's best friend. It was a delight meeting with Joe- after our chat, I went right back to the library to check out some travel books!

## Senator Haine to Receive Circle of Care Award

Each year Riverbend Head Start & Family Services bestows its Circle of Care Award on an individual who exemplifies the spirit of caring in the community through their profession, volunteerism and philanthropy. This year, the agency will honor Illinois Senator William R. Haine for his caring and compassionate support of the children of Madison County.

From his work with the Hayner Library literacy efforts and ongoing support of the Oasis Women's Center to his commitment while Madison County State's Attorney to develop the Madison County Child Advocacy Center, no matter what era in his life you reflect on, his focus and attention has always been to deliver services and care to children.

The dinner will be held on Thursday, June 16th at Lewis & Clark Community College in The Commons. Cash bar and entertainment begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner being served at 6:30 p.m. Reservations are $60 per person and may be made by calling Judy at 463-5946. Reservation deadline is June 9.

## Happenings at Oasis

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**T'ai Chi for Seniors**
Exercise program for improving balance and flexibility.
Mondays, July 25-August 29, 10.30-11:30
Fee: $36

**Jane Addams, Illinois' Favorite Daughter**
A portrayal of one of the most influential women in Illinois.
Wednesday, June 8, 1:00-2:00
Fee: $5

**Identity Theft**
Learn how to protect your identity from being stolen.
Wednesday, July 13, 10:30-11:30
Free

**A Trip to Highland, IL**
A visit to Palace Theatre, Kaeser Park, Latzer Homestead, Chocolate Affair, Rosemary's Quilt Shop and lunch at House of Plenty are all included in this fun day trip with OASIS.
Thursday, July 28, 9:00-5:30
Fee: $44

## Library and OASIS grow Partnership

OASIS is a community service organizaton offering classes and activities for people 50 years and older. For sometime now The Hayner Public Library District and OASIS have had a partnership of promoting each other's programs and occasionally holding a joint program. We are very excited that this partnership has grown dramatically. Starting this summer, the Hayner Branch Library will increase its offerings of special programs that have been previously limited by lack of branch library space. OASIS facilities include two meeting rooms that they have generously offered to the branch library for programming space. Branch programs will now be highlighted in their own column along with Main and Youth special events calendars. The OASIS meeting rooms are located on the second floor of Famous Barr, down the hall to the right of their customer service area.

## Mark Your Calendar for Two Important September Events

On September 13, at 6:00 p m., SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives), Counselors to America's Small Business will present how they can help you start or grow your small business opportunities. SCORE is a volunteer organization of business people that provides free, confidential business counseling for the small business entrepreneur. The counselors come from a myriad of different business fields, with years of experience in business management. They will help you understand the fundamentals of starting your business, what resources are available to help you and how to best develop business, financial and marketing plans.

This presentation, held in the Hayner Main Library, will demonstrate how SCORE can help you. It will introduce you to SCORE counselors, overview what occurs during your counseling sessions, how to apply for counseling and important documents that you, the client should be familiar with/ prepare for the counseling session. Use the program to network with other small business owners and hear the success stories from others who have used SCORE expertise to successfully grow their business.

This program is free of charge but does require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163. For more information about SCORE, call 618-467-2280.

On September 15, the annual For Women By Women career development seminar will be held at the Alton Holiday Inn. This year's speaker is Edith Varley from the Varley Group. She will present a half-day interactive workshop titled "Business Survival Skills and Beyond" using Emotional Intelligence as a passport to success in life. She will help you understand the building blocks of EI, how to use EI to maximize your performance, enhancing personal effectiveness, team productivity, creativity, leadership skills and organizational achievement. For more information on the conference, contact the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois at 467-2280.

## Connections 2005

The Small Business Council of the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois is sponsoring a trade event, "Connections 2005: A Business to Business Trade Celebration". This event has been organized to showcase the services and opportunities provided to the greater St. Louis area by Growth Association member businesses and organizations. The primary objective is to highlight how the Riverbend business communities are growing and diversifying, offering a unique variety of products, services and easy access to new markets.

On Thursday, September 22, the St. Louis Regional Airport will host the event. Businesses and organizations will have the opportunity to display even their largest products and assets to prospective market buyers/users. The event will accommodate everything from a tabletop booth display to a 737 airliner. It will feature aerial tours of the Riverbend, networking, seminars, business catering displays, keynote speakers, business and political leaders and honored guests. The Growth Association is committed to this event that will demonstrate to the entire St. Louis market area how the Riverbend business community is growing and changing, offering a vast array of products and services. If you are interested in participating in Connections 2005, either with a display booth, or as event sponsor or volunteer, contact Event Chairman Ron Tanner at 618-466-3240 or email ron@sell-itforever.com. For more information, contact Ron or the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois at 618-467-2280.

## Alton Muny Band 2005

The Muny Band is a wonderful tradition in Alton's music scene. Thursday nights, they perform at Riverview Park and the following Sunday they repeat the program at Haskell Park on Henry Street. The program schedule this year is:

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| Strike Up the Band | June 2 &5 |
| Three Centuries of Music | June 9 & 12 |
| Children's Concert | June 16 & 19 |
| A Little of A lot | June 23 &26 |
| Patriotic Concert | June 30 & July 3 |
| Conductor's Choice | July 7 & 10 |
| Under the Big Top | July 14 &17 |
| Water Music | July 21 &24 |
| That's All Folks | July 28 &31 |

**Fifty first graders (from the Mark Twain Elementary School classes of teachers Mrs. Jones and Mr. Wendt) discover the wonder of books during a field trip to the Hayner Branch Library. After listening to stories read by Branch Manager Mary Cordes, they enjoyed the opportunity to make their own selection of books to take back to the classroom. A great time was had by all!**

**Libraries are magical places. There's nothing quite like strolling the hushed aisles, letting your eye rove along dimly lit shelves. Each spine, each title, seems to beckon with a promise of incredible wonders, surprises, and adventures.**

-John Jakes, quoted in *The Book Lover's Cookbook*, S. Wenger and J. Jensen, Random House Publishing Group

## *Cemetery Records*

Hayner Public Library District, in a joint effort with Mr. Perry Curvey and St. Patrick's Cemetery, has placed an inventory of the cemetery in the Illinois Room of the Main Library, for your use. We appreciate all the hard work and time involved in creating this wonderful resource. Many thanks to Mr. Curvey and Mr. Gebben of St. Patrick's Cemetery for their help.


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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, March 27
Memorial Day, May 29 & 30


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## *Friends of the Library*

The Friends of the Library is a group of volunteers who raise funds to benefit The Hayner Public Library District. Recently I met with Sarah Huber and David Strasser to learn more about this wonderful organization. In 1981, Sarah was a Hayner Library Trustee and she was assigned the responsibility to start a Friends group for the district. She and eight other volunteers constituted the first Hayner Library Friends membership. Those volunteers included David Strasser, Pat Renault, Susan Wilkinson, Pat and Bob Childers and Lifetime members Dorothy Kelley, Jean Barton and Marjorie DuVivier.

Sarah, David, Pat and Susan are still working members. Today the Friends membership numbers 48 people who support the organization in varying capacities. Some work one morning each week sorting material donations. Others work staffing the twice yearly book sales and a third group are strictly financial supporters. A Friends financial membership is tiered at $5 for a yearly membership, $50 for a patron membership and $100 for a lifetime membership (of course, any financial donation is always welcome!). Their first book sale, 24 years ago, netted $337, with hardcover books selling at $.25 and paperbacks at $.10. David helped solicit the original book donations by placing ads in the Yard Sale section of local newspaper. The sale was held in the library's garage and after the sale, all the leftover books were packed away and stored for the next sale event. The garage was the Friends point of operation until 1996 when the library district, which had bought the Barrett building at 327 State Street, gave it to the Friends for their use. Sarah recounts that having the Barrett Building to work out of was "heaven" as now they didn't have to keep all the donations boxed up and they could enjoy the luxury of heating and air conditioning!

Today, David and Sarah estimate the Barrett Building is housing between 20,000-30,000 items. As the popularity of the book sales has grown (much through word of mouth) so has the number of donations. Many people donate their books when they are breaking up a house to sell, many also buy books at the sale and then donate them back and of course the library donates the books that no longer circulate. One gentleman donated over 3000 books at one time. Donations can be brought to any library location or David will come to your home to pick them up. The Friends accept everything.

The book sales are held in the spring and fall. Along with the books of all genres (including large print books), the sale offers music, records, videos, cds, and magazines. There is also an extensive collection of National Geographic sorted chronologically for collectors who are looking for missing issues!

The sale starts on a Thursday evening and this is the only time there is an entrance fee ($5). This first evening attracts serious collectors and book dealers from all parts of the Midwest. They come from all over Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, and Wisconsin and of course all the local communities. Before the sale opens there is often a long line of people waiting all the way down State Street. Many bring lawn chairs as they arrive hours before the sale is to start. On Friday, the sale runs from 9 am to 7 pm and Saturday hours are 9 am to 2 pm. On both these days, there is no admission fee. Today, hardcover books sell for $1.00, paperbacks are $.50 and children's books are always $.10, to encourage young readers.

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**FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY (Cont.)**
Other prices include CDs - $1.00, cassettes- $.25, videos- $.50, National Geographic - $.10, Pre-1960 National Geographic- $1.00. One Friend's member was a book dealer in St. Louis and sorts out the specialty books, those that may be rare or out of print, and maintains a separate table for these items. These items will be priced individually but are rarely over $6.00. Sarah also pointed out that during the sales, everything gets put out – nothing gets held back for restocking.

All the money generated by the book sales and Friends membership fees is gifted to The Hayner Public Library District. The Friends like the gifts to be items the public can all enjoy. Examples include computers, windows during Youth Library renovation, wall clocks, artwork, a colorful area rug for the youth library and much more.

David and Sarah both had many interesting anecdotes of sales past. Sarah remembers that in the early years of the sale, the first item to sell out was cookbooks- they literally flew off the shelves. However, for the last 3-4 years, the cookbooks are just piling up. Sarah conjectures the change to be the result of people using the internet for recipes as well as the fact that people do not have the time or inclination to cook as much as they used to.

Similarly, encyclopedias used to sell quickly regardless of publication date. Today, they rarely move, again the result of internet usage. Whole sets are available any time of the year for $5. If you are interested in a set, contact David Strasser.

David remembers a father who attended every sale from year one with his two young sons. Now the sons come every year with their own children. He also remembers an elderly lady of 80 plus who he offered to help. She replied "Oh no, I can't talk to you," and then turned to a female Friend volunteer asking "Honey, where are your romances?"

Sarah and David both noted that they have known people who buy books with no intention of reading them- they just want them to decorate their bookshelves. One photographer bought nine sets of encyclopedias to use as a backdrop in a photo shoot.

Sarah and David both strongly emphasized how much fun it is to work with the Friend's groups. The members are all like-minded community people who share a love of books and reading. It's a loose group that shares fun and friendship. The annual Friends Christmas party is a holiday highlight. New members are always welcome – in any capacity

Truly, the Friends provide a wonderful service for the library as well as the entire community. Booklovers especially appreciate the services of the Friends because we all know the one thing a booklover absolutely positively cannot do…throw out a book!!! Now, when the stacks at home get too high, we just call our 'Friends'.

To contact the Friends for book pickup or for more information call either the Main Library (462-0651) or the Branch Library (463-1276).

## *Friendly Furry Fun*

In the book *"The Healing Power of Pets"**, author Dr. Marty Becker writes "Robert Poresky, human development and family studies professor at Kansas State University, questioned eighty-eight preschool children and their families from five Midwestern daycare centers to establish how having pets influenced the development of young children. Children from families who owned pets, he found, scored higher in cognitive, social and motor development." He continues "Beyond the pure sensory stimulus animals provide, the other gift a well-domesticated pet brings to young children is an enhanced sense of security…we develop a positive sense of self from interactions that make us feel recognized, accepted and admired." What, you don't have the time or room for a pet? Well, come to the Bow-wow Pow-wow, held the second Saturday of every month. We bring certified therapy dogs to the Youth Library for kids to play with and read to. We provide a lot of books to choose from, there are all kinds of dogs, you provide the kids and the fun and learning begins. Kids are relaxed with the dogs and have a great time while developing strong reading skills. We start at 10:00 am and all ages are welcome. Our spring sessions will be held March 12, April 9 and May 14. Please register at 1-800-613-3163 or for questions, call 462-0677.

***We even celebrate birthdays at the Bow-wow Pow-wow.***

*Hyperion Press, 2002

## Genealogy News and Events

**Patricia Marton** will be our featured speaker on April 19, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library Reading Room downtown. Patricia will introduce methods and techniques of oral history and oral history interviews. She has lectured across the country and will share her ideas to help us get started with our family history. Examples of the work by previous participants in her workshops will be shown via slides and table displays. This is a great way to begin your genealogy research. Bring along your questions and ideas. Funding for this program is provided by the Illinois Humanities Council. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

**New Resources available for Illinois Room researchers:**

- CD on the history of the Western Military Academy for viewing at the library
  Photos, history, and more
- Index to Griffith's Valuation of Ireland, 1848-1864
  A record of individuals who occupied property in Ireland
- Index to St. Louis, Missouri marriages 1804-1876
  (4 volume set)
- International Land Records: Tithe Applotment Books, 1823-1838
  A census substitute for pre-famine Ireland
- A History of the Pioneer Families of Missouri
- St. Patrick's Cemetery, Godfrey (inventory)
- 1880 Census of Madison County, Illinois
- Federal Land Series
- Kentucky Pioneer and Court Records
- Early Kentucky Tax Records
- Missouri Marriages before 1840
- Indian Wills, 1911-1921 Book One
- Rynders Family Selected Histories – Thank you Rynders Family!

Thanks to Linda Nevlin, Executive Director of the Monticello College Foundation, we received a large number of older **Monticello College Yearbooks** for our Illinois Room collection. We are so happy to have yearbooks for the school so important in Godfrey's history. Linda also provided us with a copy of the Benjamin Godfrey genealogy for our Illinois Room. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**COMING SOON:**

- Old Plat maps of Madison, Macoupin, Jersey and St. Clair Counties on CD
- Records from the Upper Alton Woman's Club

## Hayner has Great Resources for Parents, Teachers and Home Schoolers

The Hayner Youth Library has a wonderful collection of materials to help parents and teachers alike. Housed in the stacks on Parent-Teacher shelves, find information on learning-related projects, activities and crafts, increasing reading skills, home schooling guides, parenting guides, health issues, and school subjects such as math, science, phonics and much more.

Also, the Youth Library will prepare Teacher Book Boxes to help supplement your curriculum materials. Just call the Youth Library (462-0652) or stop by to fill out a brief request form. The request form asks for basic information (school, teacher name, phone, subject needed, date needed, grade level, etc.) and library staff will gather print and/or non print materials on the subject requested. The teacher will need a Hayner Library card to check the materials out. The Teacher Book Boxes can be checked out for up to six weeks. This is a great way to supplement your classroom activities! Home Schoolers are certainly welcome to take advantage of this program also.

At the Branch Library at Alton Square Mall, they have built a terrific collection of over 100 new educational/teaching videos that include a huge variety of subjects for all grade levels k-12. Topics range from the American Revolution to the Great Empires, atoms and molecules, Ancient Civilization, the planets, geometry, math, biology, chemistry, grammar, earth science, religions, U.S. Government, math and many, many more subjects. These are a great way to supplement school classes and projects. The videos are also a great tool to be incorporated into lesson plans for home schoolers.

## Calling all Home Schoolers!

In April, the Branch Library at Alton Square Mall is going to decorate a display window highlighting home schooling activities. We want to invite home schoolers (educators and students alike) to contribute materials for the window display. Items could include projects you've done, papers you've written, photos of schooling activities or field trips- anything you think would be fun or meaningful to highlight the home schooling experience. All items will be returned. Please bring them to the Branch Library by March 30. This is a great opportunity to show off your successes and achievements with your home schooling experience.

## A Rule of Thumb

"The best trick I ever found for helping children choose books that won't be too frustrating is the "Rule of Thumb." Have a child choose a page in the middle of the book with a lot of text and make a fist. Explain to the child to "read the page silently and if you come to a word you don't know and can't guess, put out your thumb. If you reach the end of the page and between three and five (fingers) are up, that means the book will be a challenge." The child can decide if they are motivated enough to try to read it anyway (you can offer help), or they can choose to save it for the future. A pleasure read should have 0 – 2 fingers up.

Adapted from *How to Get Your Child to Love Reading* by Esme Raji Codell
Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill, 2003

This seems like a great technique to help your child pick out reading material that will not overwhelm him and consequently diminish his interest in reading. Ms. Esme states that it was one of her great rewards working as a librarian, teaching this technique to classes and then watching children check out books themselves.

## Thank you for Generous Patron Donations

Alton Township Supervisor Don Huber is a frequent visitor to the library. We are grateful for the terrific amount of local and civil war history he researches and preserves- and gives back to our community in so many different ways. Recently, Don has made a contribution to the Library District which has generated much interest. It is a large glassed-in aerial photograph of Alton circa 1953/1954. On the sides of the photo are the names and addresses of the numerous businesses active at the time. Next to the business name is a button. The map is backlit so when you press the button, the corresponding location of the business on the map lights up. Don explained that this map was housed in the lobby of the Stratford. During the early '50s when Alton was thriving industrially, many salesmen would come to town to sell to the different industries and they would stay at the Stratford. In the manner of "you are here" diagrams you see at malls today, the Stratford's location on the map was always lit and you could light up the business you wanted to visit to determine your best travel routes…like an early MAPQUEST! It's really fun to study the map, identify different businesses and landmarks and to see how downtown has developed and changed over the years. The map is located in the Hayner Main Library on 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Morrissey, faithful supporters of The Hayner Public Library District, have generously donated a book that is a stunningly beautiful addition to our local history collection in the Illinois Room. It is titled *Bernard Maybeck at Principia College The Art and Craft of Building* by Robert M. Craig. Maybeck was the California architect who was granted the Principia College commission in 1923 to design the master plan for this institute of higher learning. He created a grand vision for the college, believing that the physical environment has an important impact on the human condition. The book provides a comprehensive analysis of the architectural process, as well as a study of the glorious finished product. History of Elsah and the surrounding Mississippi Valley area are also part of the Maybeck story. Take a look at this beautifully illustrated book and marvel at the incredible design and innovation of Principia College, now recognized as a National Historic Landmark by the Department of the Interior.

## Spread the Word(s)!

Have you read a really good book lately that you think someone else might enjoy? Have you discovered an author you can't wait to tell other people about? Or do you simply have a favorite author you think people would like? If so, stop by the Hayner Library and share your idea in our new "Patron's Picks" book. The library has decided to offer another layer of reader's advisory by providing a place for patrons to write down their favorite books and authors for other patrons to try. And to make it convenient for everyone, we have divided it into genres. The book will be available at the Circulation Desk of the Branch and Main Libraries. So the next time you are thinking "what should I read next?" head out to the Branch Library and take a look. Someone in the area may have read just what you are looking for!

## Going Graphic

Recently, due to the generous contribution from a private endowment, the Branch Library has been chartered with the responsibility, and now capability, to develop a graphic novel collection base. Graphic novels are books patterned on a comic book format- character drawings that use dialogue bubbles to convey a story line. These novels range from high adventure, action and science fiction to the classics – literally any genre you might find in 'traditional' print. The illustrations are generally high-quality and may be colored or black and white. The novels themselves range from hard cover to soft cover trade paperbacks. The popularity of graphic novels has been growing dramatically the last few years, primarily with teens. Studies have shown that reading graphic novels has increased teen interest in reading, which of course is a critical library objective. A broad spectrum of titles has been carefully reviewed and selected by library staff. Of the 57 titles selected, most are currently in house. This collection will be housed at the Branch Library at Alton Square Mall.

## Share a Library Memory

So many of us were fortunate to grow up knowing the joys of that weekly trip to the library. Many of us have spent hours in the library browsing, reading or visiting with a favorite librarian. How lucky the child who learned that a visit to the library with a parent, sibling or friend was a special treat and bonding time. Libraries with their beautiful architecture and stacks of books to get lost in can provide a calm respite from the noise and hubbub of daily life. Do you have a special library memory? It might just be the wonderful smell that emanates from an older building filled with pages. Or the golden light pouring through library windows on a crisp fall day. Maybe it was a thrill of reading every single Nancy Drew, discovering the high seas adventure of books like Captain Blood or Horatio Hornblower, or the serenity of a reading room where the only sound is the turning of pages while you read and study. Why don't you share some of these special memories with us? We would love to include them in future newsletters. We would love to hear from folks that grew up right here in the Riverbend as well as those who experienced libraries outside our community. So please write a few sentences and drop at any Hayner library location, attention: "Memories". Please be sure to include your name and phone number, although, upon your request, we will omit that information in the newsletter. If you require further information or have any questions, call 462-0677.

There's Something For Everyone At The Library!

# *Staff Picks—What We're Reading*

**They Made America (From the Steam Engine to the Search Engine: Two Centuries of Innovators)** by Harold Evans. Nonfiction
*They Made America* is a book designed to highlight the stunning achievements of American innovators. Author Harold Evans writes about what he describes as the "adaptive genius" of the American people and the innovations and inventions they created that changed the world forever. This is a book that will satisfy readers on many levels Equal parts biography, science, and history, Evans brings each inventor and their invention to life in rich detail sure to delight readers of all ages. (Readers may also see the book brought to life on PBS.) –Mary C.

**How to Be Lost** by Amanda Eyre Ward. Fiction
After five-year-old Ellie disappears on the day she and her two older sisters were to run away from home, an already disintegrating family further falls apart. Now fifteen years later, her oldest sister Caroline, living with self-imposed guilt, thinks she has seen Ellie through one of her "Ellie sightings," and sets off to find her long-lost sister. *How to Be Lost* is a compelling page turner, driven by the need for lost lives to be found. –Jean S.

**A Clean Slate** by Laura Caldwell. Fiction
Kelly McGraw can't remember the last five months of her life. She soon finds out that in those five months, she has been laid off from her job and dumped by her boyfriend. With no job prospects or significant other, Kelly has a clean slate in life. Readers will enjoy Kelly's search to discover what she really wants out of life. This witty and sharp page turner is highly recommended to "chick lit" readers. –Michele K.

**Big Bang: The Origin of the Universe** by Simon Singh. Nonfiction
A Ph D. in particle physics, Singh is also an acclaimed writer who gracefully assembles an engaging and comprehensive narrative. This story is about a centuries-long struggle to "replace. . myth with a respectable and rigorous scientific explanation" of the world we live in and how it came to be. It is about humanity's enduring curiosity, the collective triumphs of science and the men whose vast imaginations have fueled its quest to explain the universe. –Juan F.

**Dear Senator: A Memoir by the Daughter of Strom Thurmond** by Essie Mae Washington-Williams. Nonfiction
*Dear Senator* is an unapologetic reflection of the relationship between a racist senator and his illegitimate biracial daughter, Essie Mae Washington-Williams. The news that Sen. Strom Thurmond fathered a biracial daughter echoed in the ears of those who believed his white supremacy rhetoric. This book takes you into the racially charged world of Essie Mae's youth and the pain of having a father who acknowledged her existence but could not claim her as his daughter. It also addresses her confusion over the contradictory public and private life her father led. Though *Dear Senator* raises questions of forbidden love, social norms, and racial acceptance, it is Essie Mae's triumph over the secrecy of her past that leaves the most lasting impression. –Cherilyn P.

**Postcards from the Boys** by Ringo Starr. Nonfiction
Whether or not you are a Beatles fan, everyone will enjoy this book. A collection of postcards from "the boys" (John, Paul and George) to Ringo is showcased in this beautiful coffee table book. Ringo writes his own recollections about what was going on within his own life and that of his band mates at the time the postcards were sent. Ringo, himself, dispels many myths surrounding the band after its dissolution. Most of the postcards are irreverent and funny. Who knew the Beatles could be so quirky?!–Bethany S.

**If Grace Is True** by Philip Gulley. Nonfiction
The premise of this book is that God will save every person. The authors believe salvation does not follow a formula which gives one a ticket into heaven and leaves all others doomed, as taught in many churches. Instead they believe that God's love of every person is without boundaries and has never been limited by any formula. The authors use scriptures from the bible and the actions of Jesus to explain their theology. They believe God is an energy which is love and that this love is the greatest force of all creation. –Lona F.

**London Bridges** by James Patterson. Fiction
If you like detective mysteries, you will love this book. Alex Cross is hard at work on another case in this James Patterson series. If you like books that are full of suspense and are hard to put down, this book is for you. –Shannon B.

## NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

### -- NONFICTION

Brady, James. **The Scariest Place in the World**
Dole, Bob. **One Soldier's Story**
Eig, Jonathan. **Luckiest Man: The Life and Death of Lou Gehrig**
Fleischer, Ari. **Taking Heat: The President, The Press, and My Years in the White House**
Kelly, Linda Armstrong. **No Mountain High Enough: Raising Lance, Raising Me**
Lamott, Anne. **Plan B: Further Thoughts on Faith**
Northrup, Christiane. **Mother-daughter Wisdom: Creating a Legacy of Physical and Emotional Health**
Orman, Suze. **The Money Book for the Young, Fabulous & Broke**
Quindlen, Anna. **Being Perfect**
Seaver, Tom. **The Old Ballgame: The Greatest Memories of Baseball's Greats**
Somers, Suzanne. **Suzanne Somers' Slim & Sexy Forever: The Hormone Solution**
Wilder, Gene. **Kiss Me Like a Stranger: My Search for Love and Art**

### -- FICTION

Barr, Nevada. **Hard Truth**
Berg, Elizabeth. **The Year of Pleasures**
Block, Lawrence. **All the Flowers Are Dying**
Clark, Mary Higgins. **No Place Like Home**
Connelly, Michael. **The Closers**
Garwood, Julie. **Slow Burn**
George, Elizabeth. **With No One As Witness**
Hoffman, Alice. **The Ice Queen**
Johansen, Iris. **Countdown**
Kidd, Sue Monk. **The Mermaid Chair**
LaHaye, Tim. **The Rising: Antichrist Is Born Before They Were Left Behind**
Margolin, Phillip. **Lost Lake**
McCall Smith, Alexander. **In the Company of Cheerful Ladies**
McEwan, Ian. **Saturday**
Miller, Sue. **Lost In the Forest**
Mitchard, Jacquelyn. **The Breakdown Lane**
Parker, Robert B. **Cold Service**
Pelecanos, George. **Drama City**
Perry, Anne. **Long Spoon Lane**
Peters, Elizabeth. **The Serpent On the Crown**
Picoult, Jodi. **Vanishing Acts**
Rosenberg, Nancy Taylor. **Sullivan's Justice**
Ross, Ann B. **Miss Julia's School of Beauty**
Steel, Danielle. **Impossible**
Woods, Stuart. **Two-dollar Bill**

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Our Springtime Program semester is filled with all kinds of new and exciting events. We hope you can join us for all of them! All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton IL.*

### Dr. David Cornell
### *Piano Recital*
**Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 pm**

Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Illinois

Pianist Dr. David Cornell has performed a variety of recitals at Principia College and in many cities around the U.S. and Europe, as well as in Zimbabwe. In 2000, Dr. Cornell was invited to participate in the second Van Cliburn International Competition for Outstanding Amateurs. In this return performance, his program will include Beethoven's Sonata, Op. 31, No. 3, Nocturnes by Chopin and Jazz-Gospel Settings for Piano as arranged by Michael Hassell. This is an extraordinary opportunity to enjoy such an accomplished performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*
**Saturday, March 12**
**Saturday, April 9**
**Saturday, May 14**
**10:00 – 11:00 am**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Nancy Lippincott and Ben Schreiber
### *Traditional Strings*
**Tuesday, March 15, 6:30 pm**

Nancy Lippincott is a popular local vocalist who plays guitar, autoharp, mandolin and hammered dulcimer. She enjoys exposing audiences to traditional music that is seldom heard these days. Her repertoire includes Celtic music, early country, American folk, blues, swing and gospel. She has performed extensively throughout the area, including the International Folk Festival, where she performed music from the Appalachian and Irish traditions. For this program, Nancy will be joined by Ben Schreiber, an incredibly accomplished 15-year-old fiddle and banjo player. Don't miss this event, which will include something for everyone! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Amy Cloud
### *Community Supported Garden*
**Tuesday, March 22, 6:30 pm**

La Vista Community Supported Garden is actually an organic farm supported through the partnership of our local communities, farmers and the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. The farm is located on the scenic property of the Oblates in Godfrey, Illinois and the project was initiated by Father Maurice Lange in 2002. The farm is now in its third season of growing fresh, organic fruits and vegetables for 140 families in our area. This presentation will focus on the benefits of organic, locally grown food and the need to preserve the small family farm, as well as the mission of the farm to provide healthy produce to those who are in need. La Vista CSG is a non-profit, volunteer-supported organization. Come hear how you can be involved in this unique and rewarding project. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Folkhead
### *Acoustic Folk*
**Tuesday, March 29, 6:30pm**

Folkhead is a five piece acoustic group based in Alton. Matt Taul leads the group on vocals and acoustic guitar. On the twelve-string guitar and backup vocals is Mike Youngberg. Jennifer Hayden is on fiddle, Tim Bramstedt on mandolin and Adam Peipert on the banjo.

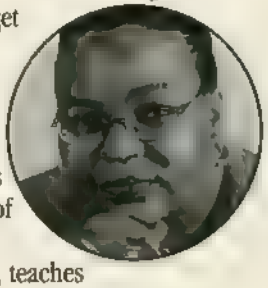
Together they play a blend of original compositions, traditional folk songs, real country and Americana. The music of Townes, Van Zandt, Hank Williams, John Hartford, Willie Nelson and a host of others find their way into a Folkhead performance. This is an extremely popular group you must experience! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Sweet Sounds Sounds of Spring*
**Thursday April 7, 6:30 pm**

A musical choral group of seniors will perform a program of gospel music as well as many of our old favorites. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Nancy Tolson
### *There Will Be Storytellers*
**Tuesday, April 12, 6:30 pm**

"Once upon a time, long ago and far away, in a far away land, in a far away time," is to many what a can opener is to a dog or a cat. It is an attraction (get it?). It is the storyteller's voice that lures children and adults away from their daily problems and into the realm of creativity. Our guest artist, Nancy Tolson, teaches storytelling and English at Illinois State University. In this presentation for all ages, Nancy will explain the art and heart of storytelling through lecture, stories and, above all, laughter. This program is funded by a grant from the Illinois Humanities Council. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



### Genealogy Discussion Group
### *Oral Histories*
**Tuesday, April 19, 6:00 pm**

Patricia Marton will be our featured speaker in the Main Library Reading Room. Patricia will introduce methods and techniques of oral history and oral history interviews. She

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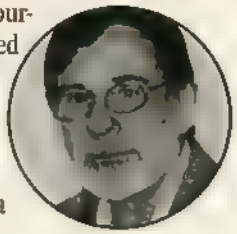
has lectured across the country and will share her ideas to help us get started with our family history. Examples of the work by previous participants in her workshops will be shown via slides and table displays. This is a great way to begin your genealogy research. Bring along your questions and ideas. Funding for this program is provided by the Illinois Humanities Council. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## Riverbend Children's Choir/Limited Edition
### *Sounds of Spring*
**Thursday, April 21, 6:30 pm**
Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey Illinois
This choir, directed by Barbara McHugh of Lewis and Clark Community College, features children ages 8 to 15 years. They will sing popular favorites and some choral classics. Joining the performance will be members of one of our favorite performance groups, Limited Edition. Don't miss this very special event. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

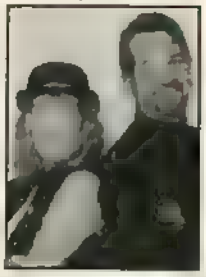
## *Spring Blood Drive*
**Saturday, April 23, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**
**Hayner Main Library**
The Central Illinois Community Blood Center provides blood for several local hospitals. They are a nonprofit organization that, last fall, held a very successful blood drive at the library. Please volunteer and make our spring drive even more successful. There is always a critical need for blood. Donors will receive a gift, cookies and juice. Please register at 1-800-613-3163. We need 25 registered donors to make this drive cost-effective.

## Peter Ellertsen
### *Shape-Note Singing Schools in Frontier Illinois*
**Tuesday, April 26, 6:30 pm**
During the early 1800s, American folk hymns and compositions in four-part harmony flourished in Illinois. Young people gathered to sing from shape-note tune books during the agricultural off-season as a social outlet. The music included songs such as "Amazing Grace" and "On Jordan's Stormy Banks." Pete recreates a nineteenth century singing school and will teach you to read the "fa-sol-la" shapes that constitute shape singing. He will lead the audience in singing a few of the old camp spirituals. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## Nancy Cook Steeper
### *Biography of a Gatekeeper*
**Thursday, May 12, 6:30 pm**
Author Nancy Cook Steeper discusses her book *Dorothy Scarritt McKibbin: Gatekeeper to Los Alamos*. Dorothy McKibbin worked as the "secretary" for the secret Manhattan Project that led to the development of the atomic bomb. In this role, she acted as information center and full-service concierge for the researchers assigned to Los Alamos. Author Steeper will discuss how Dorothy McKibbin not only watched the story of the United State's entrance into the nuclear age unfold from a front-row seat, she also had a role in its making. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Jack and Danette Miller
### *The Frilly & Miller Show*
**Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 pm**
This program is a musical comedy show that has something for everyone. Enjoy flashbacks listening and singing along to music of the '50s and '60s. Of course, every song has a "Frilly & Miller" twist. This show is guaranteed to have you laughing out loud at the zany antics, comedy and high energy music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## Cameron Davis
### *Alton and the Civil War*
**Thursday, May 19, 6:30 pm**
Alton, in the crosshairs of free soil versus slave sentiment and the home of the last Lincoln-Douglas debate, typified a Midwestern town in the late 1850s. In the early 1860s, three brothers – sons of the prominent Davis Family of Alton- enlisted in Alton's 97th Illinois Volunteer Regiment to serve the Union cause. After three years of exhaustive research, Cameron Davis, attorney and Executive Director of the Chicago-based Lake Michigan Federation, and great-great-grandson of one of the Davis brothers, tells the story of the three men during the Civil War, and through them, how Alton desperately anticipated the outcome of one of our nation's most trying conflicts.

## Sandi Sylver
### *"Stories and Songs of Life, Love and Laughter"*
**Tuesday, May 24, 6:30 pm**
Sandi is a storyteller, ventriloquist and songstress. Her program "Stories and Songs of Life, Love and Laughter" is a blending of material that ranges from thought-provoking to hilarious to warm and fuzzy, with songs from the '20s, '30s and '40s as well as contemporary tunes. Sandi includes stories that are incredible but true and you will meet some delightful characters, including Adelia, a southern belle senior citizen who loves to philosophize and wisecrack. Don't miss this wonderful event! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Judy Hoffman
### *God's Portion: Godfrey, Illinois 1817-1865*
**Thursday, May 26, 6:30 pm**
*God's Portion: Godfrey Illinois 1817- 1865* is author Judy Hoffman's story of the making of the town of Godfrey. The Godfrey area was inhabited by diverse and radically different people. A cultural confluence as well as geographic confluence, Godfrey would be home to a remarkable series of tales, adventures, turmoil and clashes. This book details those historical stories, including the compelling tale of cooperation among runaway slaves, free blacks and white abolitionists. There are also tales of commercial empire, abolition, temperance, the education of women and railroad expansion. Don't miss this fascinating discussion of Godfrey's colorful history. Books also will be available for purchase and author signing. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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## Hayner Youth Library

**Preschool Story Time** will be at 10:00 am and be held at the Youth Library every other Monday on March 7 & 21, April 4 & 18 AND May 2 & 16. It will be held at the Branch Library every other Tuesday at 10:00 am on March 8 & 22, April 12 & 26 and May 10 & 24. Preschool Story Time is for children ages 3-5.

**Evening Story Time** begins at 6:30 pm and will be held on Tuesday evenings, March 1, 15 & 29, April 12 & 26 and May 10 & 24 at the Youth Library.

The **Lapsit Program** continues. The Lapsit is designed for children from birth to age two. The program last from 20 to 30 minutes and consists of very easy books and songs. Its purpose is to get children used to the library. We don't expect the children attending this program to sit still for the entire program. The Lapsit begins at 10:00 am. The program is held every other Tuesday at the Youth Library March 1, 15 & 29, April 12 & 26 and May 10 & 24.

The **Reading Rockets Book Club** will be held at the Branch Library on Mondays at 4:00 pm on December 6, January 3 and February 7.

The **Read 'n Rant Book Club** for teens meets on Saturdays at 10:00 am on March 5, April 2 and May 7.

**After School Fun** meets at 3:30 pm in the Hayner Youth Library on Thursday at 4:00 pm for the following activities:

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| March 10 | Wren Houses |
| April 14 | Flower Pot Fun |
| May 12 | Butterfly Seeded Cards |

### *Special Events*

These events are for all ages, no registration required. Call 462-0652 for more information.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday March 12**
**Saturday April 9**
**Saturday May 14**
**10:00 - 11:00 am**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It is a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone!

**Richard Landry- Magician** - Monday, March 7, 10:00 am, Hayner Youth Library

**Easter Egg Hunt** - Wednesday, March 23, 3 pm, We will be joined by the Easter Bunny.

**Nancy Tolson- "There will be Storytellers"** Tuesday, April 12, 6:30 pm, Hayner Main Library

**Leanne Johnson – Storyteller** - Wednesday, April 13, 4:00 pm, Hayner Youth Library

**Trebor Productions – A-1 Clowns** – Thursday, May 19, 4:00 pm, Hayner Youth Library

**Sandy Sylver – Storyteller, Ventriloquist, Songstress** – Wednesday, May 25, 4:00 pm, Hayner Youth Library

## *Choices, Choices and More Choices!*

Along with all the big blockbuster movies, we have hundreds of videos and DVDs covering a wide range of interests.

**3** (DVD-Dale Earnhardt story)
**24. Season 3** (DVD)
**African-American Heroes of World War II** (VHS)
**Arlington: Field of Honor** (DVD)
**Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius** (DVD)
**Colonial House** PBS (VHS)
**Cowboy: The Legend the Legacy** (VHS)
**The Crow** (DVD with Brandon Lee)
**CSI: Crime Scene Investigation: The Complete Fourth Season** (DVD)
**Dancing to New Orleans** (DVD)
**Egypt's Golden Empire** PBS (VHS)
**Elaine Stritch at Liberty** (DVD)
**The Execution of Jesus** (VHS)
**The Five People You Meet in Heaven** (DVD)
**The Golden Girls: The Complete First Season** (DVD)
**Hank Williams: Honky Tonk Blues** (DVD)
**Harold & Kumar Go to White Castle** (DVD)
**Harvie Krumpet** (DVD-best animated short film 2004 Academy Awards)
**H.H. Holmes: America's First Serial Killer** (DVD-think Devil in the White City)
**Inspector Lynley Mysteries** (DVD-Second Season)
**The Jack Paar Collection** (DVD)
**Judy Garland: The Concert Years** (DVD)
**Late Night With Conan O'Brien: 10th Anniversary Special** (DVD)
**Maria Full of Grace** (DVD-foreign film)
**The Marx Brothers Collection** (DVD)
**The Medici: Godfathers of the Renaissance** PBS (VHS)
**Meltdown at Three Mile Island** PBS (VHS)
**NASCAR Adrenaline** (DVD)
**The Near Death Experience** (DVD)
**New York: The Center of the World** PBS (VHS)
**Northern Exposure: The Complete Second Season** (DVD)
**The Perilous Fight: America's World War II in Color** PBS (VHS)
**Primary** (DVD-real time documentary of the 1960 Kennedy election)
**Queen Victoria's Empire** PBS (VHS)
**Ray Charles Live: In Concert With the Edmonton Symphony** (DVD)
**Reconstruction: The Second Civil War** PBS (VHS)
**Rebels and Redcoats: How Britain Lost America** PBS (VHS)
**Religions of the World** (DVD-6 volumes)
**Rosewood** (DVD)
**Scottish Clans** (VHS)
**Super Size Me** (DVD)
**Thomas Jefferson: A Ken Burns Film** PBS (DVD)
**Tom Avery's Consistent Tennis** (VHS-6 Volumes)
**Unforgivable Blackness: The Rise and Fall of Jack Johnson** (DVD)
**War Letters: Stories of Courage, Longing, and Sacrifice** PBS (VHS)
**The Windsors: A Royal Family** (DVD)

## How's Your Driving?

AAA has developed a tool that will enable older drivers to identify and address physiological changes which could affect driving. AAA Roadwise Review: A Tool to Help Seniors Drive Longer is a scientifically validated screening tool developed by AAA and transportation researchers. This user-friendly screening software is based on a series of functional tests which measure mobility, flexibility, visual acuity and more. Drivers with a significant lose of the functional capabilities tested by Roadwise Review are 2 to 5 times more likely to cause a motor vehicle mishap than drivers without losses in these key safe driving abilities. Roadwise Review is designed to be used in the privacy of your own home. At the conclusion of eight skill tests, a summary of results is displayed along with advice as to what the test taker should do. Many medical, visual and physical rehabilitation options are available that can add substantially to the safe driving years of normally aging individuals. This tool will help you identify options that are appropriate for you. The Roadwise Review CD is available for checkout at both the Branch and Main libraries.

## Migration to Innovative Interfaces, Inc.

On May 18, 2005, the Lewis & Clark Library System, of which The Hayner Public Library District is a member, will be migrating to a new vendor to provide circulation and library catalogue services. Innovative Interfaces, Inc. was selected after many demonstrations from various companies. This is a web-based product and will be very similar to the web catalog we are currently using. All patron records and item records will be migrated to this new vendor, but the PIN numbers you are currently using will not be migrated. You will need to enter a new PIN number to access the online catalog after May 18, 2005. We will provide you with additional information prior to the system migration.

## Special $.10 Book Sale Scheduled!

On Friday, March 11 and Saturday, March 12, the Friends of the Library will have a special book sale during which all materials will be priced at the amazing value of $.10! The sale will be held in the Friends of the Library building on State Street and will run from 7 pm to 9 pm on Friday and from 9 am-2 pm on Saturday. There is no admission fee. Don't miss this book/ bargain lovers dream!

## Food For Fido

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month and in commemoration of this, all three locations of The Hayner Public Library District will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner material only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation for each fine. Please help our friends at the 5 A's – they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected or abused animals brought to the shelter.

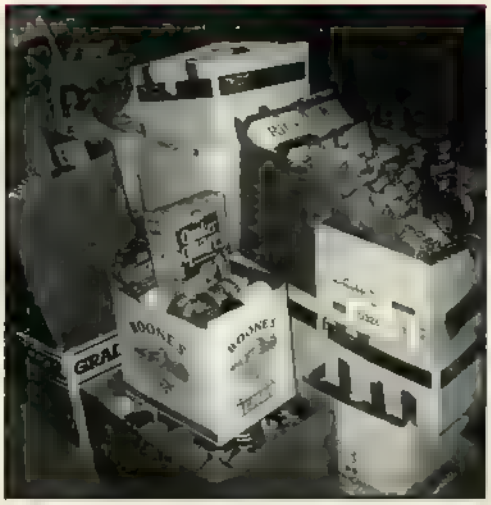
## Win a Plush Pup!

During the month of April, register at any Hayner Library location to be in a drawing to win a Labrador retriever (stuffed) puppy! Enter as often as you like. Winners will be drawn on Saturday, April 30, coinciding with the conclusion of our drive to raise food for the 5 A's Animal Shelter.

## Please Give Blood!

The Central Illinois Community Blood Center provides blood for several local hospitals. They are a nonprofit organization that, last fall, held a very successful blood drive at the Hayner Main Library. Along with return donors, we also saw a substantial number of first-time givers, which is great! Please volunteer and make our spring drive even more successful. There is always a critical need for blood. The Bloodmobile (which is new, roomy and very comfortable) will be in the parking lot of the Main Library, downtown on Saturday April 23 from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. Donors will receive a gift, cookies and juice.

## Record Breaking Generosity!



During the month of December, all library locations were accepting food items to offset fines on late returning materials. This year, we collected over 1250 items to go to the Alton Area Crisis Food Center. This is the largest amount we have collected since we started the program five years ago. Thank you for participating so generously and supporting this valuable community center.

***Hayner Library staff - happy to donate!***

## *Patron Profile – Marjorie Doerr*

On a beautiful winter day, I delivered our latest newsletter to Elsah for the village residents. Why Elsah? Are they part of the Hayner Public Library District? No, but Elsah has instituted a wonderful program for its residents. Elsah does not have a library so community leaders have mandated that money from the community's General Fund will be used to purchase a non resident Hayner library card for any Elsah village resident as desired. This has been an extremely popular program and is perceived as another of the many wonderful benefits of living in this charming burg.

I had the opportunity to meet with Elsah's mayor, Marjorie Doerr. Marje is a lovely woman who obviously cares deeply for her adopted home and its citizens.

Marje worked in St. Louis for thirty years as a Customer Service Representative with Allen Foods (now U.S. Food Service). In 1985, she moved to Elsah while continuing to commute to her job. She commented that when she first moved to Elsah she "felt like I had really come home- living here is where I really belong. To me this village is Shangri-La – friendly, peaceful and calm." Elsah, she told, was a working man's town. Farmers brought their produce in wagons to load onto the boats that were going up or down river to markets. The village has stayed much the same in spirit and structure as it was over 100 years ago due to its isolation and the today's residents work hard to keep it that way. Another interesting fact about Elsah is that it is a dry (alcohol-free) community. The original ordinance of 1894 declared that citizens could buy alcohol in Elsah only in quantities over a gallon and it could not be consumed where purchased. A new ordinance was adopted in 1974 and it stands today that there is to be no consumption of alcohol "in public view". Also, alcohol cannot be sold or purchased in Elsah. Violation of this ordinance could result in ticketing.

Along with her passion for her current home, she also is obviously crazy about her five fun grandchildren (Marje has two daughters, both living in Missouri.) She related a cute story about her eight-year-old grandson. It seems he has extremely curly, sandy blonde hair that incites people, even strangers, to touch. One day he said "Grandma, I wish my hair was full of static electricity." When Marje asked why, he responded "because then when people touch it they would get electrocuted!" Sounds like he may be a future Donald Trump!

After living in Elsah for four or five years, Marje became a member of the Zoning Board, and then became a Village Board Trustee. She successfully ran for mayor in 2001 and, now retired, is running this year for re-election. Marje pointed out that the population of the village is 1/3 long-term residents, 1/3 Principia staff and 1/3 recent 'transplants'. Principia College itself is part of the village of Elsah but is not part of the village government. Principia is a wonderful neighbor, said the Mayor, "they offer first class cultural opportunities, help with custodial and maintenance services, and have provided emergency services quickly and generously." During the flood of 1993, Principia maintenance engineers descended upon the town to set up pumps and worked tirelessly, some all night long, to help save the village from the flood waters. Of course, on mention of the flood, I had to ask Marje how her house fared. She replied that her first floor was four feet deep in water and while she moved some things upstairs, many possessions were lost. Marje accepts this calmly as "they were just things". Marje lives in a house that was built in 1910 and it had never previously flooded.

As Mayor, Marje has been involved in many unique situations. She recalled a day some years ago she was on her way to the post office when a woman came running from the park crying "Quick, do you have a policeman? My grandchildren are lost up in the woods." She was not from the area and had brought the kids out for a day trip. Marje said "I'm sure they're fine and I can probably even show you where they will come down from the hills where they were playing." Marje did call emergency services, however, and within minutes local police, county sheriff, ambulance and fire department had arrived. Just minutes later, after the cavalry had shown up, there were children's voices coming down the hill behind the Methodist Church – exactly the course Marje knew the children would take. The cops and firemen talked to the boys about the dangers of getting lost in the woods and soon everyone was on their way. Several days later, Marje got a call from the boy's aunt, wanting the names and addresses of everyone who had been involved in the rescue. She said the boys were going to write thank you notes to everyone who came to help. Several days later, Marjorie received the following note: "Dear Mayor Marje, Thank you for saving our lives! Sincerely,". Though it was a false alarm as Marje had predicted, she said it was very gratifying to witness such quick response from the various safety organizations.

Needless to say, Elsah does not have a crime problem. One time a new homeowner did report a suspected prowler – it turned out to be a deer in their garden. Marje said the many tourists, hikers and bicyclists that visit Elsah are consistently courteous and respectful and always welcome.

Though small in population, Elsah's citizens work to provide a plethory of family-based activities for locals and visitors alike. The museum, which is supported by the Village and the Historic Elsah Foundation, is open from the first weekend in April to the last weekend in October. It features four different exhibits throughout the season. Exhibits have featured Family Heritage including one on stitchery showcasing hand made quilts, wedding dresses and more. There was also an exhibit of kitchen gadgets, tools and appliances from years past. The museum also hosts a yearly photo contest which is open to the public and features a $150 first place prize. They hold Story Day, a popular event which is organized to collect Elsah history from the residents. The last weekend in October the museum hosts a combination Bake Sale and Book Sale so you can nibble while you browse! There is an annual Christmas Tree Lighting Festival and a Fourth of July Potluck- open to all (don't forget your pot!). The village sponsors a family game night on every second Saturday in the Civic Center. Families gather to play their choice of a large variety of board games. Marje says the competition can get quite heated between family members and things can get quite loud – but it's always great fun. In the summer, there are water balloon fights scheduled, for all ages, and watermelon seed spitting contests. Last year's champion seed spitter was a 12-year-old boy whose seed flew a record 26 feet! In the fall, there is an annual Bonfire and a village family with the Historic Elsah Foundation holds Contra Dances in the Farley Music Hall on Mill Street. Contra dancing is similar to square dancing and great fun. At the Elsah Sesquicentennial in 2003, there were over 100 people contra dancing in the street dur-

ing the celebration. My Just Desserts on LaSalle Street sponsors trivia night on Saturday nights and all are welcome. These are very popular and people come from all over to attend (reservations: 618-374-1607). Finally, Marjorie mentioned that there is also an Elsah Water Color Club that meets the first and third Thursday of the month at the Civic Center. Aspiring artists gather to paint water colors of the area.

There is certainly an awful lot going on in this little town. In fact, Marjorie has friends that she travels with and they are complaining that Marjorie's move to Elsah is ruining their travel plans because she has too much fun just staying home! It was a pleasure meeting Marjorie and we look forward to seeing her and her Elsah neighbors on their next visit to the library.

Should you want more information on Elsah and/or activities, check the web site www.elsah.org. A calendar of Elsah activities is also maintained on www.greatriverroad.com.

## *Happenings at the YWCA*

The YWCA at 304 East 3rd Street in Alton is a great facility that offers many wonderful services to our community including fitness programs for all ages, support services and personal enrichment programming. Many of the Y's programs complement activities that are ongoing at the Library. Also, the Library is your best source to find additional information on the topics presented by the YWCA. Some of the programs currently scheduled include:

***Trivia Night:*** Celebrate April Fool's Day at the YWCA's Annual Trivia Night, Friday, April 1 at 7:00 pm., YWCA Gymnasium, $15 per person includes beer, soda, popcorn and giveaways! Call 618-465-7774 today to register.

***Genealogy Seminar***
hosted by Michael John Neill
YWCA of Alton, Sunday, April 3
10:00 am-4:00 pm (Lunch Break Noon-1:00 pm)
The topics include:
- Interviewing Grandma and Things in the Attic
- Online Search Strategy
- Tried and Tested Tidbits
- Census Records

Mr. Neill is the Course 1 Coordinator at the Genealogical Institute of Mid America and on the faculty of Carl Sandburg College in Galesburg, IL.
The **program fee** of $30 per person includes catered lunch. Call 465-7774 to register, space is limited.

***Sewing Basics***
YWCA of Alton, 6 Mondays, 5:30-6:30 pm.
Do you send your things to the cleaners to mend holes, hem pants, and even replace a button? Learn how to do these sewing basics yourself!

**Program fee:** $30 members/ $40 Non-Members (Minimal supply fee may be required) Call 465-7774 for starting date.

***Functionally Fit Over 50***
YWCA of Alton, 6 Wednesdays, 12-12:30 pm
This program is designed to equip you to manage your daily activities and make the most of your golden years. Weight training exercise will increase and maintain strength in essential muscle groups. Must have a written doctor's approval, fill out a medical history and sign a waiver.
**Program fee:** Y Super members: Free/ Members $25/ Non-members $35
Call 465-7774 for starting date.

For more information regarding any of these programs or additional YWCA's services, call 465-7774 or see their web site at www.altonywca.com

## *National Library Week April 10-16*

Initiated in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA). To this end, ALA has issued the following proclamation:
**WHEREAS**, our nations public, academic, school and specialized libraries provide something for everyone;
**WHEREAS**, libraries play a vital role in providing millions of people with the resources they need to live, learn and work in the 21st century;
**WHEREAS**, libraries are changing and dynamic places and librarians are the ultimate search engine, helping people of all ages find the information they need in print and online;
**WHEREAS**, libraries are part of the American Dream – places for opportunity, education, self-help and lifelong learning;
**WHEREAS**, libraries bring you a world of knowledge both in person and online, as well as personal service and assistance in finding what you need, when you need it;
**WHEREAS**, libraries are a key player in the national discourse on intellectual freedom, equity of access, and narrowing the "digital divide;"
**WHEREAS**, more individuals must be recruited to the profession of librarianship and to work in libraries to maintain their vitality in today's changing workplace;
**WHEREAS**, awareness and support must be increased for libraries, librarians and library workers by raising their visibility in a positive context and by communicating clearly and strongly why libraries are both unique and valuable,
**WHEREAS**, library users and non-users alike are encouraged to stand up and speak out for libraries and to support library funding efforts;
**WHEREAS**, libraries, librarians, library workers and supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week with The Campaign for America's Libraries.
**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it resolved to proclaim National Library Week, April 10-16, 2005. The American Library Association encourages all residents to take advantage of all the wonderful library resources available. Come see why there's something for everyone at your library.

**National Library Week Feature Event**
Our celebration of National Library Week will feature a program by Nancy Tolson, that truly will offer something for everyone. Ms Tolson teaches storytelling and English at Illinois State University and has received national recognition for her storytelling performances. On Tuesday, April 12, at 6:30 pm, she will present a program for all ages, "There Will Be Storytellers". This presentation will explain the art and heart of storytelling through lectures, stories and above all, laughter. Bring the whole family to enjoy this special event in the Hayner Main Library. This program if free of charge but registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163

## *OASIS Spring Programs*

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**Storytelling Workshop**
Learn how to develop and share interesting experiences with others.
Wednesday, March 2, March 9 and March 16, 10:30 am-12:00 pm
Fee: $15 per person

**AARP Driver Safety Program**
Learn defensive driving skills and after finishing course receive a discount on your automobile insurance.
Wednesday/Thursday, April 20 & 21, 12:00-4:00 pm Fee: $10 per person

**Bridge**
Bridge players meet every Tuesday from 1:00 to 3:30 pm. You must have a basic knowledge of the game to register. Fee: $5

**Pinochle**
Pinochle players meet every Friday from 10:15 am – 12:30 pm. You must have a basic knowledge of the game to register. Fee: $5

**A Visit to Missouri Botanical Gardens for Chinese Cultural Days**
A wonderful event at the Missouri Botanical Gardens that lets you explore and learn all about China and its people.
Saturday, May 21, depart Alton Square 8:30 am Fee: $25

## *How Can You Teach Your Child to Love Books?*

One way is by example. Let your child see you reading! When children see their parents reading, it teaches them that reading is important. Children who love to read come from families who read.

- When you read something interesting, tell your child about it. He will learn that books are a good way to learn new things. When you read something that makes you laugh, share that with him, too. He will learn that books are funny. And when you read something that makes you sad, tell him about it. It will teach him that books have the power to touch real human beings.
- Let your child know that you have favorite books. Handle these books gently to show that you value them. He will learn that the best books are to be treasured.

- excerpted from Read For Joy, Claudia Quigg, Baby Talk Publications, 1993

**People will accept your ideas much more readily if you tell them Benjamin Franklin said it first. – David H. Comins**

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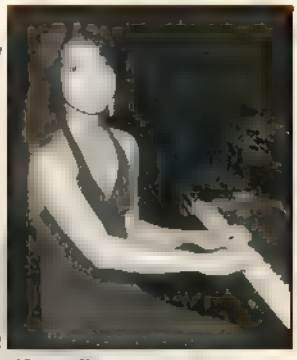
# The Hayner Public Library District

## *Join us for a Very Special Event*



On Tuesday, October 18, The Hayner Public Library District is proudly sponsoring a performance by the extremely talented pianist, Choo Choo Hu. This performance will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Illinois.
Choo Choo was born in 1989 in Changchun, a city in northeastern China. When she was two, her family moved to St. Louis, Missouri. She was five years old when she began studying piano under John Sun, a graduate of the Shanghai Conservatory.

Today, though only 16 years old, Choo Choo has been the recipient of many prestigious piano performance awards. She was the winner of the Honors Auditions at the Missouri Southern International Piano competition in 2002. In 2004 she won the Saint Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition.

She is a two-time winner of the Washington University Young Artists Piano Concert Competition, resulting in performances with the Washington University Symphony orchestra in 2001 and 2005. Apart from solo and concerto repertoire, Ms. Hu also plays chamber music. She was enrolled in the Preparatory Program at the Community Music School of Webster University during the 2004-2005 school year and, this past summer, attended the International Keyboard Institute and Festival in New York City.

To allow more hours for her daily music study, Choo Choo has elected to follow a home schooled curriculum since eighth grade. Getting a jumpstart on her career, Choo Choo intends to audition at several music conservatories this year. Currently, her schools of choice include the Curtis and Peabody Institutes on the east coast as well as the Colburn Conservatory of Music in Los Angeles, California. Choo Choo is also involved in plans for future concerts with the Alton Symphony and she will be performing Rhapsody in Blue at future performances for the Alton Park musical series (she will perform at both Haskell and Riverside Park). Do not miss the chance to attend this performance by an amazingly talented young pianist.

The program on October 18 will include the following works:
**Rigoletto Concert Paraphrase S434/** *Verdi-Liszt*
**Rondo Op. 59/** *Kabalevsky*
* Note* This Rondo was written for the first Tchaikovsky International Piano Competition. Contestants were given several weeks to learn the piece then perform it before a panel of judges. The winner was the American pianist Van Cliburn, whose illustrious career was launched after his success at the competition.
**Etude No. 2 (La Capricciosa)/** *Paganini-Liszt*
**Flight of the Bumblebee/** *Rimsky-Korsakov*
**Waltz in A-Flat/** *Chopin*
**Sheep May Safely Graze/** *J.S. Bach arr. Egon Petry*
**Andante Spianato et Grande Polonaise Brillante/** *Chopin*

This performance will begin at 6:30 p.m. and is free of charge. Registration, however, is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

The Hayner Library District is also excited to announce two other programs that will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel.

On Tuesday, November 8, at 6:30 p.m., The Wanda Mountain Boys will perform in the chapel. This extremely popular local ensemble performs Southern gospel music that is guaranteed to move you.

On Sunday, December 4 at 3:00 p.m., the library will present another favorite program, The Holiday Sounds of Limited Edition. This choral group, under the direction of the vivacious and always entertaining Susan Parton-Stanard, prides themselves as Lewis and Clark's musical ambassadors to the community. They never fail to bring standing ovations!

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays
Labor Day, September 5
Veterans Day, November 11
Thanksgiving, November 24

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**JOIN US FOR A VERY SPECIAL EVENT (cont.)**

All programs are free of charge but require registration at 1-800-613-3163. Please see the calendar of events, in this newsletter, for the complete schedule of many wonderful programs that will be offered this fall at various library locations. All programs are funded through grants or private endowment.

## *The Clever Dog*

A dog was on safari with humans. One afternoon, he started chasing after a butterfly near the camp and suddenly found himself deep within the wilderness. He saw a leopard approaching him from the grass. "Oh boy, guess I'm gonna have to show this cat who's boss," thought the dog as he plopped down next to a pile of bones. He reached for the largest bone and began to chew on it.

The leopard hid in the tall grass and waited for just the right moment to pounce on the canine. The dog continued chewing on the bone as the leopard slowly inched closer.

When the dog heard the movement of the grass, he said loudly, "Mmm, mmm. That was one tasty leopard. I think I will eat another one."

The leopard froze in his tracks. He figured he was no match for this vicious dog and retreated to safety.

But there was a monkey seated in a nearby tree. He'd seen everything and decided to tell the leopard what really happened, hoping to create an alliance.

The dog knew that something was amiss when he saw the monkey chasing after the leopard. But the clever dog knew that he had to stay calm and keep his wits about him to outsmart both the leopard and the mischievous monkey.

When the monkey informed the leopard of what had happened, the leopard grew angry. "No one makes a fool of me" the leopard growled. "Come, my little friend! Let's show that dog who's running things around here."

The leopard ran back through the tall grass with the monkey on his back. "Here comes trouble" the dog thought to himself as he relaxed and chewed on the bones.

He knew the leopard's wrath would be merciless. He could feel the big cat watching him from the grass. From the corner of his eye, he could see the monkey scampering toward a nearby tree – this was the moment to make his move.

"What has that monkey done with my dinner?" howled the dog. "I sent him to fetch me another leopard a half hour ago and he's still not back!"

Clever dog? Very, but no smarter than the wonderful therapy dogs that attend our Bow wow Pow wow. On the second Saturday of every month, Trainer June Walker and her colleagues come to the Hayner Youth Library with their therapy dogs. Kids of all ages are invited to join us and read to the dogs. This activity has proven very successful in strengthening a child's reading skills and is great fun for everyone. (Note: in October 2005, we will be meeting on Saturday, October 1 and not on October 8.) In addition to strengthening reading skills, kids learn to love and respect these gentle animals and they also learn how much fun it is to come to the library. Please join us from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 10, October 1, November 12 and December 10. For more information, call Bernadette at 462-0677.

## Make-A-Wish

On April 29, 1980, the Make-A-Wish phenomenon began when a 7-year-old boy spent a day with his heroes. On that day, young Chris Greicius was sworn in as the only honorary highway patrol man in Arizona. Four days later, Chris passed away and was given a police funeral with full honors by his fellow patrol men. Chris' mother, Linda Bergendahl-Pauling, along with others involved in Chris' wish, was so touched by Chris' experience that they founded the Chris Greicius Make-A-Wish Foundation, which eventually became known as the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Today, the wishes of children with life-threatening illness are fulfilled by over 80 Make-A-Wish chapters in the United States, and over 20 international chapters, spanning 5 continents.

The charter of the make a wish foundation is to grant the wishes of children with life-threatening illnesses to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. It is the largest wish granting charity in the world, continually expanding its wish granting, corporate support and public recognition. To date, more than 144,000 wishes have been granted to children with life-threatening medical conditions.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Metro Saint Louis is celebrating 15 years of sharing the power of wishes in our community. In honor of this significant occasion, our local chapter has teamed up with the Jeremy project to create a captivating photographic exhibit of wishes. This exhibit will be displayed in the Hayner Main Library at 326 Belle Street in Alton September 26 – October 7. Please stop by to view this moving testament of this wonderful agency. To learn more about Make-A-Wish foundation and how you or your organization can participate in their great work, visit their website at www.wish.org.

Brochures will also be available at all library locations.

## Get the Picture?

As noted in the last newsletter, Alton Town Supervisor Don Huber has generously given the library a large glassed-in aerial photograph of Alton circa 1953/1954. The map is backlit and lights up different business sites. It is currently on display at the Hayner Branch Library in Alton Square Mall. We would like to invite children to draw a picture of their favorite building in Alton or Godfrey and we will display the pictures in the branch's windows into the mall's common area. Just bring the pictures to the branch library during the month of September. Please include your child's name and age and, as possible, the location of the site drawn. Show off your aspiring Rembrandts!

## Pick a Patron

Each newsletter, we include a feature called "Patron Profile" which introduces you to various library patrons. Different members of the libraries' staff have contributed suggestions for possible candidates as subject for the articles. It struck us that you, our patrons, might want to see a particular friend, relative or even yourself interviewed for future articles. The only criteria is that the person must be a Hayner library card holder. The process is easy. After a brief interview, we write the article and ALWAYS return it to the interviewee for review and approval before it goes to print. Call Bernadette with your suggestions at 462-0677.

## Alton Little Theater Performers Will Entertain

Come to the Hayner Main Library to be entertained by performers from Alton Little Theater on the evening of Thursday, September 8. The group will bring their traveling troupe to delight the audience. Musical numbers, some history and information about the new ALT season will be presented.

Alton Little Theater is one of the oldest community theaters in the United States. This not- for-profit, all-volunteer organization presents five full-length plays including a musical each year. It will open its 72nd season on September 23, 2005, with Stephen Sondheim's musical, *Into the Woods*. For more information, visit the website at www.altonlittletheater.org or phone the box office at 462-6562. This special library event is free but registration is required. To register call 1-800-613-3163.

## Vintage Voices

The historic program of Vintage Voices will again be presented on the four Saturdays of October (1, 8, 15 and 22) from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Alton Cemetery, located at 5th and Vine Streets. This series is made possible by a partnership of the YWCA and Alton Little Theater. The program consists of a tour of the Alton City Cemetery, stopping at different grave sites where actors will recreate the character of the deceased, recounting their life and times. The reenactments will include a combination of famous members of Alton's past and other less well-known characters. This year's living histories will include: Minnie Boals, Dr. M.P. Breckinridge, Mrs. A. W. Root, Judge Alexander Hope, John Smith, Florence and William Haskell (Lucy Haskell's parents), Old Hominy Tom, George Senior, Joseph Brown and Samuel Perks (Alton City Cemetery Sexton). For ticket prices or additional information, visit the website at www.altonywca.com, or call 465-7774.

## Happenings at OASIS

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**AARP Driver Safety Program**
This is a two-day classroom course for adults 50 and older who want to refresh their driving skills
Thurs./Fri., Oct. 13 & Oct. 14, 1:00-5:00 p.m.
Fee: $10

**Medicare Part D: Medicare Prescription Coverage**
Come learn about the new Medicare prescription coverage that will start in 2006, who is eligible, what savings it offers, how to enroll, what the cost is and much more. A representative from the Social Security Office will be on hand to register you for the program after the lecture.
Wed., Oct. 26, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Free

**Get to Know Your Community: Bethalto**
This is a second class in the series of Getting to Know Your Community. This session looks at Bethalto with Mayor Steve Bryant as the speaker.
Wed., Nov. 16, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Free

## NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

**--NONFICTION**

Agatston, Arthur. **The South Beach Diet Quick and Easy Cookbook**
Alda, Alan. **Never Have Your Dog Stuffed**
Brands, H. W. **Andrew Jackson: His Life and Times**
Bittman, Mark. **The Best Recipes in the World**
Carter, Jimmy. **Our Endangered Values: America's Crisis**
Crystal, Billy. **700 Sundays**
Finstad, Suzanne. **Warren Beatty**
Harr, Jonathan. **The Lost Painting**
Jordan, Michael. **Driven From Within**
Larry the Cable Guy. **Git-R-Done**
Lewis, Jerry. **Dean & Me: A Love Story**
McCourt, Frank. **Teacher Man**
Ray, Rachael. **Rachael Ray's 365: No Repeats**
Susanka, Sarah. **Inside the Not So Big House**
Wallace, Mike. **Between You and Me**
Weil, Andrew. **Healthy Aging: A Lifelong Guide to Your Physical and Spiritual Well-Being**
Winchester, Simon. **A Crack in the Edge of the World: America and the Great California Earthquake of 1906**
Winfrey, Oprah (Ed.) **Live Your Best Life: A Treasury of Wisdom, Wit, Advice…**
Zehme, Bill. **Carson the Magnificent: An Intimate Portrait**

**--FICTION**

Baldacci, David. **The Camel Club**
Connelly, Michael. **The Lincoln Lawyer**
Cornwell, Patricia. **Predator**
Coulter, Catherine. **Point Blank**
Deveraux, Jude. **First Impressions**
Gabaldon, Diana. **A Breath of Snow and Ashes**
Harris, Thomas. **Behind the Mask**
James, P.D. **The Lighthouse**
Karon, Jan. **Light from Heaven**
Koontz, Dean. **Forever Odd**
LaHaye, Tim. **Babylon Rising: The Europa Conspiracy**
Ludlum, Robert. **The Ambler Warning**
McBain, Ed. **Fiddlers: A Novel of the 87th Precinct**
McCall Smith, Alexander. **Friends, Lovers, Chocolate**
Mosley, Walter. **Cinnamon Kiss**
McNaught, Judith. **Every Breath You Take**
Parker, Robert B. **School Days**
Patterson, James. **Mary, Mary**
Perry, Anne. **A Christmas Guest**
Rendell, Ruth. **Thirteen Steps Down**
Rice, Anne. **Christ the Lord: Out of Egypt**
Roberts, Nora. **Blue Smoke**
Roberts, Nora. **Gabriel's Angel**
Sparks, Nicholas. **At First Sight**
Steel, Danielle. **Toxic Bachelors**
Tanenbaum, Robert K. **Fury**
Truman, Margaret. **Murder at the Washington Tribune**
Turow, Scott. **Ordinary Heroes**
Woods, Stuart. **Iron Orchid**

## *Staff Picks – What We're Reading*

**The Position** by Meg Wolitzer. *Fiction*
In 1975, the four young children of Paul and Roz Mellow are mortified when they discover the wildly popular illustrated sex manual that their parents wrote. From then on their lives are forever altered into adulthood. In *The Position*, we see the effect position in the family has on how children end up so differently from one another. Meg Wolitzer has written a touching, humorous story with real characters. –Jean S.

**The World is Flat** by Thomas L. Friedman. *Nonfiction*
The New York Times columnist adopts the apposite metaphor of a flat world to illustrate the highly integrated global marketplace. This development is relatively new, but rapidly evolving right before us—whether for better or worse is up to you. Of course, there is much work to be done, and Friedman provides a blueprint for facing the myriad obstacles. Essential follow-up to *The Lexus and the Olive Tree*. –Juan F.

**The Undomestic Goddess** by Sophie Kinsella. *Fiction*
In this story we meet Samantha Sweeting, a workaholic attorney for a prestigious London firm. She makes a mistake so bad that it will wreck any chance of her ever becoming a partner. In complete shock, she flees the office and hops on a train bound for the countryside. Once there, she stops at a house to ask directions and is mistaken for a potential housekeeper. Afraid to face life back in London, she takes the job. How will someone who can't even sew on a button cope with becoming a housekeeper? When her old life finally does catch up with her, will she want it back? Fans of the author's Shopaholic series and the chick-lit genre will enjoy this charming and funny read. –Michele K.

**The Ice Queen** by Alice Hoffman. *Fiction*
With her spellbinding quality of writing, Alice Hoffman tells the story of a librarian whose heart turned frozen after wishing her mother dead as a young girl, and how it takes a lightning strike to melt her icy emotions. *The Ice Queen* has the fairy tale qualities of a story of death and life reborn. I enjoy an Alice Hoffman book, and this is no exception. –Jean S.

**Book Lust** by Nancy Pearl. *Non Fiction*
**More Book Lust** by Nancy Pearl. *Non Fiction*
"Celebrity Librarian" and NPR radio host Nancy Pearl's best seller, *Book Lust*, is the essential readers' resource with 1,000 recommended books organized into more than 175 creative, useful and often witty lists and reviews. The 2005 follow up, *More Book Lust*, offers hundreds of additional titles in nearly 150 eclectic categories like "Plots for Plotzing", "Nagging Mothers, Crying Children", "Southern Fried Fiction", "Horror for Sissies" and many, many more. Quirky and intelligent, these wonderfully informal collections are superb references for everyone who cares about books. –Bernadette D.

## *Author Praises Hayner Library*

Judy Hoffman, author of the recently published, *God's Portion: Godfrey, Illinois 1817-1865*, recently held a discussion about her book at the Hayner Main Library. She opening comments follow: "As I thought about this evening's presentation, it occurred to me that *God's Portion* really began about fifty years ago when I first began visiting Hayner Library as a child.

Every Saturday, I took the bus from my home in North Alton, visited the lovely building that now houses the children's library, spent an hour looking through the stacks and came away with a week's worth of entertainment. Family role models and those weekly visits gave me two priceless gifts: one- a love of books and two- a love of libraries. This, of course, is my favorite library. I love its smells, its quiet, the Illinois Room, the familiar staff, and most of all, I love the huge, unopened package of knowledge it represents."

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*We've put together a full calendar of events for the fall semester. Remember, all programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.*

***Please note:** If you want to attend a program but cannot manage the stairs to the Reading Room, contact Reynae or Bernadette at 462-0651. Arrangements can be made to let you enter from an alternate entrance on State Street.*

### Alton Little Theater
### *A Seasonal Sampling*
***Thursday, September 8, 6:30 p.m.***

Join us for an evening of fun and song by members of the Alton Little Theater. Musical numbers, performance skits and more will pique your interest for the coming season, which starts September 23 with Stephen Sondheim's wonderful work, *Into the Woods*. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*
**Saturday, September 10**
**Saturday, October 1***
**Saturday, November 12**
**Saturday, December 10**
**10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

** Note: Due to scheduling conflict, October's Bow-wow will move to the first Saturday of the month. All other meetings will be held as usual, on the second Saturday of the month*

### SCORE- *Counselors to America's Small Business Fulfilling your Small Business Dreams*
**Tuesday, September 13, 6:00 p.m.**

If you have ever thought of starting your own business, you need to attend this program. SCORE is a volunteer organization of business people from a wide variety of career backgrounds. They provide confidential free counseling to those considering starting their own businesses, or current small business owners who wish to grow their businesses. This program will introduce you to SCORE counselors, overview the counseling session and introduce you to other small business owners. You will hear success stories and have time to get your questions answered. This is a great networking opportunity. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *For Women by Women Crucial Conversations*
***Wednesday, September 28***
***8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.***

*Note: This program will be held at the Alton Holiday Inn, 3800 E. Homer Adams Parkway, Alton, IL*

Hayner Library, SCORE, The Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois and local business women annually present the For Woman By Women Conference Series. This year's seminar is titled Crucial Conversations and will teach you how to communicate under stress and move toward a constructive dialogue. Pre-registration fee is $45 ($75 at the door). Lunch is included. For more information, contact the Growth Association at 467-2280. Brochures and registration forms are available at all Hayner Library locations.

### David G. Hamilton
### *"Wouldn't You Like to Know, The Past, The Present, The Future"*
***Monday, September19, 6:30 p.m.***

David Hamilton is a poet who has recently published his second book of poetry, "*Wouldn't You Like to Know, The Past, The Present, The Future*." David's poetry runs a broad range, sometimes controversial, oftentimes celebrating life. He has written several poems about growing up in Alton in the '50s and '60s and how simpler days and mischief contrast with today's more adverse environment for children and youth. Come hear David discussing his poetry and signing books. If you already have a copy of his book you can bring it for signing. Books will also be available for purchase the night of the program. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Wayne Schell
### *The Lodge Brothers Band*
***Thursday, September 22, 6:30 p.m.***

The Lodge Brothers make music in the traditional style using fiddle, banjo, guitar, mandolin and bass. They sing good songs about hard times and a few hard songs about good times. Every song has a story, so prepare to hear about lovers and cheaters, rivers and lakes, the past, the present, and everything in between. A great evening of music for all ages. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Suzanne and Jim
### *Singing America*
***Tuesday, September 27, 6:30 p.m.***

Suzanne and Jim will give you a taste of traditional American music. Presenting a history of American music, they will have your hands clapping and feet tapping. They will perform songs from the past to move the soul and clog dancing to light the fire. This is old-time entertainment that will charm the hearts of the young and the "young at heart". Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Detective Mike Bazzell
### *How to Protect Yourself Against Identity Theft*
***Thursday, September 29, 10:00 a.m.***

This presentation will cover the issues of identity theft over the Internet, including how a criminal gets your information, what he does with that information and what you can do to prevent this from happening. A portion of the presentation will show you how predators lure children over the Internet, including actual case examples. Detective Bazzell will also discuss the Alton Police Department Internet stings and advise what parents can do to protect their children from becoming victims of online predators. Register at 1-800-613-3163. This program will be repeated on Thursday, October 20, at 6:00 p.m.

### R. J. Lindsey
### *Civil War Medicine*
***Tuesday, October 4, 6:30 p.m.***

Actor/scholar R. J. Lindsey performs as Surgeon General William Hammond, discussing the tools and techniques of medicine during the Civil War. He tells of how blood vessels were sealed with hot irons and gunpowder wounds purified with boiling oil.

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He relates stories of the courageous and determined nurses fighting surgeons and army officials to get the best care for wounded men. He will explain the uses of his personal surgical instruments that were used in hospitals and on battlefields. Don't miss this fascinating performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## De Harris
### *Medicare Part D: Medicare Prescription Coverage*
***Thursday, October 6, 10:00 a.m.***

De Harris, SHIP (Senior Health Insurance Program) counselor, Illinois Dept. of Insurance, will present an important program identifying the changes that will be in effect starting January, 2006 to the new Medicare prescription drug coverage (Medicare D). These changes will affect millions of beneficiaries in very dramatic ways, and it is vital that you understand how they may affect you. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Flu Clinic*
***Saturday, October 8, 1:00-2:00 p.m.***

The VNA of Southern Illinois will be at the Main Library to deliver flu and pneumonia vaccines. Flu shots are $25.00 and pneumonia shots are $35.00. Cash or checks are accepted. If you have Medicare Part B, Mercy Premier or Advantra Insurance, there is no charge.

## *Museum of Funeral Customs Tombstone Art*
***Wednesday, October 12, 6:30 p.m.***

Join us in the Hayner Main Library for a fascinating discussion of the art we find on tombstones. The Museum of Funeral Customs in Springfield, Illinois, will provide us with the code to understand this art and learn what tombstone symbols mean. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Choo Choo Hu
### *An Evening of the Classics*
***Tuesday, October 18, 6:30 p.m.***

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

Sixteen-year-old Choo Choo Hu is the recipient of many prestigious awards for piano performance. In 2004, she was the winner of the Saint Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra Competition. She has performed several times with the Washington University Symphony Orchestra and, this past summer, attended the International Keyboard Institute and Festival in New York City. Her performance on October 18 will include works by Verdi, Bach, Chopin, Kabalesky and more. Don't miss the chance to attend this program by an amazingly talented young woman. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Detective Mike Bazzell
### *How to Protect Yourself Against Identity Theft*
***Thursday, October 20, 6:00 p.m.***

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## Dan Lemonnier
### *Haunted Halloween*
***Tuesday, October 25, 6:30 p.m.***

Thrill to humorous songs and ghost stories and chilly tales from around the world. Hear how folks like you and I encountered and (sometimes) overcame supernatural forces! This could be your chance to learn how the jack-o-lantern and trick-or-treating came to be. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Wanda Mountain Boys
### *The Best Southern Gospel*
***Tuesday, November 8, 6:30 p.m.***

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL*

The Wanda Mountain Boys are an extremely popular local group that performs Southern Gospel music. They have traveled around the country performing to packed houses. Their musical repertoire is one of devotion and inspiration. Come hear their beautiful harmonies as they sing favorite gospel pieces in the perfect setting of the Benjamin Godfrey chapel. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Curtis and Loretta
### *An Eclectic Musical Journey from the U.S. to the British Isles*
***Tuesday, November 15, 6:30 p.m.***

Minneapolis-based folk music duo, Curtis & Loretta, have been acclaimed across the country for their exquisite harmonies, incisive songwriting and skill on an array of stringed instruments. They have delighted audiences with their unique blend of their own original songs and traditional Celtic songs, all underscored by their winning stage presence. They have been named "Best Acoustic Performer of the Twin Cities" by City Pages entertainment newspaper. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dennis Stroughmatt
### *The Creole Stomp Band*
**Tuesday, November 22, 6:30 p.m.**

French Creole fiddler and accordionist

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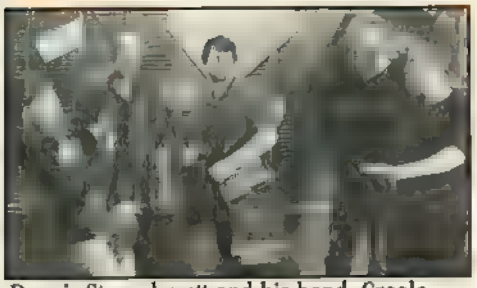

Dennis Stroughmatt and his band, Creole Stomp, bring the excitement and joie de vivre of Louisiana Creole, Cajun and Zydeco music to us in this great program. They will perform a combination of traditional Louisiana Cajun two steps, reels and waltzes along with Creole blues, mazurkas and zydecos. The concert will include some explanation of Cajun and Creole culture as well as bilingual translation and history of the songs performed. This is ga'unteeed to be an exciting program. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
## *Sounds of the Holidays*

**Sunday, December 4, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

What better way to kick off the Holidays than with a musical celebration of the season by the choral group Limited Addition. Directed by Susan Parton-Stanard, this talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation. Susan is known to occasionally throw in a surprise or two. The musicianship of the ensemble is as good as anything you would hear on the Great White Way! Join us for the Holiday Cheer! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Hayner Youth Library

### *Fall Activities for September, October and November 2005*

### *Preschool Storytime*
Mondays – 10:00 a.m.
September 19th – October 3rd, 17th & 31st
November 14th & 28th

### *Lapsit Storytime*
Tuesdays – 10.00 a.m.
September 13th & 27th
October 11th & 25th
November 8th

### *Preschool Storytime*
Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 a.m.
September 6th & 20th – October 4th & 18th
November 1st, 15th & 29th

### *Evening Storytime*
Tuesdays – 6:30 p.m.
September 13th & 27th
October 11th & 25th
November 8th

### *Read-n-Rant*
Saturdays – 10:00 a.m.
September 3rd – October 1st
November 5th

### *After School Fun*
Thursdays – 4:00 p.m.
September 8th – Apple Stamp Bag
October 13th – Halloween Puppets
November 10th – Native American Headbands

### *Special Events:*

**Donna Sherrod – Sign Along With Me**
Tuesday – 6:30 p.m.
September 13th – Hayner Youth

**Riverwind Storytellers – Sparks and Spooks**
Thursday – 6:30 p.m.
October 27th – Hayner Youth

**Elsenpeter Productions – Jack and the Beanstalk**
Monday – 10:00 a.m.
November 14th – Hayner Youth
Tuesday – 10:00 a.m.
November 15th – Hayner Branch

**Family Reading Night**
Thursday, November 17th
6:00 p.m. – Hayner Youth

### *Summer Reading Superheroes*

The theme of the children's summer reading program this year was "Super Heroes Powered by Books". We had a wonderful turnout: 490 children signed contracts to read and 284 children completed their contracts. Out of that number, we had 80 children read 30 hours or more and their names were posted on our wall of fame at the Hayner Youth Library. The End of Summer Reading Party was held at Lewis and Clark Community College on August 4, and was great fun with food, activities and a wonderful show by motivational speaker and singer, Victor Pacini. 367 people attended the party. All costs for the program and party were provided through private endowment. Next year's summer reading program's theme is "Voyage to Book Island" and we are planning for it to be equally successful!

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## *Adult Summer Reading Program Highly Popular!*

Congratulations to the lucky winners in Hayner's 2005 Adult Summer Reading Program! Our winners were: Alice Ruyle, Karen Wetzstein and Deanna K. Bucklew. The program, which ran from June 11 to July 23, drew hundreds of entries for the grand prize gift baskets. The three baskets, designed with a barbecue theme, were made available through the generosity of private funding and displayed at all three of our branches. Congratulations, again, to our winners and thanks to everyone who participated. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. Watch for the reappearance of the Adult Winter Reading Program in January 2006!

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## Events at OASIS Alton Center

*The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall.* ***Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held.*** *The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall- follow the hallway to the right of Famous Barr Customer Service. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration To register, call 1-800-613-3163*

*September 29, 6:30 p.m.*

### Photography Before Photography in Early St. Louis

The first camera-made pictures stunned the world when they were introduced in France in 1839. Called "daguerreotypes" after their artist-inventor L. J. Daguerre, these one-of-a-kind images on polished silver have little in common with modern photography. Each daguerreotype was unique, methodically executed, and rich in minute detail. Although daguerreotypes were quickly available worldwide, the new "sunbeam art" found its most appreciative audience in America, where millions of the small cased images were produced in the 1840s and 50s.

**Nacheninga, Iowa Chief 1849**
*Photo courtesy of Missouri History Museum*

Join us for a slide presentation that tells the fascinating story of how photography developed on the western frontier, both as a new art form and as an intensely competitive business. The program will highlight the work of Thomas Martin Easterly, who opened his daguerreotype gallery in St. Louis in 1847. Regarded as one of the great masters of early photography, Easterly's striking portraits and urban views demonstrate the unique beauty of daguerreotype pictures while vividly conveying the colorful character of mid-nineteenth-century St. Louis. This program will be presented by Dee Shockley Kilgo, Professor Emeritus of Art History, Illinois State University and author of the award-winning book, Likeness and Landscape: Thomas M. Easterly and the Art of the Daguerreotype (1995).

*October 27 6:30 p.m.*

### The Wonderful World of Animals

Come join the fun as the Hayner Branch Library presents the Saint Louis Zoo's "Wonderful World of Animals" program! This is a multi-sensory program certain to educate and entertain. See live animals from many continents up close as you learn interesting information about them and their habitats. Program will be held at Oasis. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Let's Go to the Movies!

*September 14 - October 12 - November 16*
*All movies will begin at 11:00 a.m. and are one hour long*

We would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of three great documentaries from the Hayner Library collection. Each documentary is sure to entertain patrons of all ages. We will begin the series with the quirky and fun documentary "Tupperware!" which covers the meteoric rise of the popular product in America. The second documentary, "The Natural History of the Chicken" is sure to inspire and delight. And finally, we will take a look at "Echoes from the White House", which brings to life over 200 years of history through the eyes of its occupants. Refreshments will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Program will be held at Oasis. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Family Game Nights

*September 22 - October 20 - November 17*
*All game nights u ill begin at 6:30 p.m.*

One night each month in the fall, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family, or play with some other great library patrons! Program will be held at Oasis. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

*All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.*

***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

## SCORE a Success Starting a Small Business

Do you have a small Business or are you dreaming of starting one? Do you find issues such as financing, taxes, cash flow and marketing all overwhelming? Would you like to have a team of experts to guide and council you – free of charge? SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Businesses, is a volunteer organization of business people that provide free confidential business counseling to help you through start up and/or ensure that your existing business prospers.

On Tuesday, September 13, at 6:00 p.m., members of SCORE will present a program at the Hayner Main Library to help you understand how SCORE can help facilitate your small business development. This program will introduce you to SCORE counselors and overview the counseling session- what it entails and what the client can expect to receive from the session. You will learn how to apply for counseling and what important documents you should be familiar with and/or prepare for counseling sessions (business plans, financial worksheets, statements etc.). Use the program as a chance to network with other small business owners and hear the success stories from owners who have used SCORE expertise to successfully grow their businesses.

The local Alton/Godfrey SCORE chapter serves seven counties with Alton as its center and is made up of over 40 counselors with expertise in 55 area of business. Counselors with expertise in your particular business sector are also available for online support and counseling. Don't miss this opportunity to find out more about a key tool to the success of your small business dream. This event is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. For inquiries or more information about SCORE, call SCORE directly at 618-467-2280.

## *Banned Book Week 2005*

Banned Book Week is September 24 through October 1. Observed since 1982, this annual event celebrating the freedom to read reminds Americans not to take our precious democratic freedom for granted. American Library Association (ALA) President Carol Brey-Casiano sites "Not every book is right for every person, but providing a wide range of reading choices is vital for learning, exploration and imagination. The abilities to read, speak, think and express ourselves freely are core American values".

When an organization bans a book, it is the result of that book having initially been challenged. A challenge is an attempt to remove or restrict materials based upon the objections of a person or group while a banning is the actual removal of those materials. A successful challenge would result in materials being banned or restricted. In 2004, the ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom received a total of 547 challenges. A challenge is defined as a formal written complaint, filed with a library or school requesting that materials be removed because of content or appropriateness.

Often challenges are motivated by a desire to protect children from "inappropriate" sexual content or "offensive" language. Although this is a commendable motivation, ***Free Access to Libraries for Minors***, an interpretation of the ***Library Bill of Rights*** (ALA's basic policy concerning access to information) states that, "Librarians and governing bodies should maintain that parents—and only parents—have the right and the responsibility to restrict the access of their children—and only their children—to library resources." Censorship by librarians of constitutionally protected speech, whether for protection or for any other reason, violates the First Amendment.

As Supreme Court Justice William J. Brennan, Jr., in ***Texas v. Johnson***, said most eloquently: "If there is a bedrock principle underlying the First Amendment, it is that the government may not prohibit the expression of an idea simply because society finds the idea itself offensive or disagreeable."

Equally eloquent, Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas wrote: "Restriction of free thought and free speech is the most dangerous of all subversions. It is the one un-American act that could most easily defeat us." (The One Un-American Act. Nieman Reports, vol. 7, no. 1, Jan. 1953, p. 20)

The ten most challenged books in 2004 in order of most frequently challenged, are:

"The Chocolate War" *by Robert Cormier*
"Fallen Angels" *by Walter Dean Myers*
"Arming America: The Origins of a National Gun Culture" *by Michael A. Bellesiles*
Captain Underpants series *by Dav Pilkey*
"The Perks of Being a Wallflower" *by Stephen Chbosky*
"What My Mother Doesn't Know" *by Sonya Sones*
"In the Night Kitchen" *by Maurice Sendak*
"King & King" *by Linda de Haan and Stern Nijland*
"I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings" *by Maya Angelou*
"Of Mice and Men" *by John Steinbeck*

Off the list this year, but on the list for several years' past, are the Alice series of books by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor, "Go Ask Alice" by Anonymous, "It's Perfectly Normal" by Robie Harris and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" by Mark Twain. This year also marks the first in five in which the Harry Potter series does not top or even appear on the ALA annual list.

For more information on "Banned Books Week: Celebrating the Freedom to Read," please contact the American Library Association/ Office for Intellectual Freedom at 1-800-545-2433, ext. 4220, or bbw@ala.org.

## *SCORE for The Hayner Public Library District!*

The Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423 has made another generous donation to The Hayner Public Library District. SCORE, counselors to America's small business, is a volunteer organization of business people who provide free confidential business counseling to the small business entrepreneur. SCORE has made many past donations to Hayner Library enabling us to a premier Business reference collection.

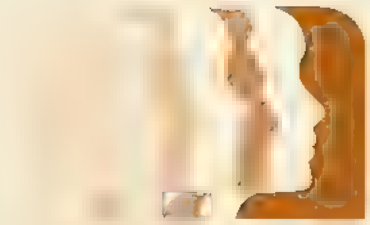
The following titles have been purchased based on SCORE's generous 2005 donation. These volumes will be housed at the Hayner Main library but will be available via interlibrary loan to any library location.

Abrams, Rhonda. **Business Plan in a Day: Get It Done Right, Get It Done Fast!**
Belker, Loren B. **The First-time Manager**
Delpo, Amy. **The Performance Appraisal Handbook: Legal & Practical Rules For Managers**
Fishman, Stephen. **Working For Yourself: Law & Taxes for Independent Contractors, Freelancers & Consultants**
Guerin, Lisa. **Create Your Own Employee Handbook: A Legal & Practical Guide**
Matthews, Joseph L. **Social Security, Medicare & Government Pensions: Get the Most of Your Retirement and Medical Benefits**
Mohr, Angie. **Financing Your Business: Get a Grip on Finding the Money**
Pinson, Linda. **Keeping the Books: Basic Record Keeping and Accounting for the Successful Small Business**
Spurga, Ronald C. **Balance Sheet Basics: Financial Management for Non-Financial Managers**
Steingold, Fred S. **Legal Forms for Starting & Running a Small Business**
Steingold, Fred. S. **Legal Guide for Starting & Running a Small Business**

## *Check out this Great Web Site!*

***Visit Springfield's new Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum's Web site for an interactive timeline of Lincoln's life, a video of the museum in the making, and information on the "Blood on the Moon" exhibit about President Lincoln's assassination.***

***Go to www.alincoln-library.com***



## *Patron Profile – Jim Kulp*

Jim Kulp let me turn the tables on him for this issue's patron profile. Jim, retired now, has been a reporter for The Telegraph since 1957. He is admittedly more comfortable writing about other people than being the subject himself, but he graciously allowed me to interview him after limited cajoling.

Jim is an avid library user, visiting the main library or the branch almost every day, and says he loses track of the time when he's there because he is so engrossed in the materials. He says he is an addicted reader who can't be without a book in hand, regardless of what else he is doing. He attributes his passion for reading to his childhood when his mother brought him books from the library every week

He grew up in St. Louis County, where he attended school. In 1942, when Jim was 19 years old, a friend said "Let's join the Army," and Jim immediately agreed. They commandeered Jim's father's car to drive to the recruiting office on Market Street in St. Louis. Unfortunately, they didn't realize that this also was the day of the Veiled Prophet Parade and the car was towed away by police. Jim recalls that he wrote many letters while he was in service but has only one kept as a souvenir. He had written to his mother that he was on his way to basic training and told her that he was homesick.

Jim enlisted in the Signal Corps and, while in basic training, was tested for his perception of the difference between dots and dashes in the Morse code. He passed and was sent to the Army Radio School in Kansas City, then was assigned to the 593rd Engineer Boat and Shore Regiment in Fort Ord, California. It was during this time, spending nights in the radio room, that he got the "bug" to enter journalism. He spent two years in New Guinea and Borneo and was discharged from the Army in 1946. His first job was at the Army Records Center on Goodfellow Boulevard where the job of the workers was to process tons of Army records, sifting through them daily to determine what was worth keeping for posterity, much of it historical.

Jim recalls that one untold story in military history that he noted while sifting through the records is the exploits of the Army's Criminal Investigation Division. The CID was responsible for investigating the crimes that took place in the Army's ranks, from robberies, to desertion, to rapes, to murders. He said these records provided a fascinating look into the events of hundreds of Army units. The records, all contained in foot lockers, would be dumped on a long table and the employees would sort them out looking for what was useful and what wasn't. Jim said the CID's investigations would make a wonderful book if they can be tracked down in the military archives.

Jim also worked for the Army Publication Center, an agency that provided training materials for the troops. Army units would request training manuals and Jim was among the employees who filled the requisitions.

As for journalism, Jim was the St. Louis correspondent for the Sun Herald, a Roman Catholic daily newspaper based in Kansas City. He also wrote a column, titled Kulp's Kolum, for the old Weston Journal, a weekly throwaway paper. During the time spent seeking experience for his eventual entry into journalism, he worked almost three years for the Fred P. Rapp supermarket chain of 12 stores. He was hired by The Telegraph in 1957 as a reporter and his first assignment was at the Bethalto bureau. After four months, he was transferred to the Edwardsville bureau where he worked for six years, and was then placed in the Alton main office.

Jim was a general assignment reporter, meaning he had no single beat to cover such as police, education, city government and the like. The editor would assign him a story to cover and he and a photographer would go out and do it. He worked for years with veteran Telegraph photographer Robert K. Graul, covering hundreds of stories. Among them were the Alton Lock and Dam hearings and pollution control in the St. Louis Metropolitan Area. One of the events he remembers is that of James Gordon Palmer, a Jerseyville man who was a serial killer. He was believed to have been intent on killing eight men he had held up in 1959 at the Gorman Brothers Ready Mix Concrete & Construction Co. in Jerseyville.

Palmer was struck and subdued by Louis Gorman in a heroic gesture that brought the killer to justice. Palmer was sentenced to 180 years in prison. Dr. Groves Smith, a psychiatrist at Beverly Farm, described Palmer as one of the worst serial killers he had ever encountered.

Another incident Jim recalls is the day a loud explosion split the air and all the reporters were dispatched to a shop on East Broadway that sold guns and gunpowder. Most of the shop was destroyed and the gun shop's owner was killed.

Jim particularly loves writing human interest features, the kind that allows him to meet many interesting and unique people. One example was a farmer who chiseled crude two-by-fours out of trees, the same pioneer way that Abraham Lincoln had done when he was young. Jim also remembers how often the Mississippi River would freeze over completely, ice jammed so thick that tow boats couldn't get through it. He recalls one winter when he and Bob Graul went out in a towboat and walked on the frozen river for a feature story. He said it was an eerie experience to walk across the river at its deepest point. One day when the ice blocked the river so towboats couldn't move, Jim and Bob climbed to the roof of the flour mill to get the pictures and overall feel of the situation for the story.

Over his years at The Telegraph, Jim has seen many changes in technology. When he started in Bethalto, all he had was a desk, chair, a telephone and typewriter. In those days, the pages containing the story would be pasted together and, after they were edited by the city editor, a copy girl would take them to the composing room where a printer would set them in type on a linotype machine. Then the printers would lock the lead type into a chase (a plate that went on the press). Jim said those men were amazingly skilled at what they did, working at

a fast pace and able to read the type upside down. It took about seven years to learn the trade and be a journeyman printer from a start as an apprentice.

Another change came when the electric typewriter came in and was substituted for the old-style typewriter. The next biggest change was, of course, the computer. Today, everything is typed, edited and laid out on the computer screen, eliminating a composing room full of printers and linotype operators altogether.

Deadlines were, and always will be, a fact of life for reporters and editors. Many times Jim stayed up late at night to complete a story in time for it to make it onto the printing press. Even when working under pressure, Jim says he has loved every single day of his job. "There's nothing more satisfying than seeing one's own byline on a story, especially when you know you've done a good job," he said.

Though Jim is "officially" retired from The Telegraph, he still works part time writing news features – many of them business stories and religion stories – and he writes an opinion column twice a month. He and his wife, Kathleen, live in Godfrey and have one son, Martin, who works in Los Angeles for the Rand Corporation, a think tank.

Besides reading (mostly history, biographies and current events), Jim enjoys walking for exercise. He also has an interest in model railroading stemming from the days of Lionel trains that his father brought to his offspring. Jim has provided a great service for the library, keeping us informed and involved in a wide variety of issues, interests and community activities. We look forward to seeing his next byline!

# Geneaology and Illinois Room Updates, Events and New Additions

**Continued Growth/New Additions to local History Collections**

*The Illinois Room is busy with activity lately. We have recently added some new books to our collection to assist you with your research. Come in and have a look at our new additions:*

-Genealogical Encyclopedia of the Colonial Americas
-American Surnames
-Surnames in the United States
-Calendar of Warrants for Land in Kentucky, granted for service in the French and Indian War
-Revolutionary Soldiers in Kentucky
-Mother Earth, Land Grants in Virginia 1607-1699
-New York Foundling Hospital, an index to its Federal, State, and Local Census records 1870-1925
-Known Military Dead during the American Revolutionary War 1775-1783
-Children's Aid Society of New York, an index to the Federal, State, and Local Census Records of its Lodging Houses 1855-1925
-Passenger Arrivals at the Port of Charleston 1820-1829
-Morton Allan Directory of European Passenger Steamship Arrivals
-Montgomery County, Illinois cemeteries
-Ancestor Charts from Illinois State Genealogical Society members
-Survey of American Church Records Vol. 1&2
-Passenger Arrivals at the Port of Charleston
-Kentucky Pioneer and Court Records
-Early Kentucky Tax Records

*What are you doing with your remaining hot summer days? It's too hot to travel, too hot to clean the house, and certainly too hot to work in the yard. How about discovering the history of your house? Have you ever thought about the previous inhabitants of your home or what was on the land before a home was built? You may be surprised what you will learn when you begin to trace the history of your home. Come visit us and we can help you get started. When you finish, please consider donating a copy of the history to our Illinois Room. The Alton House Tour File is growing with donated abstracts and some very generous donations of brief house histories and photos of area properties. To those of you who have already begun to research, please remember to donate a copy of your findings to the library for placement in the Illinois Room.*

***Hayner Public Library has recently received a large donation of property histories and photos from the Lyman Trumbull Association. The group is no longer in existence and has provided us with their materials. It will take some time to process the materials –approximately 1,000 addresses in the Middletown area, and place the information in the Alton Area Landmarks file in the Illinois Room. We are so grateful for this donation and for the individual donations of abstracts and histories of local properties. Thank you!***

## Fascinating Genealogy Program in October

Have you ever wondered about the symbols you find on tombstones? What do they mean? On Wednesday, October 12, 2005 at 6:30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Main library you can learn about the intricate carvings and artwork on old tombstones. Our guest speaker will be from the Museum of Funeral Customs in Springfield, Illinois. Join us to learn the code of tombstone art. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## Attention Home Schoolers and Teachers

The Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square has an extensive classroom video series that can serve as wonderful additions to your curriculum development. As with all our videos, these videos may be checked out for 1 week, may NOT be renewed, must be checked out with a library card (no Driver's License), will incur $1.00 fine per day per video if overdue and check out is limited to 10 videos at a time. You can request the videos from any library location. The series includes:

- World Geography: Using Maps and Globes (Grades 6-12) 30 minutes
- The American Revolution for Students (Grades 5-9) 5 volume set 23 minutes each
- Ancient Civilizations for Children (Grades 3-7) 9 volume set 23 minutes each
- The Fall of Great Empires (Grades 9-12) 4 volume set 30 minutes each
- Biomes of the World in Action (Grades 5-8) 8 volume set 23 minutes each
- Atoms and Molecules (Grades 5-8) 23 minutes
- Elements, Compounds, and Mixtures (Grades 5-8) 23 minutes
- Friction (Grades 5-8) 23 minutes
- Sound (Grades 5-8) 23 minutes
- Planets and the Solar System (Grades 5-8) 23 minutes
- Weather Fundamentals (Grades 4-7) 6 volume set 23 minutes each
- Exploring Plane Geometry (Grades 5 and Up) 3 volume set 22 minutes each
- Exploring Solid Geometry (Grades 7 and Up) 3 volume set 22 minutes each
- Fractions and Some Cool Distractions (Grades K-6) 3 volume set 3 hours
- Geometry Series (Grades 5 and Up) 5 volume set 50 minutes each
- All About Cells and Body Systems (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- All About Climate and Seasons (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- All About Plant Adaptation (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- All About Plant and Animal Interdependency (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- All About Solids, Liquids, and Gases (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- All About the Brain (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- All About the Transfer of Energy (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- All About Weathering and Erosion (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- Memorial Day/Veteran's Day (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- Science as Inquiry for Children (Grades K-4) 23 minutes
- Earth Science for Children (Grades K-4) 10 volume set 23 minutes each
- Grammar for Children (Grades K-4) 5 volume set 23 minutes each
- Great Americans for Children (Grades K-4) 12 volume set 23 minutes each
- Remembering September 11th (Grades 4-6) 23 minutes
- Math for Children (Grades K-4) 12 volume set 23 minutes each
- Periodic Table for Students (Grades 9 and Up) 5 volume set 23 minutes each
- Religions of the World (Grades 9 and Up) 6 volume set 50 minutes each (DVD)
- United States Government (Grades 5-12) 11 volume set 23 minutes each

## THE TELEGRAPH

Do you need your grandmother's obituary? Wouldn't you like to have a copy of your birth announcement? What were the top news stories on the day you were born (or married)?

You can search the newspapers at Hayner Public Library. The Alton Telegraph newspaper and Hayner Public Library have had a long relationship. Microfilm of the newspaper is kept for viewing at the downtown location of the library and when you find what you need, a copy can be printed.

If you're not sure of the date of the event you are researching, you can use our newspaper index to help you find what you need. Many years ago, an indexing project was begun using the W.P.A workers. Through the years, Hayner has continued the project and today we have an index for The Telegraph that begins at the year of its inception, 1836, and continues through 1943 plus some later years. This indexing project has been an important part of the local history of our area, and researchers have used this valuable tool to help them find the newspaper articles they need.

Come in and have a look at this wonderful resource. It's a terrific way to learn about the past.

***Alton's Vintage Voices will give a preview of their 2005 presentation in the downtown library Reading Room in September. Check with us for details.***

## *For Women By Woman- Fall 2006 Conference – Crucial Conversations*

The planning committee of the annual For Women By Women conference has announced the Fall 2006 conference. To be held on Wednesday, September 28 at the Alton Holiday Inn, this conference is titled Crucial Conversations, Parts I and II. It will feature Robin Orr, Ph.D., University of Illinois Extension Specialist.

This seminar will serve to help you master your Crucial Conversations and improve your effectiveness. Interpersonal skills are the most important and often the most neglected skills we need for healthy relationships at home, at work, and in organizations. In this interactive workshop, you will learn how to use dialogue skills for those interactions where the stakes are high, emotions run high and there is a difference of opinion. We will work on these "Crucial Conversations" and you will learn your communication style under stress and how to move toward constructive dialogue.

The seminar fee is $45 if prepaid or $75 at the door. The fee includes the workshop and a complementary luncheon. During lunch, there will also be a fashion show by Sears and make-over demonstrations provided by Rumours Salon in Godfrey. The seminar will begin with registration at 8:00 a.m. and end at approximately 1:00 p.m. For more information or to register for the seminar, call the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois at 467-2280. Informational brochures and registration forms are also available at all three Hayner Library locations.

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## 12 Ways Libraries Are Good for the Country

Most Americans know what they can expect from a library. And librarians know what it takes to provide comprehensive access to every recorded detail of human existence. It takes support.

Libraries are ready when they are needed, ready to enrich our minds and defend our right to know, just as other institutions protect our safety and property. Without sound minds, however, the American dream of safe streets and secure homes will never be fulfilled.

Libraries safeguard our freedom and keep democracy healthy. To library advocates everywhere—Friends, trustees, board members, patrons, and volunteers—American Libraries offers this gift of 12 ideals toward which we strive. It will take all of us, in a spirit of pride and freedom, to maintain libraries as a living reality in a free nation throughout the 21st century.

**1. Libraries inform citizens.** Democracy vests supreme power in the people. Libraries make democracy work by providing access to information so that citizens can make the decisions necessary to govern themselves. The public library is the only institution in American society whose purpose is to guard against the tyrannies of ignorance and conformity, and its existence indicates the extent to which a democratic society values knowledge, truth, justice, books, and culture.

**2. Libraries break down boundaries.** Libraries provide free family literacy programs for low-literate, illiterate, and non-English-speaking people. In addition, hundreds of librarians across America lead outreach programs that teach citizenship and develop multilingual and multicultural materials for their patrons. Libraries serve the homebound elderly, prisoners, and other institutionalized individuals, the homeless, and the blind and hearing-impaired.

**3. Libraries level the playing field.** Economists have cited a growing income inequity in America, with the gap between the richest and poorest citizens becoming wider year by year. By making all its resources equally available to all members of its community, regardless of income, class, or other factors, the library levels the playing field. Once users have access to the library's materials, they have the opportunity to level the playing field outside the library by learning to read, gaining employment, or starting a business.

**4. Libraries value the individual.** Library doors swing open for independent thinking without prejudgment. Libraries offer alternatives to the manipulations of commercialism, from the excellence of public-television productions to the freethinking of renegade publishers and the vision of poets and artists outside the mainstream business of art and literature.

**5. Libraries nourish creativity.** In the library we are all children. By stimulating curiosity—parent to the win forces of creativity and imagination—even the most focused and specialized library serves the purpose of lifting the mind beyond its horizons. Libraries store ideas that may no longer work but can serve as the raw material that, cross-fertilized in the innovative mind, may produce answers to questions not yet asked.

**6. Libraries open kids' minds.** Bringing children into a library can transport them from the commonplace to the extraordinary. From story hours for preschoolers to career planning for high schoolers, children's librarians make a difference because they care about the unique developmental needs of every individual who comes to them for help. Children get a handle on personal responsibility by holding a library card of their own, a card that gives them access to new worlds in books, videos, audiotapes, computers, games, toys, and more.

**7. Libraries return high dividends.** What do Gallo Wines, the I Can't Believe It's Yogurt chain, and billboard-sign giant Metromedia have in common? Libraries made millionaires out of each of these companies' grateful owners by providing crucial start-up information when they were no more than wannabe business titans. Libraries are there to help

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas - Dec. 24, 25 & 26
New Years - Dec. 31, Jan. 1 & 2
Dr Martin Luther King Day - Jan. 16
President's Day - Feb. 20

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people with more personal goals, too. The seed money expended for these and other success stories? Less than $20 per capita per year in tax dollars.

**8. Libraries build communities.** No narrow definition of community will work in a library. Each community has its libraries and its special collections. Libraries validate and unify; they save lives, literally and by preserving the record of those lives. Community-building means libraries link people with information. Librarians have become experts at helping others navigate the Internet. Before there was talk of cyberspace, there were libraries, paving the way for the superhighway.

**9. Libraries make families friendlier.** The American family's best friend, the library, offers services guaranteed to hone coping skills. Homework centers, literacy training, parenting materials, after school activities, summer reading programs, outreach—like the families they serve, libraries everywhere are adapting to meet new challenges.

**10. Libraries offend everyone.** Children's librarian Dorothy Broderick contends that every library in the country ought to have a sign on the door reading: "This library has something offensive to everyone. If you are not offended by something we own, please complain." This willingness and duty to offend connotes a tolerance and a willingness to look at all sides of an issue that would be good for the nation in any context; it is particularly valuable when combined with the egalitarianism and openness that characterize libraries.

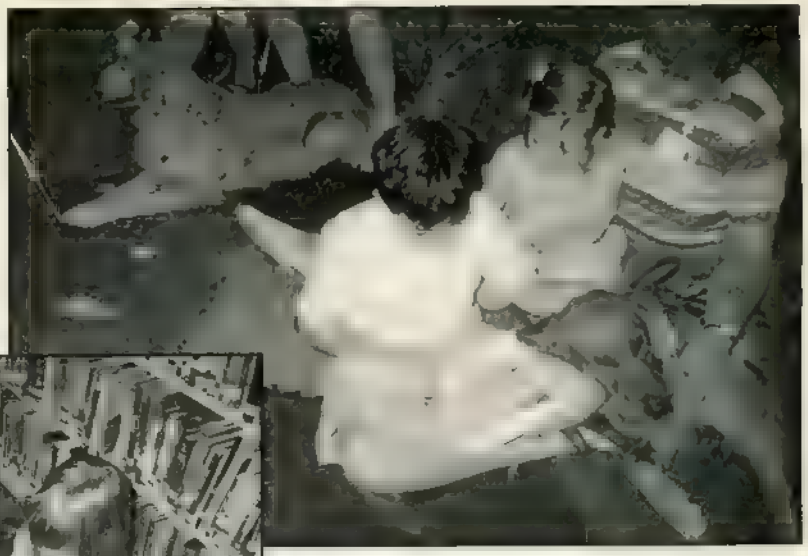
**11. Libraries offer sanctuary.** Like synagogues, churches, mosques, and other sacred spaces, libraries can create a physical reaction, a feeling of peace, respect, humility, and honor that throws the mind wide open and suffuses the body with a near-spiritual pleasure. But why? Perhaps it is because in the library we are answerable to no one; alone with our private thoughts, fantasies, and hopes, we are free to nourish what is most precious to us with the silent companionship of others we do not know.

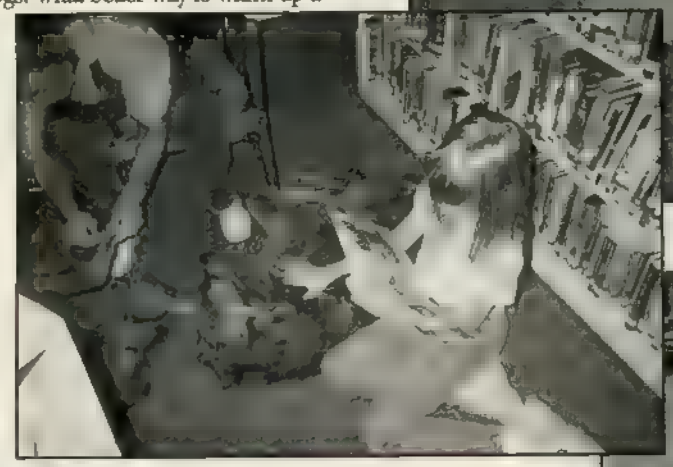
**12. Libraries preserve the past.** Libraries preserve the record; a nation, a culture, a community that does not understand its own past is mired in its own mistakes. Libraries enable us to communicate through distance and time with the living and the dead. It is a miracle kept available by the meticulous sorting, storing, indexing, and preservation that still characterizes library work—work that will carry, in the electronic environment, challenges add a price tag yet unknown.

**Adapted from "12 Ways Libraries Are Good for the Country," *American Libraries* 26**

## *Bow-wow Pow-Wow - All Year Long*

The Bow wow Pow wow sessions continue to grow with more dogs and kids enjoying each others company every second Saturday of the month. Held in the Youth Library (401 State Street, Alton) from 10:00-11:00 a.m., certified therapy dogs visit the library. Kids get to read stories to the dogs, which increases their reading skills, and are free to play with all the dogs. What better way to warm up a cold winter morning than visiting with these wonderful Animals. Join us! Call 1-800-613-3163 to register. The next sessions will be Saturday December 10, January14, February 11 and March 11.





"Dogs love company. They place it first in their short list of needs"
- J. R. Ackerley.

## Barack Obama Stands Up For Libraries

Barack Obama, Democratic U. S. Senator from Illinois, keynoted the Opening General Session at the American Library Association in Chicago this past year. His speech, which focused on our dramatically changing economy and job skill requirements, drew a standing ovation. Some of his comments follow: "Due to revolutions in technology and communications….new jobs and industries require innovative thinking, detailed comprehension and superior communication. …Reading is the gateway skill that makes all other learning possible, from complex word problems and the meaning of our history to scientific discovery and technological proficiency. And by the way, it's what's required to make us true citizens." You can read his address in full in the August 2005 issue of American Libraries, Vol 36, No. 7.

Prior to delivering his speech, Senator Obama answered some questions for American Libraries Magazine:

**Can you share your memories about what libraries meant to you as you were growing up?**

"I lived overseas for several years in Jakarta, Indonesia, when I was young and having access to books, English-language books in particular, was just a huge prize. So when I came back from Indonesia, the first place I wanted to be was in a library. It just seemed to be a magical place where, if you wanted to sit there, you could learn about everything in the world."

**Can you tell us more about the effects libraries have had on you?**

"Here's another interesting fact: People always mention libraries in terms of just being sources for reading material or research. But I would not be in Chicago were it not for the Manhattan Public Library, because I was looking for an organizing job and was having great trouble finding a job as a community organizer in New York. The Mid-Manhattan library had these books of lists of organizations, and the librarian helped me find these lists of organizations, and I wrote to every organization. One of them wound up being an organization in Chicago that I got a job with."

**What's your main message to librarians?**

"That our prosperity as a nation is directly correlated to our literacy."

## Genealogy/Illinois Room Update

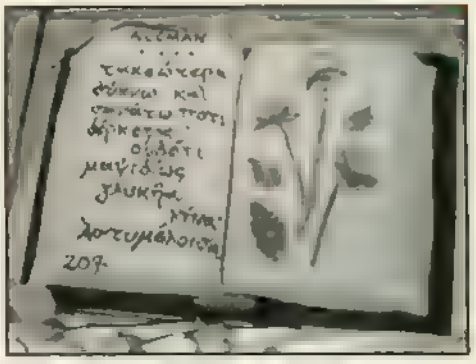
***The Illinois Room collection is growing. These are some of the materials we have recently acquired to help you with your research. We are so grateful to have acquired these valuable research tools, funded by private endowment. The Illinois room is such a valuable asset to local patrons and users, as well as the entire community, as it attracts authors, genealogists and researchers from all over the country. Come in and see what we have!***

Montgomery County, Illinois Census 1850
Plat Book of Jasper County, Illinois 1925
Jo Daviess County Plat Book 1936
Clay County, Illinois Plat Book 1920-1925
Christian County, Illinois 1920-1930 Plat Book
1921 Plat Book of La Salle County, Illinois
Mercer County Plat Book 1935
Richland County, Illinois Plat Book
Plat Book of Shelby County, Illinois 1895
War of 1812 Bounty Lands in Illinois
Clay County Illinois 1850 Census
1850 Census Clinton County Illinois
Illinois 1850 Mortality Schedule Vol. 1 & 3
Illinois Mortality Schedule 1860 Vol. 1,2,4,5
Index to the 1830 Federal Census Selected Counties in Illinois Vol.1-4
Illinois Regiment: a List of Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Soldiers

***Also, we now have available all years, through 1930, of the Madison County, Illinois Census, on microfilm for your research needs.***

## Books2Eat

April 1, 2006 may seem along way away, but it may not be too soon to start planning to participate in the annual Books2Eat festival.



**What is Books2Eat?**

The International Edible Book Festival is a yearly event that takes place on April 1 throughout the world. This event unites bibliophiles, book artists and food lovers to celebrate the ingestion of culture and its fulfilling nourishment. Participants create edible books that are exhibited, documented then consumed.

**Who can participate in Books2Eat?**

Books2Eat can be celebrated with family, friends, colleagues and public anywhere. The only rule is to make edible art that has something to do with books as shapes and/or content. Each participating group or individual is responsible for its/his/her own audience and website. Document your event with pictures and video and share them via internet. Photograph the event before and while you eat it. You can sell tickets for the event; creating a Books2Eat festival as a fundraiser for your organization.

**Where are Books2Eat's creations?**

The artworks are consumed on the day of the event. Images of this world celebration are posted at www.Books2Eat.com. Go to this site to see some of the incredible edible creations that have been submitted from people around the world. The pictures of your creation are likely to be included in a potential (non-edible) book by Umbrella Editions in the future.

**Who Started Books2Eat?**

The Edible Book was initiated by Judith A. Hoffberg over a Thanksgiving turkey with book artists in 1999, and became an international event through the artist Beatrice Coron's Books2Eat website, for the first event in 2000 The event continues as an annual sensation.

**Why is Books2Eat on April 1st?**

April 1st is the birthday of French gastronome Jean-Anthelme Brillat Saarin (1755-1826), famous for his book "Physiologie du Gout". April Fools day is also the perfect day to eat your words and play with them.

For documentations, more information and photo galleries of past years International Book Festival and festival creations, please visit www.Books2Eat.com. Send the Books2 Eat address to book artists and cooks; April Fool's Day comes back with taste every year!

## NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

**–NONFICTION**

Allen, Lloyd. **Being Martha: The Inside Story of Martha Stewart**
Barry, Dave. **Dave Barry's Money Secrets: Like Why Is There a Giant Eyeball on the Dollar?**
Feinstein, John. **Last Dance: Behind the Scenes at the Final Four**
Klauer, Jana. **How the Rich Get Thin: The Top Park Avenue Diet Doctor Reveals the Secrets to Lose Weight**
Lucado, Max. **Cure for the Common Life: Living in Your Sweet Spot**
Maxwell, John. **360-Degree Leader: Developing Your Influence From Anywhere In the Organization**
McMurtry, Larry. **Oh What a Slaughter: Massacres in the American West**
Moriyama, Naomi. **Japanese Women Don't Get Old or Fat: Secrets of My Mother's Tokyo Kitchen**
Pratt, Steven. **SuperFoods HealthStyle: Achieve Total Health and Rejuvenation for the Rest of Your Life**
Sansone, Leshe. **Leslie Sansone's Eat Smart, Walk Strong: The Secrets to Effortless Weight Loss**
Schlessinger, Laura. **Bad Childhood, Good Life: How to Blossom and Thrive in Spite of an Unhappy Childhood**
Steinhorn, Leonard. **The Greater Generation: In Defense of the Baby Boom Legacy**
Susanka, Sarah. **Outside the Not So Big House: Creating the Landscape of Home**
Tayman, John. **The Colony (story of America's leper colony at Molokai)**
Zinczenko, David. **The Abs Diet Get Fit, Stay Fit Plan**

**–FICTION**

Beaton, M.C. **Death of a Dreamer**
Bernhardt, William. **Capitol Murder**
Bond, Larry. **Larry Bond's First Team: Angels of Wrath**
Bradford, Barbara Taylor. **Just Rewards**
Braun, Lilian Jackson. **The Cat Who Dropped a Bombshell**
Cameron, Stella. **A Grave Mistake**
Collins, Jackie. **Lovers & Players**
Cornwell, Bernard. **The Pale Horseman**
Fairstein, Linda. **Death Dance**
Fielding, Joy. **Mad River Road**
Frey, Stephen. **The Protégé**
Gardner, Lisa. **Gone**
Gibbons, Kaye. **The Life All Around Me by Ellen Foster**
Godwin, Gail. **Queen of the Underworld**
Grafton, Sue. **S is for Silence**
Gregory, Philippa. **The Constant Princess**
Griffin, W.E.B. **The Hostage**
Grippando, James. **Got the Look**
Hess, Joan. **Malpractice in Maggody**
Iles, Greg. **Turning Angel**
Johansen, Iris. **On the Run**
Krentz, Jayne Ann. **All Night Long**
Lescroart, John. **The Hunt Club**
**Michaels, Fern. The Jury**
**Mosley, Walter. Wave**
**Patterson, James. The 5th Horseman**
**Plain, Belva. Red Leaves**
**Reilly, Matthew. 7 Deadly Wonders**
**Robb, J.D. Memory in Death**
**Stabenow, Dana. Blindfold Game**
**Steel, Danielle. The House**

## *Staff Picks – What We're Reading*

**Snow Flower and the Secret Fan** by Lisa See. Fiction
This is the haunting story of Lily and Snow Flower, two young girls contracted to be lifelong friends (old sames) and how pride and position came between them. Set in rural 19th century China, See's novel begins with a detailed account of Lily's foot binding. Following Lily and Snow Flower's lives, See shows us how women were confined by strict codes of conduct, duty, arranged marriages and an inferior status in both their own and their husband's family. But she also shows a way they coped and describes a secret written language, nu shu, shared only by women. A fascinating story of difficult lives. —Katie S.

**The Pursuit of Alice Thrift** by Elinor Lipman. Fiction
A highly intelligent surgical intern with low social skills, Alice Thrift meets her opposite in Ray Russo, a seemingly charming, traveling fudge salesman. But as her roommate attests, "There's something slimy about him." With his conniving ways, Ray manages to capture the attentions of Alice, and from there the surprises begin. Elinor Lipman has written a witty story with real characters– an enjoyable book to read. – Jean S.

**Love Overboard** by Janet Evanovich. Fiction
Before Janet Evanovich became so popular for her Stephanie Plum series, she wrote romance stories. *Love Overboard* is about Ivan, a handsome ship's captain and Stephanie, a girl from New Jersey. As the story begins, Stephanie moves to Maine and takes her cousin's place as a cook on Ivan's ship for a week. This book is about starting over, finding happiness, and finding love. The story is written in true Evanovich flair. It is full of wit, charm, and a surprising twist at the end. –Michele K.

**The Intimate World of Abraham Lincoln** by C.A. Tripp. Nonfiction
Tripp provides a chronological account of Lincoln's life that is far from boring. He sites historical letters, diaries and oral interviews from people who personally knew Lincoln. He gives strong background on some of Lincoln's close friends, such as Joshua Speed. A reader is left to come to his or her own conclusion about Lincoln's sexual preference. This book is suggested for its interesting historical content and informative descriptions. –Sharon S.

**Deep Simplicity** by John Gribbin. Nonfiction
The premise of this book is simple: complex systems on the edge of chaos form from simple components, following simple rules. The importance of this insight is that complexity is the foundation of life. Along the way, Gribbin links the concept of self-organizing networks to traffic jams, earthquakes, weather patterns, and the most complex system of all—human beings. All begging the question of what life is: is the universe itself a living organism? –Juan F.

## *Food for Fines During the Holidays!*

Beginning December 1, 2005 and continuing through December 31, 2005, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine and Hayner materials only. All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Last year we collected over 1200 items for the Crisis Center. Let's see if we can beat that!

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Join us at the Main Library for our winter semester of events--sure to chase the cold weather doldrums! All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Ill.*

### Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*
**Sunday, December 4, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

What better way to kick off the holidays than with a musical celebration of the season by the choral group Limited Edition? Directed by Susan Parton-Stanard, this talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation. Susan is known to occasionally throw in a surprise or two. The musicianship of the ensemble is as good as anything you would hear on the Great White Way! Join us for the Holiday Cheer! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

*Please Note: Reservations for this program currently are full. We are taking waiting list reservations. The program listing is included in this semester's calendar of events as a reminder for those of you who have already enrolled.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

Saturday, December 10
Saturday, January 14
Saturday, February 11
Saturday, March 11
10:00-11:00 a.m.

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Richard Cheatum
### *Meet Meriwether Lewis*
**Thursday, December 8, 6:30 p.m.**

You will be fascinated as you listen to Meriwether Lewis (actor/scholar Richard Cheatum) describe the trials, tribulations and adventures on the trail west. This program is sponsored by the Lewis and Clark Historical Site, the Lewis and Clark Society of America and the Illinois Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### The Original Boneheads
### *A Little Bit of Everything*
**Tuesday, January 10, 6:30 p.m.**

The Original Boneheads, a.k.a. The St. Louis Trombone Quartet (yes, TROMBONE Quartet!) was founded in 1998 and have, in the years since, played at art fairs, concerts, casinos, university ceremonies, private events, parades, museum and corporate events and many church services, to glowing reviews. Each of the players is conservatory trained and experienced in musical settings from symphony orchestras to bar bands. This breadth of musical experience is reflected in the quartet's song list, which contains marches, jazz and swing, rock, doo wop, classical, R & B, polkas, blues, Americana and more. This evening's performance will be an eclectic mix of jazz, swing, blues and classical. Join us for this unique event. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Josh Farley
### *Examine Your Financial Future*
**Tuesday, January 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Isn't it high time you took charge of your financial future? Learn how to identify and manage risks. Join Josh Farley, local Edward Jones Investment Representative, for an easy-to-follow presentation addressed to experienced and inexperienced investors alike. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

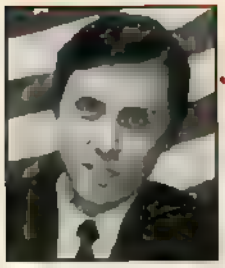
### Broadway on the Driveway
### *Retro Broadway-Style Variety Show*
**Tuesday, January 24, 6:30 p.m.**

The performing troupe of "Broadway on the Driveway" takes you on a sentimental journey that reunites you with some of Broadway's greatest hits as well as those of the Andrews Sisters, Judy Garland, Fred Astaire, Doris Day, Frank Sinatra and more. The entire song and dance revue is performed in full costume with some of the best music of the 20th century. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Special Consensus
### *Acoustic Blue Grass and More*
**Thursday, February 2, 6:30 p.m.**

Special Consensus is a four-person acoustic band that has been performing nationally and internationally since 1975. Their performances have been recorded, videotaped and archived with the Nashville office of the International Bluegrass Music Association. Their performance at the Grand Ole Opry in 2003 received a standing ovation. The Special Consensus repertoire includes traditional bluegrass standards (songs by Bill Monroe, Flatts and Scruggs, Jim and Jesse McReynolds, and others) and songs by artists from other musical genres (such as "Blue Skies" by Irving Berlin). As a result of this musical diversity, Special Consensus has performed at the most traditional bluegrass festivals as well as more progressive festivals and fairs. They have performed with symphony orchestras and throughout Europe, South America and Canada. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner



## Richard Garey
## *JFK*
**Thursday, February 9, 6:30 p.m.**

More than 40 years have passed since the death of President Kennedy. Millions of Americans who never knew this illustrious president have grown to adulthood. Catch a glimpse of this charismatic, optimistic and hopeful president who embodied the attitude of the 1960s. Understand his ideals, his observations on nuclear war and his impact on the world. Experience the excitement of the election campaign, the center of power, the fun of a Kennedy news conference and a day at the White House. This show is a humorous, yet thought-provoking portrait of one of our most fascinating presidents. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Peter, Mary and Scott
## *"Beatin' on those Bones!"*
**Tuesday, February 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Scott Miller is the 2004 World Bones Champion. Bones champion? Yes, we're talking beef ribs. Or goat bones. Or ox shins. And don't forget the vegetarian ones made out of plastic, hardwoods, even a pumpkin stem.

Scott joins Pete and Mary Pancella for an evening of fiddling and picking supercharged with old-time percussion. Pete is a music instructor of strings at Lewis and Clark Community College as well as Director of the Merawood Community Orchestra. Mary is a piano instructor as well as Director of Music and Liturgy at Holy Infant Church in Ballwin, Mo. Both will be performing on a variety of stringed instruments. Come and enjoy a lively evening of old-time music guaranteed to rattle your bones! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
## *Celebrate Mardi Gras*
**Tuesday, February 28, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

A Hayner tradition and highly anticipated yearly event, Bud and his band are back to help us kick off the festive Mardi Gras season. The band plays New Orleans-style jazz in this raucous celebratory event of fun, swing and soul. A local favorite in the St. Louis area, the band always packs the house. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Wayne Schell and Beth Tittle
## *A Celtic Celebration*
**Tuesday, March 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Wayne Schell is a member of the very popular blue grass trio The Lodge Brothers. He has also performed for more than eight years with musician Beth Tittle.

Beth merges her crystal-clear vocals with Wayne's singing and instrumentation to perform traditional Celtic music, a common interest of both performers. Their program will consist of traditional folk songs from the British Isles. These songs have interesting historical contexts and a large cast of characters, including Bonaparte, Lord Nelson, Charles Stuart Parnell, gardeners, spouses, jilted lovers and ghosts. The Irish have a particular knack for creating songs which are either desperately sad or ridiculously silly. It will be a fine evening with plenty of blarney to go around. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mark Dvorak
## *Old Songs and New People*
**Thursday, March 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Folksinger Mark Dvorak presents an intergenerational program of American folk songs-- many recognizable, some new. Mark uses humor and anecdotes to familiarize the audience with his music. Mark is an instructor at the famed Chicago Old Town School of Music and has released multiple award-winning CDs. The Chicago Tribune has identified Mark as "a commanding vocalist and masterful banjo player." Mark also has been distinguished as "one of today's most important folk artists." We are so excited about Mark's return to Hayner. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy an evening of music, humor and fun. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Nancy Lippincott and Ben Schreiber
## *Traditional Strings*
**Tuesday, March 28, 6:30 p.m.**

Nancy Lippincott is a popular local vocalist who plays guitar, autoharp, mandolin, hammered dulcimer and tenor banjo. She enjoys exposing audiences to traditional music that is seldom heard these days. Her repertoire includes Celtic music, early country, American folk, blues, swing and gospel. She has performed extensively throughout the area at various venues, including the several International Folk Festivals in St. Louis, and at many living history events. She also was a featured performer at the 2004 First Night Celebrations at Lewis and Clark College.

Ben Schreiber is a 16-year-old "string wizard" from Elsah, Ill. He began studying classical violin when only three years old and toured with Suzuki youth orchestras here and in Europe. Though rooted in classical music, at 13 he developed an interest in folk music and switched to fiddle. Ben has since expanded his range to include banjo, mandolin, guitar, keyboard and composition. Come hear Nancy and this remarkable young man! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.***

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# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

**Winter Activities for December 2005, January and February 2006**

### *Preschool Storytime*
Mondays – 10:00 a.m.
December 12th – January 9th & 23rd – February 6th

### *Lapsit Storytime*
Tuesdays – 10:00 a.m.
December 6th & 20th – January 3rd, 17th, & 31st – February 14th & 28th

### *Preschool Storytime*
Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 a.m.
December 13th & 27th – January 10th & 24th – February 7th & 21st

### *Evening Storytime*
Tuesdays – 6:30 p.m.
December 6th & 20th – January 3rd, 17th, & 31st – February 14th & 28th

### *Read-n-Rant*
Saturdays – 10:00 a.m.
December 3rd – January 7th – February 4th

### *After School Fun*
Thursdays – 4:00 p.m.

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| December 8th | Penguin Jingle Bell Ornaments |
| January 12th | Penguin Thermometer |
| February 9th | Valentine Bear Bucket |

### *Special Events:*

**Special Read-n-Rant**
Saturday – 10:00 a.m.
December 3rd – Featuring Jeff Miller
Hayner Youth
Poetry Writing Workshop

**Christmas Party**
Saturday – 2:00 p.m.
December 17th – Hayner Youth
Meet Mr. & Mrs. Claus and enjoy holiday treats!

**Dr. Martin Luther King Program**
Tuesday – 9:00 a.m.
January 17th – Starring Loretta Washington – Hayner Youth
Learn about Dr. King as a young boy!
*This program will be held at the Gilson Brown Elementary School.*

**Black History Month Program**
Monday – 9:00 a.m.
February 6th – Starring Bobby Norfolk
Hayner Youth
One of our favorites, Bobby will recount fascinating events highlighting the importance of Black History Month.

## *Positive Thinking vs. Positive Believing*

*To be trusted is a greater compliment than to be loved* -George Macdonald

Once upon a time there was a high-wire walker named Philippe who dreamed of being the most famous high-wire walker in the world. He realized that he had to do something no one else had ever done before.

He decided he would walk the high wire over Niagara Falls. If he could do this, he knew he would be on the front pages of newspapers all over the world.

One day, with thousands of people watching, Philippe started crossing over the falls.

Philippe wasn't like the other high-wire walkers, he didn't use a long pole for balance. He used a wheelbarrow filled with 200 pounds of bricks.

Slowly, but masterfully, he crossed the falls. When he reached the other side, he received a huge standing ovation. As the applause died down, the photographers and journalists surrounded him.

The photographers took picture after picture, and the writers asked question after question.

After the last questions, Philippe pointed to a young journalist and said, "I have a question for you. Do you think I can take my wheelbarrow and go all the way back to the other side?" The young writer said, "Of course I think you can do it. You're a master of the high wire."

Then Philippe said, "Let me ask you one more question. I know you think I can do it, but do you believe I can do it?"

The journalist thought for a moment and said, "I have all the confidence in the world in you. Of course I believe you can do it."

Upon hearing that, Philippe dumped all the bricks out of his wheelbarrow and said, "If you really believe it—get in the wheelbarrow."

***From "Bits and Pieces – Wow! What a Great Story" by Rob Gilbert***

## *Reading Incentives for Kids*

Sometimes, even children that are strong readers fall into "reading slumps". In her book, *How to Get Your Child to Love Reading*, Esme Codell offers some creative tips and activities to peak the reading interest of your child whatever his reading level. She calls these premiums or reading boosts. She recommends you try to keep premiums as closely linked to the reading experience as possible, choosing activities and gifts that directly compliment reading content or focus on quality time activities rather than material dividends. Rewards could include:

- Family field trip to a museum of child's choice-perhaps pick up a book in the gift shop
- Doll, stuffed toy or puzzle of favorite book–related character
- Time spent together cooking a book-related dish
- Time spent together making and playing a home made board game with a book-related theme
- Flashlight or book light
- Duplicate books read by child donated to school library in child's name
- Decorate an oversized cardboard box as the child's "private reading room"
- "Stay up an extra half hour to read" or "Extra story at bedtime" coupons
- Hobby items with a related book (*Baseball Digest* magazine enclosed in glove, art supplies with drawing or craft book, telescope with star guide)
- "I'm proud of you" note, filled with glitter, sent care of our child's classroom at school or a congratulatory e-mail (check out www.bluemountain.com for messages and family friendly games kids love)
- Autographed picture of a favorite author (write care of the publisher)

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Branch Library Events at OASIS Alton Center

*The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held. The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall- follow the hallway to the right of Famous Barr Customer Service. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

### Family Game Nights

***December 1 - January 11 - February 23***
***All game nights begin at 6:30 p.m.***

One night each month in the winter, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family, or play with some other great library patrons! Program will be held at Oasis. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Let's Go to the Movies!

***December 14 - January 18 - February 22***
***All movies begin at noon and are approximately one hour long.***

We would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of three great documentaries from the Hayner Library collection. Each documentary is sure to entertain patrons of all ages. The first documentary, "Theodore Roosevelt: Roughrider to Rushmore" follows the life of one of the US's most colorful presidents. The second, "Krakatoa", brings to life the story of one of the world's largest natural cataclysms. The third documentary, "Mystic Iran", takes cameras into parts of the nation that have been hidden to the outside world for centuries. Refreshments will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Program will be held at Oasis. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Historic Illinois/Route 66

***December 7 – 6:30 p.m.***

Interesting Illinois tidbits, facts, and oddities abound as author Bill Nunes and Dan Oberle present a dual program highlighting the history of Illinois and Route 66. Bill Nunes has written over 10 books dealing with the history and trivia of Illinois. Dan Oberle is an expert on Route 66 who has traveled the entire length of the Route for his research. Enjoy an evening of fun as we discuss the fascinating history of Illinois and its role in US history—and get your kicks on Route 66 as well! Program will be held at OASIS. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Natural History of Pere Marquette State Park

***December 15 – 6:30 p.m.***

With over 8,000 beautiful acres of land, Pere Marquette State Park is the largest state park in Illinois. Join us as Scott Isringhausen, Site Interpretive Program Coordinator of Pere Marquette State Park, discusses the natural history of the park as well as the history of its creation. Did you know that the park's lodge was created in the 1930's by the Civilian Conservation Corps? Or that dozens of species of animals call the park home? With the help of visual aids, Mr. Isringhausen will bring the park and its inhabitants alive in an evening sure to fascinate the whole family! Program will be held at OASIS. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Come to the Fair!

***January 12 – 6:30 p.m.***

Meet us in St. Louis, Louis! Meet us at the Fair! The magic of the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair comes to life as historian Yvonne Condon interprets photographs of the famous event. The program, part of the Missouri Historical Society's "History to Go!" outreach, will bring to life the sights and sounds of one of the most grand expositions ever to take place! Program will be held at OASIS. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery

***February 16 – 6:30 p.m.***

In 1803 Thomas Jefferson sought authorization from congress to commission an exploration of unknown spaces on the North American continent. Meriwether Lewis and William Clark accepted command of the expedition. In 1806 the exploration was completed. What happened between commission and completion has become one of the most fascinating stories in history. Join us for an exciting evening as local Lewis and Clark historian Joe Frazier (who has traveled the entire expedition route twice) brings to life the trials, tribulations, and findings of the Corp of Discovery expedition team. Program will be held at OASIS. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Ellen: My Childhood in the Boot Heel

***March 14 – 6:30 p.m.***

Storyteller Loretta Washington spent part of her early childhood in the Missouri boot heel in a small country town called Wardell. This program will take you back in time to the 1950s and introduce you to Loretta's fascinating and inspiring story of Loretta's grandmother, Ellen. Ellen (or "Mama" as she was called) was born a slave on a plantation in Tennessee in 1860 and passed away in 1953. Enjoy the true story of Ellen and other short stories of life, as seen through the eyes of a child growing up in rural Missouri. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Happenings at OASIS

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

**OASIS Holiday Dance**
Dinner, dancing and lots of holiday cheer will be available at our Holiday Dance held at the KC Hall in Godfrey, IL. You must pre-register for this dance; no tickets will be sold at the door.
Thursday, Dec. 8, 5:00-10:00 p.m.
Fee: $15 per person

**Pinochle**
Join us for a fun game of pinochle every Friday at the center.
Fridays, Jan. 20-April 28, 10:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Fee: $5 for all 14 sessions

**Bridge**
Join us for Tuesday Bridge.
Tuesdays, Jan. 17-Apr. 25, 1:00-3:30 p.m.
Fee: $5 for all 15 sessions

## Black History Month

In recognition of February as Black History Month, Hayner staff has compiled a sampling of some of the African-American authors and their work held by the Hayner Public Library District. Again, this is just a small sampling. If you don't see a title or author that you want, just ask us and we will get it for you!

### General Fiction (recent)

Alers, Rochelle - ***Secrets Never Told***
Berry, Bertice - ***When Love Calls You Better Answer***
Black, Daniel Omotosho - ***They Tell Me of a Home***
Dickey, Eric Jerome - ***Drive Me Crazy***
Diggs, Anita Doreen - ***A Mighty Love***
Hunter, Travis, 1969 - ***A One Woman Man***
Jackson, Brenda (Brenda Streater) - ***The Midnight Hour***
Mason, Felicia - ***Enchanted Heart***
McFadden, Bernice L. - **Camilla's Roses**
McMillan, Terry - ***The Interruption Of Everything***
Millner, Denene - ***A Love Story***
Monroe, Mary - ***Gonna Lay Down My Burdens***
Morrison, Mary B. - ***Somebody's Gotta Be On Top***
Packer, ZZ - ***Drinking Coffee Elsewhere***
Poole, Daamuah S - ***Got A Man***
Smith, Zadie - ***On Beauty***
Touré, 1971- ***Soul City: A Novel***
Weber, Carl - ***Player Haters***
Zane - ***Afterburn***

### Mysteries

Bland, Eleanor Taylor - ***A Cold And Silent Dying***
DeLoach, Nora - ***Mama Rocks the Empty Cradle***
Edwards, Grace F. (Grace Frederica) - ***The Viaduct***
Greer, Robert O. - ***Heat Shock***
Grimes, Terris McMahan - ***Blood Will Tell***
Hardwick, Gary - ***Color Of Justice***
Mosley, Walter - ***Cinnamon Kiss***
Sallis, James, 1944 - ***Drive***
Walker, Blair S. - ***Don't Believe Your Lying Eyes***
Walker, Persia - ***Harlem Redux***
Woods, Paula L. - ***Dirty Laundry : A Charlotte Justice Novel***

### Romance

Byrd, Adrianne - ***My Destiny***
King-Gamble, Marcia - ***Come Back To Me***
Poarch, Candice - ***Loving Delilah***

### Classics

Baldwin, James, 1924-1987 - ***Go Tell It On The Mountain***
Bambara, Toni Cade - ***The Salt Eaters***
Chesnutt, Charles Waddell, 1858-1932 - ***The Conjure Woman, And Other Conjure Tales***
Dumas, Henry, 1934-1968 - ***Echo Tree: The Collected Short Fiction Of Henry Dumas***
Dunbar, Paul Laurence, 1872-1906 - ***The Strength Of Gideon: And Other Stories***
Ellison, Ralph - ***Invisible Man***
Gaines, Ernest J., 1933 - ***The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman***
Haley, Alex - ***Roots***
Himes, Chester B.- ***Plan B***
Larsen, Nella - ***An Intimation of Things Distant: The Collected Fiction of Nella Larsen***
Marshall, Paule, 1929 - ***The Fisher King***
Morrison, Toni - ***Beloved***
Motley, Willard, 1909-1965 - ***Knock On Any Door***
Parks, Gordon, 1912 - ***The Learning Tree***
Petry, Ann Lane, 1911 - ***The Street***
Reed, Ishmael, 1938 - ***The Last Days of Louisiana Red***
Thurman, Wallace, 1902-1934 - ***Infants of the Spring***
Toomer, Jean, 1894-1967 - ***Cane***
Walker, Alice, 1944- - ***The Color Purple***

### Children'sBooks

Cheryl Willis Hudson & Bernette G. Food- ***Bright Eyes, Brown Skin***
Joyce Carol Thomas - ***Cherish Me***
Pat Cummings - ***Clean Your Room, Harvey Moon***
Eleanora E. Tate - ***Secret of Gumbo Grove***
Eloise Greenfield - ***Big Friend, Little Friend***
Natasha Tarpley - ***I Love My Hair***
Myles & Sandra Pinkney - ***A Rainbow All Around Me***

## Tap Your Wells...@ the Library

Just before the Great Depression, Ira Yates sold a profitable, but boring business to go back to the only life he knew- ranching. He bought a thousand acres of land in West Texas and life quickly became neither boring nor profitable!

Yates and his family endured years of droughts and economic hardship on this land. When it was rumored West Texas might be sitting on oil reserves, the struggling rancher finally had hope that his financial woes would soon be history.

He contacted an oil company and offered to let them drill on his land. But they were too busy working with well-established fields in other parts of the state. So Yates continued to scratch out a meager existence on his large, failed ranch.

Two more years went by before an oil company agreed to construct a test well on the Yates Ranch Much to everyone's surprise, Yates' land sat atop one of the largest and richest oil fields in all North America! And that's how Ira Yates made his fortune.

But aren't we all a little like Ira? Don't we already possess the well of our own success? Your gifts, talents, creativity- whatever you consider your own natural resources to be- are within you and just waiting to pour forth. The question is this: Will you tap into those resources, or wait for someone else to tap them for you?

Using the library is your most powerful tool to develop your natural resources. Our collection of over 250,000 items affords you a passport to self empowerment and personal growth.

## Win a Holiday Gift Basket!

On December 20, each of three Hayner Library Locations will hold a drawing for a Christmas Gift Basket provided by WBGZ Radio 1570 AM. The baskets will contain all kinds of goodies to enjoy over the holidays and beyond. The baskets will be displayed and entry forms will be available at each library location (Main, Branch, Youth) beginning December 1. Stop by any location and enter! Winners will be announced on December 20 on WBGZ 1570 AM radio. Winners will also be contacted by phone.

# Patron Profile
# Harold Sileven

Harold Sileven was born in West Frankfort, Illinois but has lived in Alton, with his wife, Lorene, for the last 50 years. Harold and Lorene, whom he met in high school, have been married 60 years and have three children, four grandchildren and five great grandchildren (soon to be six). After high school, in 1940, Harold enlisted in the U.S. Navy for a six year term. The following year, with the start of World War II, Harold shipped out on the destroyer, U.S.S. Waters, on which he would serve the next five years. He served as a Water Tender 1st class. His primary responsibility was to monitor and maintain the proper steam levels in the fire room (engine room). During the war, the U.S.S. Waters primarily served as a transport, landing troops on beachheads for combat.

In 1941, when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, the Waters was in port in San Diego. She received word of the hostilities at 1125 on December 7 and immediately began preparations to put to sea. On December 8 the ship headed out for Pearl Harbor. Harold remembers when they arrived at Pearl Harbor, six days later; the bombed ships were still smoking. During ten days in Oahu, the Waters periodically conducted patrols of the sea approaches to the harbor.

After returning from Pearl Harbor, the crew on the Waters spent ten months escorting supply ships from Seattle, Washington, to army bases along the Alaskan coast and throughout the Aleutians. In December 1942, the Waters entered the Puget Sound Navy Yard for retooling into a high-speed transport. These hybrid warships combined the functions of transports and destroyers into one. The concept of a high speed transport was to provide sufficient armament for the ship to defend herself against smaller warships and yet support the troops she carried with sufficient speed to enable her to outrun more heavily armed ships. The Waters was one of the first ships to be converted to fill this role. Harold and the crew were then dispatched to Fiji, Pago Pago, Guadalcanal and multiple other locations. On June 16, the Waters fought her first action when attacking Japanese planes started dropping bombs close aboard. The men of the Waters were not to be bested and were victorious after taking down two of the offending bombers. Harold remembers one mission, having to thread their way through uncharted shoal waters at night to reach a beachhead on the southern coast of Bougainville and disembark troops. For the next several months the Waters would transport supplies and reinforcement and replacement troops while returning evacuated casualties and combat-weary veterans to Guadalcanal.

As the war progressed, the Waters operated as a transport and was engaged in conflict throughout the South Pacific as well as Australia and New Zealand. Harold recalls that there were some moments of respite from the war. He did attend a USO show featuring Bob Hope, and he remembers he and his shipmates engaged in a game of baseball on a South Pacific island that was so small, the outfielder had to stand in the sea water.

In February 1945, the Waters was underway to join the assault on Iwo Jima. During the assault she patrolled against Japanese submarines and helped transport the Marine troops to Iwo Jima beaches. Harold mentioned how much he admired the patriotism of the brave Marine troops and the bravery and skill of the fighter pilots. Harold and his ship mates also participated in the assault of Okinawa, protecting transports from submarines, deflecting kamikaze fighter pilots, patrolling the beaches and fighting fires that blazed on board other destroyers when hit by suicide planes. Following the Okinawa campaign, the Waters started the long trip home, finally arriving in San Pedro, California, on July 21. The Waters received seven battle stars for service during World War II and was decommissioned in October 1945. Harold was on leave, sitting in a movie theater with his wife in Los Angeles the day the war ended. He said the crowd in the theater went absolutely wild and he and his wife quickly left to escape the pandemonium. Harold still had one year of enlistment duty to fulfill. He spent about six months on another ship carrying troops from Pearl Harbor to Long Beach, California. He was transferred to yet a third ship on which he spent his final six months of service participating in the Bikini Beach atomic bomb tests. Harold returned to San Diego and was discharged in December 1946.

Harold and his wife moved to Alton in 1947, and Harold worked at Laclede Steel for the next 33 years, first as a furnace operator and then as a shift supervisor. Harold has one child living in Orlando and two are in Alton. He noted proudly that his youngest daughter and her husband both retired from commissions in the U.S. Navy as Naval Commanders.

We thank Harold for his years of service to this country. He truly represents what it means to be a member of "the greatest generation."

## Choices, Choices and More Choices!

Along with all the blockbuster titles, we have hundreds of documentaries and new fiction releases on video and DVD, all covering a wide range of interests. Check them out!

**Aliens of the Deep** (James Cameron's documentary on unique underwater life forms)
**Baa Baa Black Sheep: Volume 1** (The Black Sheep Squadron) DVD
**Bob Hope's Entertaining the Troops: the Vietnam Years** DVD
**Born Into Brothels** DVD
**Christmas with the Kranks** DVD
**Clear the Skies** (Documentary on the order given on 9/11/01) DVD
**A Company of Soldiers** (a look at the U.S. Army's 8th Cavalry Regiment stationed in Baghdad) DVD
**Crusade: The Life of Billy Graham** DVD
**Daily Show with Jon Stewart: Indecision 2004** DVD
**Desperate Housewives: The Complete First Season** DVD
**Dinner of Herbs** (Based on the Catherine Cookson novel) DVD
**Empire Falls** DVD
**Faith of My Fathers** (based on the autobiography by Sen. John McCain) DVD
**Frontier House** DVD
**Ghosts of Rwanda** DVD & VHS
**Great Figures of the Bible** (6 volumes) VHS
**Guns, Germs and Steel** DVD
**Into the West** DVD
**Jacques Cousteau Pacific Explorations** DVD
**Krakatoa** VHS
**Last Stand of the Great Bear** DVD
**Mary Pickford** VHS & DVD
**McMillan & Wife: Season One** DVD
**Midsomer Murders: Set Six** DVD
**Monk: Season Three** DVD
**Mystery of the Black Death** VHS
**Pioneers of Primetime** DVD
**The Question of God: Sigmund Freud & C.S. Lewis** VHS & DVD
**The Rat Pack Collection** DVD
**Robots** DVD & VHS
**The Secret of the Holy Grail** DVD
**The Sixties: The Years That Shaped a Generation** DVD
**Slavery and the Making of America** DVD
**TR: The Story of Theodore Roosevelt** VHS
**Wire in the Blood: The Complete Second Season** DVD

## 2006 Adult Winter Reading Program January 14 – February 25

Spice up your winter with great reads and a chance to win gourmet goodies in a beautiful gift basket. It's easy with Hayner's Adult Winter Reading Program! From January 14th to February 25th, 2006, for every book or audio book you read, you can enter a drawing to win gift baskets stuffed with gourmet goodies. The baskets, one for each library location, will be on display at Hayner's Main, Youth and Alton Square branches during the contest. Every time you finish a book or audio book, fill out an entry form and drop it in a basket's entry box. The more you read, the more chances to win! Even the rules are easy: You must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; register at the Main, Youth, or Branch library's circulation desk to participate and pick up additional entry forms. Grand prize drawings for these tasty baskets will be held on Saturday, February 25th. Come on–it's easy! We've even included your first entry form here!

### 2006 Hayner Adult Winter Reading Program January 14 – February 25

Name: _____

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## SCORE builds Library Collection

This past fall, The Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423, Service Corps of Retired Executives, has made yet another contribution to The Hayner Public Library District in support of our ongoing efforts to build a premier business reference collection. To this end, the following titles will become part of our circulating collections:

*Job Description Handbook*, M. Mader-Clark
*Dress to Impress: How a Navy Blazer Changed My Life!*, J Shellart, L. Beck
*Running QuickBooks in Nonprofits*, K. Ivens
*Starting & Building a Nonprofit*, P.Pakroo
*Incorporate Your Business: A Legal Guide to Forming a Corporation in Your State*, A. Mancuso
*Form Your Own Limited Liability Company*, A. Mancuso
*Deduct It! Lower Your Small Business Taxes*, S. Fishman
*Manager's Legal Handbook*, A. Delpo, L. Guerin
*Home Business Tax Deductions: Keep What You Earn*, S. Fishman
*Dealing with Problem Employees: A Legal Guide*, A. Delpo
*Investors in Your Backyard: How to Raise Business Capitol from the People You Know*, A. Advani
*Tax Savvy for Small Business*, F. W. Daily
*The New Bankruptcy: Will It Work for You*, S. Elias, R. Leonard
*QuickBooks 2006: The Official Guide*, K. Ivens
*Knock 'em Dead 2006: The Ultimate Job-seekers Guide*, M. Yate

SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business, is a volunteer organization of business people that provide ***free, confidential*** business counseling to help entrepreneurs start up a small business or ensure that an existing business prospers. To learn more about SCORE and how you can take advantage of this vitally important (and successful) resource, call the local SCORE office at 467-2280.

# *The Hayner Library District Announces Youth Library School Liaison Position*

The library has a published Long Range Plan for the period of 2004-2009 (available for you to pick up at all library locations). This plan documents five critical service responses that will be the Library's focus for the next five years. These service responses were designed to respond to community needs. The needs were identified by a sixteen person Community Planning Committee in 2004.

One of those service responses is Formal Learning Support. The definition of this response is as follows: "The library will help students who are enrolled in a formal program of education or who are pursuing their education through home schooling to attain their educational needs." To achieve this service response the following goal was defined: "The library will develop a good working relationship with all area learning institutions", thus achieving the following objectives:

- Acquire and maintain accelerated reading lists
- Provide offsite programs at area learning institutions
- Communicate with educators to learn their curriculum schedules
- Provide study carrels and quiet places for students

As a significant facilitator to meet these objectives, the library has created the new staff position of Youth Library Liaison. Sharon Windham has taken on the challenge of filling this mission critical position.

Sharon joined the Hayner Youth Staff in February of 2003 as a Library Assistant. She quickly worked her way up to Assistant Department Manager

and in 2005 accepted the challenge of Youth Liaison. Sharon graduated from Blackburn College in 1991 with a Bachelors in Elementary Education. She feels with her education and years of experience working with children she can be a beneficial tool and resource for the education community. If you would like to contact Sharon call the Hayner Youth Library at 465-6463 or email her at youth.library@haynerlibrary.org.

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## *Western Military Academy Alumni Gift The Hayner Public Library District*

**(Above) Left to Right: John Salter '64, Richard Rook '49, Ruth Jackson, Darryl Slater '63, Conrad Kirby '63**

In January 2006, alumni members of the Western Military Academy presented The Hayner Public Library District with a wonderful addition to the district's collection of important and historic artwork.

Three framed pictures were donated to the library that included the following: 1897 WMA football team including an inset picture with signatures of members of the 1948 and 1949 WMA classes. The inset photo was taken in May of 2004 in Orlando, Fla., at a class reunion of these two classes; Colonel G. D. Eaton who assumed ownership of the academy with Colonel Albert M. Jackson in 1896; Colonel R. L. Jackson, President and Superintendent of WMA and son of Albert M. Jackson.

Funding was provided by the WMA Scrapbook Project Preservation Team, who produced the WMA CD of the scrapbook. Framing and picture restoration was accomplished by Burton Artworks of Alton, Ill and St. Charles, Mo. Steve Cousley donated the Jackson and Eaton pictures to Richard Rook for inclusion in the presentation. Extensive restorative work was required on both pictures.

The original picture image of the 1897 football team was given to the Scrapbook Project Preservation Team by Mr. Don Huber, Alton Township Supervisor and local historian, for inclusion in the CD project. A special thank you goes to Don for this captivating picture of young men relaxing with their coach and military advisor.

Western Military Academy closed in 1971 and the property subsequently was sold to Mississippi Valley Christian School which continues to operate from the remaining facilities. All barracks buildings except "C" have been demolished. The Field House was lost to fire some years ago. Ralph Jackson and Charles Jackson, sons of Colonel R. L. Jackson, continued to be educators in the local area, teaching in various high schools. Ralph passed away in 1998. Charles lives in Godfrey with his wife, Jane. Families of both Jacksons live in the area.

Western Military Academy was, undisputedly, one of the finest military schools in the country, boasting students from throughout the United States. Alumni include CBS founder and president William Paley; Lt. Commander "Butch" O'Hare, recipient of this nation's highest honor, the Congressional Medal of Honor; General Paul Tibbits, commander and pilot of the B 29 Bomber Enola Gay; and distinguished journalist and commentator Sander Vanocur.

In attendance for the presentation was Mrs. Ralph Jackson (Ruth); Conrad Kirby ('63) editor and publisher of the WMA Alumni Newsletter; Darryl Slater ('63) architect and developer; John Salter ('64), a corporation treasurer and CPA; and Richard Rook ('49) co-producer of the scrapbook CD, organizer of the picture gifting and longtime Alton resident.

Mrs. Jackson's husband, Ralph, was President and Superintendent of WMA during the years 1953-1971. During this time, the Jacksons and their children lived on the school's campus in the Main

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 16
Memorial Day, May 28 & 29


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**WESTERN MILITARY ACADEMY (Cont.)**
Administration building. Mrs. Jackson says she has such fond memories of the school, faculty and cadets. She loved being part of the cadets' experience and eagerly attended all the parades, sporting events and galas.

Name plates for the Jackson and Eaton pictures have been ordered. The pictures will hang in the Reading Room of the Main Library.

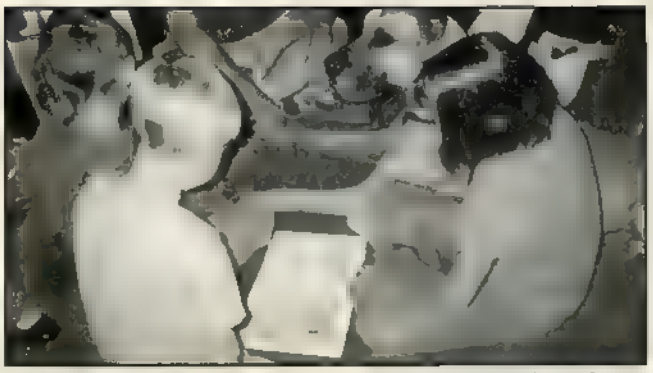
The Western Military Academy Scrapbook CD is available for viewing at the Hayner Main Library. This ambitious work, assembled by Vivian and Bob Keith, features photos of the cadets, events, campus newspaper articles and more, capturing many wonderful moments in the academy's history. Additional background information on the Jackson family or Colonel Eaton is also available on the WMA CD. Ask for the CD at the circulation desk of the Main Library.

## *Creative Classifieds*

The following are actual classified ads that where compiled in *1001 Dumbest Things Ever Said*, S. Price, the Lyons Press, 2004. This is a very small sampling. Check this book out when you need a laugh (find it at 082.one)

Free puppies…
part German Shepard/part dog
Free puppies: 1/2 cocker spaniel-
1/2 sneaky neighbor's dog
Free Yorkshire terrier: 8 Years Old.
Unpleasant Little Dog
Found: dirty white dog…looks like a rat…
been out awhile…better be reward
Free: farm kittens. Ready to eat.
Dog for sale: eats anything and is
fond of children

## *Join Us!*



Dogs of all shapes and sizes come to the Hayner Youth library and act as the perfect audience for children practicing their reading skills. These dogs are all certified therapy dogs (certified by June Walker of Walker's Wee Glen Training). The kids have a blast going from dog to dog, reading stories, giving hugs and kisses and making lots of new furry friends. Parents have just as much fun watching and sharing this quality time. Bring your children (all ages welcome) and bring your cameras too - photo ops abound!

The Bow wow Pow wow is held the second Saturday of every month in the Hayner Youth Library at 401 State Street in Alton from 10:00 am – 11:00 pm. Of course, this event is free of charge but we do ask you to register at 1-800-613-3163. The spring sessions will be held March 11, April 8 and May 13.

## *Food For Fido*

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month and in commemoration of this, all three locations of The Hayner Library District will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner material only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation for each fine.

Please remember that 5 A's also has a thrift shop at 632 Wood River Ave., Wood River, Il. It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm They have a large collection of used books (hard-cover for $ 1.00, paperback $ 25 - $.50), puzzles, clothes, collectibles, household goods, furniture, toys and seasonal items. Donations are accepted and pick up is available for large items. To arrange pick up, call the shelter at 462-3721. For questions regarding the shop, call 254-0635.

Please help our friends at the 5 A's - they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected or abused animals brought to the shelter.

# *Staff Picks – What We're Reading*

**Summer Crossing: A Novel** by Truman Capote. Fiction
Thought to be lost for over 50 years, here is the first novel by one of the greatest American writers of the 20th century. Set in New York during the summer of 1945, this is the story of a young carefree socialite, Grady McNeil, who must make serious decisions about the romance she is dangerously pursuing and the effect it will have on everyone involved. While at times the characters are a little too absurd to be totally believable, this first novel shows Capote already as a champion observer. It is the little details of character, conversation and subplot that keep you enthralled.
– Bernie D.

**The Titled Americans: Three American Sisters and the British Aristocratic World into Which They Married** by Elisabeth Kehoe. Nonfiction
The reader is introduced to the real-life environment of British aristocracy in the late 19th century. Blended into history, the fascinating plot was developed from letters and diaries written by family members over the years. The most beautiful of the Jerome sisters, Jennie, was actually Winston Churchill's mother. She was powerful, influential, and highly respected—by all family members as well as royalty. She never abused her position, but used it to help others. Their families lived extravagantly until family wealth became depleted following WWI. Even so, it is interesting to see how resourceful the sisters became as they lived in denial that they were no longer well-to-do.
– Sharon S.

**The Brooklyn Follies** by Paul Auster. Fiction
The setting is Brooklyn, where Nathan Glass, a retired insurance salesman, divorced, and now facing cancer, has come to die. Reviewing his life of missteps and foibles, he sits down to write the Book of Human Follies. But a chance meeting with his nephew, Tom Glass, eventually places him in a new position of life. With a kaleidoscope of characters only Brooklyn can offer, Nathan builds a life worth living, one filled with folly and the power of the human spirit to rise above them. – Jean S.

**The Old Buzzard Had It Coming: An Alafair Tucker Mystery** by Donis Casey. Fiction
Alafair Tucker, her husband Shaw and their nine children live on a farm in Oklahoma in 1912. The family is hard-working and caring and we see what farm life was like in that era. When a neighbor is murdered and her daughter may be implicated, Alafair searches for the truth. All of the characters are real and memorable. I am eager for the next mystery with Alafair and her family. There are recipes in the back of the book with ingredients and instructions for our current use. – Jan H.

**Red Leaves** by Thomas H. Cook. Fiction
Suspense flows from cover to cover in this "who done it" mystery surrounding the disappearance of an 8-year-old girl. Fifteen-year-old Keith Moore was the last person to see the girl alive and his "teenager attitude" does not help the situation. Cook provides a blend of frustration, suspicion, and doubts among Keith, his family and the investigating police. This story is not about Keith as much as it is about his father, who must come to terms with the dysfunctional behavior of his own family while he was growing up. Cook has a natural writing talent that is clearly seen in this story. He creates a fast-paced plot along with well-written dialogue. – Sharon S.

## NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

**--NONFICTION**
Andersen, Christopher. **Barbra: The Way She Is**
Bach, David. **The Automatic Millionaire Homeowner**
Child, Julia & Alex Prud'Homme. **My Life in France**
Fuhrman, Mark. **A Simple Act of Murder: November 22, 1963**
Judd, Naomi. **Naomi's Guide to Aging Gratefully: Being Your Best for the Rest of Your Life**
Gordon, Michael. **Cobra 2: The Inside Story of the Invasion and Occupation of Iraq**
Klein, Joe. **Politics Lost: How American Democracy Was Trivialized By People Who Think You're Stupid**
Maraniss, David. **Clemente: The Passion and Grace of Baseball's Last Hero**
Mayes, Frances. **A Year in the World: Journey of a Passionate Traveller**
Navratilova, Martina. **Shape Your Self: My 6-Step Diet and Fitness Plan to Achieve the Best Shape of Your Life**
Phillips, Kevin. **American Theocracy: The Perils and Politics of Radical Religion, Oil, and Borrowed Money in the 21st Century**
Thomas, Marlo. **The Right Words at the Right Time Volume 2: Your Turn!**
Town, Phil. **Rule #1: The Simple Strategy for Getting Rich—In Only 15 Minutes a Week**
Vincent, Fay. **The Only Game in Town: Baseball Stars of the 1930s and 1940s Talk About the Game They Loved**
Wiseman, Rosalind. **Queen Bee Moms & Kingpin Dads: Coping with the Parents, Teachers, Coaches, and Counselors Who Can Make--Or Break--Your Child's Life**

**--FICTION**
Archer, Jeffrey. **False Impression**
Berg, Elizabeth. **We Are All Welcome Here**
Chiaverini, Jennifer. **Circle of Quilters: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel**
Clark, Carol Higgins. **Hitched: A Regan Reilly Mystery**
Clark, Mary Higgins. **Two Little Girls in Blue**
Crais, Robert. **The Two Minute Rule**
Evanovich, Janet. **Motor Mouth: An Alexandra Barnaby Novel**
Graham, Heather. **The Island**
Hart, Carolyn. **Dead Days of Summer: A Death on Demand Mystery**
Hoag, Tami. **Prior Bad Acts**
Kava, Alex. **A Necessary Evil**
Kellerman, Jonathan. **Gone: An Alex Delaware Novel**
King, Stephen. **Cell**
Laurens, Stephanie. **What Price Love?**
McCall Smith, Alexander. **Blue Shoes and Happiness: The New Novel in the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency Series**
Michaels, Fern. **Hey, Good Looking**
Parker, Robert B. **Sea Change: A Jesse Stone Novel**
Parker, T. Jefferson. **The Fallen**
Perry, Anne. **Dark Assassin**
Peters, Elizabeth. **Tomb of the Golden Bird**
Picoult, Jodi. **The Tenth Circle**
Robards, Karen. **Vanished**
Ross, Ann B. **Miss Julia Stands Her Ground**
Woods, Stuart. **Dark Harbor**

# National Library Week
## April 2 – April 8, 2006

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week (NLW) is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. This year, National Library Week is April 2 – 8. Along with special displays at Hayner Library Locations, there will be story times at the Branch and Youth Library. On Sunday, April 2, at 2:30, the Hayner Main Library will kick off NLW week with a performance by Michele LaRue, a professional actress who tours nationally with a repertoire of shows by nineteenth-century American writers. This performance will feature her extremely humorous monologue written by pro-suffragist Marie Jenney Howe in 1912. On Monday, April 3, The Hayner Youth Library will hold a special story time at 10:00 am, featuring JoJo the magical clown. Both programs are free of charge. The program at the Main library on April 2 does require registration at 1-800-613-3163.

# Mark Your Calendars to March into Wellness!

State Representative Dan Beiser presents "March into Wellness: A Women's Conference for All Ages" on Saturday, March 25, 2006 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 noon. The event is free of charge and will be held at Lewis and Clark Community College in Room 141 of the Trimpe Multimedia Center. Dr. Corinna Warren and Dr. Kristen Stabell will speak on Heart Health and Exercise and Fitness for Women. There will also be short presentations on self defense, parenting and relaxation. In addition, there will be free osteoporosis analysis. Local health and fitness providers will be available for question on the services they provide women in our community. Tote bags will be given away to the first 200 attendees at the event. For more information, please call Representative Dan Beiser's constituent service office at 618-259-4934.

# Trends in American Literacy

- 68% of the nation's fourth graders are reading below proficiency.
  64% of the 12th graders never make it to the proficiency level
- less than half the adult American population now reads literature
- The 10% decline in reading in recent years represents a loss of 20 million potential readers.
- The rate of decline in reading is steadily increasing
- Women read more than men, but reading in both groups is declining.
- Only 1/3 of American males now read literature
- Over the past 20 years, young adults (18-24 years) have declined from being those most likely to read to those least likely.
- Readers are more likely than non-readers to perform volunteer or charity work, visit art museums, attend performing arts or attend sporting events.
- Over the past 10 years consumer spending on electronics has risen from 6 to 24%
- There is a direct correlation between increased reading and higher income and education levels.

# Choices, Choices and More Choices!

Along with the big blockbusters, we have hundreds of DVDs and videos covering a wide range of interests.

**Bird** (the life of legendary jazz musician Charlie "Yardbird" Parker) DVD
**Certain Justice** (based on the book by P.D James) DVD
**Constant Gardener** DVD
**Corpse Bride** DVD
**CSI Miami: Complete Third Season** DVD
**The Crusades: Crescent & the Cross** DVD
**Elizabethtown** DVD
**Fight** (documentary of the Joe Louis/Max Schmeling fight) DVD
**Fighting Caravans** (Zane Grey western classic) DVD
**Flightplan** DVD
**Freedom Song** DVD
**Global Warming: The Signs and the Science** DVD
**Hubble: 15 years of Discovery** DVD
**In Her Shoes** DVD
**In Search of Myths & Heroes: Exploring Four Epic Legends of the World** DVD
**Inside Hurricane Katrina** DVD
**Journeys with George** DVD
**Junebug** DVD
**Just Like Heaven** DVD
**Legend of Zorro** DVD
**Martha's Baking Favorites** DVD
**New World: Nightmare in Jamestown** DVD
**No Direction Home** (biography of Bob Dylan) DVD
**One Day In September** (Munich Olympic massacre) DVD
**Pompeii: The Last Day** DVD
**Red Eye** DVD
**Shield: Season 4** DVD
**Through Many Dangers: The Story of Gospel Music** DVD

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*We hope our spring semester of events will have you hopping with delight! All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, Alton, Illinois.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, March 11**
**Saturday, April 8**
**Saturday, May 13**
**Saturday, June 10**
**10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Wayne Schell and Beth Tittle
### *A Celtic Celebration*

**Tuesday, March 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Wayne Schell is a member of the very popular blue grass trio The Lodge Brothers. He has also performed for more than eight years with musician Beth Tittle. Beth merges her crystal-clear vocals with Wayne's singing and instrumentation to perform traditional Celtic music, a common interest of the performers. Their program will consist of traditional folk songs from the British Isles. These songs have interesting historical contexts and a large cast of characters, including Bonaparte, Lord Nelson, Charles Stuart Parnell, gardeners, spouses, jilted lovers and ghosts. The Irish have a particular knack for creating songs that are either desperately sad or ridiculously silly. It will be a fine evening with plenty of blarney to go around. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Dvorak
### *Old Songs and New People*

**Thursday, March 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Folk singer Mark Dvorak presents an intergenerational program of American folk songs-- many recognizable, some new. Mark uses humor and anecdotes to familiarize the audience with his music. Mark is an instructor at the famed Chicago Old Town School of Music and has released multiple award-winning CDs. The Chicago Tribune has identified Mark as "a commanding vocalist and masterful banjo player." Mark also has been distinguished as "one of today's most important folk artists." We are so excited about Mark's return to Hayner. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy an evening of music, humor and fun. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Nancy Lippincott and Ben Schreiber
### *Traditional Strings*

**Tuesday, March 28, 6:30 p.m.**

Nancy Lippincott is a popular local vocalist who plays guitar, autoharp, mandolin, hammered dulcimer and tenor banjo. She enjoys exposing audiences to traditional music that is seldom heard these days. Her repertoire includes Celtic music, early country, American folk, blues, swing and gospel. She has performed extensively throughout the area at various venues, including the several International Folk Festivals in St. Louis, and at many living history events. She also was a featured performer at the 2004 First Night Celebrations at Lewis and Clark College. Ben Schreiber is a 16-year-old "string wizard" from Elsah, Ill. He began studying classical violin when only three years old and toured with Suzuki youth orchestras here and in Europe. Though rooted in classical music, at 13 he developed an interest in folk music and switched to fiddle. Ben has since expanded his range to include banjo, mandolin, guitar, keyboard and composition. Come hear Nancy and this remarkable young man! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Michele LaRue
### *Someone Must Wash the Dishes*

**Sunday, April 2, 2:30 pm**

Many women fought against getting the vote in the early 1900s, but none with more charm- and less logic- than the fictional speaker in this satiric monologue written by prosuffragist Marie Jenney Howe, back in 1912. "Woman suffrage is the reform against nature" declares Howe's unlikely but irresistibly likeable heroine. "Ladies get what you want. Pound pillows. Make a scene. Make home a hell on earth- but do it in a womanly way! That is so much more dignified and refined than walking up to a ballot box and dropping in a piece of paper!"

Reviewers have called the monologue "wicked" in its wit and labeled Michele LaRue's performance "side-splitting." LaRue is a professional actress based in New York and she tours nationally. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Scrapbooking Made Easy*

**Wednesday, April 5, 6:30 pm**

Learn how to organize your cherished photos and memorabilia while creating a family heirloom that will be enjoyed for generations to come. Join us on April 5, 2006 at 6:30 in the Main Library. Ashley Lobos from Scrapbook Castle will share some ideas for preserving and displaying your favorite photos and heirlooms. We will learn about shadow boxes, scrapbooks, archival materials and more. You will get some great ideas for your genealogy items, too. Call 1-800-613-3163 and reserve your seat today.

### The Raffety Family
### *A Concert for Spring*

**Sunday, April 9, 2:00 pm**

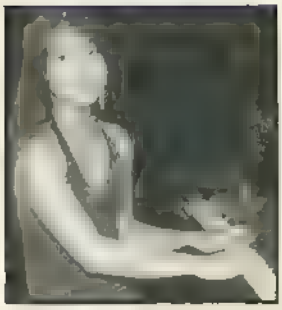
*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

Kay and John Raffety are joined by their sons Matthew and Doug for a wonderful program combining selections of gospel music and easy listening pieces. The Raffetys' performances are a favorite of our audiences and always fill the house. Join us for an inspiring afternoon of beautiful music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Choo Choo Hu
### *Return of the Classics*
**Thursday, April 20, 6:30 pm**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*



Young Choo Choo Hu absolutely amazed us with her stunning piano performance this past fall- she had the audience on its feet in appreciation. Though only in high school, Choo Choo is the winner of many prestigious awards, including the 2004 Saint Louis Youth Symphony Orchestra Competition. She is also a two-time winner of the Washington University Young Artists Piano Concert Competition, resulting in performances with Washington University Symphony orchestra. Her program on April 20 will include: The 1st Movement of the Waldstein Sonata op. 53/ Beethoven; Etude Opus 10, Number 3 and Ballade Number 3/Chopin; and the Mephisto Waltz by Liszt. Choo Choo is auditioning with select conservatories around the country in preparation for continuing her career. Don't miss this opportunity to hear an amazing pianist who is surely destined for national recognition. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Denise Wilson and Michael Lewis
### *Traveler's Dream*
**Monday, May 1, 6:30 pm**

Traveler's Dream comprised of Denise Wilson and Michael Lewis, charms listeners with its excellent musicianship, wide array of instruments and traditional music styles, and warm rapport with audiences. These dynamic performers are comfortably at home playing music from a variety of musical traditions- Celtic, French-Canadian, early American, and an occasional original composition. Rich vocal harmonies are supported by diverse modern and ancient instruments which include the Scottish smallpipes, Irish flute and whistle, guitar, fife, bouzouki, Quebecois foot percussion and mandolin. Don't miss this wonderful performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Phyllis Hostmeyer
### *A Southern Illinois Childhood*
**Tuesday, May 9, 6:30**

Phyllis Hostmeyer tells tales about her upbringing and growing up in a small Southern Illinois community. She will envelop you with the gift of stories that let you remember your own childhood days and your own family stories. Through a wicked sense of humor seasoned with love, Phyllis brings to life the colorful cast of characters that she calls family. Come hear the tales of this high school May Queen who grew up to be a Harley-riding Grandma. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Robin Shuda
### *A Visit with Molly Brown*
**Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 pm**

History comes alive as performer and storyteller Robin Shuda recreates the colorful personality of Molly Brown, separating fact from fiction. Brown is credited with aiding many of her fellow passengers to safety in life boats during the Titanic sinking and thus was dubbed "The Unsinkable Molly Brown." Come hear the fascinating story of this incredible woman who survived one of the world's most renowned sea disasters. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mark Hofeditz
### *Old-Time Sing-Along Fun*
**Tuesday, May 23, 6:30 pm**

Join local singer Mark Hofeditz for a fun evening of old tunes and some new. This program will feature many favorite tunes that we all know. Come and enjoy an evening of song and laughter. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Michael Smith
### *Award-Winning Singer/Songwriter*
**Tuesday, June 6, 6:30 pm**

Michael Smith "wowed" us in previous performances in 2001 and 2002. We are so excited to finally bring him back to Hayner. Michael's work has been recorded by such diverse performers as Jimmy Buffet, Jerry Jeff Walker, The Four Freshmen, The Kingston Trio, Steve Goodman, Tom Rush and more than 30 other artists. He has won four prestigious Jeff awards (Chicago equivalent of the Tony) for his 1993 autobiographical play, *Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate*. *Chicago Magazine* wrote, "One of the best songwriters in the English language…an enchanting and riveting performer." *Sing Out!* magazine writes "Michael Smith stands as one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer-songwriters. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Curtis and Loretta
### *An Eclectic Musical Journey*
**Tuesday, June 13, 6:30 pm**

Minneapolis-based folk music duo Curtis and Loretta have been acclaimed across the country for their exquisite harmonies, incisive songwriting and skill on an array of string instruments. They have delighted audiences with their unique blend of their own original songs and traditional Celtic songs, all underscored by their winning stage presence. They have been named "Best Acoustic Performer of the Twin Cities" by City Pages entertainment newspaper. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Christian Misner
### *Christian the Magician*
**Tuesday, June 27, 6:30 pm**

You might think magic shows are not your cup of tea, but you haven't seen Christian the Magician. He had us rolling with laughter! A seasoned performer – he was a major attraction in Disney World until he and his family were blown to St. Louis by Hurricane Charley- he brings his rabbit "Stew" and performs a high-energy family show that emphasizes laughter and fun. (In fact, his contract actually guarantees it!) Register at 1-800-613-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

**Spring Activities for Hayner Youth Library**
**March, April and May 2006**

### *Preschool Storytime*
Mondays – 10:00 am
March 6th & 20th – April 3rd & 17th
May 1st & 15th

### *Lapsit Storytime*
Tuesdays – 10:00 am
March 14th & 28th – April 11th & 25th
May 9th & 23rd

### *Preschool Storytime*
Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 am
March 7th & 21st – April 4th & 18th
May 2nd, 16th, & 31st

### *Evening Storytime*
Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
March 14th & 28th – April 11th & 25th
May 9th & 23rd

### *Read-n-Rant*
Saturdays – 10:00 am
March 4th – April 1st – May 6th

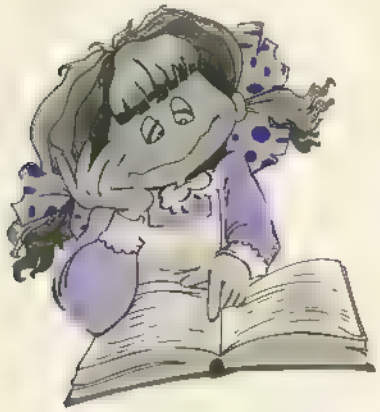
### *After School Fun*
Thursdays – 4:00 pm
March 9th Sun Catcher Paint April 13th Easter Picket Fence Photo Frame
May 11th Butterfly & Flower Sun Catcher Box

### *Special Events:*
Loretta Washington – Friday – 12:00 pm
March 31st – Hayner Youth

Jojo the Magical Clown – Monday – 10:00 am
April 3rd – Hayner Youth

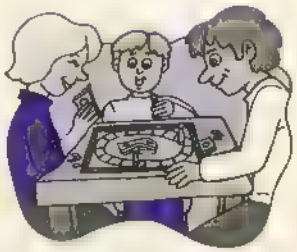
Easter Egg Hunt – Easter Rabbit
Saturday – 2:00 pm
April 8th – Hayner Youth

Junie B. Jones – Tuesday – 10:00 am
May 16th – Robin Shuda – Hayner Branch



## *Hayner Branch Library Events at OASIS Alton Center*

*The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held. The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall- follow the hallway to the right of Famous Barr Customer Service. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*



### *Family Game Nights*
***March 16 – April 13 – May 25***
***All game nights begin at 6:30 pm***
One night each month in the winter, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family, or play with some other great library patrons! Program will be held at Oasis.

### *Let's Go to the Movies!*
***March 8 – April 12 – May 17***
***All movies begin at noon and are approximately one hour long.***
We would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of three great documentaries from the Hayner Library collection. Each documentary is sure to entertain patrons of all ages. The first documentary, "Mill Times" based on the best-selling book, guides viewers through the life and times of workers during the beginning of the Industrial Revolution in Massachusetts. The second, "The Great White Bear", explores a two year time period in the lives of a polar bear and her twin cubs. The third documentary, "Ambassador", takes viewers to American embassies around the world to discover the fascinating lives of U.S. diplomats. Refreshments will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Program will be held at Oasis.

### *The Homes that Sears Built*
***April 27 – 6:30 pm***
Join us for an entertaining evening with local author Laurie Flori as she speaks about the history of Sears, Roebuck & Co. homes in the area. Did you know that the average Sears Catalog kit home had 30,000 parts, not including nails, screws, etc? Everything you needed to construct your own home (except the foundation, plumbing, heating, wiring and land) were included in the kit! Ms. Flori has been researching these homes for years and encourages patrons who attend the program to bring photos of Sears homes with you for discussion.

## *Happenings at OASIS*

*OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)*

### *Bluebirds*
Lloyd Wilson will share his expertise and passion for the bluebirds of our area.
Wednesday, March 8, 10:30-11:30 – Free

### *Financial Workshop for Individual Investors*
Joshua Farley, Investment representative of Edward Jones presents an informative workshop to assist in setting and achieving financial and investment goals.
Thursdays, March 2 -23, 10:30-11:30
Free (4 sessions)

### *Hiking at Principia College*
Join us for a walk through the grounds of Principia College. Meet on site at the college
Thursday, April 6, 10:15 – Free

### *AARP Driver Safety Program*
Attend this two day workshop and become eligible for a discount with your automobile insurance. Thursday & Friday, April 27 & April 28, 1:00-5:00 You must pre-register to attend this class. Cost is $10 per person (includes workbook)

# Did You Know?

***Compiled by Staff Genealogist and Illinois Room Manager, Cathie Lamere***

## LIFE IN THE 1500'S

The next time you are washing your hands and complain because the water temperature isn't just how you like it, think about how things used to be. Here are some facts about the 1500s:

These are interesting...

Most people got married in June because they took their yearly bath in May and still smelled pretty good by June. However, they were starting to smell, so brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odor. Hence the custom today of carrying a bouquet when getting married.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, and then the women and finally the children. Last of all, the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

Houses had thatched roofs-thick straw-piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof. Hence the saying "It's raining cats and dogs."

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom where bugs and other droppings could mess up your nice clean bed. Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt. Hence the saying "dirt poor." The wealthy had slate floors that would get slippery in the winter when wet, so they spread thresh (straw) on floor to help keep their footing. As the winter wore on, they added more thresh until when you opened the door it would all start slipping outside. A piece of wood was placed in the entranceway. Hence the saying a "thresh hold."

(Getting quite an education, aren't you?)

In those old days, they cooked in the kitchen with a big kettle that always hung over the fire. Every day they lit the fire and added things to the pot. They ate mostly vegetables and did not get much meat. They would eat the stew for dinner, leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then start over the next day. Sometimes stew had food in it that had been there for quite a while. Hence the rhyme, "Peas porridge hot, peas porridge cold, peas porridge in the pot nine days old."

Sometimes they could obtain pork, which made them feel quite special. When visitors came over, they would hang up their bacon to show off. It was a sign of wealth that a man could "bring home the bacon." They would cut off a little to share with guests and would all sit around and "chew the fat."

Those with money had plates made of pewter. Food with high acid content caused some of the lead to leach onto the food, causing lead poisoning death. This happened most often with tomatoes, so for the next 400 years or so, tomatoes were considered poisonous.

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle, and guests got the top, or "upper crust."

And that's the truth... Now, whoever said that History was boring!"!

Educate someone...Share these facts with a friend.

## *Movie Mania*

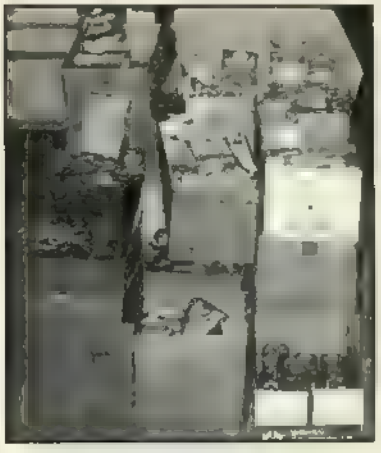
Many great books have inspired great (and not so great) movies. Test your literature and Hollywood knowledge against our trivia.

1. The Vietnam War movie, *Apocalypse Now*, is loosely based on what Joseph Conrad novella?
2. Who directed the controversial adaptation of Anthony Burgess' novel *A Clockwork Orange*?
3. What novel written by Shirley Jackson was the source for two movies called *The Haunting*?
4. What Spielberg film, based on a Michael Crichton novel, grossed $48 million its opening weekend?
5. What popular teen movie starring Heath Ledger and Julia Stiles was loosely based on Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*?
6. What movie starring Tom Cruise, Matt Dillon, Patrick Swayze, Ralph Macchio and Rob Lowe was originally a novel by S. E. Hinton?
7. What 1996 movie starring Gwyneth Paltrow and Ewan McGregor was originally a Jane Austin novel?
8. Name six Charles Dickens novels that were made into movies.
9. Which of the following children's stories has not been made into an animated movie by Disney?
   a. *Peter Pan*
   b. *Black Beauty*
   c. *The Jungle Book*
   d. *James and the Giant Peach*
   e. *Alice in Wonderland*
10. Which of the following scenarios in the movie version *The Wizard of Oz* is the same as the L. Frank Baum original?
    a. Glinda is the Good Witch of the North.
    b. Dorothy wears ruby slippers
    c. Water causes the wicked witch to melt
    d. Glinda's snow saves Dorothy and her companions from the poppy field

*See page 12 for answers.*

## *Another Generous Campaign*

Thank you for another wonderfully generous year collecting food items for the Alton Crisis Food Center. During the month of December, we waived current fines on Hayner materials in return for canned goods products. This year, we collected approximately 1000 items, filling 21 grocery boxes! Thanks to all for your generosity and cooperation!



## *Illinois Room Update*

***Calling All Cookbooks!***

Our cookbook collection has grown tremendously in the Illinois Room. Thanks to everyone who donated local cookbooks! With spring approaching, you may be doing some cleaning around the house Before you toss out old dusty books, consider donating them to the library If you happen to come across any local school yearbooks, we would love to have them. Our Marquette High School collection of yearbooks is especially slim, and we would really like to grow that collection in our Illinois Room. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Call us at 462-0677 with any questions.

## *Our Illinois Room collection continues to grow!*

1870 Illinois Mortality Schedules Vol. 1-5 IR 929.5773 MOR

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Index to US Military Pension Applications of Remarried Widows 1812-1911 IR 929.373 WHI

Index to Old Wars Pension Files 1815-1926 IR 929.373 WHI

Index to Mexican War Pension File IR 929.373 WHI

Perry County, Illinois Marriage Records 1868-1896 (a few through 1903) IR 929.377393 PER

Washington County, Illinois 1865 State Census IR 929.377388 WAS

## *In Memoriam*

The Board of Trustees and staff of The Hayner Public Library District are saddened to announce the passing of Nancy H. DeGrand on February 10, 2006. Nancy served as Financial Officer for the Library District for 22 years until her retirement in 1996. She then served as a member of the Board of Trustees of The Hayner Public Library District until her death in February.

The daughter of the late Herbert and Mary Louise Hellrung, Nancy was a 1940 graduate of Marquette Catholic High School. She married Robert Lee DeGrand in 1947. Nancy was a long-time member of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Alton, where she served as a lector and was a member of the parish council and the Altar Society. She was one of the founders of the Alton Junior Service League, a founder of the Alton Chapter of the March of Dimes and a former president of the St. Joseph Hospital Auxiliary. A dear friend and respected colleague of many, Nancy enjoyed reading, golfing, playing bridge and bowling. She was also known as an avid Cardinals baseball fan. She is survived and will be greatly missed by nine children and their spouses, 29 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

## *Baseball is a funny game!*

The baseball season is upon us and for many of us, it conjures up memories of some of the mis-quotes of people such as Casey Stengel and Yogi Berra. However, they were not the only players who demonstrated a quirky sense of humor. The following quotes are from *1001 Dumbest Things Ever Said* edited by Steven D. Price.

- I was the worst hitter ever. I never even broke a bat until last year when I was backing out of the garage.
  - Lefty Gomez, New York Yankees pitcher

- I prefer fast foods. - infielder Rocky Bridges, when asked why he would not eat snails.

- There's a lot of heredity in that family.
  - Ralph Kiner, broadcast voice of the Mets

- Today is Father's day, so all you fathers out there, we'd just like to say, Happy Birthday!
  - RALPH Kiner

- Sometimes big trees grow out of acorns - I think I HEARD THAT FROM A SQUIRREL.
  - Jerry Coleman, New York Yankees infielder

**Every parent has heard the challenging statement from their children, "I'm bored!" Well, the next time you hear those words, how about recruiting some help with the family tree. You may have to disguise your request with something like "Let's scrapbook", or "I would love it if you could draw a beautiful (family) tree for me. I want to use it for a project, and we can work on it together." Ask them to help you label photographs while you talk with them about who various family members are. There are many ways to enlist their help while they learn a little history at the same time. Once you get their interest, there are oodles of genealogy websites for children. Check with the library to learn more.**

## *Patron Profile*
## *Marcy Jacobs*

Marcy Jacobs has a job that requires a very special kind of person - a person who is truly committed to helping others through times of great difficulty. Marcy is a Client Services Coordinator at the Oasis Women's Center which provides shelter for women and their children who are victims of domestic violence. (Note: The Oasis Women's Center is not affiliated with the OASIS Alton Center. The latter provides activities for seniors over 50).

Marcy, a native of Brighton, Illinois, attended Southwestern High School and Western Illinois University. Upon graduation, she moved back to the Alton area, where she has lived ever since. Marcy's introduction to working at Oasis was somewhat serendipitous. She was managing a used book store when a friend of hers, Margarette Trushel, came to browse the store for some home improvement material. Margarette is the Executive Director of Oasis. he relayed to Marcy the story of a battered woman who had recently left the shelter for her own apartment but was terrified because of the lack of security in the building. The woman was not able even to lock her flimsy door properly. Marcy, who had recently repaired the door lock in her own home, immediately volunteered to help the woman secure her apartment. Marcy was so moved by the brave woman's struggle to get back on her feet while living in constant fear that she immediately knew Oasis was an organization she wanted to be involved with.

In 1984, she started volunteering at the center in the Night Staff position. This position was only staffed by one person and required Marcy to be available for emergency calls that might come in after hours. She also was responsible for tracking the hours of employee and volunteer services provided by the center. The Department of Human Services provides funding for the center based on service hours. These funds cover approximately 30 percent of the center's operating costs. The other 70 percent is raised locally through the center's resale operation the Caravan Shop, direct mailing, individual contributions and organizations such as the United Way.

Back when Marcy first started volunteering nights, there was a bar, The Buchanan Tavern, not far from the center. When cleaning up, the staff at the bar would toss the empty beer bottles into a large barrel out back, shattering many of them. When Marcy first experienced this, alone at night, she understandably assumed someone was breaking through windows into the center. However, Marcy was not to be intimidated and searched the center from top to bottom to make sure all was secure. All was fine.

Marcy moved on to the position of Volunteer Coordinator, recruiting, training and scheduling volunteers as well as providing direct services to women and children and today is employed as a Client Services Coordinator.

The shelter can support 8-9 women and children as family groups and get two to three times that number of walk-in clients daily. The Client Service workers (of which there are currently five working at the center) all meet with the walk-in clients on as-available basis. They also have direct responsibility for one to two of the families being housed by the shelter to coordinate special services for them. The Client Service workers' responsibilities include counseling on a broad range of topics including emotional counseling and support, developing a safety plan or order of protection, job placement, living arrangements and whatever other personal and financial arrangements must be made to allow the woman to support herself independently of the shelter. There is also a children's therapist available as necessary. Usually the woman's biggest challenge is developing financial independence. This challenge grows exponentially if she has children. The women who seek shelter at Oasis are evaluated every 21 days to determine their progress against a Service Plan This plan tracks the progress they are making in finding employment. The 21-day evaluation period can be extended up to four times. The next challenge after finding a job is to find affordable housing and child care. The Welfare Reform Act during the Clinton administration did increase the subsidy available for child care, but many women have to rely on family members to help care for their children while they are at work. Oasis will provide for the children while the mother is looking for employment, but unfortunately the facility is too small to provide full-time day care.

Many of the women who seek the aid of the shelter are from our local communities; however, the shelter has also provided refuge to women from New York, Mexico, even Ethiopia. One woman from Washington state was summarily dumped at a truck stop in Troy by her boyfriend with no ride, ID or money. The shelter helped her return to her family. The shelter also is aided by interns from the local colleges and universities, including SIUE and Principia College. Marcy remembers with interest one intern who was of great help and kindness and had grown up in China during the Mao regime.

Marcy confessed that sometimes the stress of dealing with the horrors of domestic abuse day after day can become depressing. However, she finds the strength and caring of

the women who come to the shelter to be amazing and uplifting. The women remain open and empathetic to each other in sharing their incredibly painful stories. Marcy says that seeing women make real changes in how they view themselves and their lives is encouraging and really helps keep her dedicated to her job. Marcy observes that "these women are not just battered victims; they are strong, funny and caring people. They need to be recognized for their whole being, not just by what has happened to them."

Marcy also commended the Riverbend community for its outstanding support of the shelter. Currently about 20 volunteers help out at the shelter and an additional 100 volunteers help run the Caravan shop. If you are interested in volunteering at either the shelter or the shop, Brenda Nord is the volunteer coordinator and she can be reached at 465-1978. The Caravan shop is at 114 E. Broadway and has an endless supply of clothes and "treasures" for you to purchase. If you would like to donate items to the Caravan shop, call 462-6434.

In addition to her tireless efforts at the shelter, Marcy has found time to read almost every book in the library, mentor a friend's little girl who was adopted from Guatemala and co-author four mysteries.

Thank you, Marcy, for your generous work. You have touched the lives of many who will not forget you.

## Come Visit the New Caravan Shop!

The Caravan Shop has moved from its previous home on Piasa Street to a new location at 114 East Broadway (right across for the Telegraph building). After many long hours of volunteer work, this charming new facility has a boutique like look inside and out and conveniently affords lots of parking. Open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm, the shop offers gently used clothing (men/women and children) as well as housewares and furniture. All items are extremely affordably priced ("priced to sell") and inventory is refreshed every day. Quality clothing available for men and women include business suits, shoes, casual clothing, designer and vintage clothes, even wedding dresses. There is a huge selection for children especially in summer clothes. Now is the perfect time to stock up on the play clothes that will see your kids through summer vacation. Of course, Easter is right around the corner. Why pay high prices for an Easter outfit that will only be worn a few times? Be sure to visit the shop often because, even with their already reasonable prices, they also hold sales.

Donations are accepted the last week of every month and donation tax receipts are available. Caravan staff is extremely thankful for the overwhelming generosity of our community in their ongoing support and donations.

Currently there are over 100 active volunteers to run the shop, some of which have been there over 25 years... Volunteers are asked to work a three hour shift. There is no requirement on the number of shifts worked. Volunteer activities include: running sales at the register, helping shoppers, creating displays and price marking. Marlene Beemer is chair of volunteers. For more information call 462-6434. Overall operation of the shop is managed by Stephanie Mendenhall. All profits from the shop go to the Oasis Women's Center. Stop by today for tremendous bargains!

## Fun with Words –Contradictanyms

Contradictayms are words which have opposing meanings depending on the context in which they are used. The following examples came from in Shott's Original Miscellany, Ben Shott, Bloomsbury, 2002.

You must BOLT the door ..... or he will Bolt for the door
GARNISH that dish ..... or I will GARNISH your earnings
Please SCREEN us from ..... the film they are about to SCREEN
Though CRITICAL in his comments .... he was CRITICAL to our success
You can see the stars are OUT ..... once the lights are OUT
In is everyday CUSTOM ..... to have suits CUSTOM made
It was an OVERSITE ..... to give him OVERSITE of the project
I will FIX the gate ..... in order to FIX the race
Bind him FAST to prevent..... a FAST getaway
He was only a QUALIFIED success ..... although he is fully qualified

Shott's book is a great collection of essential trivia that we should all bone up on! Trivia is always fun and as Oscar Wilde said "It is a very sad thing that nowadays there is so little useless information".
Find the book in non-fiction at 031.02 SCH.

## Enjoying Books Together: Reading to Early Readers

When a child goes to school, his world begins to grow away from you. Continue to share books with him. It is a good way to stay close.

- Don't stop reading to children who are learning to read themselves! Young readers still need to hear you read. Children can understand books that are too hard for them to read. For several more years, they can enjoy hearing you read books that they can't read.
- Hearing you read will help them learn to read better. They can follow along in a book as you read. They can listen to how your voice stops between sentences. They can hear how you read to give meaning to words. Your child will listen carefully for "tips" to help him in his own reading.
- Listening to you read interesting books will teach him why he should learn to read. He will want to read well enough to read those books. It will motivate him!
- Listening to you read takes the pressure off. Many early readers feel pressure to read well. This can be frustrating. When you read to him he can relax and enjoy the book. He will love books instead of fearing them.

## Has the library changed your life? Share your story with Woman's Day magazine!

Libraries can change lives. They are places of lifelong learning and opportunity that can help people discover the world. If you have a story about how the library has changed your life, send it to *Woman's Day*, and it might be one of four chosen to be highlighted in an upcoming issue of the magazine! Tell your story in 700 words or less and send it to womansday@ala.org by May 10. For more information and for the official rules, visit www.womansday.com/ala. Put it in Writing @ your library is sponsored by American Library Association and *Woman's Day* magazine as part of The Campaign for America's Libraries. The Campaign is a multi-year public awareness and advocacy campaign designed to promote the value of public, school, academic and special libraries and librarians in the 21st century.

## A Little Tongue in Cheek...or maybe not?

"Reading for pleasure, reading a novel while you are on the bus or the train or the subway, reading a biography instead of returning all your boss's e-mails, reading philosophy in the back of a seminar that your corporate team sent you to, reading a short prose poem translated from Spanish by your favorite Chilean playwright in the coffee shop, reading a movie review on line at the place where you pay bills when you are too late to mail them- just reading novels and books in general will greatly aid you in your pursuit not to be rich, if only in the sheer time-as-money-wasting capacity. It makes a practicing nonbazillionaire like myself tremble too consider how much money I could lose reading Anna Karenina."

- Robert Sullivan as quoted in *Real Simple* magazine, February 2006

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## Movie Mania Answers

1. *The Heart of Darkness*
2. Stanley Kubrick
3. *The Haunting of Hill House*
4. *Jurassic Park*
5. *Ten Things I Hate About You*
6. *The Outsiders*
7. *Emma*
8. *Oliver Twist, A Christmas Carol, Nicolas Nickelby, David Copperfield, Bleak House, Martin Chuzzlewit, Our Mutual Friend, A Tale of Two Cities, Pickwick Papers.*
9. *Black Beauty*
10. C. Water causes the witch to melt. In the book, Glinda is the Good Sorceress from the South, Dorothy wears silver slippers and the Queen of Mice helps the Scarecrow and Tin Man save Dorothy and the Lion in the poppy field.

Join us for the 2006
Hayner Youth Library
Summer Reading Program

## "VOYAGE TO BOOK ISLAND"

Registration begins
Saturday, June 10
Open to ages birth - 15

This is a 6-week program ending Saturday, July 29.
There will be an End of Summer Reading Party
on August 3, location to be announced.

**Awards * Prizes * Entertainment * Surprises**

## Two Book Sales Scheduled for this Spring

This year the Friends of the Library have two book sales scheduled. In March, there will be a sale of "leftovers" on March 9 (1:00 pm – 7:00 pm), March 10 (9:00 am – 7:00 pm) and March 11 (9:00 am – 2:00 pm). All items will be priced at either $.10 or $.25. There will be no entrance fee.

In May, The Friends will hold the regular spring book sale. Thursday, May 11 will be the preview sale from 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm. There will be a $5.00 admission charge this day only. Friday, May 12 the sale will run from 9:00 am – 7:00 pm and on Saturday from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm.

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Hours of Operation

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Memorial Day, May 28 & 29
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 3 & 4


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## *Hayner Program Events... Something for Everyone!*

It's been almost eight years now since The Hayner Public Library District started offering a programming series for our community's enjoyment and enrichment. Starting quietly in 1998, the library would sponsor two to three programs a year featuring local talent. These programs, held in the Reading Room of the Main Library, attracted 25-30 patron attendees and were generally musical in content. Slowly but surely, program attendance started to grow. More events were being added to the quarterly calendar, and more diversity was included in the schedule. By fall of 2000, the quarterly calendar of events included four musical programs, a tribute to Will Rogers, basic auto mechanics, and a ventriloquist. Nationally-known pianist, band leader and vocalist Jean Kitrell performed her one-woman show, The Roots of Jazz. Response for reservations for this show was so overwhelming that we decided to try and find a larger venue for the performance. That's how we discovered what a wonderful stage and acoustics the Benjamin Godfrey chapel at Lewis and Clark Community College provided (not to mention a beautiful Steinway grand piano)—and the chapel could accommodate over 300 attendees.

Performances continued to grow in popularity. Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band became an annual event to help us celebrate Mardi Gras. Three-time Emmy award-winning storyteller Bobby Norfolk brought us character performances of Scott Joplin, Duke Ellington and Sergeant York. Harriet Tubman, Sacagawea, Emily Dickinson, Mark Twain, Teddy Roosevelt, FDR and JFK have all visited us. And of course we all enjoyed the multiple shows that Elvis (Steve Davis) performed. The popularity of the musical programs grew quickly. From classical to swing to folk to Creole to bluegrass to Broadway show tunes to gospel, even yodeling—the music crosses all genres.

By the winter of 2001, agents from Chicago, St. Louis and the East Coast were calling the library to book their acts. We have had talent from Arizona, Minnesota, Canada, California, Maine, New York, Oregon and more. We've learned about Civil War medicine; how to protect ourselves against identity theft; how SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) can help us grow our small business with free confidential counseling. Resumé workshops, Internet classes and how to participate in eBay Online Auctions and genealogy round tables have been offered. Local historians and authors have taught us much about the colorful history of the RiverBend.

Most of our programs are held in the Reading Room of the Main Library downtown with audiences numbering from 100-130 (room capacity). All the programs are free of charge to the public and funded through private endowments or grants from the Illinois

Arts Council or The Illinois Humanities Council. Today at the Main Library we offer an average of four or more different programs every month. In 2005 the Branch Library started sponsoring programs held in the OASIS meeting rooms in Famous-Barr. Particularly popular have been the Family Game Nights when patrons, friends and families meet to enjoy some healthy competition and many laughs playing board or card games. Of course, the Youth Library has many wonderful activities for children, including story times for various age groups, Read-n-Rant, after-school fun (crafts) and many special events such as an Easter egg hunt, Santa and Mrs. Claus for Christmas celebrations, clowns, performers and storytellers. The Summer Reading Program is extremely popular. Last year more than 400 children participated, reading throughout the summer to acquire reading hours that earned prizes. They also attended the End of Summer Reading Party at Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College, enjoying treats and special surprise events. The Youth Library also hosts the

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**Something For Everyone (Cont.)**
monthly Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs come to the library with their handlers every second Saturday of the month. Children of all ages are welcome to pick out books and stories to read to the dogs. Reading to these gentle, nonjudgmental animals gives the kids a chance to grow confident in their reading skills and makes reading great fun. Children also learn that when they treat these wonderful animals with love and respect, the dogs return it to them, tenfold. Even for kids who are not readers, the Bow-wow Pow-wow is a great way to promote coming to the library as a unique and fun-filled experience.

In the fiscal year 2004/2005, The Hayner Public Library District entertained more than 10,000 library patrons at our program events. Remember, all these events are free of charge and do not use tax dollars for funding. Our quarterly calendar of events for all three Hayner locations is published in our newsletter. To register, simply call 1-800-613-3163. Since registration for many of the events fills up quickly, we do maintain waiting lists. PLEASE remember, if you can not make a performance you are scheduled for, let us know by calling the 800 number, allowing someone else to use your reservation.

We like to think that the quality of the performers and variety of programs has enriched the cultural climate of our community. We are always anxious for your feedback and suggestions. And, we are always looking for new talent!

## *Keep Reading Skills Growing!*

Don't let your child's reading skills slip over summer vacation. Studies show that children who continue to read throughout the summer months get off to a much faster learning start when school is back in session. Come to the Bow wow Pow wow sessions held in the Hayner Youth Library on Saturday, June 10, Saturday, July 8 and Saturday, August 12. Certified therapy dogs and their handlers will be in the library waiting to be read to by the kids. What a fun way for kids to practice reading and they love being with the dogs. Each Pow Wow is held from 10:00 am until 11:00 am. All ages are welcome. Questions? Call 462-0677.

## *Food For Fido*

During the month of April, all three library locations waived current fines on Hayner materials with a contribution of an item of pet food. By the end of the month, we had collected over 350 items, which were delivered to the 5A's Animal Shelter.

The dedicated staff of 5A's works hard at this no kill shelter to place animals in caring and loving homes. The facility is always chock full with abandoned or unwanted dogs and cats. As you walk around the facility, which the staff encourages the public to do, you see all shapes, sizes and ages of both mixed breeds and purebreds. The animals are pathetically eager for human company and attention.

The 5A shelter is supported solely through private donations. Operating costs to support the shelter average $20,000 a month and usually incoming funds fall far below that amount. Please help this wonderful organization as best you can, whether it be through cash donations, by contributing items to their resale shop or by providing pet food or cleaning supplies.

Of course, a great way to help the animals at the shelter is to adopt one. Hayner Library has an extensive collection of materials to help you decide what is the right pet for you and how to train and care for your "new best friend."

The exciting news at the shelter is that they are on their way to building a larger, more modern and functional facility. The City of Alton has sold 2.6 acres in the old landfill area of Alby to the shelter, and has agreed to assist in their relocation. An agreement has been reached with the Mungenast Automotive Family, of which Alton Toyota is a member, for the purchase of the current shelter. Additional funds will be needed for various construction projects, one of the biggest being the installation of an outer perimeter fence.

Each section of the perimeter fence is 6' high and 8' wide. You can have a section of fencing dedicated to your loved ones or pets with a donation of $100.00. The loss of a pet can be devastating but memorializing them may help relieve the pain. A plaque will be permanently affixed to the fence with your dedication. To participate, send a check for $100 to the shelter and the memorial wording you wish to be printed on the plaque. This will be a wonderful way to remember your dear animals as well as a way to help the future's beloved pets housed by the shelter. For questions or futher information, contact the shelter at 462-3721.

The current shelter is located at 501 East Delmar, Godfrey, IL, 62035. Remember, all in-kind gifts and donations are tax deductible.

## NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

**--NONFICTION**

Bracco, Lorraine. **On the Couch**
Browne, Sylvia. **Insight: Case Files from the Psychic World**
Burroughs, Augusten. **Possible Side Effects: True Stories**
Cheney, Mary. **Now It's My Turn: A Political Memoir**
Connelly, Michael. **Crime Beat: A Decade of Covering Cops & Killers**
Cooper, Anderson. **Dispatches from the Edge**
Coulter, Ann. **Godless: The Church of Liberalism**
Dean, John. **Conservatives Without Conscience**
Delaney, Frank. **Simple Courage: A True Story of Great Peril on the High Seas**
Ellis, Rosemary. **The Sugar Solution**
Hatcher, Teri. **Burnt Toast: And Other Philosophies of Life**
Holtz, Lou. **Wins, Losses, and Lessons: An Autobiography**
Kushner, Harold S. **Overcoming Life's Disappointments**
Linkletter, Art. **How to Make the Rest of Your Life the Best of Your Life**
Martin, Gilbert. **The Somme: Heroism and Horror in the First World War**
Montville, Leigh. **The Big Bam: The Life and Times of Babe Ruth**
Nelson, Willie. **The Tao of Willie: A Guide to the Happiness in Your Heart**
Parrado, Nando. **Miracle in the Andes: 72 Days on the Mountain and My Long Trek Home**
Taraborrelli, J. Randy **Elizabeth (biography--Elizabeth Taylor)**
Sallah, Michael. **Tiger Force: A True Story of Men and War**
White, Ron. **I Had the Right to Remain Silent…But I Didn't Have the Ability**

**--FICTION**

Block, Lawrence. **Hit Parade**
Brown, Dale. **Edge of Battle**
Brown, Sandra. **Ricochet**
Burke, James Lee. **Pegasus Descending: A Dave Robicheaux Novel**
Child, Lee. **The Hard Way**
Clark, Mary Jane. **Lights Out Tonight**
Cook, Robin. **Crisis**
Coonts, Stephen. **The Traitor**
Cornwell, Patricia. **At Risk**
Deaver, Jeffery. **The Cold Moon**
Evanovich, Janet. **Twelve Sharp**
Griffin, W.E.B. **The Saboteurs: A Men at War Novel**
Hamilton, Laurell K. **Danse Macabre**
Hooper, Kay. **Sleeping With Fear**
Howard, Linda. **Cover of Night**
Jance, J.A. **Dead Wrong**
Johansen, Iris. **Killer Dreams**
Kellerman, Faye. **The Garden of Eden and Other Criminal Delights**
Koontz, Dean. **The Husband**
Lowell, Elizabeth. **The Wrong Hostage**
Margolin, Phillip. **Proof Positive**
McCaffrey, Anne. **Dragon's Fire**
McCall Smith, Alexander. **Espresso Tales (44 Scotland Street Series)**
McMurtry, Larry. **Telegraph Days**
Muller, Marcia. **Vanishing Point**
Parker, Robert. **Blue Screen**
Patterson, James. **Judge & Jury**
Pelecanos, George. **The Night Gardener**
Preston, Douglas. **The Book of the Dead**
Quick, Amanda. **Second Sight**
Quindlen, Anna. **Rise and Shine**
Reichs, Kathy. **Break No Bones**
Rendell, Ruth. **End in Tears: A Chief Inspector Wexford Mystery**
Sandford, John. **Dead Watch**
Saul, John. **In the Dark of the Night**
Steel, Danielle. **Coming Out**

## *Staff Picks – What We're Reading*

**The Conjuror's Bird** by Martin Davies. Fiction
*The Conjuror's Bird* takes the reader on a modern-day search for the elusive, rare specimen of a bird that was discovered in the South Pacific on Captain Cook's natural history expedition in 1774. Now, noted expert on extinct birds John Fitzgerald is drawn into a hunt to find the only preserved specimen of the extinct Ulietha bird. An alluring story unfolds, one that deftly intertwines the historical past of naturalist Sir Joseph Banks and his mistress, with the present-day intrigue of a search for something so rare. – Jean S.

**gener@tion DEBT: Take Control of Your Money– A How-to Guide** by Carmen Wong Ulrich. Non-Fiction
Ulrich focuses on helping young people overcome or resolve huge debts. Her writing style is simple, easy to understand, and well organized. Chapters cover such topics as credit card debt, student loans, housing, vehicle purchases, insurance and taxes. She provides many valuable definitions, explanations, charts and illustrations in easy-to-understand formats. A strong feature of this book is the many websites included at the end of each chapter. This is a good "survival aid" for all ages. – Sharon S.

**The Minotaur** by Barbara Vine. Fiction
Barbara Vine is a pseudonym of the prolific author Ruth Rendell, who Time magazine has hailed as "the best mystery writer in the English-speaking world". In this novel, a young nurse, Kerstin Kvist, arrives at remote, ivy-covered Lydstep Old Hall in Essex, hired for a position with the Cosway family, residents of the hall for generations. Her charge, John Cosway, is a 39 year-old man whose strange behavior is vaguely explained by his mother and sisters as part of the madness that runs in the family. The dynamics of this backbiting family, the secrets that Kerstin uncovers and the tensions of romantic trysts and betrayals make the Wuthering Heights crowd look wholesome. This is very satisfying reading, a sort of blend of Edgar Allan Poe and Anthony Trollope. – Bernie D.

**Texas Hold 'Em** by Kinky Friedman
Every now and then you need a diversion and this book gives it to you. It is hilarious, off-the-wall, and right on the money all at the same time. The book is a series of little stories, a bit of philosophy, a bit of wisdom and a lot of humor. Most of his commentary relates to Texas. I particularly liked his analysis of Texas drivers. He claims the traits he identified are all native to Texans but I know I have seen lots of them in other states! – Bernie D.

## *Dollar Stretcher*

http://www.stretcher.com/index.cfm
As gas prices go up, people are trying to cut back in other areas of their budget. This site offers plenty of tips on relatively painless ways to save money on just about everything - automobiles, food, family activities, banking, home decorating, etc., as well as general financial advice.

## Patrons Establish Scholarship Fund

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Keller have been wonderful supporters of The Hayner Public Library District for many years. Both share a love of books and learning that manifests itself in their frequent use of the library's facilities and consistent attendance at library programs. Both Kellers are long-standing members of Friends of the Library, and Mrs. Keller also volunteers for the Homebound Department.

This spring the Kellers notified the library that they wished to further their patronage by establishing a scholarship fund for library staff education. This fund, The Edward and Genie Keller Scholarship Fund, would be available to Hayner Library staff members interested in pursuing a Masters of Library Science or other library-related training courses. The fund would be used specifically to offset education costs to grow staff skills in various areas of library service. Each year the Executive Director and management team would identify the deserving recipient on staff at any of the three Hayner Library locations. This is a wonderful gift. Pursuing an M.L.S can be an expensive venture and may be cost-prohibitive to many likely students.

The Hayner Public Library District and Board of Trustees are extremely thankful to the Kellers for their many contributions to the District, and especially for this most recent expression of their interest in helping the District to maintain and accelerate a high level of staff training and services.

## Getting a Head Start

Riverbend Head Start is an extremely important resource for our community. Hayner Library has partnered with Head Start on multiple projects and Head Start children and their parents regularly attend story times at the library. We greatly appreciate Head Start's support of all the library's reading programs.

## Riverbend Head Start Enrolling Students for Pre-K Education

Riverbend Head Start and Family Services is accepting applications for its comprehensive early childhood development and family strengthening Head Start program. At the Essic Robinson Center on Broadway in Alton, children from birth to age 5 and their parents benefit from part-day, infant/toddler childcare and home-based program options.

Head Start is a federal program serving at-risk families on the cornerstones of child development, literacy, parent involvement, health and nutrition services and many other social services. Riverbend Head Start and Family Services has six centers throughout Madison County. If you have a child or know of a child in need of free or affordable services, please call 463-5950.

## Tom and Jeana Hutchinson to be Honored at Circle of Care Event

In addition to being wonderfully supportive of the Hayner Public Library District, Tom and Jeana Hutchinson have given many hours of their time supporting many varied aspects of our community. They are to be recognized at the 2006 Annual Circle of Care event. Please join us in celebrating the caring spirit of this generous couple.

***Guns and Roses*** is the theme for the 13th Annual Circle of Care Dinner in acknowledgement of Tom's penchant for guns and Jeana's fondness for gardening. It's sure to be an evening of bang' up jokes and "snips" of humor at the Hutchinson's expense, compliments of their friends and family. The event celebrates the caring spirit of this generous couple.

The 2006 Circle of Care dinner will be held June 1st at The Commons at Lewis & Clark Community College. The evening starts with cocktails at 5:30 p.m., continues with dinner at 6:30 p m. and wraps up with a lively program from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.. Reservations are $60 per person and may be made by calling Judy at 463-5946. Live entertainment, cash bar, silent auction, and a raffle round out the event.

For the past 12 years, Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has presented Circle of Care, an event designed to recognize and honor those who have made a significant contribution to Madison County through volunteerism, profession and/or philanthropy.

Riverbend Head Start and Family Services provides services that enable children and families to discover positive solutions to life's challenges.

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## Hayner Main Library Events

*Summer is here and we have lots of hot programs to add to your summertime fun! All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER**

*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

Saturday, June 10
Saturday, July 8
Saturday, August 12
Saturday, September 9
10:00-11:00 a.m.

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. This is a great way to keep up your child's reading skills over summer vacation. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Ellebracht
### *Let's Talk*

Tuesday, June 6,
10:00 am

Popular radio host Mark Ellebracht will broadcast his show "Let's Talk" from the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Come out to the branch and see the mechanics of a live radio show and meet Mark. If you show your Hayner library card (or sign up for a library card) during the broadcast, we will have a free gift for you. If you can't stop by the Branch from 10:00 am to 11:00 am, be sure to be listening to WBGZ at 1570 AM.

### Michael Smith
### *Award-Winning Singer/Songwriter*

Tuesday, June 6, 6:30 pm

Michael Smith "wowed" us in previous performances in 2001 and 2002. We are so excited to finally bring him back to Hayner. Michael's work has been recorded by such diverse performers as Jimmy Buffet, Jerry Jeff Walker, The Four Freshmen, The Kingston Trio, Steve Goodman, Tom Rush and more than 30 other artists. He has won four prestigious Jeff awards (Chicago equivalent of the Tony) for his 1993 autobiographical play, Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate. *Chicago Magazine* wrote, "One of the best songwriters in the English language…an enchanting and riveting performer." *Sing Out!* Magazine writes "Michael Smith stands as one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer-songwriters." To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Curtis and Loretta
### *An Eclectic Musical Journey*

Tuesday, June 13, 6:30 pm

Minneapolis-based folk music duo Curtis and Loretta have been acclaimed across the country for their exquisite harmonies, incisive songwriting and skill on an array of string instruments. They have delighted audiences with their unique blend of their own original songs and traditional Celtic songs, all underscored by their winning stage presence. They have been named "Best Acoustic Performer of the Twin Cities" by *City Pages* entertainment newspaper. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dennis Suttles
### *Genealogical Roundtable*

Wednesday, June 21, 6:30 pm

Join us on Wednesday, June 21, 2006 in the Reading Room to hear Dennis Suttles from the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library. He is a Genealogical Research Librarian there and will talk about the resources they have available. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Christian Misner
### *Christian the Magician*

Tuesday, June 27, 6:30 pm

You might think magic shows are not your cup of tea, but you haven't seen Christian the Magician. He had us rolling with laughter! A seasoned performer – he was a major attraction in Disney World until he and his family were blown to St. Louis by Hurricane Charley–he brings his rabbit "Stew" and performs a high-energy family show that emphasizes laughter and fun. (In fact, his contract actually guarantees it!) Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Judy Hoffman
### *Local Women Pre-Civil War*

Tuesday, July 18, 6:30 pm

Author Judy Hoffman will discuss the lives of three local women during the pre-civil war era highlighting frontier class distinctions. Judy will tell HERstory instead of HIStory. Her discussion will bring to life the story of Abby, an indentured servant, Lattie Scarritt, a farm wife and Phena Fobees, a Yankee blue stocking while discussing class distinctions. Judy will describe what life was like for these three very different women, all who lived in Godfrey. Judy will also have copies of her book, "God's Portion", a fascinating history of Godfrey, Illinois to purchase. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Jim Kanas
### *American Folk Music*

Tuesday, July 25,
6:30 pm

Jim Kanas will perform a narrated family-oriented American Music concert. Jim will sing and perform on fiddle, banjo, guitars, Native American flute, spoons, limberjack and more. Jim was featured on WTTW11, Chicago, PBS "Arts Across America" and has performed widely throughout the Midwest. His American Folk Music programs trace the development of

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American music through its ethical roots and incorporate a large assortment of conventional, homemade and world instruments. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Rogers, Nienhaus & Crawford
### *Acoustic Music and Three Part Harmonies*
**Tuesday, August 8, 6:30 pm**

Three professional musicians…three distinct voices. If you love the music of The Byrds; The Beatles; Crosby Stills & Nash and Carol King to name a few, you will love the music of Terry Jone Rogers, Scott Nienhaus and Karen Crawford! . Talented songwriters themselves, Terry and Scott have toured worldwide with their respective careers. Karen Crawford's performance and recording background make her the perfect addition to this talented duo, with her beautiful, powerful voice, steady rhythm guitar and natural rapport with an audience. Join us for an evening of quality entertainment with outstanding harmonies from artists with a strong following. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Annette Harrison
### *The Orphan Trains*
**Tuesday, August 15, 6:30 pm**

A forgotten part of American history comes alive in Annette's high energy, interactive style. You will learn about the 75 year practice of "placing out" orphan children. This amazing show will chronicle the saga of 100,000 children transported from the streets of New York to the rural farms of Missouri (1854-1929). You will experience the journey through heartbreaking and heart warming stories. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Kim Massie
### *A St. Louis Diva*
**Sunday, August 20, 2:00 pm**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel, Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

Kim draws her audiences to her versatile web of Blues, R & B, jazz and Gospel. Singing since age two on her Momma's knee to the church choirs, Kim has been singing ever since. Says Sean Hicks of Sauce Magazine, "Massie mixes the voice of God with growing nuances of Etta James adding the blonde hair and attitude of little Kim". Kim will grab, hug and capture the rhythms of your heart. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Alton Symphony String Quartet
**Tuesday, August 29, 6:30 pm**

You're invited to a special concert presented by the principal string players from our own Alton Symphony Orchestra. This highly-talented and versatile group of musicians forms a classic string quartet that has performed styles ranging from Bach to "Rock". They are also active professional musicians and music educators in the Bi-State area. This concert's eclectic play list will include selections by Haydn, Mozart, Cole Porter, John Lennon and Argentinean master of the Tango, Astor Piazzolla. Register at 800-613-3163.

## Jacquie Manning & Rich Prezioso
### *Small Potatoes*
**Tuesday, September 12, 6:30 pm**

The Chicago-based duo, Small Potatoes, has been touring the folk circuit since 1993. They describe their music as "Celtic to Cowboy" and say it has taken them "years of careful indecision" to come up with a mix of music that ranges from country, blues and swing to Irish. They even yodel. They also pay attention to the warmth and humor that creates a great rapport with their audience and makes for a memorable performance. *Dirty Linen Magazine* called them "one of the most polished, inventive and entertaining shows on the circuit". Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## The Original Boneheads
### *A Little Bit of Everything*
**Tuesday, September 19, 6:00 p.m.**

The Original Boneheads, a.k.a. The St. Louis Trombone Quartet (yes, TROMBONE Quartet!) was founded in 1998 and have in the years since played at art fairs, concerts, casinos, university ceremonies, private events, parades, museum and corporate events and many church services, to glowing reviews. Each of the players is conservatory trained and experienced in musical settings from symphony orchestras to bar bands. This breadth of musical experience is reflected in the quartet's song list, which contains marches, jazz and swing, rock, doo wop, classical, R & B, polkas, blues, Americana and more. This evening's performance will be an eclectic mix of jazz, swing, blues and classical. This is a return performance of The Boneheads-don't miss them! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

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## Hayner Youth Library

**Summer Activities for Hayner Youth Library**
**June, July and August 2006**

***Preschool Storytime*** – Mondays – 10:00 am
June 12th & 26th – July 10th & 24th – August 7th & 21st

***Lapsit Storytime*** – Tuesdays – 10:00 am
June 6th & 20th – July 18th – August 1st, 15th, & 29th

***Preschool Storytime*** – Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 am
June 13th & 27th – July 11th & 25th – August 8th & 22nd

***Evening Storytime*** – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
June 6th & 20th – July 18th – August 1st, 15th, & 29th

***Read-n-Rant*** – Saturdays – 10:00 am
June 10th – July 1st – August 5th

***Summertime Crafts*** – Wednesdays – 10:00 am – Youth Library

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| June 7th | Beaded Sun Catcher Fish |
| June 21st | Seashell Art |
| July 12th | Tropical Tote |
| July 26th | Foamy Visor |
| August 9th | Ocean Drums |
| August 23rd | Tambourines |

***Summertime Crafts*** – Wednesdays – 10:00 am – Branch Library

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| June 14th | Sand Art |
| June 28th | Lei Necklaces |
| July 19th | Pirates Hat Craft |
| August 2nd | Sunshine Sand Art |
| August 16th | Rain sticks |
| August 30th | Maracas |

### Special Performers:

Jason Huneke – Monday – 11:00 am – Professional Juggler
June 12th – Hayner Youth

Marc & Max – Tuesday – 11:00 am – Ventriloquist
June 13th – Hayner Branch

Trebor Promotions – Tuesday – 11:00 am & 6:30 pm – Clown and Magician
June 20th – Hayner Youth

Janice Katambwa – Wednesday – 11:00 am – African Culture Specialist
June 21st – Hayner Youth

Joseph "Nitro Joe" Higgs – Monday – 11:00 am – Mad Scientist
June 26th – Hayner Youth

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June 27th – Hayner Branch

Kevin Luthardt – Monday – 10:00 am – Author and Illustrator
July 10th – Hayner Youth

Kevin Luthardt – Tuesday – 10:00 am – Author and Illustrator
July 11th – Hayner Branch

Chris Everett – Tuesday – 11:00 am & 6:30 pm – Mother Goose and Friends
July 18th – Hayner Youth

Richard Landry – Monday – 11:00 am – Comedy and Magic
July 24th – Hayner Youth

Richard Landry – Tuesday – 11:00 am – Comedy and Magic
July 25th – Hayner Branch

Incredible Dinosaur Show – Tuesday – 11:00 am & 6:30 pm – Comedy and silly stories
August 1st – Hayner Youth

Mama Lisa Gage-Ray – Thursday – 7:00 pm – Caribbean Folklore
August 3rd – The Commons at Lewis & Clark Community College

## Hayner Branch Library Events at OASIS Alton Center

*The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held. The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall- follow the hallway to the right of Famous Barr Customer Service. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

### *Family Game Nights*

***June 21, July 19, August 23***
***All game nights begin at 6:30 pm***

One night each month in the summer, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family, or play with some other great library patrons! Program will be held at Oasis.

### *Let's Go to the Movies!*

***June 9, July 7, August 18***
***All movies begin at noon and are approximately one hour long.***

We would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of three great documentaries from the Hayner Library collection. Each documentary is sure to entertain patrons of all ages. The first documentary, "National Geographic Presents: The Last Voyage of the Lusitania" takes a look at one of history's most mysterious tragedies with the help of scientists and an underwater camera. The second documentary, "The Statue of Liberty", takes viewers on a spectacular tour of one of the world's most recognizable landmarks and tells the history of how the statue came to be. The third documentary, "The Greatest Generation", tells the stories of the men and women who came of age during the Great Depression and the Second World War and went on to build modern America. Refreshments will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Program will be held at Oasis.

### *Memories and All the Fixings*

***Janet Riehl***
***August 16, 1 pm: Talk and Poetry Reading***
***2-4 pm Workshop: "Writing Memories"***

Memories – and our choices in how we live with them–shape our lives. Janet Grace Diehl reflects on the power of memory and reads from her debut collection of poems Sightlines: A Poet's Diary. Janet is an eloquent, insightful speaker and workshop leader.

Sightlines: A Poet's Diary offers a frank portrait of a family not only coming to terms with its grief, but also celebrating its past and difficult present. Her poems offer a vision of life filled with little treasures that carry us back to what is truly important in our lives.

Following the talk and reading, Janet will lead a writing workshop for those who want to write their own memories. Janet has led hundreds of workshops world wide. Go home with the start of your own memory book.

### *Check Out This Site*

Here is a good article on identity theft from the AARP Magazine:

www.aarp.org/bulletin/yourmoney/Articles/a2004-12-15-IDTHEFT.html

## *Join us for the 2006 Hayner Youth Library Summer Reading Program*

Registration begins Saturday, June 10 -- Open to ages birth - 15
This is a 6 week program ending Saturday, July 29.
There will be an End of Summer Reading Party on August 3, The Commons, LCCC.
**Awards * Prizes * Entertainment * Surprises**

Registration for summer reading club and activity programs opens Saturday, June 10th unless otherwise stated Register in person at the Hayner Youth Library for summer reading club and activity programs or the Hayner Branch Library for the summer reading club only. We regret we cannot accept registrations by phone. Children under twelve must be registered by a parent or guardian. Teens, ages 12-15, may sign up on their own. Summer reading club registration closes Saturday July 15th. Registration for activity programs close when all available places are filled. All programs at the library are provided free of charge. Due to space limits only residents or cardholders of the Hayner Public Library District may attend summer activity programs at the library.

Kids from birth through fifteen are invited to participate in the Voyage to Book Island Summer Reading Club at Hayner Public Library this summer. Pre-readers may participate if an adult agrees to read to them.

Participants agree to read at least six hours to complete the program and win a free paperback book of their choice. Time sheets must be returned to the Youth Library no later than Saturday, July 29th, in order to qualify. There are additional prizes for those who read 12, 18, 24, and 30 hours. Those who read 30 hours or more are listed on the Wall of Fame display at the Youth Library all summer.

Award books and other prizes will be distributed at the End of Summer Party on Thursday, August 3rd, 6-8 pm at Lewis & Clark Community College. If you cannot attend the party you can pick up your award book at the Youth Library any time between August 4th thru August 31st.

Summer schools and other community agencies can participate as outreach sites for the summer reading club. Please call Gloria Mitchell at 462-0652.

## *2006 Hayner Adult Summer Reading Program June 10-July 22*

Summer reading isn't just for kids. Our Adult Summer Reading Program was such a hit with patrons last year that we'd like to offer it again. While the children "Voyage to Book Island" this summer, adults can journey wherever their imagination and reading will take them, earning chances to win a beautiful gift basket.

Tackle your to-be-read stack or simply enjoy your favorite beach reads. From June 10th through July 22nd, for every book or audio book you read, you can enter a drawing to win a gift basket stuffed with goodies. Thanks to the generosity of private funding, there will be a grand prize gift basket at each of our three Hayner branches. Every time you finish reading or listening to a book, fill out a slip and drop it in the entry box by one of the baskets. The more titles you read or listen to, the more chances you have to win.

The rules are the same as they were for last year's program: you must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; register at any Hayner circulation desk to participate and pick up entry forms. Grand prize drawings for these baskets will be held on Saturday, July 22nd.

Basket winners from Hayner's Adult Winter Reading Program were: Bethany Albert, John Retzer and Janice Counts. You can't win unless you enter. Give it a try!

## *Grammar Traps*

Do you suffer from Grammar Anxiety? Do you worry about your choice of words and their usage in a sentence, especially one that will be made into a paper (hard) copy to be read by many of your peers? Save yourself unnecessary embarrassment, use "Grammar Traps" to save the day!

Go to www.agriculture.purdue.edu/agcom/ontarget/grammartrap. Yes, it is a long URL, but once you get there, you can always make it a favorite link from your computer. Grammar traps lists nearly 100 common grammatical problems that will help the average writer to be as confident as an English major. Try it today and ease your stress, while avoiding the complications of being comma-tose, or suffering from the embarrassment of Irritable Vowel Syndrome, forceful Semicolonescopy or chronic logorrhea. And PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE look up the entry for responsible vs. irresponsible. Irresponsible is NOT a word. Sorry….just a personal pet peeve…..

## *What's My Story?*

The following characters make their homes in one of the Great Books. Can you identify their stories?

1. Ronald Weasley, Hermione Granger, Dudley Dursley, Albus Dumbledore, Sirius Black
2. Boxer, Napolean, Squealer, Snowball, Mr. Jones, Old Major
3. Samwise, Gollum, Frodo, Gandalf, Aragon
4. Jake Barnes, Lady Brett Ashley, Robert Cohn, Mike Campbell, Pedro Romero
5. Pierre Bezukhov, Natasha Rostova, Andrew Bolkonski, Mary Bolkonskaya, Boris Drubetskoy
6. Howard Roark, Dominique Francon, Gail Wynand, Peter Keating, Ellsworth Toohey
7. Achilles, Agamemnon, Hector, Priam, Paris
8. Becky Thatcher, Widow Douglas, Injun Joe, Huckleberry Finn
9. Catherine Earnshaw, Edgar Linton, Nelly Dean, Lockwood
10. Ralph, Piggy, Jack, Simon, Sam, Eric

*See page 12 for answers.*

# Summer Activities Abound!

There are so many summer activities to enjoy in our community. The Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau does a great job promoting these events throughout the summer. Here are just some of the events/activities from a list the CVB provided to us. So, mark your calendars. Now your kids have no reason to complain "Mom/Dad, I have nothing to do!" For additional information, contact the CVB at 618-465-0491.

### Alton Farmer's Market

Behind Third Street
Alton, IL 62002

Every Saturday starting June 3 through October 2006
8 am until noon

Come out early to get the best produce the Farmer's Market has to offer. Locally grown produce, plants, flowers, baked goods and handcrafted artwork will be available for purchase. Admission is free. For more information, call Alton Marketplace at (618) 463-1016.

### Birthdays on Broadway

Historic Downtown Alton
Broadway
Alton, IL 62002

Saturday & Sunday, June 3 & 4
10 am to 4 pm

Join this shopping extravaganza on Broadway. There will be sidewalk sales, free children's activities and a children's fashion show. For more information, call 618-463-1016

### All Wheels Car Show

Historic Downtown Alton
Broadway
Alton, IL 62002

Sunday, June 4
8 am to 4 pm

Experience a blast from the past with classic cars, trucks and motorcycles from the 50s and 60s will be displayed on Broadway for the Annual All Wheels Car Show. Awards will be given in each class. Come out for the cars and stay for the music, 50-50 drawing, vendor displays, merchant sidewalk sale and food.

### Lewis & Clark: Kids of Discovery

Lewis & Clark
State Historic Site
#1 Lewis & Clark Trail
Hartford, IL 62048

Saturday & Sunday, June 10 & 11
10 am to 4 pm

Wanted! Junior volunteers sought after to join the Corps of Discovery. All volunteers and their parents should report to the Lewis & Clark Historic Site to enlist in the Expedition to the Western Ocean. Volunteers will be mustered into service based on their frontier skills. Site admission is FREE. For more information, call 618-251-5811 or go to www.campdubois.com.

### Mississippi Fireworks Festival

Riverfront Park
Alton, IL 62002

Monday, July 3, 2006

Annual Fireworks Festival presented by the Alton Exposition Commission. Great food, merchandise vendors, entertainment, carnival rides and fireworks! Fireworks will be Monday night, July 3, at 9 p.m. For more information, call (618) 463-3526.

### Family Fun Day

Glazebrook Park
1401 Stamper Lane
Godfrey, IL 62035

Saturday, July 8
11 am to 8 pm

Family Fun Day is a community event that features an old fashioned family day in the park. Youth will enjoy carnival games, climbing wall, inflatable slide, washer tournament, music and food. In the evening the whole family will enjoy the free concert by the Decatur Park Singers, beginning at 6 pm Participants are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs. FREE. For more information, call 618-466-1483.

### Wild Women of the West

National Great Rivers Museum
#2 Locks & Dam Way
Alton, IL 62002

Sunday, August 13, 2006
2 pm to 3 pm

Here's your family's opportunity for some summer fun - wild western style! This program, performed by Edwardsville native Karen Stoeber, is a real hootenanny. Check out the unique clothing and lifestyle of pioneer women such as Calamity Jane, Belle Starr, and Annie Oakley. This event is FREE. For more information, call 618-462-6979.

The following events will also be held at the **National Great Rivers Museum**, #2 Locks & Dam Way, Alton IL. For more information regarding these free events, call the Museum at 462-6979.

**Backyard Wildlife Workshop** – Sunday, June 11, 2:00 to 3:00 pm
**Outdoor Photogrraphy Class** – Sunday, June 25, 2:00 to 4:00 pm
**Webelos Boy Scout Day** – Sunday, July 9, 2:00 to 4:00 pm
**Summerdays River Travelfest** – Sunday, July 16, 1:00 to 5:00 pm
**Girl Scout Day** – Sunday, July 23, 1:00 to 4:00 pm
**Buzz About Bees** – Sunday, August 20, 2:00 to 3:00 pm

# Happenings at OASIS

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information)

### Beginning Bridge Lessons

Walter Sale and Bob Johnson will teach this 10 session class. No partner needed. Wednesdays, June 7-August 9, 1:00-3:00 pm– Fee: $20

### Hiking at LaVista Park, Godfrey, IL

Chris Pretti will lead this walk/hike through the beautiful LaVista Park located in Godfrey, IL off Route #3.
Thursday, June 29, meet at 9:30 am at the Park – Free

### Tai Chi

Patty Burkhalter facilitates this exercise activity that improves your overall health. This class is appropriate for all skill levels.
Mondays, July 17-August 28 (7 sessions), 10:30-11:30 am – Fee $42

## *Patron Profile John Dunphy*

When I first moved to Alton there were several establishments critical to quality of life that I had to check out right away. One was the library and another was local bookstores, which is how I first met John Dunphy, the owner of The Second Reading—a wonderful, second-hand bookstore. John is an Alton native. He attended Marquette High School and graduated from SIUE as a history/political science/philosophy major. After college and graduate school, John decided to take time to "find himself" and follow his lifelong passion to write and become a published author. John's great-uncle, Joe Dromgoole, was assistant editor for The Alton Telegraph for many years and was responsible for nurturing John's love of writing. John had no trouble finding work as a freelance writer and has been published in many national magazines and newspapers. His first book, published in 2003, is titled "Lewis and Clark's Illinois Volunteers." This book brings to life the Illinois volunteers who played a pivotal role in the success of Lewis and Clark's expedition to seek the Northwest Passage. It is a fascinating portrayal highlighting both the virtues and vices of the brave men who formed the Corps of Discovery. Hayner Main Library has a circulating copy of the book, shelved at 917.8042 DUN, and a noncirculating copy is kept in the Illinois Room.

John is an internationally recognized haiku poet and has also authored two chapbooks (a chapbook is a short collection of poetry). Currently published is "Old Soldiers Fading Away" featuring poems about military veterans, particularly Vietnam vets. This spring, his second collection, titled "Stellar Possibilities," was published. This is a collection of a new literary genre called scifiaiku, a hybrid of haiku and science fiction.

Along with writing, John has another great love— his bookshop, The Second Reading. The shop was founded in 1979 by Mike Crivello and was located at 117 Market Street. Mike sold the shop in 1985 and ultimately John acquired the business in 1987. From 1992-2002 the business was located in the Mineral Springs Mall, and in 2002 it was moved to its current location at 16 East Broadway. It is a wonderfully comfortable shop. Books in every nook and cranny, soft comfortable chairs, and three cats who live there 24/7, serving as goodwill ambassadors.

John's love of reading was nurtured by his family. His parents kept him supplied with books, and even before attending school, John was an avid reader. His shop reflects his love of reading—every imaginable genre of writing sits on his shelves. The shop has become an institution in the Metro East, drawing customers from all the local Riverbend communities, St. Louis and out of state, as well as Australia, the United Kingdom, Germany, Canada and more. John serves two generations of customers. Many that used to come to his shop in the 1980s still stop by, and their now-grown children also patronize the shop. John foresees yet a third generation of patrons in the near future!

John acquires his stock from donations, as well as by frequenting area book sales. Though John does carry some new books from local authors and CDs from local musicians, his primary objective is the recirculation of used books (thus the name, The Second Reading). The books are very economically priced, and John has been known to trade books with his customers. He does often find valuable editions that may have been donated unknowingly. He remembers one donation that was published in 1795 and contained George Washington's address to congress regarding foreign policy. It was ultimately sold on eBay for several hundred dollars. John regards Hayner Library as an unofficial partner in his bookselling business. Many times customers will have read a book from the library and enjoyed it so much, they want to own a copy—and John helps them find one. "A good library is a book shop's best friend" says John.

John is a great advocate and supporter of local artists, regularly sponsoring book signings, musical concerts and art shows in the shop. He holds two events per month, primarily on Saturday afternoons. He posts notice of these events in The Telegraph, but he also encourages you to call the shop for the current calendar of programs (618-462-2830).

John also holds classes at the bookshop. From 1997-2005 John taught writing courses at Lewis and Clark Community College. He also taught a class on the collecting and care of books. Today both these classes are held at the bookshop on an ongoing basis.

John also has been an activist for many different causes. In 1990 he cofounded the Piasa Area Habitat for Humanity. From 1990 to 1998 he served as secretary of it's board. Members of this organization built houses in the Alton area that were sold, at cost, to the underprivileged. John describes his time with the Habitat as eight wonderful years. He also served on the Alton Human Relations Commission, an organization whose charter was to battle bigotry and uphold human rights. From 1988 to 1995 he was a Precinct Committeeman, canvassing neighborhoods to urge people to get out and vote in local and national elections. In the late 1990s he volunteered to staff a temporary homeless shelter at Elm Street Presbyterian Church. John was on the night shift at the church providing aid and support, as needed, from 2:00 am until 5:00 am. He recalls that books and black coffee were requirements for getting through his shift.

In 1992 John founded the Metro East Writers' workshop. The workshop is designed for published authors to meet on a regular basis and critique each other's works-in-progress. The very popular Writers' Workshop still meets regularly at the bookshop and draws authors from throughout the metro St. Louis area. A true patron of the arts, John regularly takes in art shows and is a film and music buff. He also can be regularly found enjoying a woodland hike. John has many passions and says he feels so fortunate to realize his dream as a published writer and as owner of The Second Reading Book Shop. John closed stating, "The bookshop has so enriched and blessed my life and brought me so many friends—it is truly a magical place." Be sure to stop by and visit John at 16 East Broadway in Alton, open daily from noon to 6 pm, and share the magic! John also has a web site at www.johndunphy.com.

## *Jazz in the Park*

The second annual Jazz In The Park series will run June through August, 2006. Sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District, The North Alton Godfrey Business Council and the Village of Godfrey Parks and Recreation Department, this series will present musical entertainment under the stars. All the concerts will run from 7:00 – 9:00 pm and will be emceed by Ross Gentile of WSIE Radio.

The first concert will be held on Wednesday, June 7 at the Whispering Winds Gazebo in Glazebrook Park in Godfrey. This free concert will feature The Gary Dammer Big Band. This is a 17 piece swing band accompanied by vocalist Sherri Drake. No reservations are required. Rain location is the Commons at Lewis & Clark Community College.

Then get out your dancing shoes because on Wednesday, July 12, The Sentimental Journey Big Band will perform for your listening and dancing pleasure at The Commons on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College. There is an admission charge for this event, $15 per couple or $10 single admission. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 1-800-613-3163.

On Wednesday, August 16, we return to the Gazebo in Glazebrook Park for a performance by Tom Heitman & The Steve Schenkman Orchestra. They will entertain us with a night of Frank Sinatra's favorites. This is a free program and does not require reservations. For the concerts held in Glazebrook Park, you will need to bring a lawn chair. Rain location for this performance is the Trimpe Building at Lewis and Clark Community College. At each of the three concerts there will be a 50/50 drawing with the proceeds going to the Madison County Area Council, Jacoby Art Center, Alton, IL. For additional information, call 466-1483 or 466-6110.

## *Choices, Choices and More Choices!*

**All the King's Men** (BBC production) DVD and VHS
**Ambulance Girl** DVD
**Ask This Old House: The Complete First Season** DVD
**Bee Season** DVD
**The Best of the Electric Company** (children's television program) DVD
**Bleak House** (BBC 2005) DVD
**The Blitz: London's Longest Night** DVD
**Brokeback Mountain** DVD
**Building the Alaska Highway** VHS
**Capote** DVD
**Casanova** DVD
**Celtic Woman** DVD
**A Cemetery Special** (tour interesting, historical and quirky cemeteries across the country) VHS
**Chronicles of Narnia. The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe** DVD
**Coney Island** DVD
**Crash** DVD
**Derailed** DVD
**Dreamer: Inspired by a True Story** DVD
**Enron: The Smartest Guys in the Room** DVD
**The Family Stone** DVD
**The Fighting Sullivans** (story of five brothers who died together during WWII)
**The Great Transatlantic Cable** DVD
**A History of Violence** DVD
**Influenza 1918** DVD and VHS
**Inside Grand Central** DVD
**Leslie Sansone: Walk Away the Pounds** DVD
**Match Point** DVD
**Mrs. Henderson Presents** DVD
**Northern Exposure: The Complete Fourth Season** DVD
**Pride and Prejudice** (with Keira Knightley) DVD
**Proof** DVD
**Race to the Moon: The Daring Adventure of Apollo 8** DVD
**Rumor Has It** DVD
**Shopgirl** DVD
**Tornado Intercept** (National Geographic documentary) DVD
**Tristan & Isolde** DVD
**An Unfinished Life** DVD
**Walk the Line** DVD
**Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit** DVD

## *Lovejoy Museum Opening*

In May, Lovejoy Elementary school, with the help of Hayner Library staff, completed an ambitious project they had started in January 2006. Grades 3 through 5 were given the ambitious task of researching different aspects of Alton to build a museum in the school. Each class was given a different theme to build upon. The variety of topics ran from entertainment to transportation. The teachers worked with Hayner Library staff and the Youth Library and used the Illinois Room to develop the research material the kids could draw from in creating their individual classroom's museum display. The evening of May 4, 2006 was the grand opening for the public to tour the museum. Over 400 people attended! Congratulations to all the children (and teachers) on such a successful and valuable project.

**(Left) Nicole Wallace, 4th grade, Ms. Wells Class. Room Theme: 1950s era**

**Below: Ms. Galloway's 3rd grade display: Historical Places in Alton**

## *Did You Know:*

The Simon and Schuster publishing house owns the unusually brief correspondence between Victor Hugo and his publisher. To inquire how the editors liked the manuscript for *Les Miserables*, Hugo composed the following letter, quoted here in its entirety: "?". The publisher responded: "!". Such brevity is all the more remarkable when one considers that *Les Miserables* contains one of the longest sentences in the French language- 823 words without a period.

### What's My Story? *(Answers)*

1. The Harry Potter series, J.K. Rowling
2. Animal Farm, George Orwell
3. The Lord of the Rings series, J R.R. Tolkien
4. The Illiad, Homer
5. War and Peace, Leo Tolstoy
6. The Fountainhead, Ayn Rand
7. The Illiad, Homer
8. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Mark Twain
9. Wuthering Heights, Emily Bronte
10. Lord of the Rings, William Golding

## *New in the Illinois Room*

American Militia in the Frontier Wars 1790-1796 IR 929 373 CLA
The Original Lists of Persons of Quality 1600-1700 IR 929.373 OMI
Omitted Chapters from Hotten's Original Lists of Persons of Quality IR 929.373 OMI
American Marriage Records Before 1699 IR 929.373 AME
Pension Roll of 1835 Vol. 1-4 IR 929.373 PEN
Revolutionary War Pioneers IR 929.3773 DEX
Pope County, Illinois Early Census Records 1818-1850 IR 929.3773991 POP
The First Catholic Church in Joliet, Illinois IR 282.77325 WER
The First Chicago Church Records 1833-1844 IR 929.377311 THO
History of Livingston County IR 977.361 HIS
O'Fallon's Historical Society's Sesquicentennial History Book IR 977.389 OFA
Historical Stories about Greenville and Bond County, Illinois IR 977.3 KEI
Farmer's Directory Washington and Clinton Counties IR 929.3773 PRA
History of the Swedes of Illinois parts I, II, III IR 977.30397 HIS
Portrait and Biographical Record of Randolph, Jackson, Perry, and Monroe Counties, Illinois IR 929.2773 POR
History of Christian County, Illinois IR 977 381 HIS
History of Sangamon County, Illinois IR 977.356 HIS
United States Biographical Dictionary of Eminent and Self-made Men, Illinois Volume IR 929.2 UNI
Combined History of Shelby and Moultrie Counties, Illinois OVERSIZE IR 977.3 COM

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Main 462-0651
Branch 463-1276
Youth 462-0652
Administration 462-0677

Main FAX 462-0665
Branch FAX 463-1277
Dial-A-Story 462-8253
Administration FAX 462-4919


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Mon Thurs, 8 am to 8 pm
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## *The Hayner Public Library District Receives Significant Bequest*

The family of local artist Dorothy J. Lindblad Roper has most generously gifted The Hayner Public Library District with several of her paintings, as well as funding to be used for the establishment of an art gallery/events room in future library facilities.

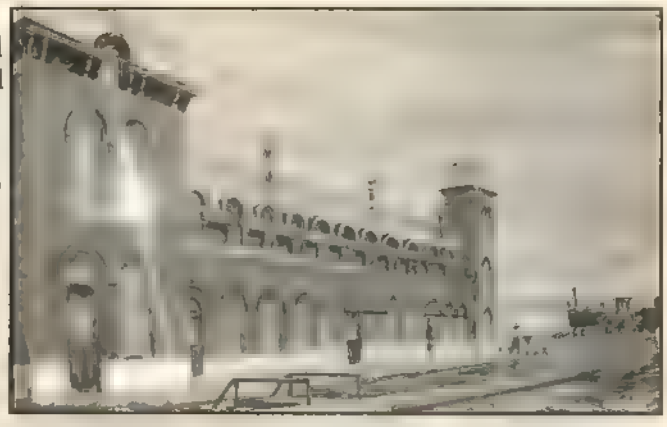
Mrs. Lindblad Roper was a local Altonian, well known and respected for the beautiful artwork she created, many pieces depicting scenes of our local area. She also was a strong advocate of the artistic community in the Riverbend, promoting shows and guiding other artists in their work.

Mrs. Lindblad's family had previously donated to the library two scenes of the river road and bluffs. They have since augmented this gift with the donation of a large oil, painted from the vantage point of the river facing the bluffs, in vivid fall colors. Another work they contributed is a watercolor of the old Alton Train Station, which stood in what today is Riverfront Park. Dorothy's daughter, Pat Wendel of West Grove, Pennsylvania, had the pieces reframed, and they make a stunning series.

Additionally, Pat announced that she and her brother, Dr. Randall Lindblad of Puyallup, WA were to gift to the Hayner Public Library District, $40,000 from the Dorothy J. Roper Revocable Living Trust.

Pat indicated that she and her mother often enjoyed attending the library's ongoing program series, which features free musical and educational events. Pat was very complimentary about the library's efforts to stand as a cultural center for the Riverbend community. To this end, the family has set up a bequest from their mother to support the arts. Hayner Library staff has long had a goal of providing a venue to showcase the work of local artists. Currently, the library does not have any available space to facilitate this goal

The agreement between Pat, her brother, Dr. Lindblad, and Hayner management is that the bequest be put in trust in the Library Building and Construction Fund to support the design and development of an art gallery/events center in a future library facility. This gallery would permanently exhibit the donated works of Mrs. Lindblad Roper and pieces from the library's own collections, many of significant historical value; as well as rotating collections for the public to view and enjoy. The room will be dedicated as the Dorothy J. Lindblad Roper Cultural Events Center in recognition of her wonderful preservation of art and beauty of the Riverbend and her support of the artistic community. Ultimately, The Hayner Public Library District



hopes that this collection will grow to feature the works of the many talented local artists, showcasing our historic community and river scenes.

This incredibly generous gift of the Lindblad family will be greatly appreciated and enjoyed by many for years to come!

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Labor Day, September 4
Veteran's Day, November 10
Thanksgiving Day, November 23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# A Tribute to Hayner Librarians

When Dennis Flinn was a young boy growing up in Alton, he was an avid user of the Hayner Public Library on State Street (today, the Youth Library). Dennis was from modest beginnings, and as a teenager, his father wanted him to drop out of school and go to work in the mills. He was encouraged by the Hayner librarian to stay in school at all costs. Not only did he stay in school while supporting himself in his own apartment, he graduated with a scholarship to the University of Missouri. He moved to Washington, and after a variety of jobs, he became personal assistant to FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover. Dennis had aspirations to become an FBI agent (which at the time required a law degree) so he put himself through law school and joined the Bureau as an agent in 1934. In fact he was the first agent sent on a foreign assignment during World War II. Throughout his career, Dennis worked in high-level positions for NATO and the State Department. He also worked at American embassies in Stockholm, Sweden and in Canberra, Australia. Dennis Flinn died in 2003 at the age of 92. After he passed away, Hayner Library was contacted by his widow, Anne Flinn of Summerville, S.C. Mrs.Flinn said that Mr. Flinn's life successes were rooted in the encouragement and support he received during his youth from a Hayner librarian. Accordingly, she commissioned a memorial mosaic, which was created by Dennis Flinn's daughter, Lenore Lyons, of Centreville, Massachusetts. Lenore designed a memorial of three panels depicting items of significance

in Mr. Flinn's life that reflected his enthusiasm for life, love of world travel and passion for reading. The mosaic is made of more that 5000 pieces of colored glass and the three panels are set in the garden of the Hayner Youth Library. On the front of the memorial is a plaque that reads:

IN TRIBUTE TO
THE HAYNER LIBRARIANS
AND IN MEMORY OF
DENNIS A. FLINN
1910-2003
"As a young boy, the librarians of Hayner developed in me a lifelong love of reading"

# Three New Databases Ready To Help You

Hayner patrons have three new online databases they can use to find the answers to quick questions or to research topics for papers and reports. The library recently added an antiques pricing database, a science database, and a literature database that includes biographical information about authors and literary criticism of their works.

**P4A Antiques Reference Database—** Prices for Antiques-- provides prices, descriptions and background information for all types of antiques and collectibles. Every record includes at least one picture, making it easy to tell if the item listed is really similar to the one being researched. Estimated values and realized prices are given for items listed in the database, along with the date of sale and auction house information. Patrons can use this database to estimate the value of similar items they may wish to buy, sell or insure. It can be accessed both at the library and from home. A Hayner barcode is required for home access.

The **Science Reference Center** is a comprehensive science reference database geared toward middle and high school level students It is completely full-text and covers all disciplines of science, including life sciences, physical sciences, and earth and space sciences. Its information sources include magazines and journals, books, encyclopedias, and other reference works. It also offers both home and in library access.

The **Literary Reference Center** is a literature reference database that patrons can use to find information on literary authors, their books, and literary criticism about their works. It is also full-text, and covers a time period from antiquity to the present. Information sources for this database include literary journals, books, reference works and literary encyclopedias. It can be accessed from both home and the library.

Hayner also offers a variety of other online subject databases, including:

General Magazine Articles Search-- **MasterFILE Select**
Antiques-- P4A Antiques Reference—**Prices for Antiques**
Auto Repairs-- **Auto Repair Reference Center**
Books and Authors—**NoveList and Novelist K-8** (fiction guides for readers of all ages)
Business Information-- **Business Source Elite** and **Regional Business News**
General Information Search—**FirstSearch** (contact library for details)
History-- **History Reference Center**
Health-- **Health Source Consumer Edition**
Health and Medicine-- **PDR Electronic Library** (in library use only)
Literature-- **Literary Reference Center**
Science-- **Science Reference Center**
Topics for Students-- **Student Research Center** and **TopicSearch**
Tests-- **LearningExpress Library** (practice standardized and licensing tests)
Writing Skills-- **LearningExpress Library. Job, Career and Business Writing Help Center**

To learn more about these databases and how to access them, visit Hayner's new and updated web site coming soon at www.haynerlibrary.org.

# NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

**--NONFICTION**

Bryson, Bill. **The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid: A Memoir**
Cahill, Thomas. **Mysteries of the Middle Ages: The Rise of Feminism, Science, and Art from the Cults of Catholic Europe**
Chopra, Deepak. **Life After Death: The Burden of Proof**
Deen, Paula. **Paula Deen Celebrates!**
DeYoung, Karen. **Soldier: The Life of Colin Powell**
Edwards, Elizabeth. **Saving Graces: Finding Solace and Strength From Friends and Strangers**
Eliot, Marc. **Jimmy Stewart: A Biography**
Gabler, Neal. **Walt Disney: The Triumph of the American Imagination**
Garten, Ina. **Barefoot Contessa at Home**
Goleman, Daniel. **Social Intelligence: The New Science of Human Relationships**
Grisham, John. **The Innocent Man**
Guliano, Mireille. **French Women For All Seasons**
Larson, Erik. **Thunderstruck**
Mayle, Peter. **Provence A-Z**
McGraw, Robin. **Inside My Heart: Choosing to Live With Passion and Purpose**
Meyer, Joyce. **The Confident Woman: Start Today Living Boldly and Without Fear**
Noonan, William S. **Forever Young: Growing Up With John F. Kennedy, Jr.**
Novelli, Wilham D. **50+: Igniting a Revolution to Reinvent America**
O'Reilly, Bill. **Culture Warrior**
Oufkir, Malika. **Freedom: The Story of My Second Life**
Sides, Hampton. **Blood and Thunder: An Epic of the American West**
Somers, Suzanne. **Ageless**
Spoto, Donald. **Enchantment: The Life of Audrey Hepburn**
Viesturs, Ed. **No Shortcuts to the Top: Climbing the World's 14 Highest Peaks**

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Baldacci, David. **The Collectors**
Beaton, M. C. **Love, Lies and Liquor: An Agatha Raisin Mystery**
Burke, Jan. **Kidnapped**
Clark, Mary Higgins. **Santa Cruise: A Holiday Mystery at Sea**
Connelly, Michael. **Echo Park**
Cornwell, Patricia. **Book of the Dead**
DeMille, Nelson. **Wild Fire**
Feehan, Christine. **Dark Celebration: A Carpathian Reunion**
Francis, Dick. **Under Orders**
George, Elizabeth. **What Came Before He Shot Her**
Gerritsen, Tess. **The Mephisto Club**
Harris, Robert. **Imperium: A Novel of Ancient Rome**
Hiaasen, Carl. **Nature Girl**
Hillerman, Tony. **The Shape Shifter**
King, Stephen. **Lisey's Story**
Koontz, Dean. **Brother Odd**
LaHaye, Tim. **John's Story: The Last Eyewitness (Jesus Chronicles)**
Le Carre, John. **The Mission Song**
Ludlum, Robert. **The Bancroft Strategy**
Macomber, Debbie. **Christmas Letters**
McCall Smith, Alexander. **The Right Attitude to Rain**
Meltzer, Brad. **The Book of Fate**
Michaels, Fern. **Fool Me Once**
Mosley, Walter. **Fear of the Dark**
O'Shaughnessy, Perri. **Keeper of the Keys**
Parker, Robert B. **Hundred-Dollar Baby**
Patterson, James. **Cross**
Perry, Anne. **Christmas Secret**
Robb, J. D. **Born in Death**
Shaara, Jeff. **The Rising Tide: A Novel of the Second World War**
Sparks, Nicholas. **Dear John**
Steel, Danielle. **HRH**
Tanenbaum, Robert. **Counterplay**
Trigiani, Adriana. **Return to Big Stone Gap**
Waller, Robert James. **The Long Night of Winchell Dear**
Walters, Minette. **The Devil's Feather**
Woods, Stuart. **Short Straw**

# *Choices, Choices and More Choices!*

Along with all the blockbuster movies, we have hundreds of videos and DVDs covering a wide range of interests. Below are some of the newest we have added to our collection.

**16 Blocks** DVD
**Annapolis** DVD
**Aquamarine** DVD
**The Benchwarmers** DVD
**Cheyenne: The Complete First Season** (television series) DVD
**Dinosaurs: The Complete First and Second Seasons** (Jim Henson Prod.) DVD
**Edison Force** DVD
**Eight Below** DVD
**End of the Spear** VHS
**Failure to Launch** DVD
**Find Me Guilty** DVD
**Flight 93** DVD
**Frenchman's Creek** (Masterpiece Theatre) DVD
**Glory Road** DVD
**A Good Woman** DVD
**Grand Prix** DVD
**Inside Man** DVD
**Johnny Depp** (biography) DVD
**Leroy & Stitch** DVD
**The Libertine** DVD
**Like Mike 2 Streetball** DVD
**Louis L'Amour's The Sacketts** (television miniseries) DVD
**Madea's Family Reunion** DVD
**The Matador** DVD
**Mrs. Harris** DVD
**Monk: Season Four** DVD
**NCIS: Naval Criminal Investigation Service: The Complete First Season** DVD
**Over There** (television series) DVD
**The Pink Panther (with Steve Martin)** DVD
**Portrait of Courage: The Untold Story of Flight 93** DVD
**Rescue Me: The Complete Second Season** DVD
**RV** DVD
**Scary Movie 4** DVD
**The Shaggy Dog** (with Tim Allen) DVD
**She's the Man** DVD
**Syriana** DVD
**Thomas & Friends: Sing-along & Stories** DVD
**Thomas & Friends: Thomas Gets Bumped** DVD
**Transamerica** DVD
**Tristram Shandy: A Cock and Bull Story** DVD
**Tsotsi** DVD
**V for Vendetta** DVD
**VeggieTales: Larry Boy and the Bad Apple** DVD
**The World's Fastest Indian** DVD

## *Why More Bow wow?*

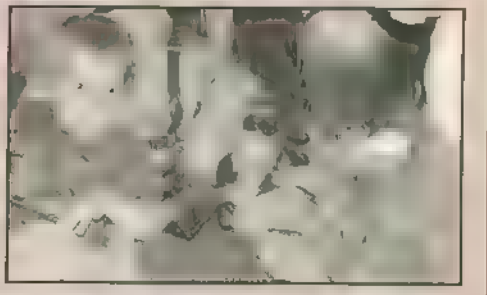
Upon entering the little country store the stranger noticed a sign saying: DANGER! BEWARE OF DOG! posted on the glass door. Inside he noticed a harmless old hound dog asleep on the floor besides the cash register. He asked the store manager, "Is THAT the dog folks are supposed to beware of?" "Yep, that's him," he replied.

The stranger couldn't help but be amused. "That certainly doesn't look like a dangerous dog to me. Why in the world would you post that sign?"

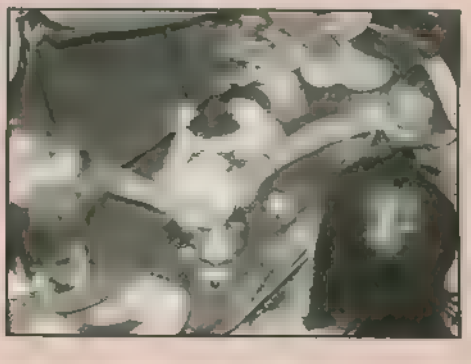
"Because," the owner replied, "before I posted that sign, people kept tripping over him."

This pup sounds like a candidate to join our happy band of (very relaxed) therapy dogs that, along with their handlers, come to visit the Hayner Youth library the second Saturday of every month. On those Saturdays, from 10 -11 a.m., kids of all ages come to the Library and read to the dogs.

Someone inquired as to why we included an article about the Bow wow Pow wow in every newsletter. Several reasons- 1) to recognize the generosity of the handlers, most of whom work full time during the week yet willingly give up hours of their free time – time to make sure the dogs are groomed to strict specifications, time to make sure the dogs fulfill the rigorous therapy dog certification requirements and time donated to the library 2) We truly believe in the significant value of this program. When a kid says "I love coming to the library and reading to ALL the dogs"- that is a huge program achievement. When a mother tells me "my son can't sit still in school – I can't believe his concentration and calm when he's reading to the dogs"– that is a huge program achievement, when a set of grandparents tell me it's one of their favorite outings to share with their grand child- spending special time together in the library- that is a huge program achievement. So for those reasons and many more, we will continue to maintain the visibility of this program as much as possible. Besides, the pictures are so darn cute! So we invite you all to come, the second Saturday, each month, and share in the achievement!



NOTE: The Youth Library is closed on November 11 for Veteran's Day so we will meet Saturday, November 4. All other months we will stay with our second Saturday schedule.



## *Subscriptions always growing*

The Hayner Public Library District subscribes to over 300 different magazines so you don't have to! The subscriptions run a gamut of topics from politics to entertainment, fashion, art, architecture, gardening, literary, photography, travel, sports, hobbies, home care, cooking and many, many more. Except for the most current issue, the magazines and newspapers can be checked out. We archive back issues of most magazines for up to two years and some, like Consumer Reports, are held in hard copy for up to ten years.

We are always evaluating our subscriptions and adding new publications. Examples of some of our latest additions include:

New at the Main Library

*All You*
*Backyard Living*
*Car and Driver*
*Cottage Living*

New at the Branch Library

*All You*
*Beckett Racing*
*Country Home*
*Kids fun stuff to do together*

New at the Youth Library

*Chirp*
*Chickadee*
*Family Digest*
*Kids fun stuff to Do Together*
*Owl*
*Zootles*

New at Homebound

*Weight Watchers Magazine*

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*We've put together a full calendar of events for the fall semester. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Il.*

**REMINDER**

*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, September 9**
**Saturday, October 14**
**Saturday, November 4***
**Saturday, December 9**
**10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. This is a great way to keep up your child's reading skills over summer vacation. Register at 1-800-613-3163. *The library is closed on 11/11 for Veterans Day. The November Pow Wow will be held on the first Saturday, November 4.

### Jacquie Manning & Rich Prezioso
### *Small Potatoes*

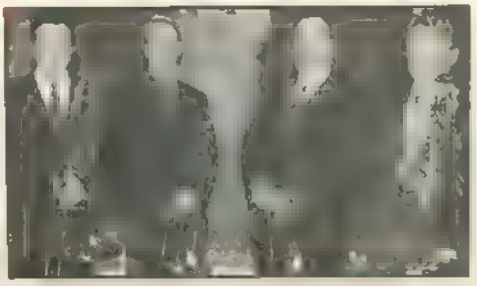
**Tuesday, September 12, 6:30**

The Chicago-based duo, Small Potatoes, has been touring the folk circuit since 1993. They describe their music as "Celtic to Cowboy" and say it has taken them "years of careful indecision" to come up with a mix of music that ranges from country, blues and swing to Irish. They even yodel. They also pay attention to the warmth and humor that creates a great rapport with their audience and makes for a memorable performance. *Dirty Linen Magazine* called them "one of the most polished, inventive and entertaining shows on the circuit" Register at 1-800-613-3163

### Genealogy Roundtable
### *Lost in the Forest When Searching Your Family Tree?*

**Thursday, September 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Join us in the Hayner Main Library Reading Room for our Genealogy Roundtable Discussion Group. We will work as a group to help you with your "brick wall" problems researching your family history. Call 1-800-613-3163 to register.



### The Original Boneheads
### *A Little Bit of Everything*

**Tuesday, September 19, 6:00 p.m.**
***Note Start Time***

The Original Boneheads, a.k.a. The St. Louis Trombone Quartet (yes, TROMBONE Quartet!) was founded in 1998 and have in the years since played at art fairs, concerts, casinos, university ceremonies, private events, parades, museums, corporate events and many church services, to glowing reviews. Each of the players is conservatory trained and experienced in musical settings from symphony orchestras to bar bands. This breadth of musical experience is reflected in the quartet's song list, which contains marches, jazz and swing, rock, doo wop, classical, R & B, polkas, blues, Americana and more. This evening's performance will be an eclectic mix of jazz, swing, blues and classical. This is a return performance of The Boneheads- don't miss them! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *About Becoming a SCORE Volunteer*

**Thursday, September 21, 6:30 p.m.**

SCORE provides free confidential counseling to help grow new and emerging small businesses and we need YOUR skills! Learn how you can help stimulate the creation and growth of small business in our community while working with a great group of people. Says a SCORE volunteer "SCORE gives me a unique and exciting opportunity to give something back to the community in a way that captures my unique business experience."

"My volunteer work at SCORE challenges me and keeps my mind active".

Everyone has different skills to contribute. Join us in the Main Library Reading Room to learn more about SCORE and meet local volunteers. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Robin Shuba
### *Maggie Day's 1950 Sunshine Radio Broadcast*

**Thursday, October 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Robin Shuba is a story teller and character actor who appeared before us last spring as Molly Brown of Titanic fame. It was a fascinating reenactment. Now she returns in a lighter vein as Margaret Day, a fictitious radio announcer of the 1950's era. Maggie Day reports daily from her 'extra bedroom/den' located in Paducah, KY. Maggie delivers the news with humor and homespun advice...so, y'all should just drop by! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Fiddleback
### *Blue Grass and More*

**Tuesday, October 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Fiddleback is a string trio that blends jazz, bluegrass and classical influences into their original music. The release of their first self-titled album has received rave reviews. The key to their unique new sound is the diverse experiences of Fiddleback's members. Both guitarist Grant Krener and violinist Andrew Driscoll come from jazz backgrounds. Violist/violinist Victoria Brannan is a fiddle player at heart. All three have also played in groups ranging from classical orchestras to rock and roll bands. Join us for an evening of "swinging, grooving and hot fiddling!" Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Broadway on the Driveway
### *Retro Broadway-Style Variety Show*
**Tuesday, October 24, 6:30 p.m.**

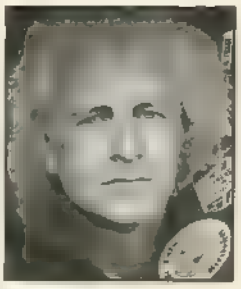
We enjoyed the performing troupe Broadway on the Driveway so much last winter, we couldn't wait to bring them back. This high energy song and dance revue takes you on a sentimental journey that reunites you with some of Broadway's greatest hits as well as those of the Andrews Sisters, Judy Garland, Fred Astaire, Doris Day, Frank Sinatra and more. The entire show is performed in full costume and features some of the best music of the 20th century. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Flu Clinic
**Saturday, October 28,**
**11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

The VNA of Southern Illinois will be at the Main Library to deliver flu and pneumonia vaccines. Flu shots are $30 and pneumonia shots are $40. Cash or checks are accepted. If you have Medicare Part B, there is no charge.

## Bucky Halker
### *Ain't Gonna Be Treated This Way*
**Thursday, November 2, 6:30**

Singer-song writer Bucky Halker has toured extensively in the U.S., Canada and Europe and is an expert on folk music and protest music in the USA and Illinois in particular. Bucky currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Woody Guthrie Foundation and Archives in New York City. He holds a PHD in American history is a published author and has recorded many musical cds. In his musical program, Ain't Gonna Be Treated this Way, Bucky performs and offers commentary on the songs of American workers from 1865 to 1950. He will devote particular attention to those songs written by Illinois workers as they struggled to create better conditions for workers in the state and found their collective voice in music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



*This program is partially supported by a Grant from the Illinos Arts Council.*

## Rob Ritchie
### *Songs far from the Road*
**Wednesday, November 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Rob Ritchie hails from Canada and brings us a musical program based on unique observations of small town life. He sets the tone right of the bat incorporating wit, humor and insight into his musical story telling. Rob has a keen eye for detail and walks through everyday life capturing moments of beauty and reality in his songs- all woven together with his unique piano accompaniment. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Terri Ryburn-Lamonte
### *Marked for LIFE: My Travels on 66 in '53*
**Thursday, November 16, 6:30 p.m.**

The year is 1953. With her parents, four brothers and two hunting dogs in a pickup, Terri Ryburn-LaMonte embarked on a cross country trip along Route 66 from Bloomington, Illinois to the coast of California. The adventures left her "marked for life." Terri recounts her youthful excursion in humorous and insightful detail. In the process of telling her story, she also recalls the importance of Route 66 in the nation's history and family vacations. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*
**Sunday, December 3, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey Il.*

This is one of our favorite events of the Holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful Holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Guaranteed to fill you with holiday cheer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

## *Banned Books Quiz*

Each of the following works was banned either in a school, library or by a court of law. Can you match the work with the reason it was banned?

1. Leaves of Grass, Walt Whitman
2. The Canterbury Tales, Geoffrey Chaucer
3. Confessions, Jean-Jacques Rousseau
4. The Age of Reason, Thomas Paine
5. Twelfth Night, William Shakespeare
6. The Wizard of Oz, L. Frank Baum
7. Guinness Book of World Records
8. A Light in the Attic, Shel Silverstein
9. The Lorax, Dr. Seuss
10. Little Red Cap, The Brothers Grimm

***Match to correct reason***

a. injurious to public morality
b. sexually explicit
c. criminalizes the foresting industry
d. use of profane language
e. glorifies Satan, suicide and cannibalism
f. lewd, obscene, filthy and indecent
g. use of alcohol
h. alternative lifestyle instruction
i. argues for Deism against Christianity and Atheism
j. promotes communism

*See page 8 for answers*

***Note:** apologies to all- we had some typos in the answers to last quarters quiz "What's my Story". The correct answer to question number four (in what book do we find the characters Jake Barnes, Lady Brett Ashley, Robert Cohn, Mike Campbell and Pedro Romero?) is The Sun Also Rises. And, of course, William Golding wrote Lord of the Flies- not Lord of the Rings as identified in question 10. Most embarassing!*

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

**Fall Activities for Hayner Youth Library**
**September, October, November & December 2006**

***Preschool Storytime*** – Mondays – 10:00 am
Oct. 2nd, 16th & 30th
Nov. 13th & 27th
Dec. 11th

***Lapsit Storytime*** – Tuesdays – 10:00 am
Oct. 10th & 24th
Nov. 7th & 21st
Dec. 5th & 19th

***Preschool Storytime*** – Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 am
Oct. 3rd, 17th & 31st
Nov. 14th & 28th
Dec. 12th

***Evening Storytime*** – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
Oct. 10th & 24th
Nov. 7th & 21st
Dec. 5th & 19th

***Read-n-Rant*** – Saturdays – 10:00 am
Sept. 2nd
Oct. 7th
Nov. 4th
Dec. 2nd

***After School Fun*** – Thursdays – 4:00 pm – Youth Library

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| Sept. 14th | Autumn Leaves |
| Oct. 12th | Scary Hand |
| Nov. 9th | Chenille Fuzzy Turkeys |
| Dec. 14th | Snowflake Bookmark Craft Kit |

To recognize **Teen Read Week**, the Hayner Youth Library will partner with Jacoby Art Center to hold a Teen Workshop on October 21 at 10:30 a.m. Details to follow.

### Special Performers:

**Polynesian Dancers** – Thursday – 5:00 pm
September 14th – Hayner Youth

**Alton Fire Department** – Fire Prevention – Tuesday – 11:00 am
October 10th – Hayner Youth

**Riverwind Storytellers** – Sparks and Spooks – Tuesday – 6:30 pm
October 24th – Hayner Youth

**Teen Read Week**
October 15th – 21st – Hayner Youth

**DePriest Puppets** – Aesop's Fables – Monday – 11:00 am
November 13th – Hayner Youth

**Children's Book Week**
November 12th – 18th – Hayner Youth

**Family Reading Night** – Sylvan Learning Center – Thursday – 6:00 pm
November 16th – Hayner Youth

**DePriest Puppets** – Winter Follies – Saturday – 2:00 pm
December 16th – Hayner Youth

## *Hayner Branch Library Events at OASIS Alton Center*

The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held. The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall- follow the hallway to the right of Famous Barr Customer Service. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Family Game Nights

**September 20**
**October 25**
**November 15**
All game nights begin at 6:30 pm

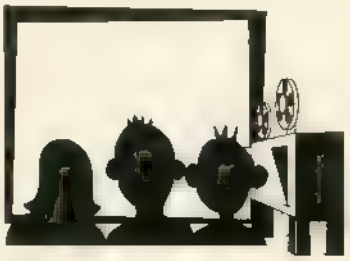
One night each month in the fall, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family, or play with some other great library patrons! Program will be held at Oasis.

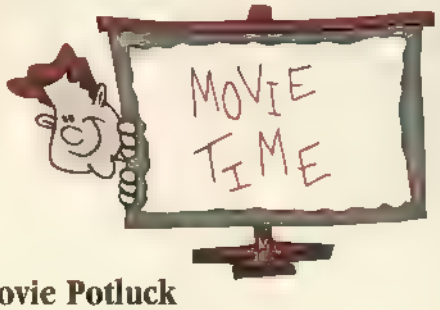
### Let's Go to the Movies!

**September 13**

The movie will begin at noon and is approximately one hour long

We would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of a wonderful documentary from the Hayner Library collection. "France: The Visit" takes viewers from the beautiful French countryside to the breathtaking castles of Loire Valley. Art, history, architecture, and nature abound in this entertaining visit to one of the world's most popular destinations. Popcorn will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Program will be held at Oasis.






### Movie Potluck

**October 6**
**October 20**
**November 3**
**November 17**
All movies will begin at 10:30 and end at noon

Come "sample" the offerings of the video collections of Hayner Library and OASIS as we offer viewers a movie potluck. Will it be a historical documentary? A feature film? A travelogue? Only we know, but one thing is for sure—you will definitely be entertained! Come "sample" the offerings of the video collections of Hayner Library and OASIS as we offer viewers a movie potluck. Refreshments will round out the movie experience. This program is in partnership with OASIS and will take place at OASIS.

## Did You Know??

An integral part of Alton's past is its industrial history. One of the major industries that helped to make Alton a growing and progressive city was the Owens-Illinois Glass Company. Owens stood in the spotlight as one of the areas largest employers, and once the largest glass manufacturing plant in the U.S. It produced many of the collectible Avon bottles, Coca-Cola and Pepsi Cola bottles, canisters, milk bottles, insulators, not to mention processing and producing many unique requests for customers.

Thanks to a generous donation from Harold Meisenheimer, we have in our Illinois Room a good amount of history about the plant as well as a record of many of the people who worked there. Come in and see if your family member is listed among the many local folks who made a good living at the Alton plant. The books are kept in our Illinois Room at the Main Library downtown.

Owens-Illinois Glass Company History IR 666.1 OWE

Owens-Illinois Glass Company History: Plant 7 (Vol. 1 and 2) IR 666.1 OWEN

Owens-Illinois Glass Company History: Plant 94 IR 666.125 OWE

Owens-Illinois Glass Company History: Plant 97 IR 670.423 OWE

Owens-Illinois Glass Company Obituaries: Plant 94 IR 929.377386 OWE

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## Check out our New Website!

We have redesigned our library website and are very excited that it will soon be available to you. This website is MUCH more user friendly and visually appealing. It will allow you to browse our catalogs, keep current with our services and events and access the information you need in a clear, straightforward manner. Check us out in the near future at www.haynerlibrary.org - let us know what you think!

**Banned Book Quiz – Answers**

1. d. use of profane language
2. f. lewd, obscene, filthy and indecent
3. a. injurious to public morality
4. i. argues for Deism against Christianity and Atheism
5. h. alternative lifestyle instruction
6. j. promotes communism
7. b. sexually explicit
8. e. glorifies Satan, suicide and cannibalism
9. c. criminalizes the foresting industry
10. g. use of alcohol

## Important Words

"We can choose to recognize libraries for the kingdoms they truly are. In each small brick, stone, or stucco outpost, we find the ultimate protector of democratic civilization. In each outwardly humble structure lies the words of kings, gods, presidents and prisoners. The dreams of children are nestled in one corner, in another the tools and realities of grown men and women wait."

– Columnist Danielle Nagelberg from "Wisdom Shortchanged" Daily Pennsylvanian, July 7, 2005.

"If you cannot read all your books, at any rate, or, as it were, fondle them – peer into them, let them fall open where they may, read from the first sentence that arrests the eye, set them back on their shelves with your hands, arrange them on your own plan so that if you do not know what is in them, you will at least know where they are. Let them be your friends; let them at any rate be your acquaintances."

– Sir Winston Churchill
from *The Last Lion* by William Manchester

## "Great Stories" Grant Reaches Teens

The Hayner Public Library's Youth Division was recently awarded a mini grant through The American Library Association. The grant entitled the "Great Stories Club", is a national book club program that targets troubled teens. The grant awarded the library 3 books (3 sets of books, 10 books per set) selected by the ALA. The Hayner Youth Library teamed up with the Even Start Program through Lewis and Clark College. This program offers GED, Parenting and Job Skill classes for young adult girls. The girls read each day during their GED class. After each book the group would meet and discuss their feelings about the book. The teachers' comments after the book club were outstanding! The girls made great progress in reading and comprehension. The girls were so enthusiastic, they couldn't wait to find out what book they would be reading next! The book club was such a success that the Library and Even Start will continue the book club monthly

## Don't Miss Friends of the Library Book Sale

This fall there will be two book sales sponsored by the Friends of the Library. On Saturday, September 9, the Friends will sponsor a Children's Book Sale in their building at 327 State Street. Running from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m., the sale will feature children's books priced at $.05 apiece, romance novels at $.10 and all other items at $1.00.

In October, the Friends will hold their regular fall book sale. Thursday, October 12 will be the preview sale from 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. There will be a $5.00 admission charge this day only. Friday, October 13, the sale will run from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday, October 14, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This sale will also be held at 327 State Street.

# *Fall Community Calender*

***The fall is a beautiful time to get out and enjoy many of the great events in our community, most of which are free!! For additional information about these events contact the Alton Regional Convention and Visitors bureau.***

## SEPTEMBER

**Alton Farmer's Market**
Behind Third Street
Alton, IL 62002

Every Saturday starting June 3, 2006
through October 2006
8 a.m. until Noon

Come out early to get the best produce the Farmer's Market has to offer. Locally grown produce, plants, flowers baked goods and handcrafted artwork will be available for purchase. Admission is free. For more information, call Alton Marketplace at (618) 463-1016.

**Lewis & Clark Music Festival**
Lewis & Clark State Historic Site
#1 Lewis & Clark Trail
Hartford, IL 62048

Saturday & Sunday, September 23 & 24, 2006
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Join us as part of the final National Signature Event. Members of the Corps will be arriving at the Camp River Dubois to visit the washer woman on their return to St. Louis. Traditional music of the early 1800's will be performed by musicians playing fiddles, dulcimers and flutes. Watch, listen and participate in this wonderful dance and music festival. Come be a part of this multicultural two-day event with early American, French, Spanish and American Indian music at venues indoors and outdoors. Site admission is FREE. For more information, call 618-251-5811 or go to www.campdubois.com.

**2006 Wings & Wheels**
St. Louis Regional Airport
8 Terminal Drive
East Alton, IL 62024

Saturday, September 30, 2006
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Don't miss this "wings & wheels" event this September! Friends, neighbors, aviation & antique auto enthusiasts, please come be our guest, see our airport and enjoy the day. The public is invited to view the display aircraft as well as watch fly-bys and formation flying which will occur throughout the day. Kids Fly Free! Children ages 8-17 can experience the thrill of flight in a single engine airplane for free. For more information on this event, call 618-259-2531 or go to www.stlouisregional.com.

## OCTOBER

**Vintage Voices**
Alton City Cemetery
5th & Vine Sts.
Alton, IL 62002

Every Saturday in October
October 7, 14, 21 & 28, 2006
1 p.m. to 3 p.m. - Tours leave every 15 minutes

This intriguingly unique event is a must attend for 2006! Relive the past firsthand during this 1-1/2 hour tour of the cemetery. Along the way, meet descendants both famous and legendary who made significant footprints in Alton's history. Alton Little Theater actors and other local talent will greet guests at the gravesites and tell their stories as they walk through this park-like setting. Tickets are $12 for adults; $6 for children 12 and under accompanied by an adult; five and under free. Tickets are $10 each for groups of 10 or more. Call 618-465-7774 for reservations and ticketing information.

**Lewis & Clark: Men at Work**
Lewis & Clark State Historic Site
One Lewis & Clark Trail - Hartford, IL 62048

Saturday & Sunday, October 14 & 15, 2006
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Come witness science, medicine and the technology of the early 1800's. See the men of the Corps of Discovery at work demonstrating the skills and instrumentation of the times. Site admission is FREE. For more information, call 618-251-5811 or go to www.campdubois.com.

**ARTEAST - The Edwardsville - Alton Studio Tour**
Jacoby Arts Center (Self-Guided Tour)
627 E. Broadway (between Henry & Ridge)
Alton, IL 62002

Saturday & Sunday, October 14 & 15, 2006
11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Now in its 10th year, ARTEAST is a FREE annual event designed to showcase the artists who live/work in Madison County. Held on two consecutive weekends, the Alton weekend will feature nearly 50 artists at 15 sites. Artists open their studios or organize exhibits. The event is a self-guided tour for patrons offering opportunities to meet the artists and get a glimpse into their workspace, inspiration and techniques. Artists are at their site to talk and give demonstrations. For more information call 618-462-5222 or visit www.madisoncountyartscouncil.org.

**Haunted Owl-ton**
Alton Visitor's Center
200 Piasa Street - across from
Argosy's Alton Casino
Alton, IL 62002

October 21 & 28, November 4 & 11, 2006
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

As "One of the Most Haunted Small Towns in America," Alton will be celebrating with Haunted "Owl-ton" Saturdays Join the Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. to hear the legends and meet mythical and mysterious owls up close and personal. FREE. For more information, call 1-800-ALTON IL.

## *And don't forget...*

**Alton Expo**, Alton Riverfront
September 13 – September 17
**Third Thursdays Ladies Night Out**,
Broadway
September 21
**Heritage Days on the Goshen Trail***
Lewis a & Clark Community College
September 23 & 24
**AALA Fall Historic House Tour***, Alton
October 8
**Great Godfrey Haunted Maze***,
Glazebrook Community Park
Friday, Saturday, Sunday
October 13-15, 20-29
**Alton Halloween Parade**, Downtown Alton
October 31
**1st Annual Turkey Trot**, Glazebrook Park
November 4
**Christmas Wonderland***, Rock Springs Park
November 24 – December 30

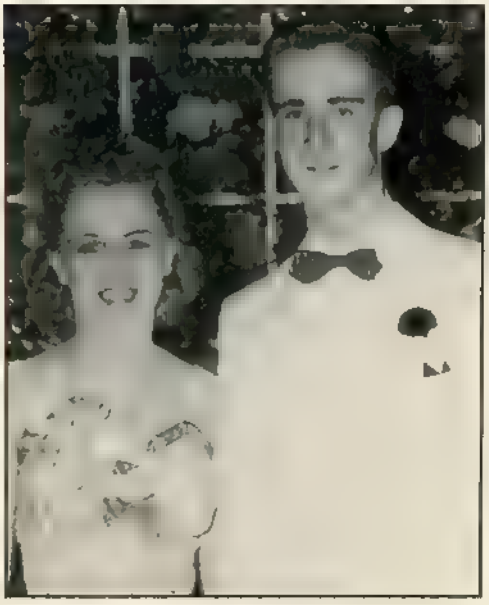
***Nominal entrance fee.** Call the CVB for fees, event times and details

# *Patron Profile*
# *Jim & Marcella Clasby*

Jim and Marcella Clasby are a wonderful couple who are most obviously devoted to each other. Jim grew up in Wood River, and Marcella grew up in Alton. They met in high school and started dating, though they did break up at one point. Marcella's brother advised Jim that they would get along better if he didn't treat her so nicely. Fortunately, Jim did not take this advice, and this past August the Clasbys celebrated sixty-two years of marriage.

The year before Jim and Marcella were married, Jim joined the Army Air Force. He served for two and a half years during World War II as a member of the crew of a B-29 aircraft. The B-29 "Superfortress" was one of the largest aircraft to see active service during World War II. One of the most advanced bombers of its time, it featured such innovations as a central fire-control system, a pressurized cabin and remote-controlled machine gun turrets. The Enola Gay and the Bockscar that carried the atomic bombs that destroyed Hiroshima and Nagasaki were B29s. Jim served in 28 combat missions over the Japanese mainland. He remembers that after a flight crew returned from a mission, each crew member was issued a double shot of whiskey. Commonly, these men had been without sleep for 25–36 hours. Jim laughs that many of the exhausted pilots would be "laid flat" by this ritual. Jim and his crew did not drink, so they saved their rations and served them—with grapefruit juice— to visiting servicemen.

During Jim's service overseas, Marcella recalls how hard it was for both her mother and her to handle the stress and worry. Marcella had four brothers, two of whom were in the Navy and two in the Marines. She did get a phone call from Jim after a particularly "rough" mission, though he admitted that particular mission was really some well deserved R & R time for his crew in Hawaii. Shortly after VJ Day, Jim's crew flew over Tokyo Bay. There were so many battleships in the harbor that it created the illusion that you could walk across the bay crossing from ship to ship. He said it was an amazing sight, certainly one he



will never forget. At that point, in lieu of bombs, the B-29 was loaded with supplies to be dropped at POW camps throughout the mainland. Jim noted that the actual aircraft he crewed was retired after the war and is now in a museum in Seattle.

At the end of his enlistment, Jim returned home, ready to settle in to a quiet life of comfortable domestic routine. Or so he thought. In 1950, Jim and Marcella had just built their house and had a son, not yet a year old. Jim was out in the yard putting in a clothesline when the mail arrived. Jim will never forget his shock upon opening a dispatch from the U.S Government and seeing the word "Greetings…." He could scarcely believe it—he had been recalled to serve in the Korean conflict! Jim just hated to leave Marcella and their little boy, but leave he did. He served as a radio operator and flew to such places as Tripoli, Saudi Arabia, Iran, and Baghdad and throughout Europe.

After a year of service, Jim finally returned home for good. He stayed in the Reserves for the next 16 years while he also went to work in the shipping department at Amoco Oil, from which he retired 38 years later.

Jim and Marcella have one son, who is currently the Superintendent of Schools in Effingham, Illinois. They also have five grandchildren ranging in age from 16–29. The oldest grandson is writing his doctoral dissertation on the Holocaust while teaching at Indiana University. The second grandson has been in Peru working as a "digger" (archaeologist) and will be attending Yale University this fall to work on his doctorate. Another grandson is a senior at Illinois University. The oldest granddaughter is married and teaches early childhood classes and the youngest granddaughter is a junior (and cheerleader) in Effingham High School.

Now retired, Jim enjoys playing golf and swims daily at Lewis and Clark Community College. Marcella used to play golf, but a shoulder injury made her give up the game. Jim and Marcella walk the mall every day and often end up their walk in the Branch Library. Marcella enjoys gardening, and they both enjoy traveling. They have visited all four Hawaiian Islands. They took a trip through New England to enjoy the beauty of the fall colors and also went on a cruise to Alaska. Jim loved the cruise, observing the Alaskan wildlife and wilderness. Marcella was a little less enthusiastic. Jim was headed up to the deck to see glaciers and asked Marcella to come up. Not being a fan of the water, Marcella told Jim, "You've seen one glacier, you've seen them all!"

Both Marcella and Jim delight in frequent visits from their five grandchildren, who all seem to converge at once. They admit that with a houseful of children and grandchildren it can be hectic at times, but they love it. Marcella says that the grandchildren will tell you that Jim is "spoiled rotten," at which they both laugh, and Jim replies, "She spoils me with her strawberry rhubarb pie!"

Jim and Marcella are a delight to visit with. They laugh and tease and clearly take much joy in each other's company. They are both extremely fond of the library staff members; and laughter from lots of gentle kidding and easy repartee between the Clasbys and staff show that the feeling is certainly mutual.

## SCORE Needs You!

Are you looking for an interesting and rewarding way to add value to our community? Join SCORE as a volunteer counselor and you will accomplish both of these objectives! SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business" is a non profit nation wide association that offers advice, mentoring and training to new and emerging small businesses.

We all have developed different skills throughout our professional careers. Whether you have worked building a small business or have been employed by a large corporation, you have valuable skills and experiences that would support local small business growth. By becoming a SCORE Volunteer Counselor, you will work with other SCORE members to help local entrepreneurs execute successful strategies to achieve their small business dreams and goals.

The Alton/Godfrey SCORE chapter #423 is housed in Alden Hall on the Campus of Lewis and Clark Community College. There you will receive training on the counseling process and meet with other SCORE members. Counseling is provided to small business owners on a free and confidential basis as requested by the business owner. SCORE volunteers counsel in person, by email and telephone.

Whether you are retired, semi retired or a working professional, SCORE needs your skills. Find out more about SCORE and meet local SCORE members. Join us Thursday, September 21 at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, 6:30 p.m.

Find out what other SCORE volunteers know:

- "SCORE gives me a unique and exciting opportunity to give something back to the community in a way that captures my unique business experience."
- "My volunteer work at SCORE challenges me and keeps my mind active."
- "I have an opportunity to help shape SCORE'S future and contribute to producing visible tangible results."

Learn how you can help stimulate the creation and growth of the small and emerging businesses in our community, while working with a great group of people. Register for "About Becoming a SCORE Volunteer" on September 21 – call 1-800-613-3163.

## Listen to Old Time Radio!

Visit this great website, www.otr.net, and listen to any of over 11,000 old time radio shows for free. This is a new online resource for Old Time Radio (OTR) enthusiasts that have been adding at least 100 new shows every week. All genres are available from comedy to drama to variety and more. Listen to your old favorites or introduce your family to the joys of a time when radio was the primary entertainment and source of stimulating the imagination.

## For Women By Women- Fall 2006 Conference

The planning committee of the annual For Women By Women conference has announced the Fall 2006 conference. To be held on Wednesday, September 20 at the Alton Holiday Inn this conference is titled "Communicating with Style" and features Dawn Mushill, CEO of Customer Service and Beyond.

This seminar will help you to improve your professional skill and business effectiveness through three unique presentations:

- Business and E-Communications
  In today's workforce, communication is key. Join us to learn tips on verbal/non-verbal communication, business writing, e-mailing, texting and much more.
- Generational Differences
  Often times you must work with multiple generations of people who may communicate in very different ways. This presentation will help you learn how to maximize you effectiveness in working with people who seem to be talking a different language
- Customer Service
  Your bottom line is based on the service you provide. Dawn will provide you with methodologies of improving your service and taking it from "good" to "great".

Registration for the seminar will start at 7:30 a.m. on September 20. The program will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 11:30 a.m. Luncheon is included with the program and will follow the conclusion of Dawn's presentation at 11:30 a.m. During lunch, you will be treated to a style show presented by Josephine's Tea Room.

Prepaid tickets are $50 and include the luncheon and style show. At the door, tickets are $75. If you wish to attend just the lunch and style show, prepayment fee is $ 25. To request a registration form, call the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois at 618-467-2280.

## Happenings at OASIS

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Famous-Barr at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100, ext. 3050 for further information)

**Advanced German**
For those who know the German language but want to learn more about the grammar and writing portion of the language.
Mondays, Sept. 11-Oct. 30, 12:00-1:30, Fee: $48 for 8 sessions

**Exerstart**
A moderately paced exercise program to improve muscle strength and endurance.
Mondays & Wednesdays, Oct. 2-Nov. 8, 10:30-11:30, Fee: $40 for 12 sessions

**Introduction to Scrapbooking**
Learn this fun way to present your favorite photos.
Supplies furnished-bring a few photos.
Thursday, Nov. 2, 10:30-12:00, FREE

**Home Made Money**
Learn about the ins and outs of Reverse Mortgages.
Thursday, Oct. 19, 11:00-12:00, FREE

# *Computer Training to Resume at Hayner*

Come the New Year, we will once again be offering a series of computer training classes available for Hayner Library card holders. In order to build a curriculum that bests meets your interests, we would appreciate your input. Please circle any of the following topics you would like to see presented. Please try to prioritize your interest by circling low, medium or high. You can leave the completed form at the circulation desk of any of the three Hayner library locations. Please turn in your response form no later than November 30, 2006. Feel free to make comments or suggestions. Name and phone number are optional.

## Training Topics

Circle the following classes you would be interested in attending. This is not an enrollment form We will announced the actual schedule of class offerings in the January Newsletter. All classes will be free of charge but will require registration.

- **Computer Basics** – a general overview of the hardware, software and working of personal computers. This class will be structured for the beginning computer user. (Beg. To Int.)
  Low/ Medium/ High
- **Email Tips**- tips and techniques to make you a "savvy" and efficient E-mailer (Beg.)
  Low/ Medium/ High
- **Microsoft Word** – General correspondence, Personal and Business letters, reports, importing graphics, using tables. (Beg. To Adv.)
  Low/ Medium/ High
- **Excel**- create graphs (Beg.), budgets (Int.), mailing lists.(Beg. to Int.)
  Low/ Medium/ High
- **PowerPoint** – develop basic PowerPoint presentations. Effective design techniques and tips. (Beg. To Int.)
  Low/ Medium/ High
- **Internet** – basic searches, how to import/export information (Beg. to Int.)
  Low/ Medium/ High
- **Publisher**- how to create brochures, greeting card, award certificates using Publisher (Beg.)
  Low/ Medium/ High

Suggestions for future class topics:

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Name _____

Phone _____

**www.haynerlibrary.org**


# The Hayner Public Library District

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Alton, Illinois 62002

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Youth 462-0652
Administration 462-0677

Main FAX 462-0665
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Administration FAX 462-4919

Hours of Operation

Main & Youth Libraries
Mon Thurs, 8 am to 8 pm
Friday, 8 am to 5 pm
Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm
Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm

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Mon - Sat, 9:30 am to 9:00 pm
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# The Hayner Public Library District

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## Mission.... Recognition!

In November 2006, The Hayner Public Library District rolled out a new program to recognize the youth of our Riverbend communities. As reflected in news headlines, TV, movies, popular music and literature, kids grow up in a very different world today. Violence, crime and substance abuse are rampant throughout our culture and affect all ages. The concept of carefree and innocent childhood has long been displaced by the reality of kids growing up too quickly and having to make decisions and choices based on peer and media pressures instead of a positive value system.

However, there also are a lot of great kids out there - we just don't hear about them. Everyone likes approval and recognition We all know that positive feedback is critical to reinforcing good work. Thus, The Hayner Public Library District has developed "Mission: Recognition" to applaud the contributions of the youth of our community. Each month a committee of library staff and community volunteers will evaluate nominations identifying local young persons who have acted in a praise-worthy manner. Nominations may be submitted by a relative, neighbor, teacher- anyone who observes an action that has a beneficial impact on another individual or on the community at large. The impact does not have to be extraordinary but should demonstrate an admirable, unselfish value judgment Three categories of nominations will be evaluated: individuals 0 to 6th grade, middle school age and high school age. Nomination forms are available on The Hayner Public Library District Web site (www.haynerlibrary.org) or in hard copy at all Hayner library locations. Monthly winners will be featured in our local news media, and each will receive an award certificate, a medal and a gift certificate to a local bookstore.

In early November this program was announced in a special media event to the press, educators and community leaders. Victor Pacini, a motivational and inspirational speaker and performer from Chicago, has partnered with the library on this program. To kick off the project, Victor performed at assemblies at our local public and private schools, generating excitement and enthusiasm for kids of all ages to participate in "doing the right thing."

Please join us in making the "Mission: Recognition" program a success. No deed is too small to be recognized. Let's tell the youth of our community that we value them and appreciate all their contributions to making the Riverbend a great place to live!

The "Mission: Recognition" program is funded through a private endowment to The Hayner Public Library District.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas – Dec. 24, 25 & 26
New Years – Dec. 31, Jan. 1
Dr. Martin Luther King Day – Jan. 15
Presidents Day – Feb. 26

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## Visit the new Website!

This fall, The Hayner Public Library District launched a new website that we are very excited about. Through the website, www.haynerlibrary.org, you have access to Hayner Library's online catalog to search for and reserve library materials. You also have access to the online catalogs of public and academic libraries throughout Illinois. You have free access to many valuable databases ranging from auto repair to health issues to college prep information and more. There are links specifically for kids, teens, teachers and homeschoolers. We have included links to community organizations and schools, government sites, tax forms and key reference sites.

You can access book news and reviews, view our quarterly newsletter, and find a current schedule of programs and events. We've added photos and decreased the busy graphics. You can reserve forthcoming bestsellers, including books and DVDs that have not yet been released by the publisher. You also can ask online reference questions by clicking on Ask a Librarian. Check out the new site and let us know what you think! Comments and suggestions are always welcome.

## Computer Classes

Thank you to all who participated in the survey for computer classes. Due to timing conflicts, the class schedule will be announced in the Spring 2007 newsletter (published in early March.) The first series of classes will include Computer Basics, Email Tips and Microsoft Word. These classes will be free of charge and open to Hayner library card holders.

## Win a Holiday Gift Basket!

On December 20, WBGZ radio (1570 am) will draw, live on the air, the winners of holiday gift baskets displayed at each of the three Hayner Library locations. The baskets, provided by WBGZ, will contain all kinds of goodies to enjoy over the holidays and beyond. The baskets will be displayed and entry forms will be available at each library location (Main, Branch, Youth) beginning December 1. Stop by any Hayner location and enter! Winners will be announced on Wednesday, December 20 on WBGZ 1570 AM radio and will also be contacted by phone.

## DON'T Miss this Exciting Musical Event

On Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at 7.00 PM, The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College jointly present a wonderful musical event in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL. This program is free of charge but attendance registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

***BACH TO THE FUTURE -- The Bach that rocks!***

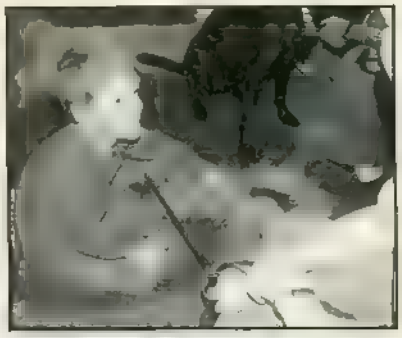
*The time machine hatch glides smoothly open... Johann looks at the lighted display. he has landed in the early twenty-first century. "Good," he thinks. "It is the age of electronic instruments. What will my music sound like in this new Millennium?"*

BACH TO THE FUTURE is an exciting classical/jazz quartet, transforming the famous classical melodies of Bach and other composers into jazz, Latin, and other contemporary rhythms. The four musicians play cutting edge instruments, including the Drumitar, the MIDI electric violin, and synthesizers. They've sold over 100,000 CDs on their own label, Time Machine Records, and have opened for David Sanborn, Peter Cincotti, the Rippingtons, Eric Marienthal, Al DiMeola, Stanley Jordan, David Benoit, Michael Franks, and the Yellowjackets.

In addition to concerts, the group performs master classes and music education clinics, and has several instructional books and CDs published by Mel Bay Publications.

Catch their new CD, "Bach to the Future," available now on Tower Records and iTunes. For more information, visit www.bachtothefuture.net. Bach to the Future -- the Bach that rocks!

## Here's a funny one...

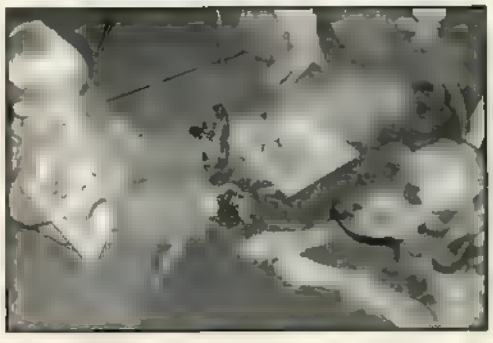


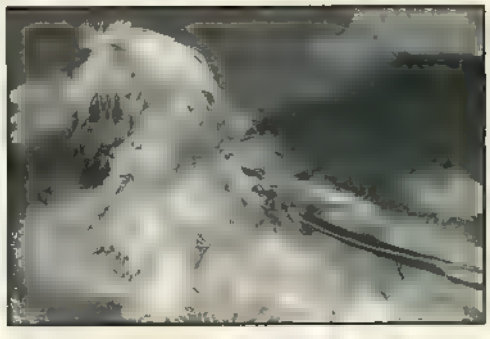
What did the hungry Dalmatian say when he had a meal?
*That hits the spot!*

Why don't dogs make good dancers?
*Because they have two left feet!*

Why do dogs run in circles?
*Because it's hard to run in squares!*

Ok, Ok, maybe these aren't so funny. If you are really looking for a laugh and a smile, come to the monthly Bow wow Pow wow held every second Saturday in the Hayner Youth Library at 401 State Street. Children get to read to certified therapy dogs, increasing their reading skills and have so much fun playing with these wonderful dogs. The library really IS a cool place to be! All ages are welcome. Register at 1-800-613-3163. The next sessions will be Saturday, December 9, January 13, February 10 and March 10. All sessions will run from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. See you there...and feel free to bring your cameras!





## NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

**--NONFICTION**

Agatston, Arthur. **The South Beach Heart Program**
Browne, Sylvia. **The Mystical Life of Jesus: An Uncommon Perspective On the Life of Christ**
Buchwald, Art. **Too Soon to Say Goodbye**
Coren, Stanley. **Why Does My Dog Act That Way? A Complete Guide to Your Dog's Personality**
Drury, Bob. **Halsey's Typhoon: The True Story of a Fighting Admiral, an Epic Storm, and an Untold Rescue**
Greene, Bob. **The Best Life Diet**
Malkiel, Burton G. **A Random Walk Down Wall Street: The Time-Tested Strategy for Successful Investing**
McAuliffe, Terry. **What a Party! My Life Among Democrats: Presidents, Candidates, Donors, Activists, Alligators, and Other Wild Animals**
Oliver, Jamie. **Jamie's Italy**
Pond, Jonathan D. **You Can Do It! The Boomer's Guide to a Great Retirement**
Pryor, Rain. **Jokes My Father Never Taught Me: Life, Love and Loss with Richard Pryor**
Ray, Rachael. **2, 4, 6, 8: Great Meals for Couples or Crowds**
Tammet, Daniel. **Born on a Blue Day: The Gift of an Extraordinary Mind (the story of an autistic savant)**
Tenent, George J. **At the Center of the Storm**
Tobin, Jacqueline L. **From Midnight to Dawn: The Story of the Underground Railroad and the Flight to Freedom**
Stewart, Martha. **Martha Stewart's Homekeeping Handbook**
Stone, Robert. **Prime Green: Remembering the Nineteen Sixties**
Wilson, Gretchen. **Redneck Woman : Stories From my Life**
Zahn, Tina. **Why I Jumped: My True Story of Postpartum Depression, Dramatic Rescue & Return to Hope**

**--FICTION**

Barry, Dave. **The Shepherd, the Angel, and Walter the Christmas Miracle Dog**
Bond, Larry. **Larry Bond's First Team: Fires of War**
Bradford, Barbara Taylor. **Ravenscar Dynasty**
Braun, Lilian Jackson. **The Cat Who Had 60 Whiskers**
Child, Lincoln. **Deep Storm**
Cornwell, Bernard. **The Lords of the North**
Crichton, Michael. **Next**
Cussler, Clive. **Treasure of Khan**
Evanovich, Janet. **Plum Love**
Fairstein, Linda. **Bad Blood**
Gardner, Lisa. **Hide**
Garwood, Julie. **Shadow Dance**
Gregory, Philippa. **The Boleyn Inheritance**
Griffin, W.E.B. **The Hunters: A Presidential Agent Novel**
Grimes, Martha. **Dust: A Richard Jury Mystery**
Grippando, James. **When Darkness Falls**
Hamilton, Laurell K. **Mistral's Kiss**
Harris, Thomas. **Hannibal Rising**
Hoffman, Alice. **Skylight Confessions**
Iles, Greg. **True Evil**
Jance, J.A. **Web of Evil**
Johansen, Iris. **Stalemate: An Eve Duncan Forensics Thriller**
Kaminsky, Stuart. **Always Say Goodbye**
Kellerman, Jonathan. **Capital Crimes**
Krentz, Jayne Ann. **White Lies**
Lescroart, John. **The Suspect**
Patterson, Richard North. **Exile**
Smith, Martin Cruz. **Stalin's Ghost**
Stabenow, Dana. **A Deeper Sleep: A Kate Shugak Novel**
Swofford, Anthony. **Exit A (a first novel by the author of Jarhead)**

## *Choices, Choices and More Choices!*

*Check out some of the new and forthcoming videos and DVDs we're adding to our collection.*

**10 Days That Unexpectedly Changed America** DVD
**Alfred Hitchcock Presents. Season Two** DVD
**American Dreamz** DVD
**Art School Confidential** DVD
**The Break-Up** DVD
**Broken Trail** DVD
**Cars** DVD
**Click** DVD
**CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. The Complete Sixth Season** DVD
**CSI: Miami. The Complete Fourth Season** DVD
**Curious George** DVD
**D-Days in the Pacific: The Path to Victory from Guadalcanal to Okinawa (The History Channel)** DVD
**The Da Vinci Code** DVD
**The Fast and the Furious. Tokyo Drift** DVD
**Friends With Money** DVD
**Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties** DVD
**Hoot** DVD
**I Can't Believe I'm Crocheting!** DVD
**I Can't Believe I'm Knitting!** DVD
**Jesse James (PBS Home Video)** DVD
**The Lake House** DVD
**McCallum (television series)** DVD
**Me, Eloise** DVD
**Midsomer Murders. Set Seven** DVD
**Mission: Impossible III** DVD
**The Nuremberg Trials (National Geographic Channel)** DVD
**Over the Hedge** DVD
**A Prairie Home Companion** DVD
**The Sentinel** DVD
**Stick It** DVD
**The Stratton Story** DVD
**Superman Returns** DVD
**Thank You for Smoking** DVD
**Twitches (Disney Channel)** DVD
**Waiting for God. Season One** DVD
**The Way West: How the West Was Lost and Won (Ric Burns)** DVD
**Wedding Planning for Dummies** DVD
**Will & Grace. Season Five** DVD
**X-Men: The Last Stand** DVD

## *Volunteers Wanted!*

The Hayner Public Library District has lots of interesting volunteer opportunities. If you love books and libraries and have some free time, how about helping out at one the of the three Hayner Library locations. For more information, call Stephanie at 618-462-0651.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Branch Library Events at OASIS Alton Center

*The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held. The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall-follow the hallway to the right of Famous Barr Customer Service. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

### Family Game Nights

**December 13**
**January 10**
**February 21**
**All game nights begin at 6:30 pm**

One night each month in the fall, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family, or play with some other great library patrons! Program will be held at Oasis.

### Let's Go to the Movies!

**December 14**
**January 11**
**The movies will begin at noon and are approximately 1 hour long**

We would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of two wonderful documentaries from the Hayner Library collection. "The Homes of Frank Lloyd Wright" will take viewers into the personal homes of America's foremost architect. Free from the constraints of clients, Wright designed the three featured homes to his specifications. The second film, "The Journey of Sacagawea" highlights the history and mystery surrounding one of America's most famous women. Follow scholars as they follow the adventures of Sacagawea from the accounts of historical journals and Native American oral history. Popcorn will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Program will be held at Oasis.

### Movie Potluck

**February 2**
**February 23**
**All movies will begin at 10:30 and end at noon**

Come "sample" the offerings of the video collections of Hayner Library and OASIS as we offer viewers a movie potluck. Will it be a historical documentary? A feature film? A travelogue? Only we know, but one thing is for sure—you will definitely be entertained! Come "sample" the offerings of the video collections of Hayner Library and OASIS as we offer viewers a movie potluck. Refreshments will round out the movie experience. This program is in partnership with OASIS and will take place at OASIS.

## *The Hayner Public Library District Receives Illinois Centennial Award*

On October 13, 2006, The Hayner Public Library District was awarded the Illinois Centennial Award by the Illinois State Historical Society. The award was presented at the 22nd annual Centennial Awards Banquet at the Palmer House Hilton hotel in Chicago. This annual award is presented to Illinois businesses and not-for-profit corporations celebrating 100 or more years of continuous operation, in recognition of their economic and cultural contribution to the state of Illinois for more than a century. The Hayner Public Library District (originally the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library) was founded in 1891 and celebrates 115 years of continuous operation.

In addition to the banquet at the Palmer House, award winners received a plaque signed by Governor Rod Blagojevich and Society president Marvin W. Ehlers, use of the Centennial Awards logo on business letterhead, a year's free membership in the Society and statewide recognition.

Other award-winning organizations honored this year include The State Journal Registers (175 years), the Chicago History Museum (150 years); Illinois State University (150 years,) the Lincoln Park Zoo (138 years) and the Chicago Cubs (130 years.) Twenty-seven Illinois organizations received awards in 2006. The Hayner Public Library District Executive Director, Jeff Owen, said "We are honored to be recognized by the Illinois State Historical Society and to share this award with many very prestigious institutions. Hayner Library is proud of its 115 years of continuous operation and anticipates many years of future service to the community as the premier library district in southern Illinois."

## Look What's New in Our Illinois Room

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| Ghosthunting Illinois | IR 133.1 KAC |
| Miles Davis: The Definitive Biography | IR B DAVIS |
| History of Adams County, Illinois | IR 977.344 HIS |
| Cumberland, Jasper and Richland Counties, Illinois | IR 977.373 COU |
| History of Crawford and Clark Counties, Illinois | IR 977.375 HIS |
| History of Cass County, Illinois | IR 977.3465 HIS |
| Past and Present of Menard County, Illinois | IR 977.3555 MIL |
| Hartford, Illinois | IR 977.386 HAR |
| Labor, Loyalty, Rebellion: Southwestern Illinois Coal Miners & World War I | IR 331.88122334 WEI |
| Atlas of Slavery | IR 306.36209 WAL |
| Italian Genealogical Records | IR 929.108951073 COL |
| Atlas of the North American Indian | IR 970.00497 WAL |
| Bluff City Cooks (donation) | IR 641.5977386 BLU |
| Guide to Federal Records in the National Archives of the United States | IR 016.973 UNI |
| Where to Find Your Arab-American or Jewish Genealogy Records | IR 929.2 HAR |
| Standard Oil Company, Indiana | IR 665.5 GIB |

**Unusual Fact:**
***Did you know...***
Abdul Kassam Ismael, Grand Vizier of Persia in the tenth century, carried his library with him wherever he went. Four hundred camels carried the 117,000 volumes.
*From the internet*

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Banish those winter chills—attend the hot programs being offered at the Hayner Main Library. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER**

*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*
**Sunday, December 3, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

This is one of our favorite events of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful

holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Guaranteed to fill you with holiday cheer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*
**Saturday, December 9**
**Saturday, January 13**
**Saturday, February 10**
**Saturday, March 10**
**10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dan Brannan/Marion Ray
### *Damn Cold and Starving*
**Tuesday, December 12, 6:00 pm**

***Note: This program starts at 6:00 p.m.***

Alton High School graduate, Marion Ray, will discuss his survival of a five-month encampment in Nazi Germany during World War II. During the encampment, he kept a daily diary, which still exists 60 years later. The diary is the key component of the newly published book, Damn Cold and Starving, coauthored by Marion Ray and Dan Brannan. The book also contains illustration s by the well-known national graphic designer, Erin Frew, of Alton. During his trials and tribulations, Ray lost nearly 50 pounds, was starved and frozen and almost lost one of his feet. Upon his release from the camp, Ray met General Dwight D. Eisenhower. Jack Rain, an Alton man, and some other Alton World War II prisoners are also mentioned in the book. Copies of the book will be available for purchase after the program and both authors will be available to sign your copy. Be sure to hear this remarkable story of surviving a prisoner of war camp. Register at 1-800-613-3163. Dan Brannan will also be signing copies of the book on December 23, at the branch library at Alton Square Mall from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm.

### Genealogy Roundtable
### *Warm up with Us…and Learn Who is in Your Family Tree*
**Wednesday, January 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Bring your questions and your "brickwall" research problems and we will try to help. All levels of experience welcome. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

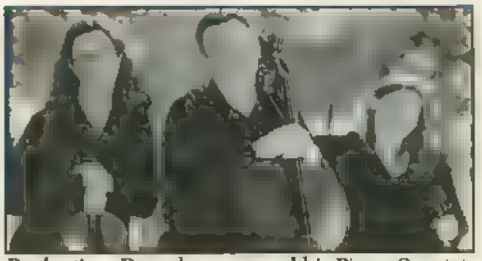
### Troy Taylor
### *Haunted Illinois*
**Tuesday, January 23, 6:00 p.m.**

**Note: This program starts at 6:00 p.m.**

Meet Troy Taylor, president of the American Ghost Society and author of more than 40 books on ghosts and hauntings. Take a trip through our area's dark side with a collection of stories about the Lemp Mansion, Alton haunts, the St. Louis exorcism case, ghosts on the river and more! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Configurations, accompanied on piano by Theresa Crane
### *Dvorak Piano Quartet in E Flat Major, opus 87*
**Tuesday, January 30, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*



By the time Dvorak composed his Piano Quartet in E Flat Major, he was an international celebrity, already famous for Slavonic dances. The Piano Quartet in E Flat is a work in four movements, with complicated rhythmic transformations and scoring that is original and inventive. The work features exceptionally moving string writing especially for cello in the second movement, followed by gypsy flavored themes in the third and fourth movements. Join us to hear this beautiful work performed by the extraordinary string ensemble Configurations and popular local pianist Theresa Crane. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Curtis & Loretta
### *Folk Music from the Heart*
**Tuesday, February 6, 6:30 p.m.**

Award-winning husband and wife duo Curtis & Loretta delivers poignant original songs of angels and regular folks looking out for each other, along with timeless traditional pieces and fun songs of lutefisk, bugs, and more. Along with vocal harmonies, they accompany themselves on Celtic harp, mandolin, mandocello, guitars, banjo and ukulele. Cited as "best acoustic performers of the twin cities" by City Pages, they also were recognized by Dirty Linen Folk Magazine for their "extraordinary harmonies "and "acoustic virtuosity." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Wanda Mountain Boys
### *Best Southern Gospel*
**Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 p.m.**

The Wanda Mountain Boys are an extremely popular local group that performs Southern Gospel music. They have traveled around the country performing to packed houses.

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Their musical repertoire is one of devotion and inspiration. Come hear their beautiful harmonies as they sing favorite gospel pieces. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
### *Celebrate Mardi Gras*
**Tuesday, February 20, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

A Hayner tradition and highly anticipated yearly event, Bud and his band are back to help us kick off the festive Mardi Gras season. The band plays New Orleans–style jazz in this raucous celebratory event of fun, swing and soul. A local favorite in the St. Louis area, the band always packs the house. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Carole Shelton
### *Elizabeth Hobbs Keckly*
**Tuesday, February 27, 6:30 p.m.**

Elizabeth Hobbs Keckly was a slave, seamstress and author. In her historical first-person portrayal, Carole Shelton portrays Madame Keckly, remembering her years in slavery and four unforgettable years she served in the White House as seamstress and confidante to Mary Todd Lincoln. She relives the highs and lows of her life with no bitterness except regretting not having learned to read as a child. Elizabeth Hobbs Keckly was an extraordinary woman in her day. This program serves as a wonderful tribute to her and a fitting conclusion to Black History Month. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Karen Stoeber
### *Wild Women of the West*
**Thursday, March 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Women played a vital role in the shaping of the western United States, and historian Karen Stoeber explores the life and times of several well-known "Wild Women of the West," including Belle Star, Calamity Jane and Annie Oakley. Karen has samples of the types of clothing they wore and tells us what life was really like for these famed women of western lore. Join us for a fascinating evening. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Irish Xiles
### *Celebrate St. Patrick's Day!*
**Tuesday March 13, 6:30 p.m.**

The ever-popular Irish Xiles return to Hayner Main Library to perform the best songs from their vast repertoire. Come and join the Duffy clan as they showcase tender ballads mixed with rousing battle songs and a jig thrown in for good measure! Full of humor and high energy, this program is not to be missed. The band is open to requests, and you can contact them in advance at dec@xiles.biz or by phone at 314-359-0590. Register for this program at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bach To The Future --
### *The Bach that rocks!*
**Tuesday, March 20, 7:00 p.m.**

BACH TO THE FUTURE is an exciting classical/jazz quartet, transforming the famous classical melodies of Bach and other composers into jazz, Latin, and other contemporary rhythms. The four musicians play cutting edge instruments, including the Drumitar, the MIDI electric violin, and synthesizers. They have sold over 100,000 CDs on their level and we are so excited to have them bringing a performance to our community! Stylistically similar to Manheim Steamroller, you will love this event! This program is presented jointly by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College and is free of charge, however registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.*** ***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

## *Damn Cold and Starving*

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## *Food for Fines During the Holidays!*

Beginning December 1, 2006 and continuing through December 31, 2006, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine and Hayner materials only. All food items collected throughout the holiday season will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Last year we collected over 1200 items for the Crisis Center. Let's see if we can beat that!

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## Hayner Youth Library

### *Winter Activities*
### *January, February, and March 2007*

Preschool Storytime – Mondays – 10:00 am
Jan. 8th & 22nd – Feb. 5th –Mar. 5th & 19th

Lapsit Storytime – Tuesdays – 10:00 am
Jan. 2nd, 16th, & 30th – Feb. 13th & 27th – Mar. 13th & 27th

Preschool Storytime – Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 am
Jan. 9th & 23rd – Feb. 6th & 20th – Mar. 6th & 20th

Evening Storytime – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
Jan. 2nd, 16th, & 30th – Feb. 13th & 27th – Mar. 13th & 27th

After School Fun – Thursdays – 4:00 pm – Youth Library

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| Jan. 11th | Winter Wonderland Mobile/Hot Chocolate Pops |
| Feb. 8th | Chocolate Kiss Rose |
| Mar. 8th | St. Patrick's Door Garland |

### Special Performers:

Janice Katambwa – Martin Luther King Jr. – Tuesday – 6:30 pm
January 16th – Hayner Youth

Mama Lisa Gage Ray – Black History – Tuesday – 6:30 pm
February 13th – Hayner Youth

Loretta Washington – Black History – Tuesday – 6:30 pm
February 27th – Hayner Youth

Richard Landry – Magician – Tuesday – 11:00 am
March 13th – Hayner Youth

Trebor Promotions – A-1 Clowns – Monday – 11:00 am
March 19th – Hayner Youth

## *Happenings at OASIS*

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Macy's at the Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100 ext. 3050 for further information).

**Travel Preview 2007**
Look and plan ahead to a FUN 2007 by joining us for a preview of exciting day and overnight trips OASIS has planned for the year.
Wednesday, January 31, 1:00-3:00pm
Free

**Yoga** **this is a new class offering*
Join our instructor Karen Ebbler for our new Yoga class.
Thursdays, February 1-March 8, 10:30-11:30am
Fee: $36 (6 sessions)

**Square Dancing**
A great way to exercise – Join Bo Semith and learn to square dance.
Wednesdays, February 7-April 25, 7:00-8:30pm
Fee: $6 (12 sessions)

**The 1904 St. Louis World's Fair**
Mike Truax, President of the 1904 World's Fair Society will enthrall you with his narrative story of the fair.
Monday, March 26, 7:00-8:00pm
Fee: $6

## *Literacy Grant Helps Distribute Free Books To Head Start Preschoolers*

Riverbend Head Start & Famiuly Service provides many vital services to our community and The Hayner Public Library District has been pleased to partner with Head Start over the years on multiple projects. The following provides you an overview of just some of the terrific programs Head Start contributes, benefiting children and families throughout the Riverbend.

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has been granted $5,350 by Reading is Fundamental, Inc., a national program that provides free books to needy children. Founded in 1966, Reading is Fundamental (RIF) is the oldest and largest children's and family nonprofit literacy organization in the United States. RIF's highest priority is reaching underserved children from birth to age eight. Through community volunteers in every state and U.S. territory, RIF provides 4.5 million children with 16 million new, free books and literacy resources each year. RIF has put 163 million free books in the homes of children since 1966 and is ranked by Parenting magazine as one of the 15 charities, "that really help kids." www.rif.org.

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services' RIF program is into its eighth year. Last year the agency distributed 3,500 books to over 900 at-risk zero to five-year-olds it serves each year through Head Start, a comprehensive early childhood education program. Family literacy is at the heart of the program's goal to teach children and strengthen families.

The agency strongly believes that a family must value reading in order for a child to succeed in school and life The agency's Head Start program emphasizes parent involvement in their child's preschool reading education by hosting Family Reading Night which is planned by parents and staff. The planners are responsible for carrying out the Reading is Fundamental program and placing free books in the hands of Head Start children. In addition to books, the event offers families dinner and entertainment centered around reading and storytelling.
Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is a nonprofit organization that provides child development and counseling services to families in Madison County. Through its Head Start, Transitions Counseling, and Family Foundations programs the agency enables children and families to discover positive solutions to life's challenges. Created in 1965, Head Start is the most successful, longest-running, national school readiness program in the United States. It provides comprehensive education, health, nutrition, and parent involvement services to qualifying children and their families. www.riverbendfamilies.org.

Riverbend Head Start & Famuly Services must raise $1,750 to match the RIF grant. Donations can be made by calling the agency's Central Office in Alton at 463-5946 or by mailing a check to 550 Landmarks Blvd., P.O. Box 250, Alton, IL 62002.

## The Library of Congress -- Year at a Glance

The Library of Congress is one of the Nation's oldest federal cultural institutions and it serves as the research arm of congress. It is also the largest library in the world with more than 130 million items.

The Library of Congress was created in 1800 to provide "such books as may be necessary for the use of Congress." Over the succeeding years, and supported largely by funds appropriated by Congress, it has grown to become the national library of the United States, serving all government branches and the public at large. Since the 1870s it has also administered the American copyright system. It publishes the National Union Catalog--a cumulative record of the books housed in 2,500 libraries in the United States and Canada--which serves as a basic bibliographic and catalog source; prints and distributes cataloging data for subscriber libraries; and has developed and popularized a numerical system of subject classification. The library's Congressional Research Service prepares reports on any topic at the request of a member of Congress.

The library's collections include over 14 million books and 36 million manuscripts, including the personal papers of most U.S. presidents up to Calvin Coolidge. It also holds maps, music, art prints, photographs, motion pictures, videotapes, newspapers, pamphlets, recordings and other materials--for a total of more than 88 million items. Because of its copyright function, it receives a copy of every book copyrighted in the United States. The American Folklife Center, administered by the library, collects and preserves American folklore; it supports research projects and presents performances and exhibitions of folk music, arts, and crafts.

The library was originally housed in the Capitol, and most of its books were destroyed when the British shelled the building during the War of 1812. The major step in rebuilding the collection was taken in 1815, when Congress purchased the 6,000-volume personal library of Thomas Jefferson. The main Library of Congress building was erected in 1897; the library also occupies the Thomas Jefferson building, formerly called the annex, and the new James Madison building.

The post of Librarian of Congress, appointed by the president with the advice and consent of the Senate, has often gone to eminent scholars and artists, as well as to professional librarians. Recent Librarians of Congress include Archibald MacLeish (1939-44), L. Quincy Mumford (1954-74), Daniel J. Boorstin (1974-87), and James H. Billington (1987- ).

In fiscal year 2005, the library welcomed more than 1.4 million visitors, provided reference services to over 667,000 individuals, registered over 530,000 claims to copyright and completed over 906,000 research assignments for Congress through the Congressional Research Service. Additionally 3.7 billion transactions were recorded on the Library's public computer systems. The library employs a permanent staff of 4,000 and operated on a total fiscal 2005 appropriation of $ 584,870,304.

If you search the internet on "Library of Congress", you will fine many web sites available pertaining to different facets of the library and its collections. Go to www.loc.gov for an overview of the library, its collections and exhibits. Also, www.americaslibrary.gov is a lot of fun. This site was design to be entertaining and fun (and educational) particularly for young people but there are great stories for people of all ages. This is a great site for families to explore together.

## SCORE Contributes Small Business Reference Material

SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Businesses, is a volunteer organization of business people that provides free confidential business counseling to small business entrepreneurs. The local Alton/Godfrey chapter of SCORE serves seven counties with Alton as its center and is made up of more than 40 counselors with expertise in 55 areas of business. Over the last few years The Hayner Public Library District has enjoyed multiple opportunities to partner with SCORE on various projects. Programs held at the library have included SCORE Volunteer Recruitment Seminars, introductory seminars of SCORE services to local small business owners, job interview clinics and more. SCORE also has made generous contributions to the Hayner Public Library District to help build the small business reference collection.This fall, SCORE made a financial donation to the library that allowed us to update current critical volumes in the collection as well as to add important new titles. Those titles include: *Employer's Legal Handbook*, 7th ed.; *Form a Partnership* 7th ed.; *How to Form a Nonprofit Corporation*, 7th ed.; *How to Run a Thriving Business; How to Write a Business Plan*, 8th ed.; *Legal forms for Starting & Running a Small Business*, 4th ed.; *Legal Guide for Starting and Running a Small Business*, 4th ed.; *Marketing without Advertising; Small Business Start-Up Kit*; *Small Time Operator*, 31st ed.; *Tax Savvy for Small Business*, 10th ed.; *Whoops! I'm in Business; Your Limited Liability Company: An Operating Manual* 4th ed.

## www.haynerlibrary.org

## A Definition of Technology

From *The Salmon of Doubt*: "I've come up with a set of rules that describe our reactions to technologies:

1. Anything that is in the world when you're born is normal and ordinary and just a natural part of the way the world works.
2. Anything that's invented between when you're fifteen and thirty-five is new and exciting and revolutionary and you can probably get a career in it.
3. Anything invented after you're thirty-five is against the natural order of things."

- Douglas Adams

Novelist Douglas Adams was the creator of all the various manifestations of *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, which started life as a BBC Radio 4 series. Since its first airing in March 1978, it has been transformed into a series of best-selling novels, a TV series, a record album, a computer game and several stage adaptations. Adam's books sold more than 15 million copies in the UK, the US and Australia and were also best sellers in German, Swedish and many other languages Adams, winner of numerous prestigious writing awards, achieved record breaking sales with his *Hitchhiker's Guide* books. He also achieved and has maintained a cult-like popularity among readers of all ages. Sadly, Douglas Adams passed away in 2001. He was only 49 years old. Whether you are a science fiction fan or not, Adam's books are laugh-out-loud funny and absolutely sparkle with wit. Check them out from the library and enjoy.

# All Around Alton

The Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau is a destination marketing organization serving Madison, Jersey and Calhoun Counties in Illinois. The following is just a SMALL sample of activities to enjoy with the whole family. For a complete calender and a listing of great Holiday events, call the Visitors Bureau at 465-6676.

**Lewis & Clark Arrival Day**
Lewis & Clark State Historic Site
One Lewis & Clark Trail
Hartford, IL 62048

Saturday & Sunday, December 9 & 10, 2005
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Visitors can experience camp life in early frontier Illinois, and watch demonstrations of period crafts and skills. Site admission is FREE. For more information, call 618-251-5811 or go to www.campdubois.com.

**Pere Marquette Bald Eagle Days**
Pere Marquette State Park
IL Route 100 - Great River Road
Grafton, IL 62037

December 22, 26 & 27, 2006
January 9, 22, 23, 27, 31, 2007
February 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 20, 25, 27, & 28, 2007

Scott Isringhausen, site interpreter at Pere Marquette State Park, will be presenting informative programs about bald eagles this winter. Visitors will learn to distinguish between immature and mature bald eagles, what eagles eat, why they spend winter months in the area and much more. All programs will begin at the park's visitor center at 8:30 a.m. Reservations are required. There will be a short video presentation followed by an observational drive to view the wintering bald eagles. Please dress warmly and have a full tank of gas. For more information or reservations, call 618-786-3323.

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**Eagle Meet and Greet**
Alton Visitors Center
Saturday January 6,13,20,27
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
200 Piasa St.
Alton, IL 62002

**Eagle Meet and Greet Sundays**
National Great Rivers Museum
#1 Lock & Dam Way
Alton, IL 62002

Sunday, January 7 & 14
Sunday, February 4 & 11, 2007
Noon – 3:p.m.

Come see live eagle demonstrations by the World Bird Sanctuary. See a live bald eagle up close and personal! Ask and learn about their species and habitats. Then, grab your official All Around Alton Eagle Watcher's Guide as you journey out along the Great River Road to see eagles in their natural habitat. Free. For more information, call 1-800-ALTON-IL or go to www.VisitAlton.com.

**Sample of Eagle Country Tours - Alton CVB**
Alton Visitor's Center
200 Piasa Street
Alton, IL 62002
Saturday, January 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2007
10 a.m., 11:30 a.m. & 1 p.m.
Sunday, January 21 & 28, 2007
Noon & 1:30 p.m.

**Sample of Eagle Country Tours at the Museum**
National Great Rivers Museum
#2 Lock & Dam Way
Alton, IL 62002
Sunday, January 7 & 14, 2007
Sunday, February 4 & 11, 2007
11 a.m., 12:30 p.m. & 2 p.m.

Enjoy a "taste" of eagle viewing in our area. The tour lasts 75-minutes and will depart from the National Great Rivers Museum parking lot. The cost for the "sample" program is $5 per person. Advanced reservations are encouraged by calling Bluff City Tours at 618-466-8693. The day of the tour, reservations can be made by calling 618-550-9291. For more information, contact Bluff City Tours.

**A Day in Eagle Country**
Alton Square Mall
200 Alton Square Dr.
Alton, IL 62002

January 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27 & 31, 2007
February 3, 7, 10 & 14, 2007
8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The limestone bluffs and woodlands that line the Mississippi River Valley offer the American Bald Eagle an ideal winter roosting site. We invite you to come view the magnificent birds in their natural habitat. Take a day-long adventure of eagle and wildlife spotting with Bluff City Tours. The tour includes: transportation by motorcoach or trolley, professional tour guide, continental breakfast and lunch at Pere Marquette. Reservations are $48 per person. All tours depart from and return to the Upper Level Parking Lot at Alton Square Mall off Homer Adams Parkway in Alton. For reservations, please call 618-466-8693 or go to our website at www.bluffcitytours.com.

**"Women Come By" Camp River Dubois**
Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center
One Lewis & Clark Trail
Hartford, IL 62048

Saturday, January 20, 2007
10 a.m. to 4 p m.

"Women come by," wrote William Clark. What was it like for women of the early 1800's? Come observe frontier women cook over an open fire, sew their family's garments and make candles.

# Importance of Punctuation

As avid readers, we all know the importance of punctuation in determining the meaning of the written word. The following is a great example:

Dear John: I want a man who knows what love is all about. You are generous, kind, thoughtful. People who are not like you admit to being useless and inferior. You have ruined me for other men. I yearn for you. I have no feelings whatsoever when we're apart. I can be forever happy—will you let me be yours?
Gloria

Dear John: I want a man who knows what love is. All about you are generous, kind, thoughtful people, who are not like you. Admit to being useless and inferior. You have ruined me. For other men, I yearn. For you, I have no feelings whatsoever. When we're apart, I can be forever happy. Will you let me be? Yours,
Gloria

## *Patron Profile*
## *Tammy Galloway-Jackson*

Often, I receive suggestions from library staff regarding possible candidates for the Patron Profile. One day this fall, Mary Cordes, Branch Manager at the Hayner Library Mall location, called and mentioned a woman who patronizes the library with her children on a weekly basis. "This is such a great family", Mary said "the kids are the sweetest most well behaved children you've ever met". Mary laughingly recalled one incident. The family had just arrived at the library and one of the young boys, as all boys do, excitedly started to run to use the computers. Mom just said quietly "walk" and the little boy absolutely stopped on a dime. Mary said "you could practically smell rubber burning and see smoke coming from the back of his sneakers" as the little boy replied "yes, maam".

It was a delight to meet Tammi Galloway-Jackson. She is a soft-spoken woman with a quick, warm smile. You can immediately sense Tammi's strength and positive determination particularly in matters that concern her children. She certainly needs that strength to keep up with her six children, all under the age of 12!

As an only child, Tammi grew up in Alton until, at age 15, her parents moved to California. Tammi attended Pacific Coast College and Concord College, graduating with a degree in nursing. While in college, Tammi met her husband, Noah, who originally hales from Pensacola, Florida. After completing her degree, Tammi ran her own licensed day care center during the day and she worked evenings as a private duty nurse. As Tammi and Noah's family began to grow they made two important decisions. One, Tammi was going to devote herself to raising her family as a stay at home Mom and two, they would move back to the Alton/Godfrey area. They both felt that the Midwest provided a much safer and secure environment for the children. Also, Tammi's father had moved back here, some years ago, after her mother passed away. Tammi loves the beauty of this area and certainly appreciates the much more reasonable cost of living!

Tammi's husband is a hard working over the road truck driver and is often only home one or two days a week. The children are twins Breaunna and Bryaun (age 11), Noah (age 9), Jordon (age7), Aaron (age 5) and Malachi (13 months). Tammi said since she is often the sole parent at home with six young children, she has a strict set of 7 rules for the children starting first thing in morning: Rule #1: As soon as you get up, say your prayers; Rule #2: Attend to your grooming, wash and brush your teeth; Rule #3: Make your bed and get dressed; Rule #4: Eat breakfast; Rule #5: Clean up your mess, put your dishes away and straighten the table; Rule #6: Read for thirty minutes. Tammi sets a timer to make sure each child completes their reading. During the school year, the children complete their homework as soon as they get home in the afternoon and then complete their reading requirements. There is no TV or playing until the child has read at least 30 minutes. Rule #7 : You must ask to play. The children are given the goal of getting to rule 7 every day-and only after completing rules 1-6. Tammi is proud that the children are all great readers as well as strong students. While attending West Elementary school last year, Breaunna was one of four students in the district to receive an Excellence award. This award recognizes students who excel in their grades, behavior, leadership skills and are overall high achievers. Jordan tested so well that he skipped kindergarten and first grade and instead was placed directly in second grade. Noah won The Young Author's award after he wrote his own book, titled "Me and My Dad". In fifth grade, Brian tested at the Seventh grade reading level and Aaron, the five year old is already learning to read (Tammi is teaching him at home). The first year the family moved back to Illinois, Tammi home schooled the children. They all tested extremely well after the year of home schooling but they now all attend public school. Tammi said she will allow each individual child to decide for themselves if they want to remain in public school but if they indicate a preference for home schooling, Tammi would take on that responsibility. Tammi has transferred her nursing license from California to Illinois and someday may go back to work but not until she is confident the children are all old enough not to need her 24/7.

Tammi takes all the children to their respective schools in the morning (otherwise they would have to be ready to catch the bus at 6:30 in the morning). They do ride the bus home (which can take up to an hour) so, Tammi encourages them to multitask by starting their homework while on the bus. Tammi knows they have to have a certain amount of freedom. Breaunna loves taking gymnastics at Mid–Illinois Gymnastics and Dance and studies piano and violin. Aaron is also taking piano lessons and the boys all play after school sports.

When Tammi is asked how she juggles caring for 6 young children, and all the activities of feeding, clothing, transporting and maintaining the home she laughs and admits she never seems to get enough rest. If she has a particularly trying day, Tammi turns to her faith for strength and peace. Tammi also encourages the children in building their faith and they all pray together every night. She is proud that the children have all demonstrated strong morals with faith as the center of their lives. She has taught them that if they observe something they know to be wrong that they must separate them selves from whatever the situation..

Tammi makes sure the children know how much they are loved. She makes sure she tells them "I love you" several times a day and is always ready to dole out hugs and comfort. She also encourages the children to love each other. She instills in them the importantance of family and makes sure the kids hug each other every day.

Tammi said the kids love the weekly family trips to the library – and it a treat for us to get to know this lovely family!

# *Some Old Expressions And Where They Come From*

*Libraries are all about combinations of words, aren't they? The meaning of some word combinations have very interesting origins. Here, for your education and enjoyment, are some examples.*

*By Tim Lambert*
*www.localhistories.org*

I should point out that this list of old sayings gives their most likely origin. Unfortunately it is very often impossible to say for certain where an old expression comes from.

**AM I MY BROTHERS KEEPER?**
Like many phrases in the English language this one come from the Bible. In Genesis Cain murdered his brother Abel. God asked Cain where is your brother. Cain answered 'I don't know. Am I my brothers keeper?'.

**APPLE OF MY EYE**
This phrase also comes from the Bible. In Psalm 17:8 the writer asks God 'keep me as the apple of your eye'.

**BAKERS DOZEN**
Means thirteen. It is said to come from the days when bakers were severely punished for baking underweight loaves. Some added a loaf to a batch of a dozen to be above suspicion.

**BITTER END**
Anchor cable was wrapped around posts called bitts. The last piece of cable was called the bitter end. If you let out the cable to the bitter end there was nothing else you could do, you had reached the end of your resources.

**BOBBIES, PEELERS**
Both these nicknames for policemen come from Sir Robert Peel who founded the first modern police force in 1829.

**CHOCK-A-BLOCK**
When pulleys or blocks on sailing ship were pulled so tightly together that they could not be moved any closer together they were said to be chock-a-block.

**COCK A HOOP**
This phrase comes from a primitive tap called a spile and shive. A shive was a wooden tube at the bottom of a barrel and a spile was a wooden bung. You removed the shive to let liquid flow out and replaced it to stop the flow. The spile was sometimes called a cock. If people were extremely happy and wanted to celebrate they took out the cock and put in on the hoop on the top of the barrel to let the drink flow out freely. So it was cock a hoop. So cock a hoop came to mean ecstatic.

**CODSWALLOP**
In the 19th century wallop was slang for beer. A man named Codd began selling lemonade and it was called Codswallop. In time codswallop began to mean anything worthless or inferior and later anything untrue.

**COLD ENOUGH TO FREEZE THE BALL OF A BRASS MONKEY**
A brass monkey was a brass rack on which iron cannonballs were stacked. If it were very cold the brass rack would contract faster than the iron balls. The balls would fall off.

**COPPER**
The old word cop meant grab or capture so in the 19th century policemen were called coppers because they grabbed or caught criminals.

**CROCODILE TEARS**
Comes from the old belief that a crocodile wept if it killed and ate a man.

**CUT AND RUN**
In an emergency rather than haul up an anchor the sailors would cut the anchor cable then run with the wind.

**DIFFERENT KETTLE OF FISH**
In the past a kettle was not necessarily a device to boil water to make a cup of tea. A pot for boiling food (like fish) was also called a kettle. Unfortunately nobody really knows why we say 'a different kettle of fish.

**DIRT POOR**
This saying comes from Tudor times when poor people had floors made of dirt beaten hard. They were literally dirt poor.

**FAST AND LOOSE**
Traditionally it you wanted archers to halt and not shoot arrows you shouted 'fast!'. Archers also 'loosed' arrows. So if you played fast and loose you said one thing and did another.

**FEET OF CLAY**
The Old Testament prophet, Daniel, dreamed of a statue. Its head was of gold, its arms and chest of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze and its legs of iron. However its feet were a mixture of iron and clay (which weakened the statue).

**FLY IN THE OINTMENT**
This comes from the Bible. In Ecclesiastes 10:1 the writer says that dead flies give perfume a bad smell (in old versions of the Bible the word for perfume is translated 'ointment').

**GET THE SACK**
Comes from the days when workmen carried their tools in sacks. If your employer gave you the sack it was time to collect your tools and go.

**GIVE SOMEBODY THE COLD SHOULDER**
When an unwanted visitor came you gave them cold shoulder of mutton instead of hot meat as a hint that they were not to call again.

**GO TO POT**
Any farm animal that had outlived its usefulness such as a hen that no longer laid eggs would literally go to pot. It was cooked and eaten.

**HUMBLE PIE**
The expression to eat humble pie was once to eat umble pie. The umbles were the intestines or less appetizing parts of an animal and servants and other lower class people ate them. So if a deer was killed the rich ate venison and those of low status ate umble pie. In time it became corrupted to eat humble pie and came to mean to debase yourself or act with humility.

**KICK THE BUCKET**
When slaughtering a pig you tied its back legs to a wooden beam (in French buquet). As the animal died it kicked the buquet.

**KNOW THE ROPES**
On a sailing ship it was essential to know the ropes.

**LET THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG**
Is probably derived from the days when people who sold piglets in bags sometimes put a cat in the bag instead. If you let the cat out of the bag you exposed the trick.

**LILY LIVERED**
Means cowardly. People once believed that your passions came from you liver. If you were lily livered your liver was white (because it did not contain any blood). So you were a coward.

**A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME**
This phrase comes from the Bible. In Ecclesiastes 10:20 the writer warns us not to curse the king or the rich even in private or a 'bird of the air' may report what you say'.

**MAD AS A HATTER**
Some people say the phrase comes from the fact that in the 18th and 19th centuries hat makers used mercury nitrate in their work. Exposure to this chemical does indeed send you mad. However according to some people the origin of this phrase is much older. Hatter is a corruption of the Saxon word 'atter', which meant adder or viper. Furthermore 'mad' originally meant poisonous. So if you were mad as an atter you were as 'poisonous' (bad tempered or aggressive) as an atter (adder). It goes to show that often it is impossible to be certain where old sayings come from.

**MOOT POINT**
Comes from the Saxon word moot or mote, which meant a meeting to discuss things. A moot point was one that needed to be discussed or debated.

# *The Hayner Public Library District Public Opinion Survey*

The board of trustees of The Hayner Public Library District wants to thank you in advance for completing the following survey. It is our intention to take your answers into consideration as we move forward in our building expansion plans. Completed surveys may be returned to the designated boxes placed at the circulation desk at each library or may be mailed to:

The Hayner Public Library District
Public Opinion Survey
401 State Street
Alton, IL 62002

1. Have you visited any of The Hayner Public Library District locations within the last 30 days?

   Yes _____ No _____

2. If you answered yes to question 1, which facility do you visit most often?

   Main Library _____ Youth Library _____ Branch Library _____

3. Why did you choose this location?
   Convenience _____ Services _____ Materials Selection _____

   Other (please explain) _____

4. If you have not visited one of our locations within the last 30 days, please tell us why not. (Circle all that apply.)

   A. I did not think the library would have what I wanted.
   B. I used the internet from home or work to get my information.
   C. I was too busy to stop by.
   D. The library was not open when I needed to use it.
   E. I purchased the material(s) I was looking for.
   F. I do not know where the library is.
   G. I had a bad experience at this or another library and don't want to return
   H. I never use the library.
   I. Other _____

5. Knowing the library is expanding, what would you like to see included in our new facilities?

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Thank you again for your responses. Completed surveys must be turned in by January 27, 2007 to ensure the responses are included in our tabulations.

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Hours of Operation

Main & Youth Libraries
Mon Thurs, 8 am to 8 pm
Friday, 8 am to 5 pm
Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm
Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm

Alton Square Branch
Mon - Sat, 9:30 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday, Noon to 6 pm

# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 8
Memorial Day, May 27 & 28


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## *Mission Recognition Recipients*

In January, The Hayner Public Library District recognized the first three Mission Recognition achievers. Mission Recognition is the program the library system has developed to recognize the value that kids contribute to our community. The first three recognition recipients were great examples of the positive impact individuals can contribute to the welfare of others.

**Kassie Herrmann**, a senior at Alton High School, volunteered her time during the hectic holiday season to chair the Christmas Child program at Main Street Baptist Church. This program purchases and packages gifts for children in poor countries who are not likely to receive a gift otherwise.

Kassie ensured that enough gifts were purchased for the children and organized the packing of each box to be mailed to the collection center. Kassie's hard work brightened the day for many children she will never know and certainly rang of the spirit of unselfish giving.

**Chelcie Holliday** is in the sixth grade at Alton Middle School. After hearing of the tragic passing of the daughter of a local family, Chelcie was deeply touched. She had never met the girl who passed away but she knew she wanted to reach out and help the family. Completely under her own volition, Chelcie raised over $400 to help the family defray expenses. Chelcie's kindness and compassion greatly touched a family in their very dark hour.

**Kaih Yocius** is a second grader who is being home schooled. On Thanksgiving, he gladly joined his father going door to door throughout Alton to deliver 19 turkey dinners to those who were without during the holiday. He brought a smile to many faces, as he handed them their bag of goodies. Even at his young age, Kaih understands the real spirit of the holiday season can be found in giving to those less fortunate. During a trip to Minnesota, he met Jordon, an American Indian boy on an Ojibway Reservation. Kaih knew that Jordon's family did not have much so he wrapped numerous gifts to send Jordon to help brighten Jordon's holiday.

The recipients where recognized before their family and friends, each receiving a framed recognition certificate, an engraved bookmark, a medallion and a gift card to B.Dalton's Bookstore.

Congratulations to all three recipients. We are all proud of you!

## *The Bob Graul Project*

Many of you know the name **Bob Graul.** He was the staff photographer for the Alton Telegraph from 1936 the when he retired in 1978 and took literally thousands of photographs chronicling the beauty, history and events of daily life in the River. His first assignment at the newspaper was to photograph the Alton High graduating class of 1936. Robert Wadlow was a member of that class and Bob went on to take many more pictures of Wadlow and chronicling the last four years of Wadlow's life before he died in 1940. Throughout his career, Bob photographed presidents Franklin Roosevelt, John Kennedy, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter. Bob took care to archive the

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**BOB GRAUL PROJECT (Cont.)**
negatives of every photo printed by The Telegraph from the 1930's though the 1970s, whether it was his shot or not. This carefully sorted collection of over 50,000 negatives have been housed and maintained as property of The Telegraph.

Then, approximately two years ago, community leaders Mary Lou and Steve Cousley met with Jim Shrader, publisher of The Telegraph. Over time, photographic negatives can deteriorate even with the most careful preservation methods. Mary Lou, Steve and Jim agreed that preserving Bob's photos electronically for public viewing would be of significant value to the community. Hayner Library, as a cultural center and keeper of local history for public access was determined as the natural repository for these electronic photos. The library couldn't agree more and was anxious to partner in the project. After procuring funding for private endowment, the library purchased a specialized scanner for reversing the negatives image to photo quality viewing as well as a computer with specialized software to build the application. These were installed in an office at The Telegraph in proximity to the archived negations. Telegraph employee, Charlotte Stetson, using her experience as a local historian and author set to work with the arduous task of sorting through hundreds of negatives. She judged the negatives based on quality, topical interest and historical importance. Charlotte scanned the photos, combining them in specific subject files, numerically indexed the photos for easy retrieval and added information identifying the subject of the photo, the date taken and the name of the photographer. After a year of this painstaking work, the system was set to go live in its first installment. On dedicated pc's at the Branch and Main Library, you can log on to this pictorial data base and explore the different categorical groupings which include: Alton City Hall; Buildings- Historic/landmark; Buildings-Miscellaneous; Lincoln-Douglas Debate; Old Homes; Piasa Bird; Streets; Streets – Buildings; Robert Wadlow; Waterways and Boats. May of these categories have several hundreds of pictures for you to view. Also, this is a ongoing project and additional pictures and new categories will be added over time. You can select photos to be printed at the Circulation desk. There is a $25 fee per photo. Since these photos are copyrighted and owned by The Telegraph, they cannot be reproduced for reproduction without the written permission of The Telegraph.

If you are curious about your family home, doing research for a book or paper, or just interested in traveling "memory lane" come to the library and view the Bob Graul Photo Archive Collection. It is a fascinating trip back in time.

## *Amazing Dog Facts*
### From www.coopsjokes.com

**World's largest dog...**The world's heaviest as well as longest dog ever recorded was an Old English Mastiff named Zorba. In 1989, Zorba weighed 343 lbs and was 8 feet 3 inches long from nose to tail!

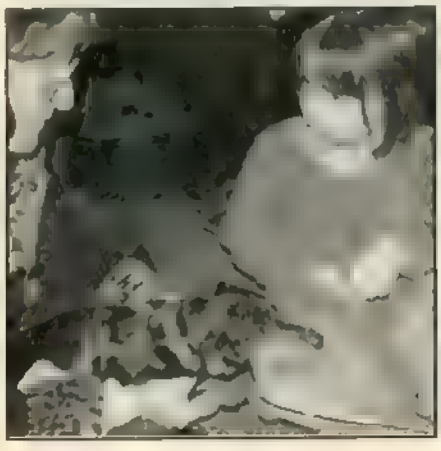
**World's tallest dog...**The tallest dog on record was named Shamgret Danzas. He was 42 inches tall (at the shoulder!) and weighed 238 lbs.

**World's smallest dog...**The smallest dog in history was a tiny Yorkie from Blackburn, England. At two years of age and fully grown this little dude was an incredible 2.5 inches tall by 3.75 inches long! He weighed only 4 ounces! He was approximately the size of a matchbox.

**World's oldest dog...**The oldest dog that has been reliably documented was an Australian cattle-dog named Bluey. He was put to sleep at the age of 29 years and 5 months!

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

If you are looking for a laugh and a smile, come to the monthly Bow wow Pow wow held every second Saturday in the Hayner Youth Library at 401 State Street. Children get to read to certified therapy dogs, increasing their reading skills and have so much fun playing with these wonderful dogs. The library really IS a cool place to be! All ages are welcome. Register at 1-800-613-3163. The next sessions will be Saturday, March 10, April 14, May 12 and June 9. All sessions will run from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. See you there…and feel free to bring your cameras!



# NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

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Bastianich, Lidia. **Lidia's Italy: 140 Simple and Delicious Recipes from the Ten Places in Italy Lidia Loves Most**
Boortz, Neal. **Somebody's Gotta Say It**
Brown, Bobbi. **Bobbi Brown Living Beauty**
Browne, Sylvia. **Spiritual Connections**
Cruise, Jorge. **The 3-Hour Diet Cookbook**
Daniels, Charlie. **Growing up Country**
De Laurentiis, Giada. **Everyday Pasta**
Deen, Paula. **It Ain't All About the Cookin'**
Isaacson, Walter. **Einstein: His Life and Universe**
Jones, Chris. **Too Far From Home: A Story of Life and Death in Space**
Orman, Suze. **Women & Money: Owning the Power to Control Your Destiny**
Pagels, Elaine. **Reading Judas: The Gospel of Judas and the Shaping of Christianity**
Preston, Richard. **The Wild Trees: A Story of Passion and Daring**
Roberts, Cokie. **Ladies of Liberty: Women Who Shaped Our Nation**
Roberts, Robin. **From the Heart: 7 Rules to Live By**
Rule, Ann. **Too Late to Say Goodbye: A True Story of Murder and Betrayal**
Talty, Stephan. **Empire of Blue Water: Captain Morgan's Great Pirate Army, the Epic Battle for the Americas, and the Catastrophe That Ended the Outlaws' Bloody Reign**
Valenti, Jack. **This Time, This Place: My Life in War, the White House, and Hollywood**
Watson, Brenda. **The Fiber35 Diet: Nature's Ultimate Weight Loss Secret**

**--FICTION**

Albert, Susan Wittig. **Spanish Dagger**
Archer, Jeffrey. **Cat O' Nine Tales**
Beaton, M. C. **Death of a Maid**
Binchy, Maeve. **Whitethorn Woods**
Brown, Rita Mae. **Puss 'N Cahoots**
Chiaverini, Jennifer. **The Quilter's Homecoming: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel**
Clark, Carol Higgins. **Laced: A Regan Reilly Mystery**
Clark, Mary Higgins. **I Heard That Song Before**
Collins, Jackie. **Drop Dead Beautiful**
Coyle, Harold. **Pandora's Legion: Harold Coyle's Strategic Solutions, Inc.**
Crais, Robert. **The Watchman: A Joe Pike Novel**
Dallas, Sandra. **Tallgrass**
Dickey, Eric Jerome. **Sleeping With Strangers**
Fielding, Joy. **Heartstopper: A Novel**
Hess, Joan. **Damsels in Distress**
Hoag, Tami. **The Alibi Man**
Kellerman, Jonathan. **Obsession: An Alex Delaware Novel**
Kinsella, Sophie. **Shopaholic & Baby**
Lippman, Laura. **What the Dead Know**
McCall Smith, Alexander. **The Good Husband of Zebra Drive (No. 1 Ladies Series)**
McMurtry, Larry. **When the Light Goes**
Michaels, Fern. **The Marriage Game**
Palmer, Michael. **The Fifth Vial**
Perry, Anne. **At Some Disputed Barricade (WWI series)**
Perry, Anne. **We Shall Not Sleep (WWI series)**
Picoult, Jodi. **Nineteen Minutes**
Rankin, Ian. **The Naming of the Dead**
Rice, Luanne. **The Edge of Winter**
Robards, Karen. **Obsession**
Robb, J. D. **Innocent in Death**
Ross, Ann B. **Miss Julia Strikes Back**
Scottoline, Lisa. **Daddy's Girl**
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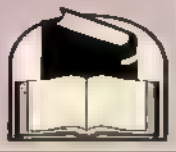

## *Choices, Choices and More Choices!*

*Check out some of the new and forthcoming videos and DVDs we're adding to our collection.*

**10 Days That Unexpectedly Changed America** DVD
**Alfred Hitchcock Presents. Season Two** DVD
**American Dreamz** DVD
**Art School Confidential** DVD
**The Break-Up** DVD
**Broken Trail** DVD
**Cars** DVD
**Click** DVD
**CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. The Complete Sixth Season** DVD
**CSI: Miami. The Complete Fourth Season** DVD
**Curious George** DVD
**D-Days in the Pacific: The Path to Victory from Guadalcanal to Okinawa (The History Channel)** DVD
**The Da Vinci Code** DVD
**The Fast and the Furious. Tokyo Drift** DVD
**Friends With Money** DVD
**Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties** DVD
**Hoot** DVD
**I Can't Believe I'm Crocheting!** DVD
**I Can't Believe I'm Knitting!** DVD
**Jesse James (PBS Home Video)** DVD
**The Lake House** DVD
**McCallum (television series)** DVD
**Me, Eloise** DVD
**Midsomer Murders. Set Seven** DVD
**Mission: Impossible III** DVD
**The Nuremberg Trials (National Geographic Channel)** DVD
**Over the Hedge** DVD
**A Prairie Home Companion** DVD
**The Sentinel** DVD
**Stick It** DVD
**The Stratton Story** DVD
**Superman Returns** DVD
**Thank You for Smoking** DVD
**Twitches (Disney Channel)** DVD
**Waiting for God. Season One** DVD
**The Way West: How the West Was Lost and Won (Ric Burns)** DVD
**Wedding Planning for Dummies** DVD
**Will & Grace. Season Five** DVD
**X-Men: The Last Stand** DVD

## *Jazz in the Park Concert Series*

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with The North Alton Godfrey Business Council and the Village of Godfrey Parks and Recreation Department to present a series of musical entertainment to be enjoyed under the stars. All concerts are free and will run from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm.

The schedules include the following performances:

- Tuesday, April 17, The Milliken University Jazz Band. *Note: this performance will be held in the Hatheway Auditorium on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College.*

*The following programs (6/13, 7/18, 8/15) will all be held in the Whispering Winds Gazebo in Glazebrook Park, Godfrey, Illinois. In the event of rain or inclement weather, these events will be held at The Commons on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College.*

- Wednesday, June 13, *"Shades of Blue"*, The United States Air Force Band of Mid America
- July 18, - Sentimental Journey, 20-piece swing band
- August 15, Gary Dammer Big Band featuring vocalist Sherri Drake.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Banish those winter chills—attend the hot programs being offered at the Hayner Main Library. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER**

***Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.***

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, March 10**
**Saturday, April 14**
**Saturday, May 12**
**Saturday, June 9**
**10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Karen Stoeber
### *Wild Women of the West*

**Thursday, March 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Women played a vital role in the shaping of the western United States, and historian Karen Stoeber explores the life and times of several well-known "Wild Women of the West," including Belle Star, Calamity Jane and Annie Oakley. Karen has samples of the types of clothing they wore and tells us what life was really like for these famed women of western lore. Join us for a fascinating evening. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Irish Xiles
### *Celebrate St. Patrick's Day!*

**Tuesday March 13, 6:30 p.m.**

The ever-popular Irish Xiles return to Hayner Main Library to perform the best songs from their vast repertoire. Come and join the Duffy clan as they showcase tender ballads mixed with rousing battle songs and a jig thrown in for good measure! Full of humor and high energy, this program is not to be missed. The band is

open to requests, and you can contact them in advance at dec@xiles.biz or by phone at 314-359-0590. Register for this program at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bach To The Future

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

**Tuesday, March 20, 7:00 p.m.**

Bach to the Future is an exciting classical/jazz quartet transforming the famous classical melodies of Bach and other composers into jazz, Latin and other contemporary rhythms. The four musicians play cutting edge instruments including the Drumitar, the MIDI electric violin, and synthesizers. They have sold more than 100,000 CDs on their own label and we are so excited to have them bringing a performance to our community! Stylistically similar to Manhheim Steamroller, the group is a must see! This program is presented jointly by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Dept. of Lewis & Clark Community College and is free of charge; however, registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### The Raffety Family
### *A Concert for Spring*

**Sunday, April 1, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Il.*

Kay and John Raffety are joined by their son Matthew for a wonderful program combining selections of gospel music and easy listening pieces. The Raffetys' performances are a favorite of our audiences and always fill the house. Join us for an inspiring afternoon of soul-inspiring music in a beautiful venue. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### The Buchanan Brothers
### *Old Time Tunes*

**Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.**

The Buchanan Brothers have been playing music together since early childhood. This program will be an evening of old-time mandolin, fiddle and guitar tunes from areas of Illinois, Missouri and beyond. Joining the Brothers will be fellow fiddler and long-time friend Lindell Blackford. The evening will be filled with old-time waltzes, reels, rags and possibly a polka or schottische (Bohemian folk dance). Waltzing through the stacks is encouraged! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Genealogy Roundtable*

**Tuesday, April 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Join us in the Main Library Reading Room for our quarterly roundtable. Piasa Photo of Alton will talk about the best methods for preserving our old photos. Bring a photo with you. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

### Raven Moon
### *A Musical Mixed Bag*

**Thursday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Raven Moon is one of the hottest acoustic bands right now in Missouri and Illinois. Christine Peick from Columbia formed the band ten years ago. They put on an incredible high- energy live performance. The energy put forth by the soloist will have you toe tapping and jumping to your feet with excitement. Christine has a voice like shining gold, and these musicians are masters of their craft.

Raven Moon music is welcome wherever they go. Their fresh approach to the many styles of music that they perform has made them very popular around town and has given them opportunities to perform at the best venues and concert halls. Their music spectrum includes bluegrass, Irish, blues, country, rock & roll, and even jazz. They play it in a fun, upbeat style that really gets the crowd going. The music of Raven Moon has even been played on the national syndicated radio show "A Prairie Home Companion." Regster at 1-800-613-3163

# Special Events at Hayner

## Bobby Norfolk & Blake Travis
### *Conversations with Simple*
**Tuesday, May 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Langston Hughes, nicknamed "The Poet Laureate of Harlem," was among the first to give voice to the African-American Experience. "Simple" is one of Hughes' finest literary creations. From the 1940s to the 1960s, Hughes wrote of Jesse B. Simple roaming the streets and clubs of Harlem. This "Everyman" or street philosopher gave advice and opinions on nearly everything, including politics, race, economics, and matters of the heart. Humorous and often outrageous, these tales established Simple's place as one of literature's great treasures. Emmy Award-winning story performer Bobby Norfolk brings the uproariously funny Jesse B. Simple to life in this theatrical production through a series of dialogues with Langston Hughes, as portrayed by master storyteller and musician Blake Travis. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Chris Vallillo
### *Abraham Lincoln in Song*
**Tuesday May 8, 6:30 p.m.**

One of Illinois' preeminent prairie poet-singer-songwriters, Chris Vallillo, has developed a unique program under the auspices of the Illinois Humanities Council. With Abraham Lincoln in Song, Vallillo weaves historic narratives with period music and contemporary folk songs in a celebration of the life and times of one of our nation's favorite sons! The life of Abraham Lincoln spanned a period of great change and growth in Illinois. From his days as a flat boater, through his time at New Salem, his years as a circuit lawyer and on through his presidency, Lincoln's life is a microcosm of the development of Illinois during that period. Come hear award-winning folksinger Chris Vallillo bring these years to life. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dennis Stroughmatt and L'Esprit Creole
### *French Creole Musical Tour*
**Tuesday, May 15, 6:30 p.m.**

While many people know of the French-speaking Cajun and Creole culture that thrives yet today in the state of Louisiana, few know the story of the French Creoles of "Upper" Louisiana, and the remnants of still-thriving French culture in towns like Sainte Genevieve, Missouri, and Vincennes, Indiana. Dennis Stroughmatt has gained wide acclaim for his work in bringing their songs and stories, and the charming Upper Louisiana Creole dialect, to the attention of the world once again.

Let Dennis Stroughmatt and his band, L'Esprit Creole, take you on a musical tour of French settlements in North America. Emphasis is on the French Creole settlers' music, language and history from Illinois, Missouri and Indiana. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## RhythmAires
### *Swing Music*
**Tuesday, May 22, 6:30 p.m.**

For nearly 60 years, the RhythmAires have performed and entertained throughout the metropolitan St. Louis area. The original trio of musicians began the group after returning from World War II. Today, the quintet of musicians continues the tradition of great swing music for listening and dancing. Join us for a great evening of musical memories. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Misty Ridge
### *America's Music*
**Tuesday, June 5, 6:30 p.m.**

Misty Ridge is an acoustic group playing a variety of country, bluegrass and American folk music. Utilizing a variety of instrumentation and harmonies, the trio, made up of family members, entertains with a blend of music and storytelling related to the selections being performed. Although having its origins in bluegrass, Misty Ridge has expanded its repertoire to include both contemporary and classic country selections set in the ambience of an acoustic genre. Brothers Carl and Jim cover instrumentation that includes guitar, banjo, mandolin, and dobro, while Jim's son, Jeremiah, drives the beat on both the upright and the acoustic bass. The tightness of the three-part harmonies from this family group is remarkable. Come join Misty Ridge for an evening of song and stories commemorating the tradition of America's music. Call 1-800-613-3163.

## The Mavenettes
### *A Musical Comedy*
**Tuesday, June 12, 6:30 p.m.**

The Mavenettes, a musical comedy group, are energizing, laugh out loud funny and refreshingly different. The Mavenettes entertain audiences with a variety of humorous songs and parodies, as well as funny stories, all based on their belief that laughter is great therapy. They tackle such topics as jobs, men, stress, household chores exercise and more. The group's original lyrics are set to many familiar tunes and a few originals musical compositions. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Jim Two Crows Wallen
### *Two Crows Fur Company*
**Tuesday, June 19, 6:30 p.m.**

"I'm half horse, half alligator and a little touch of the snappin' turtle." Are you tough enough to survive the perils of the Rocky Mountain Fur Trapper of the early 1800s? Jim Two Crows will take you on a death defying trip from St. Louis to deep in the heart of the Rockies. The captivating history of the extraordinary mountain men Jim Bridger, Hugh Glass and others will be discovered through Two Crows' spellbinding stories. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Branch Library Events at OASIS Alton Center

*The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall.* ***Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held.*** *The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Famous Barr at the Alton Square Mall- follow the hallway to the right of Famous Barr Customer Service. All the programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

### *Teen Tech Week Contest –*

The Hayner Public Library will be holding a Teen Tech Week Contest March 4th-10th. The contest will ask teens ages 13-18 to design a new teen web page for the Hayner Public Library's website. The winner will be awarded a $100.00 gift card. To enter the contest you must be a current Hayner cardholder For more information call Sharon at 463-1276.

### *Family Game Nights*

**March 21 – April 25 – May 23**
**All game nights begin at 6:30 pm**

One night each month in the fall, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family, or play with some other great library patrons! Program will be held at Oasis.

### *Let's Go to the Movies!*

**May 11**
**The movie will begin at noon and is approximately one hour long.**

We would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of the documentary "Lucky: The Story of Charles Lindberg". This documentary takes a look at the celebrated and often controversial life of American's most famous aviator. Using historical footage, this film documents the rise, the fall, and the resurrection of "Lucky Lindy". Popcorn will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Program will be held at Oasis.

### *Movie Potluck*

**March 9 – March 30 – April 20**
**All movies will begin at 10:30 and end at noon**

Come "sample" the offerings of the video collections of Hayner Library and OASIS as we offer viewers a movie potluck. Will it be a historical documentary? A feature film? A travelogue? Only we know, but one thing is for sure—you will definitely be entertained! Come "sample" the offerings of the video collections of Hayner Library and OASIS as we offer **viewers a movie** potluck. Refreshments will round out the movie experience. This program is in partnership with OASIS and will take place at OASIS.

### *Scrapbooking Workshop*

**April 12**

If you need help organizing all those pictures you have lying around or want to spend some time with family or friends come to the Scrapbooking class at the Hayner Public Library at Alton Square on Thursday, April 12, 2007 at 3pm. The class will be held at the Oasis Center in Macy's. Registration will be limited to 20 people. For more information or to register please call 463-1276.

### *Cattle Country and Back Trail*
### Author Erwin Author Thompson Book Reading and Signing

**April 18 2-4 pm**
**This program will be held at OASIS at Alton Square**

Please join us in welcoming author Erwin Arthur Thompson as he reads from his newest Western Cattle Country and Back Trail. Both stories, set in Wagon Wheel County, six years apart—"show the threat of bloody range wars, powered by greed, and probe strength of individual integrity, romantic partnership, family, and community." Mr. Thompson, a local author, has been named a folk treasure by Arts Across Illinois and has been writing poetry, family history, music and lyrics to original songs for three-quarters of a century. Sit back and enjoy as he reads from his latest work and listen as he explains his inspiration for the books and the role the stories played in his family life. This is sure to be a treat for the whole family. Mr. Thompson will have books available for signing at the event. Light refreshments will also be served.

### Footloose in England

**March 28 6:30 pm**
**Program will take place at OASIS**

Come enjoy the beauty of the English countryside as lecturer John Lynn recounts his 700 mile walk of England—the first leg of his nearly 1200 mile journey of Great Britain. Complete with stunning slides and photographs, this program will explore the scenery, history, charms and traditions of one of the most beautiful countries in the world.

### *Teen Summer Reading Program*

The Hayner Public Library is excited to announce its first ever Teen Summer Reading Program. The programs registration will begin Saturday June 2nd. To qualify you must be a Hayner card holder and be between the ages of 12 and 18 yrs. To register come by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square or the Hayner Youth Library 401 State Street. The program will run approximately 6 weeks. We will have weekly drawings for great prizes and weekly performers. A grand prize will be given at the end of the summer party at LCCC. For more information you can call the Hayner Public Library at 463-1276 or 462-0652.

## *Join us for our 2007 Summer Reading Program*

## "MISSION READ: To the Library and BEYOND"

**Registration begins Saturday, June 2 – Open to ages birth – 15.**

**This is a 6 week program ending Saturday July 21st. No programs the week of July 4th. There will be an end of the Summer Reading Party on July 26th, place to be announced later.**

***Awards * Prizes * Entertainment * Surprises***

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Youth Library

### *Spring Activities for April and May 2007*

**Preschool Storytime** – Mondays – 10:00 am
Apr. 2nd, 16th & 30th – May 14th

**Lapsit Storytime** – Tuesdays – 10:00 am
Apr. 10th & 24th – May 8th & 22nd

**Preschool Storytime** – Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 am
Apr 3rd & 17th – May 1st, 15th, & 29th

**Evening Storytime** – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
Apr 10th & 24th – May 8th & 22nd

**After School Fun** – Thursdays – 4:00 pm – Youth Library

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| Apr. 12th | Drop Everything and Read Craft |
| May 10th | Beaded Spring Flower Sun Catcher Craft |

### *Special Events and Performers:*

**Easter Egg Hunt** – Easter Rabbit
Saturday – 2:00 pm
April 7th – Youth Department

**Dance Dance Revolution**
Wednesday – 3:00 pm
April 4th – Youth Department

**Storybook Science** – St. Louis Science Center
Betsy King – Monday – 11:00 am
April 16 – Youth Department

**Storyteller** – Annette Harrison
Tuesday – 10:30 am
April 24 – Youth Department

**Dance Dance Revolution**
Wednesday – 3:00 pm
May 2nd – Youth Department

**Mother/Daughter American Girl Fashion Show** – Saturday – 1:00 pm
May 12th – Oasis Room at the Mall

**MOMS:** Bring your daughter dressed as her favorite American Girl doll and walk and talk your selected doll. While strutting your stuff, tell us some historical background and why she's your favorite, or just come and show us your costume. Refreshments will be included and a door prize of a year's subscription to the American Girl Magazine will be given away. This event will be limited to the first ten mother/daughter duos that sign up.

This event will take place Saturday, May 12th from 1:00 to 2:00 at the Oasis Room on the top floor of Macy's, Alton Square Mall.

**Unidentified Flying Animals** –
St. Louis Zoo – Lisa Berman –
Monday – 11:00 am
May 14th – Youth Department

## *DON'T Miss This Exciting Musical Event*

On Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at 7:00 pm, The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College jointly present a wonderful musical event in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL. This program is free of charge but attendance registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

**BACH TO THE FUTURE –**
**The Bach that Rocks!**
*The time machine hatch glides smoothly open.. Johann looks at the lighted display: he has landed in the early twenty-first century. "Good," he thinks. "It is the age of electronic instruments. What will my music sound like in the new Millennium?"*

BACH TO THE FUTURE is an exciting classical/jazz quartet, transforming the famous classical melodies of Bach and other composers into jazz, Latin and other contemporary rhythms. The four musicians play cutting edge instruments, including the Drumitar, the MIDI electric violin and synthesizers. They've sold over 100,000 CDs on their own label, Time Machine Records and have opened for David Sanborn, Peter Cincotti, the Rippingtons, Eric Marienthal, Al DiMeola, Stanley Jordan, David Benoit, Michael Franks and the Yellowjackets.

In addition to concerts, the group performs master classes and music education clinics and has several instructional books and CDs published by Mel Bay Publications. Their new CD, "Bach to the Future" is available on Tower Records and iTunes. You can also get more information and hear a sample of their music at www.bachtothefuture.net. Bach to the future – the Bach that rocks!

## *Happenings at OASIS*

*OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Macy's at Alton Square Mall. Be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. (Call 463-4100, ext. 3050 for further information)*

### Basic Drawing
A beginning course in creative drawing
Thursdays, March 15 – April 19, 1:00-3:00
Fee: $36 for all 6 sessions

### Voices of the Wagon Train Pioneers with Dianne Moran, Folklorist
Join Dianne as she portrays in costume, a frontier woman as she relates her wagon train journey.
Thursday, March 15, 11:30-12:30 Fee: $10

### T'ai Chi
***An easy to learn exercise activity.***
Mondays, March 19-April 30, 10:30-11:30
Fee: $36 for 6 sessions (no class April 9)

### Yoga
***A perfect way to relieve tension and stress.***
Thursdays, March 22-April 26, 10:30-11:30
Fee: $36 for 6 sessions

### Ozark Adventure
Stay at the lovely YMCA Trout Lodge located in Missouri's Eastern Ozarks; attend informative programs by local historians on the History of the Ozarks and Folk Music. Fee includes motor coach transportation, lodging (2 nights), six meals, programs, nightly entertainment, tour of the grounds and wine tasting in the evening.
Tuesday-Thursday, April 17-April 19
Fee: $300 per person

### Fox Theatre: Lion King
A trip to the Fox to see the fabulous "Lion King" A must see for the summer!
Thursday, June 28 Fee: $76 per person

# New Items in the Illinois Room

**GENEALOGY NEWS**
**Come in and see our new additions.**

Union County, Illinois Cemeteries Vol. 2-4 IR 929.3773995 DEX
1860 Monroe County, Illinois Federal Census IR 929.377391 STE
Legacy of Kin, Hamilton County, Illinois Vol. 1 & 2 IR 929.377395 FEL
Index to Obituaries and Death Notices in the Jonesboro Gazette 1858-1883 (Union County IL) IR 929.3773995 IND
Williamson County, Illinois 1860 Federal Census IR 929.3773993 HAT
1860, 1870, and 1880 Federal Census and Mortality Schedule of Pope County, Illinois IR 929.3773991 EIG
Pope County, Illinois 1900 Federal Census IR 929.3773991 POP
Union County, Illinois Probate Records 1818-1868 IR 929.3773995 DEX
Union County, Illinois Soldiers IR 929.3773995 DEX
Union County, Illinois Marriage Records 1869-1885 IR 929.3773995 DEX
Maple Hill Cemetery Inscriptions, Franklin County, Illinois IR 929.50977394 LEM
Horse Prairie Cemetery, Sesser, Illinois IR 929.50977394 BRO
Alexander County, Illinois Census Records Vol. 1 & 2 IR 929.3773999 DEX
Federal Township Plats: Madison County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats: Macoupin County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats: Jersey County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats. Saint Clair County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Historical Register and Dictionary of the United States Army 1789-1903 Vol. 1 & 2 IR 355.0092273 HEI

Thanks to the hard work of one of our patrons, we have added Valhalla Cemetery inventory our other local cemetery inventories. Come see our many cemetery books in the Illinois Room.

Please consider leaving your completed FAMILY GROUP SHEET with the Genealogy Department so it can be placed in the Illinois Room. You can send these to us by mail or drop them off at the library. The family you have been searching for just may find you.

The Hayner Public Library District is collecting local church histories. We would appreciate donated church histories from our local area. These are often requested by researchers in our Illinois Room. If your church has a compiled history and you would like to have it placed in our Illinois Room, contact our Local History Department at 462-0677.

**URSULINE CONVENT**

The Ursuline Convent Book is now complete and available for viewing in the Illinois Room. It is a compilation of newspaper articles gathered from various sources. The Ursuline Convent and the Sisters are a large part of Alton History and our community has been the fortunate beneficiary of their knowledge and care over the years. A copy of the book was also presented Ursuline Convent Prioress, Sister Pauline by Hayner staff Genealogist, Cathie Lamere.

We have *Ancestry Library Edition* and *Heritage Quest Online* in our Illinois Room. These databases are free for your genealogical research in our Illinois Room. Come in and research your family tree.

Come check out our copies of *Ancestry Magazine, American Spirit Magazine of the Daughters of the American Revolution* and *Everton's Genealogical Helper Magazine*. These can now be checked out for your enjoyment.

# Riverbend Head Start- Vital To Our Community

Family literacy is at the heart of Head Start's goal to teach children and strengthen families so they can better succeed in life.

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is a non-profit organization that provides child development and counseling services to families in Madison County. Through its Head Start, Transitions Counseling, and Family Foundations programs the agency enables children and families to discover positive solutions to life's challenges. www.riverbendfamilies.org. Head Start also facilitates a national school readiness program for low-income families. In Madison County, six Head Start centers provide early childhood education and comprehensive health and social services to nearly 1,000 children under five and their families. The Hayner Public Library District is proud to partner with Head Start in it's service to our community.

**John Dunphy, award winning Haiku poet, author and proprietor of the Second Reading Bookshop shared this interesting anecdote with us:**

The Fall 2006 issue of the Authors Guild Bulletin noted that the average vocabulary today is about 2,000 words. Most authors, however, have a vocabulary of about 7,500 words.

**Now wrap your minds around this.**
In Shakespeare's time, the average vocabulary was under 500 words...but the Bard used a vocabulary of more than 20,000 words.

Was Shakespeare writing for the audience of his day?

# Get Your Teenager Reading

Looking for ideas to interest you teen in reading? There is a wonderful new resource for you available through Hayner Library titled 500 Great Books for Teens by Anita Silvey. Anita Silvey is one of the nation's leading authorities on books for young people. She has interviewed teenage readers all over the country and immersed herself in young adult books, with an emphasis on books published in the last five years. The result is an invaluable and very readable guide for parents, teachers, librarians, booksellers, reading groups and of course teens themselves. The book is divided into twenty-one sections, including adventure, and survival, politics and social history, horror, romance, war and conflict, fantasy, plays, graphic novels, poetry, memoirs and spirituality. Every section offers up classics but the majority of titles are new. **CHECK OUT CALL NUMBER.**

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# Pat and Bill Kessler Will Receive Accolades

### *Circle of Care award will be presented May 31, 2007*

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services will present Pat and Bill Kessler with its Circle of Care award at a ceremony on May 31, 2007. Annually, Riverbend Head Start & Family Services bestows its Circle of Care award on an individual or couple who exemplify the spirit of caring through their profession, volunteerism and philanthropy.

This year, the agency will honor the Kesslers at its 14th annual Circle of Care event at The Commons at Lewis & Clark Community College. Highlighted will be the positive impact the couple has had on the community through their family, faith and work.

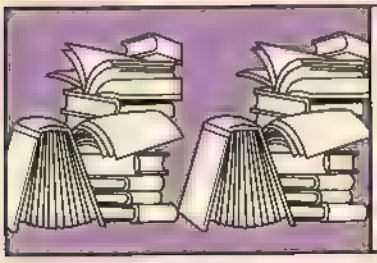
Pat Kessler, "an extraordinarily loving gift from God," according to her husband, is a woman of remarkable spirit. A devoted wife and mother of eight, Pat gave her husband unwavering support for his career at Saint Anthony's Health Center and shares his aspirations. Her generous love gave each of her children confidence, a love for learning and strong character.

Bill Kessler retired as president and CEO of Saint Anthony's in July 2006 after 35 years of exceptional service. His impact on the health of the community, both physically and economically speaking, is profound. In a note to Kessler, RHSFS president Chuck Parr said, "Nurturing the community through attention to housing and community development needs in addition to healthcare needs required remarkable vision and leadership. Presenting you with the Circle of Care award, which recognizes contributions like yours, would be a privilege."

Kessler is studying to become a permanent deacon in the Church, a position that did not exist in the Springfield Roman Catholic Diocese until 2002.

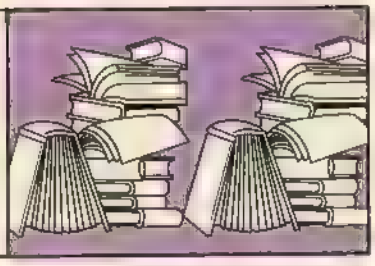
"As a family we want to make the River Bend better than what we inherited from those who went before us," said Bill Kessler. Since the Kesslers consider their work to far from finished, the event will look ahead at their goals for the community in addition to a look back at their accomplishments.

For an invitation or more information about the event, call 463-5946.



## Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale

The Spring Book Sale sponsored by the Friends of the Library will be held Thursday, May 10, 6:00 – 8:30 pm, Friday May 11, 9:00 a.m -7:00 p.m and Saturday, May 12, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. On Thursday night, there will be a $5.00 admission charge. On Friday and Saturday there is no admission charge. Come find wonderful bargains in books, magazines, music and more!



# Staff Picks—What We're Reading

**The Sea Captain's Wife**
by Martha Elizabeth Hodes *Nonfiction*
The author presents Civil War era historical events retrieved from over 500 family letters. After growing up in New Hampshire, Eunice Richardson works in the local textile mill and later follows her husband to the Deep South prior to the Civil War. She suffers homesickness and separation from her family after the war prohibits travel. Her family is torn apart when its members take sides between the North and the South. After being widowed, she moves back home where she resorts to becoming a washerwoman and servant. The story becomes fascinating after she meets Smiley Connolly, a wealthy black sea captain from Grand Cayman Island. After they get married and move to his home (the local people see it as a mansion), she is estranged from family and friends, but finally finds happiness for herself as a wife and mother.—Sharon S.

**An Incomplete Education: 3684 Things You Should Have Learned But Probably Didn't** by Judy Jones and William Wilson *Nonfiction*
You'll find everything you forgot from school – as well as plenty you never even learned- in this all-purpose reference book, an instant classic when it first appeared in 1987. This updated (2006) version takes a whirlwind tour through 12 different disciplines, from American studies to philosophy to world history. Think of it as finishing school for your brain. It's guaranteed to provide you a lifetime's worth of cocktail conversation.—Bernie D.

**Birds in Fall** by Brad Kessler. *Fiction*
Off the coast of Nova Scotia, a plane plunges into the ocean, and from around the world the victims' family members gather at an inn on Trachis Island in hopes of finding their loved ones. The beautiful landscape of the remote, windy island evokes isolation from the world; a place to grieve and to hope. It is where subtle changes in the disparate group of lives begin to take place under the gentle care of the innkeeper who offers the families comfort and nourishment. This is a story that stays with the reader long after the final word.--Jean S.

**Try** by Lily Burana
When Daryl Heatherly heads to Wyoming country to help sell her family's property, she's leaving all civilization and going back to the mountains and sky. In Denver, Daryl is a promising artist who paints Western scenes and landscapes; at her family homestead in Red Hill, she lives them. She has a chance meeting with J. W. Jarrett, a rodeo champion, but Daryl doesn't want all the dust and drama that dating a cowboy implies. J.W., however, isn't going to give up easily in this rodeo. This is an insightful and fast-paced look into the world of rodeo cowboys and the women who love them.—Michele K.

**Hornswoggled: An Alafair Tucker Mystery**
by Donis Casey. *Fiction*
Alafair Tucker is back. Oklahoma in the early 20th century is the place. Daughter Alice has her heart set on widower Walter Kelley, but Alafair doesn't trust him. It doesn't help that his wife was found dead eight months earlier. With the victim apparently sending her olfactory clues and no lack of suspects, Alafair searches for the culprit to protect one of her many children. The entire family is a joy to get to know—all dozen of them.—Jan H.

**Water for Elephants** by Sara Gruen. *Fiction*
The arrival of a circus next to the nursing home where he lives leads nonagenarian Jacob Jankowski to reminisce about his years as a veterinarian for the Benzini Brothers Most Spectacular Show on Earth, a traveling circus he joined during the Great Depression. Jacob's story is a love story full of circus lore, unique and compelling characters, and true events. Don't let the title fool you—this is becoming a book club favorite.—Katie S.

# *Patron Profile – Cynthia Williams*

Cynthia Williams was born in Springfield, Mo., and went to eight different schools in eight years. After she met her husband, Ronald, in college they settled down in the St. Louis area. Ronald was a structural engineer who worked on the design of the Lewis Bridge, which spans the Missouri River between St. Louis County and St. Charles County, Missouri.

Ron and Cynthia had two children, a boy, Brice, and a girl, Becky. Cynthia stayed home to raise the children but also finished needlepoint at the Sign of the Arrow, a philanthropic retail needlepoint and gift shop founded by the St. Louis Alumnae Club of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity. Cynthia was always interested in handwork, learning how to knit and crochet as a girl, but in 1980 she was introduced to a craft for which she truly had a calling. She met a woman at a shop, Yarns Unlimited. This woman was selling fleece that she had spun and invited Cynthia to a spinning demonstration.

Cynthia was hooked (no pun intended). She took to spinning her own yarns immediately and soon found herself progressing to weaving. Today she has eight spinning wheels in her house and three looms (60 inches wide). Cynthia became so involved with her craft, she went back to Illinois State College in Bloomington – Normal, completing a Bachelor of Science degree in Studio Art.

In 1999, Cynthia's husband passed away. At the time they were living in Garland, Texas. Since her best friend lived in Alton and her children were both living in St. Louis, she decided to move back to Alton. The first thing she did, with her friend's help, was find a house to buy, and the immediate second activity was to find out the location of the library. Cynthia says, "I have to have a library by me— I can't live without the library." She frequently uses Hayner's interlibrary loan services to obtain patterns for her weaving projects and to study other forms of the craft. Recently, she was reading an academic work on how the sciences of physics and mathematical theory can be translated into creating new weaving patterns.

Cynthia has a computer hooked up to one of her looms that controls the shaft of the loom, creating patterns and texture. Historically, looms made use of punch cards which were borrowed by mathematicians to code programs for the first computers. The technology has now come full circle with computers now running looms.

Cynthia also makes bobbin lace, a delicate lace that uses wound spools of thread (the bobbins) to weave together the shapes in the lace. Many styles of lace were made in the heyday of lace making (approximately 1500–1700) before machine-made lace became available. The advent of machine-made lace at first pushed lace makers into more complicated designs (ones the machine couldn't handle) and then eventually pushed them out of business almost entirely. Cynthia showed me a sample of lace she had made, and the fragile beauty of it was amazing. She said it takes about an hour to create a one-inch square of lace.

Cynthia also showed me samples of Shibori and Kumihimo that she made. Shibori is a Japanese method of dying cloth with a pattern created by binding, stitching, folding or twisting the cloth. This technique dates from the 8th century. Today, you would recognize it as tie-dye.

Kumihimo is a form of Japanese braiding originally used to secure Samurai armor. Today these braids are used to secure the obi, or sash, worn over a kimono.

I was most amazed by the collection of Temari balls that Cynthia had made.Temari balls are a folk art form that originated in China and were introduced to Japan five or six hundred years ago. The balls were originally made by mothers and grandmothers for children to play with. Historically, they were constructed from the remnants of old kimonos. Pieces of silk fabric would be wadded up to form a ball, then the wad wrapped with strips of fabric. The silk threads would have been removed and saved and used to first wind around the ball, then to stitch the ball firmly together. As time moved on, traditional Temari balls became an art, with the functional stitching more and more decorative and detailed, until the balls displayed very intricate embroidery. Temari balls became an art and craft of the Japanese upper class and aristocracy, and noble women competed in creating more and more beautiful and intricate objects. They now represent a highly valued and cherished gift symbolizing deep friendship and loyalty. The brilliant color and threads used also are symbolic of wishing the recipient a brilliant (happy) life.

Traditionally, becoming a craftsman in Japan was a tedious process. To become a Temari artist in Japan today requires specific training, and one must be tested on one's skills and technique before being acknowledged as a crafter of Temari. Today, these balls are used for many artistic display purposes, ranging from Christmas tree ornaments to jewelry, and make wonderful gifts. The delicacy and kaleidoscopic beauty of the Temari balls that Cynthia creates are incredible, showing amazing artistry.

Cynthia sometimes sells her work at the annual meeting of the St. Louis Weavers Guild, as well as at the Jacoby Art Center in Alton. Often, though, she just gives completed projects to friends and family. She calls spinning and weaving her therapy and does it every day.

Cynthia has taught bobbin lace classes in Edwardsville but would like to teach more in Alton. She would teach out of her home, with students using her own looms. If you are interested in taking classes from Cynthia, contact a library staff member; they will take your information and pass it along to her.

# Computer Classes

Based on your input, the following computer courses will be offered in our first series of computer training. The training classes will be small, limited to ten students each. Initially, they will be open to Hayner Library card holders only. The classes are:

**Beginning Word 2003-** Adjusting margins, alignment, spacing, changing font and font size, importing graphics, centering, headers and footers.
This will be a two part class. It will be offered twice.
Class 1: Part One, Wed., March 28, 5:30-6:30
Part Two, Wed. April 4, 5:30-6:30
Class 2: Part One, Wed., March 28, 6:30-7:30
Part Two, Wed., April 4. 6:30-7:30

**Computer Basics-** a general overview of the hardware, software and working of personal computers. This class will be structured for the beginning computer user. It will be offered twice.
Class 1: Wed., April 11, 5:30-6:30
Class 2: Wed., April 11, 6:30-7:30

**Internet/email-** basic searches, how to import/export information, internet email sites, ways to block sites. This will be a two part class.
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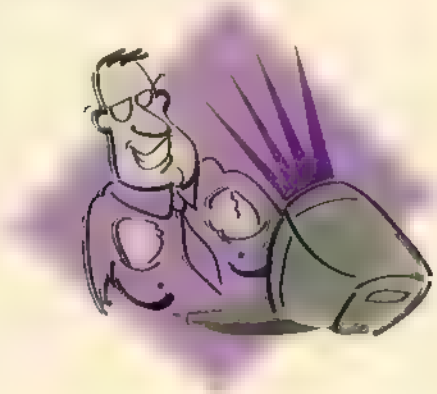
Class 1: Part One, Wed., April 25, 5:30-6:30
Part Two, Wed., May 2, 5:30-6:30
Class 2: Part One, Wed., April 25, 6:30-7:30
Part Two, Wed., May 2, 6:30-7:30

These classes are free of charge but require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Leave the class you are interested in, and time slot you prefer. You must also leave the bar code number on the back of your Hayner Library card. You will be contacted confirming your seat in the class.



# Senior Services Plus, Inc. - A Great Community Resource

Senior Services Plus., Inc (SSP) is a non-profit agency that was established to help enrich the lives of seniors through programs that encourage independent living. Programs and services are offered throughout Madison County and include:

- Foster Grandparent Program
- Handyman Program
- Community Care Program
- Information & Assistance
- Transportation
- Programs and Activities
- Meals on Wheels
- Congregate Meal Program (M-F, 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM)

Information on all programs and services can be obtained by contacting Senior Services Plus at (618)465-3298.

There are also new programs and services being offered including:
Soup and Salad Bar- A delicious soup and salad bar will be offer on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:00 -1:00 and is **open to the public**. Price is a mere $3.00.

Community Counseling Center will offer counseling sessions for both seniors as well as caregivers to help one to cope with issues such as depression, anxiety, grief, loss etc. These one on one session are free of charge and offered every Monday from 1:00 pm until 4:00 pm. Weekly discussion groups will also be held with a counselor every Tuesday at 10:30 am. Call 462-2331 to set up a confidential appointment.

SSP in partner ship with the AARP Tax Assistance Program will provide free tax preparation services on Monday, Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Call 465-3298 to make an appointment.

SSP will provide bookkeeping services to assist individuals with monthly bill paying, account reconciliation etc. Contact Amanda at 465-3298 for information.

In March, a six week session on art classes will be offered including drawing, painting and mosaics. Call 465-3298 for information

The center also has a quilting room, for group quilt making and a lending library sourced by the Hayner Public Library District. They also organize great day trips as well as overnight trips to different sight seeing destinations. Check out their newsletter for more information or call 465-3298. Senior Services Plus is located at 2603 North Rodgers Avenue, Alton, Ill. 62002 and on the web at www.seniorservicesplus.org.

# SCORE offers Additional Services

SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business, is a volunteer organization of business peoples that offer free confidential counseling to small business entrepreneurs. The Alton/Godfrey SCORE chapter serves seven counties and is made up of over 40 counselors with a large variety of skills and experience. The Alton Chapter is headquartered in Alden Hall on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College You can arrange to meet with a score volunteer for help achieving with your small business goals and objectives by calling 1-618-467-2280. Counselors are available to meet as best fits your schedule. Also, every Wednesday, the office at Alden Hall is staffed with volunteers from 1:00 – 5.00 for "walk-in" counseling sessions, without a scheduled appointment, To learn more about SCORE, call 467-2280 or check out the web site at www.2lc.edu/score/swis htm.

# Media Relations for Small Business

The Alton/Godfrey SCORE chapter is holding a seminar addressing "Media Relations for Small Businesses." This program will be held Thursday, March 98 from 5:30 p.m to 7:30 p.m in the Reading Room of the Hayner Main Library. Speakers include Candace Mark of "Chick with Brains", Kerry Smith from the "Illinois Business Journal" and Sam Stemm from WBGZ radio This program is free. To register, call the Growth Association at 467-2280.

Local SCORE sponsors include: Carrollton Bank, Cornerstone Bank & Trust, NA, First National Bank, Meridian Bank and TheBANK of Edwardsville.

## *Piasa Bird Author to visit Hayner Branch and Hayner Youth Library*

Hey kids, have you ever wanted to learn about the Legend of the Piasa Bird? If so, join us for a fun afternoon as local author Phyllis Bechtold reads her book "Seymour Bluffs and the Legend of the Piasa Bird". After the book reading, we will have a fun "eagles and Piasa Bird" themed craft. You can also get your picture taken with Seymour, Phyllis' 5 foot tall eagle mascot. Ms. Bechtold will also have copies of her book available for sale and will also hold a book signing. We hope to see you there!

Schedules: Hayner Branch Library,
Saturday April 7, 1:00 p.m.
Hayner Youth Library,
Thursday, April 12, 4:00 p.m.

## *Holiday Generosity*

Thank you for another generous year collecting items for the Alton Crisis Food Center. During the month of December, we waived current fines on Hayner materials in return for non perishable food products. This year we collected over 1000 items to benefit area families. Thank you for your generosity and support.

## *Food For Fido*

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month and in commemoration of this, all three locations of The Hayner Library District will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner material only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation for each fine.

Please remember that 5 A's also has a thrift shop at 632 Wood River Ave., Wood River, Il. It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. They have a large collection of used books (hardcover for $1.00, paperback $.25-$.50), puzzles, clothes, collectibles, household goods, furniture, toys and seasonal items. Donations are accepted and pick up is available for large items. To arrange pick up, call the shelter at 462-3721. For questions regarding the shop, call 254-0635.

Please help our friends at the 5 A's – they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected or abused animals brought to the shelter. Remember, the new shelter is now open at 4530 North Alby Street. Stop by and visit this wonderful new facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever) and, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.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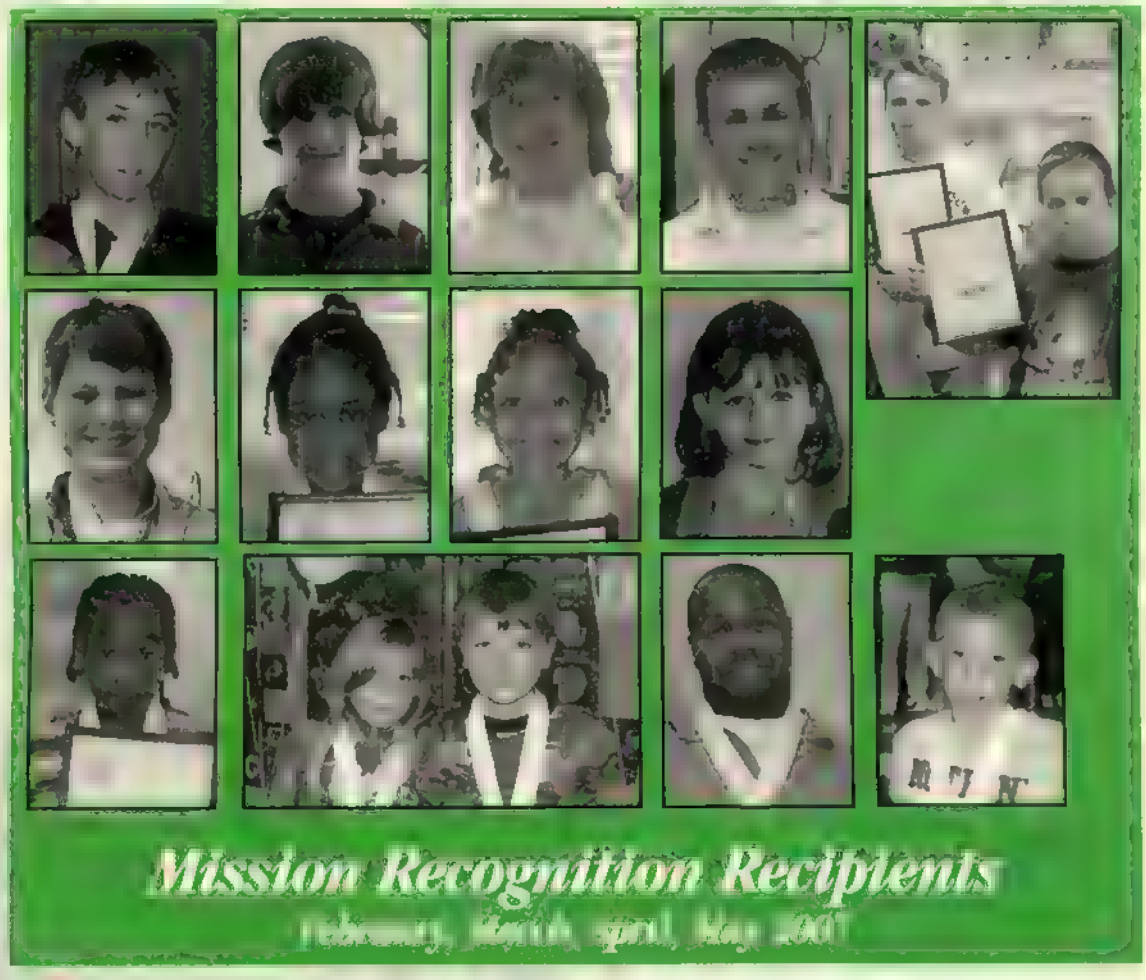


Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 2 & 3

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Mission Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior of the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and non-family) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or in hard copy at any library location.

The February recipients are Kyle Plummer, Travis Kopsie and Curtis Stillwell.

**Kyle Plummer**, a seventh grader in Alton Middle School, lives in Godfrey, Illinois. Kyle studies Tae Kwon Do in Alton and during class one day he found a wallet with over $200 in the men's bathroom. Rather than keep the money, Kyle turned the wallet into his Tae Kwon Do instructor. A comment from the nomination form identified that "[Kyle} showed leadership and set an example to the other kids about doing what is right."

**Travis Kopsie** is a tenth grader in Marquette High School. Travis was in the Hayner Youth library when he found an expensive ipod left behind by a previous patron. Travis did not keep the lost item but turned it in to the library's Lost and Found. Travis' nominator noted that he showed "honesty and integrity by choosing the right thing" in the face of temptation. On an added note, several days later, Travis inquired at the library whether anyone had claimed the lost ipod. He was told that no one had claimed it and, if it was still unclaimed in two weeks, he could have it. Travis said he would pass it on to a needy neighbor who didn't receive gifts at Christmas.

**Curtis Stillwell** is in the eleventh grade at Alton High School. Curtis has a mentally and physically challenged

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sister who is 15 years old. Curtis is an essential part of Sara's care. He always forgoes his own interests and activities to care for his sister He babysits for her often during which he feeds her, helps her dress and entertains her. He takes care of her through her seizures and never complains about his responsibilities. He has missed out on events and opportunities that most kids enjoy at his age, in order to care for his sister. Curtis is considered a "blessing to his family"

The March recipients are Drew Schwartz, Steve Burdick, Blake Forgy, Jordan Broyles, Damuelle Womack and Koran Mason-El.

**Drew Schwartz** is in 12th grade at Marquette High School. He works with a class of 17 Head Start preschoolers who adore him. He reads stories to them and a calls them all by their names. Drew boosts all the children's self esteem and energy for the rest of the week in the 30 minutes he spends in their class. For example, when he read books about playing baseball he dressed like a baseball player and brought his own bat and ball to play with the kids. Drew always goes beyond what he is asked to do. The Head Start students and staff always look forward to Drew's visits

**Steven Burdick** and **Blake Forgy** are both in 5th grade at East Middle School. During a DARE dance on February 16th Steven and Blake found some money in the restroom that they turned into DARE officer Doug Schaefer. This display of honesty and trustworthiness was immediately recognized by Officer Schaefer who attended the Mission Recognition presentation for the boys.

**Jordan Broyles** attends Alton Middle School and is in the 7th grade. While leaving Alton Middle School Campus with friends Jordan found a cell phone lying on the ground. He stopped and made a comment that someone had lost their phone. As he was reaching down to pick it up, one of the kids with him said "why don't they just stomp on it." Jordan quickly picked up the phone and said "no, how you would like it if someone did that to your phone!" Jordan took the phone and found the owner. Jordan did not give in to peer pressure and showed great strength of character by his actions.

**Damielle Womack** and **Koran Mason-El** are both 4 years old, attending the Step by Step Learning Center. This winter, Preschool Director, Kristal Null, was walking through the Pre-K room towards the office when Damuelle Womack stopped her to let her know that Damielle's friend, Jada, had her hair stuck in the loft and could not move. Null and Damielle ran to the loft to find Jada being comforted by Koran Mason-El. Koran told Jada "it's ok, Ms. Krystal is coming." Koran was also trying to comfort Jada by giving Jada Koran's own baby doll. Null untangled Jada's hair and the child was fine. Danuelle and Koran saw a friend in need of help and took control. Both these young girls demonstartaed compassion and kindness.

The April recipient is **Madison Bohn** of Alton, IL. Madison is in first grade at West Elementary School in Alton. She has grown her hair all her life and decided to cut it so she could donate the hair to Locks of Love. Locks of Love provides human hair wigs to kids who have gone through chemotherapy and lost their hair. Madison's 15 inch braid will likely help two children who have lost their hair. Madison lost her grandfather to cancer which inspired her charitable action. Says Madison "I will continue to help people the rest of my life." Madison's mother, Bethany Bohn, said "we give a lot to the cancer society and I am glad she is giving back at such a young age". The Mission Recognition Committee was excited to acknowledge Madison's charitable and caring contribution to those children stricken with this devastating disease.

The May Mission Recognition recipients were Gralan Alexander, Andrew and Julia Campbell, Bradley Everage and Tommy Sykes.

**Gralan Alexander** is in the 5th grade in East Elementary School. On his way to school one morning in April, Gralan noticed a suspicious container tucked under some bushes. As soon as he got to school, Gralan reported to the principal what appeared to be a rusty suitcase hidden by the bushes outside the school. The local authorities were notified and discovered the case to be empty and harmless. Thanks to Garlan's astute awareness and conscientious action, he identified a potentially dangerous situation. Had it been a real emergency, Garlan protected hundreds of children and adults.

**Andrew Campbell** is a 4th grader in West Elementary school and his sister, Julia, is in second grade, also at West. The children had just arrived home from school when they discovered their grandfather was choking on some medication he had taken. Using his grandfather's emergency phone, Andrew reported the emergency, giving their name and address then went outside the house to flag the ambulance. Julia stayed with her grandfather trying to calm him and as soon as the paramedics arrived, Julia rushed them to her grandfather's aid. Fortunately, their grandfather was fine and the paramedics told the grandfather and the children's parents how well the children had handled the emergency and that they should be very proud of Andrew and Julia's quick thinking and responsible actions.

**Tommy Lee Sykes** is a second grader in North Elementary School and one who cares very much about his fellow students. This spring, a book fair was held at Tommy's school and Tommy asked his teacher if he could attend the fair and he also requested permission to take another student with him to the fair. The teacher asked the other student if he had any money for the fair and Tommy spoke up. "I have some change and I am going to buy him something because he (the other boy) was crying yesterday because he didn't have any money." Obviously generous and compassionate, Tommy demonstrated a very caring attitude to his fellow student when he recognized that the other little boy needed a friend.

**Bradley Everage** is a senior in Alton High School. One evening this spring, Bradley stopped at the MacDonald's on Broadway. Suddenly, a man armed with a knife approached a server at the counter, demanding "give me your money." Bradley said "I didn't think of anything except getting the knife out of his hand and helping my friends". He instinctively took a swing at the man and knocked him down. The robber fell to the floor and dropped the knife which Bradley immediately kicked out of the way. Bradley turned the man on his stomach, put the man's hands behind his back and with another customer, kept the man pinned until the police arrived. The man was subsequently arrested and charged with armed robbery. Without a thought for his own safety, Bradley heroically eliminated the danger to the MacDonald's employees and manager. Bradley says his immediate response to thwart the robber came from his upbringing, "my parents (Ronald and Wendy Jones) taught me to do what is right." Alton Police Chief Chris Sullivan says "what he did was an extraordinary, decent act of citizenship. He showed an extraordinary amount of quick thinking"

Following college, Bradley is planning a career in law enforcement.

## *Another New Service - Coming Soon!*

The Hayner Public Library District will be offering a new service we think you will be excited about. All three Hayner locations will be installing Disc Cleaning machines at their respective circulation desks. Studies have shown that the functional life of CD's and DVD's made available for public use averages only about 10 plays. Replacement of media and consequent catalogue handling costs makes a significant impact on the library's non print material budget. The Disc Cleaning machine removes scratches and extends the life of the various media. Once the equipment is installed in the libraries (early summer) we will be evaluating how to make this service available to patrons at a nominal fee to repair your own discs. Watch for more information!

## *A Great Sorrow for the Library and the Community*

On February 24, 2007, June Walker passed away to the great sadness of many. June ran Walker's Wee Glen Training facility in Godfrey, offering classes ranging from puppy socialization to agility training. June was also an evaluator for Therapy Dog International and trained and certified dogs through this organization. June established the therapy dog group Touched by a Canine, in memory of her husband, Chuck Walker, who preceded her in death in 2002. June described Chuck as her constant companion, and all who knew them observed their devotion to each other.

Touched by a Canine is a local group of therapy dog handlers whose dogs have been certified by June. Both as a group and individually, the handlers and their dogs voluntarily visit nursing homes, hospitals, schools and the library, bringing out smiles, laughter and well- being wherever they go. They also participate in such activities as local parades and Dog Olympics. Touched by a Canine today is composed of twenty handlers from all walks of life, closely bonded by their love of animals and their devotion to June.

June was an integral partner with The Hayner Public Library District in establishing the library's youth reading program, Bow wow Pow wow. Bow wow Pow wow's inception began after an article appeared in the magazine *Public Libraries* (volume 41). The article detailed the success of one library in particular, the Salt Lake City Public Library, which had developed a program for young children to read to therapy dogs. The program resulted in a dramatic improvement in children's reading skills as well as a strengthening of their self confidence. Interested in starting a similar program, Hayner

***June Walker, center, surrounded by several members of Touched by a Canine (from left to right): Tina Lohr, Pattie Gibbs, June, Karen Nichols, Louise Chapman, Jason Chapman and Julie Kuebrich.***

Library began searching for a therapy dog group to participate. Serendipitously, two days into the search, *The Telegraph* ran a feature describing June's development of the Touched by a Canine group. Inspired and excited, Hayner staff contacted June and a meeting ensued. With June's support and participation, Bow wow Pow wow was created.

Since 2003, on the second Saturday of every month, June and the dog handlers have come to the Hayner Youth Library at 10:00 am. Kids of all ages and all reading skills are invited to join us and read to the dogs. What occurs is an hour of fun, excitement, laughs, reading and wagging tails. The kids learn to love reading, love the library and love and respect these wonderful animals. Parents, grandparents and neighbors come because it is so much fun to observe the children interacting with the dogs. Cameras are always welcome. At times, there have been up to 30 children and over fifteen dogs. June never missed a Saturday and coordinated all the activities with the attending Touched by Canine members.

June would bring her Great Dane, the gentle giant Blue Bayou, and/or her wire haired Dachshund, Oliver. Kids gravitated to Blue, leaning against him like a warm furry pillow as they read contentedly. It was so obvious the connection June had with her animals and all the animals she certified as therapy dogs. June's gentle soul and loving heart were reflected in the dogs' adoring eyes and attentive respect. The members of Touched by a Canine are committed to working to continue the Bow wow Pow wow program at The Hayner Public Library every second Saturday of the month; but it will take a long time, if ever, to adjust to the loss of June's leadership and, even more importantly, her friendship and kindness.

Should you care to make a contribution in recognition of June, her work and her many gifts to the community, memorials are being accepted. Contact Bernadette for more information at 462-0677. Any funds will go to support the continuation of Touched by a Canine. Should you want to contact Touched by a Canine to set up a visit to your organization, call Patrick Murphy at 462-9511.

## *Board of Trustee 2007 Elections*

This April, elections were held to seat three out of the seven positions on The Hayner Public Library District Board of Trustees.

Elected to the board for the first time was Mary Lou DeGrand Watson. Dan St Peters, who served a partial term in 2006/2007 was elected to a six year term. Also re-elected to a six year term was Rick Lauschke.

Mary Lou is an Alton native and the mother of four children. She works at Lewis and Clark Community College as an Internet Course Technician and Adjunct Education Instructor. Mary Lou is the daughter of the late Nancy DeGrand. Nancy served as the Chief Financial Officer for the library from 1974-1996 and was a member of the Board of Trustees from 1997 to 2006. Mary Lou notes she is very excited continuing her mother's tradition of service to the library district. Dan is also an Alton native. He works at St. Peters Hardware and Rental Center and has four children.

Additional board members include Susan Huber, Kevin Chapel, Sue Fitzgerald and Kevin Botterbush.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Summer Computer Classes

The Previous series of computer classes were in such demand, we are going to repeat the series and add an additional topic. We will be filling the classes with names already on our waiting list. To place your name on the list, call 1-800-613-3163. If you were able to attend the last series of classes, please do not repeat your enrollment unless you are signing up for the Advanced Beginner Word class. In that case, if you were in the first set of classes and wish to continue where we left off, you may request sign up. The trainng classes will be small, limited to 10 students each. At this time, the classes will be open to Hayner Library card holders only. The classes are:

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**Beginning Word 2003**- Adjusting margins, alignment, spacing, changing font type and font size, importing graphics, centering, headers and footers.

***This class will meet on two separate evenings. Each class will be a two-hour session. You may sign up for ONE session:***
***Session 1: 5:30 – 7:30 on Wed., July 18th***
***Session 2: 5:30 – 7:30 on Wed., July 25th***

**Advanced Word**- This class will cover some of the more advanced word formatting topics, to help you add flair, templates and tables to your documents.

***This class will meet on two separate evenings. Each class will be a two-hour session. You may sign up for ONE session:***
***Session 1: 5:30 – 7:30 on Wed., Aug. 1st***
***Session 2: 5:30 – 7:30 on Wed., Aug. 8th***

**Internet/email**- basic searches, how to import/export information, internet email sites, ways to block sites.

***This class will meet on two separate evenings. Each class will be a two-hour session. You may sign up for ONE session:***
***Session 1: 5:30 – 7:30 on Wed., Aug. 15th***
***Session 2: 5:30 – 7:30 on Wed., Aug. 22nd***

These classes are free of charge but require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Leave the class you are interested in, and session you prefer. You must also leave the bar code number on the back of your Hayner Library card. You will be contacted confirming your seat in the class.

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer are here! And things will be jumping at the Hayner Main Library with great summer programs. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

### Reminder

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### Bow-wow Pow-wow

**Saturday, June 9**
**Saturday, July 14**
**Saturday, August 11**
**Saturday, September 8**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Jim Two Crows Wallen
### Two Crows Fur Company

**Tuesday, June 19, 6:30 p.m.**

*"I'm half horse, half alligator and a little touch of the snappin' turtle."*

Are you tough enough to survive the perils facing the Rocky Mountain Fur Trapper of the early 1800s? Jim Two Crows will take you on a death-defying trip from St. Louis to deep in the heart of the Rockies. The captivating history of the extraordinary mountain men Jim Bridger, Hugh Glass and others will be discovered through Two Crows' spellbinding stories. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Dvorak

***Old Songs and New People***

**Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Folk singer Mark Dvorak presents an intergenerational program of American folk songs—many recognizable, some new. Mark uses humor and anecdotes to familiarize the audience with his music. Mark is an instructor at the famed Chicago Old Town School of Music and has released multiple award-winning CDs. The Chicago Tribune has identified Mark as "a commanding vocalist and masterful banjo player." Mark also has been distinguished as "one of today's most important folk artists." We are so excited about Mark's return to Hayner. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy an evening of music, humor and fun. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Sandi Sylver

***More Stories and Songs of Life, Love and Laughter***

**Tuesday, July 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Sandi Sylver, storyteller-ventriloquist-songstress (from the Chicago area), will perform with her all-new adult show, "More Stories and Songs of Life, Love and Laughter." Sandi last visited us two years ago, to a standing-room-only audience who appreciated a performance that was warm, creative, fun and inspiring. This time around, Sandi is bringing her newest puppet-family member, "Shari Cary," a teenager from "LongGyland, like, in New Yawk, like, ya'know, whatevah"! Of course, the rest of "the Girls," "Toodles" and "Mrs. Adelia Rose Honeycutt, of the Atlanta, Georgia, Honeycutts," will be along for the ride. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Randy Erwin

***Cowboy Music, Folklore and History***

**Tuesday, July 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Award-winning performer and yodeler Randy Erwin has been described by the Los Angeles Times as "one of the most versatile, far-ranging voices this side of Bobby McFerrin." He has performed at Carnegie Hall, London's Queen Elizabeth Hall, The Library of Congress, and all

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over the U.S., Canada and Great Britain. He has four critically acclaimed CDs and provided the yodeling score for the Walt Disney animated film "Home on the Range." Randy also discusses the origins of cowboy culture: how they lived, worked and spun tall tales. He may even do some rope tricks! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Forest Bevineau*
## *The Singing Sheriff*

**Thursday, August 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Well known Deputy Forest Bevineau (a.k.a The Singing Sheriff) has a huge following throughout the area. His incomparable singing voice and incredible repertoire of all types of music has brought him fans of all ages. Also a king of karaoke (he has won first prize on three different cruise vacations), his performances are often a mix of musical styles and can run the gamut from gospel to country western, popular to R & B and more. He says sometimes he just looks at the audience to decide what to sing. He loves to have the audience sing along. Join us for what promises to be a great evening of song and surprises. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

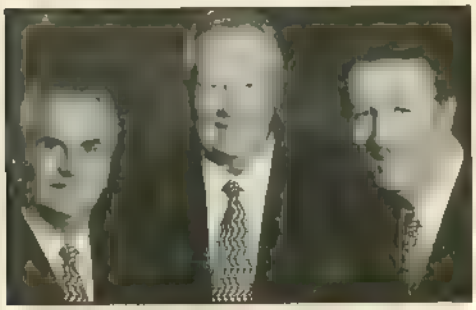
## *Wanda Mountain Boys*

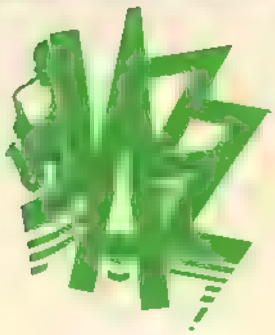
***Best Southern Gospel***

**Tuesday, August 14, 6:30 p.m.**

*NOTE: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL*

The Wanda Mountain Boys are an extremely popular local group that performs Southern Gospel music. They have traveled around the country performing to packed houses. Their musical repertoire is one of devotion and inspiration. Come hear their beautiful harmonies as they sing favorite gospel pieces. Register at 1-800-613-3163.





## *Ron Asbeck*

***Guitar Ron Songs and Stories***

**Tuesday, August 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Ron Asbeck, otherwise known as Guitar Ron, has been active in music venues since childhood. During his childhood years, Ron began his guitar studies and has loved performing in various community and university groups. Today, one of Ron's favorite pastimes is playing with the Homestead Pickers at Silver Dollar City. Ron has been a featured performer at area schools, Head Start and senior citizens programs, telling stories and singing songs concentrating on what life was like before television. Ron consistently receives great reviews because of his friendly personality, enthusiasm, sense of humor and connection with the audience. For this performance he will be joined by his granddaughter, Kirsten, who is a Suzuki-trained violinist and also an enthusiastic storyteller! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *George Portz*

***Friends of Bluegrass***

**Tuesday, September 11, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & "The Friends of Bluegrass" are one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun music. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's "musical philosophy" is to always "leave 'em wanting more"…and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Judy Hoffman*

***The Legend of the Piasa Bird:***
***A New Look at the Old Bird***

**Tuesday, September 18, 6:30 p.m.**

The Piasa Bird is our area's most famous antiquity. It's image has inspired poetry, legends, folklore, paintings, and a host of scholarly theories and disputes. Yet, it's an image about which we know very little. For instance, who painted the Piasa Bird? What did the original painting look like? Do we know when it was painted, where it was painted, or why it was painted? Do we know how the extraordinary feat was actually accomplished? Indeed, do we even know if it ever really existed? The mysterious case of the Piasa Bird presents us with the ultimate local history mystery. Local author Judy Hoffman will examine these questions, helping to define the history of the Piasa bird, separating fact from fiction. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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## *Jazz in the Park Concert Series*

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with The North Alton Godfrey Business Council and the Village of Godfrey Parks and Recreation Department to present a series of musical entertainment to be enjoyed under the stars. All concerts are free and will run from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. The schedules include the following performances:

- *The following programs (6/13, 7/18, 8/15) will all be held in the Whispering Winds Gazebo in Glazebrook Park, Godfrey, Illinois. In the event of rain or inclement weather, these events will be held at The Commons on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College*
- Wednesday, June 13, *"Shades of Blue"*, The United States Air Force Band of Mid America
- July 18, Sentimental Journey, 20 piece swing band and August 15, The Gary Dammer Big Band featuring vocalist Sherri Drake.

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## Hayner Branch Library Events

Held at OASIS Alton Center

### *Family Game Nights*

June 20, July 18, August 22
All game nights begin at 6:30 pm

One night each month in the summer, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play, or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family, or play with some other great library patrons! Program will be held at OASIS.

### *Let's Go to the Movies!*

June 15, July 13, August 24
The movies will begin at noon and are approximately 1 to 1-1/2 hours long

We would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of three great movies from the Hayner Library movie collection. The first, After the Funeral, is a murder mystery featuring one of the world's most famous detectives, Hercule Poirot. The second movie, Under St. Louis, will take you deep down into the caverns, tunnels, basements, sewers, and underground passageways of St. Louis that most people never get to see! The third movie, Versailles: The Visit, will take you on a tour of one of the most famous palaces in the world—with access to little seen areas of the palace, garden, and park. Popcorn will round out the movie experience. Get your "ticket" today! Program will be held at OASIS.

### *Reading Machine Donated to Hayner Library*

Earlier this spring, the library received a "The Reading Edge—A Kurzweil Reader" machine as a donation from Mr. Ray Thompson. The machine has the capability of scanning pages of print material (letters, books, magazines, etc.) and then reading the information back via an electronic voice. The Reading Edge was designed by Xerox Imaging Systems as an aid for the visually impaired. This machine will be available for use at the Branch Library. Patrons interested in using the machine should ask for assistance at the Circulation Desk.

### *Thank You OASIS!*

The Hayner Public Library district would like to thank OASIS (Older Adult Services and Information Systems) for allowing us to use their facility inside Macy's for Branch Library programs throughout the year. Because of limited space inside the Branch Library, we would be unable to hold our monthly programs if it were not for their kindness. We would also like to thank De Harris, the Center Manager of the Alton OASIS for her kindness and flexibility when it comes to scheduling the dates and times of our programs! Thanks again to De and OASIS!

## Hayner Youth Library

### Summer Activities for June, July and August 2007

"Mission Read: To The Library and Beyond" – Opening Day For Summer Registration
June 2nd – Saturday
9:00 am – 5:00 pm – Hayner Youth
June 2nd – Saturday
9:30 am – 9:00 pm – Hayner Branch

Preschool Storytime – Mondays – 10:00 am
June 11th & 25th – July 9th & 23rd – August 6th & 20th

Lapsit Storytime – Tuesdays – 10:00 am
June 5th & 19th – July 17th & 31st – August 14th & 28th

Preschool Storytime – Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 am
June 12th & 26th – July 10th & 24th

Evening Storytime – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
June 5th & 19th – July 17th & 31st – August 14th & 28th

Video Game Nights – Wednesday – 5:00 pm
June 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th – July 11th, & 18th

*Note:* Hayner Youth Library has two new playstations for our Video Game nights. The games we offer are DDR (Dance, Dance, Revolution SuperNova,) Guitar Hero and SingStar Rocks. Come and join us- it's going to be great fun. You can come in and challenge your friends or challenge a Hayner staff member!

Summertime Crafts – Thursdays – 10:00 am – Youth Library

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| June 7th | June 28th |
| June 14th | July 12th |
| June 21st | July 19th |

### Special Events and Performers:

Trebor Promotions – A1 Clowns and Entertainers – Saturday – 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
June 2nd – Youth Department

JoJo the Magical Clown – Jodi Redler – Tuesday – 11:00 am
June 5th – Youth Department

Babaloo – Rob Compton – Monday – 11:00 am
June 11th – Youth Department

Laughing Matters – Jay Cady – Tuesday – 11:00 am
June 19th – Youth Department

Juggler – Jason Huneke – Monday – 11:00 am
June 25th – Youth Department

Magician – Thursday – 11:00 am
June 28th – Youth Department

Mad Scientist – Joseph "NitroJoe" Higgs – Monday – 11:00 am
July 9th – Youth Department

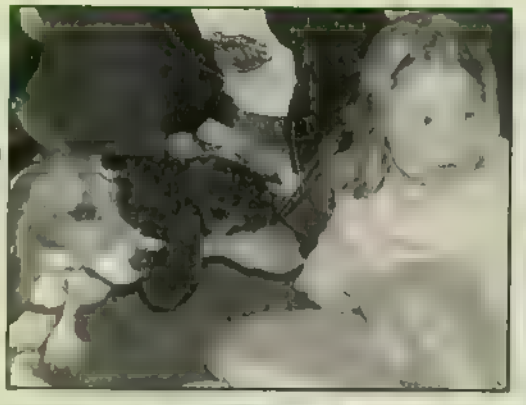
Magician – Jesse Gernigin – Tuesday – 11:00 am
July 17th – Youth Department

Storyteller – Bobby Norfolk – Monday – 11:00 am
July 23rd – Youth Department

Shantastoryteller – Shanta Nurullah – Thursday – 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
July 26th – The Commons at Lewis & Clark Community College

## *Keep the Kids Reading!*

Just because school is out, doesn't mean the books have to be put away. Keep your kids reading for the fun of it! Come to our Bow wow Pow wow the second Saturday of each month at 10:00 am. Children of all ages are invited to come and interact with certified therapy dogs. The dogs love being read to and your child's confidence and reading enjoyment grow dramatically. Join us Saturday June 9, July 14, August 11 and September 8 in the Hayner Youth Library and help your child understand that reading is more than just homework.



## *Hayner Participates in eScrip Program at Schnucks*

Schnucks Market Inc. has instigated a new fund raising program called Schnucks eScrip Community Card. Every time the eScrip Community Card is presented at the checkout, Schnucks will give a percentage of the total grocery bill to the consumer's designated organization (school, church or non-profit youth group). You can sign up for the card at any Schnucks Customer Service desk. You then present the card as you check out and Schnucks will donate a financial contribution (a percentage of your total purchase) to the organizations of your choice.

According to Larry Maggio, Schnucks Director of Marketing, each cardholder can earn funds for his or her favorite organizations without doing anything extra. "The meter starts and ends each month. Our customers earn one percent for the first $300 in sales, two percent on the next $301-$600 and three percent on sales between $601-$999," Maggio says.

Customers can earn from out of pocket Schnucks Pharmacy purchases as well. However, money cannot be earned on the purchase of Schnucks Gift Cards, special services or taxes.

Once you pick up a card at the Schnucks customer service desk, you can then call 800-931-6258 to sign up and designate up to three different organizations as beneficiaries. Organizations will receive their funds monthly, making it an on-going, year-round fundraiser. Churches, schools and non profit organizations are eligible recipients. The Hayner Public Library District is listed as a potential recipient.

The eScrip website www.escrip.com provides additional information and also allows you to sign up on line. When you sign up, you can use the Hayner Library group number 500006202. You can also pick up an informational pamphlet at the store's service desk.

Here's a great (and easy) way to support the community organizations of your choice. The Hayner Public Library District is excited to be able to participate in, and benefit from, this program. We hope you will keep us in mind when you sign up!

In the past, the Hayner Public Library District has been the recipient of several sizable bequests. Please be aware that the Library District is a 501-c3 tax exempt organization which is of benefit to anyone interested in gifting to the library through honorariums, estate planning, etc.

## *Food for Fido*

During the month of April, all three library locations were accepting pet food to waive late fines on currently overdue material. The food was donated to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. Over 10 cartons of food were collected. The 5 A's is completely dependent on community donations. Please remember to help.

**www.haynerlibrary.org**

# 2007 Hayner Adult Summer Reading Program June 2 – July 14

Win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates just for reading this summer—that's right, just for reading! How? It's easy--just sign up for Hayner Library's Adult Summer Reading Program. From June 2nd through July 14th, for every book or audio book you read or listen to, you can enter a drawing to win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates. Two $100 sets of certificates will be awarded, one from Hayner's Downtown branch and one from Hayner's Alton Square branch. Every time you finish a book or audio book, fill out an entry form and drop it in an entry box. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! The rules are easy too: you must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; register at Hayner's downtown or Alton Square circulation desks to participate and pick up additional entry forms. Drawings for these sets of restaurant gift certificates will be held on Saturday, July 14th. Come on—it's easy! We've even included your first entry form here!

Name:_____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

Book Title and Author:

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# Hayner Teen Summer Reading Program

12 to 18 year olds join us for Hayner Library's first ever Teen Summer Reading Program. Registration will begin Saturday June 16th. To register, come by the Branch location at 201 Alton Square. We will have weekly prizes, weekly events, and lots lots more! All participants who complete their contract will be eligible for a free book and a chance to win a grand prize at the end of the summer reading party. Register between 10am and 1pm on kick off day and receive an airbrush tattoo! We hope you join us for a summer of reading fun!

## Teen Events:

- **Airbrush Tattoo** – Receive an Airbrush Tattoo when you register for the Summer Reading Program – ***June 16th 10 am to 1 pm***. Hayner Branch location.
- **John Krane** – Come kick back and listen to local singer songwriter John Krane – ***June 5th at 3:30 pm***. Hayner Branch location.
- **Archeologist** – Have you ever wanted to know how Flinknapping is done? If so, come join us as local archeologist Larry Kinsella demonstrates that and much more! ***June 12th at 4 pm***. Hayner Branch location.
- **Downtown Scavenger Hunt** – Come join us for an afternoon of fun in downtown Alton as we explore its history. ***June 19th at 1 pm***. Hayner Youth location.
- **Sumo Suit Wrestling** – Come suit up and have the most fun you've ever had! ***June 26th 12 pm to 4 pm***. Hayner Branch location.
- **Crazy Bowling** – You want me to do what? Crazy Bowling a bowling experience like no other. ***July 10th at 1 pm***. We will meet at Bowl Haven Lanes. Registration is required. To register, call 463-1276.
- **Gaming Day** – DDR, Karaoke Rock Star, Guitar Hero, Board Games and snacks. What more could you ask for? ***July 17th 1 pm-3 pm*** Hayner Branch location.
- **End of the Summer Reading Party** – ***Tuesday July 24th*** – Don't miss the fun! Karaoke DJ, food and prizes. Everyone who completes their contract will get a free book and be entered for a chance to win our grand prize! ***July 24th from 1 pm-3 pm***. Hayner Branch Library.

## Hayner Teen Events: (Ages 13 to 18)

- Be part of the **Hayner Teen Advisory Council (TAC)**. Group meets the ***2nd Tuesday of each month***. Ages 13 – 18 welcome. For more information, contact Sharon at 463-1276.
- **Gaming Night** –Calling all gamers! Come join us for an evening of fun and games! DDR, Guitar Hero board games and much more. ***Friday, August 3rd*** and ***Friday, September 7th, 5:30 pm-8:00 pm***. Hayner Branch location (held in the Old Wellness Center).
- **Library Survivor** – Come see if you can survive the library as we challenge you with questions about Young Adult Services. ***Thursday, October 4th at 5:30 pm***. Hayner Branch Library.

# Hayner Youth Library Summer Reading Program

The theme for this summer's 2007 reading program at Hayner Youth Library is called "MISSION READ: To the Library and BEYOND." It begins June 2nd and ends July 21st at the Hayner Youth Division Any child from birth – 12 years of age may participate in this program. If you love to read this is the program for you. To register for just the reading program the dates are Saturday, June 2nd – Saturday, July 7th. At our reading program, the Youth Library will be giving away all kinds of nice incentive prizes to keep the children interested in reading. If you want to keep those reading skills sharp for the upcoming school year, then this is the way to do it. Along with the actual reading program, any resident of Alton-Godfrey and cardholders of Hayner Public Library District can join the extra activities, like storytimes, crafts, and gaming nights which will include play station games. Hayner Library will also be hosting wonderful performers Anyone and everyone can attend these performances, no registration required. We have a JD Junior Volunteer Program that allows youth ages 12-15 to work here at the library one day a week. Application packets will be available at the Hayner Youth Library on Monday, March 26th. And to top it all off, there will be a grand End of Summer Party at the Commons on the campus of the Lewis and Clark Community College where awards and prizes will be given away. The date for the party is Thursday from 5-8 pm, on July 26, 2007.

## New Tool for Antique Lovers

Antique lovers—Hayner has a new tool to help you become your own Road Show detective. If you want to learn more about a treasured antique or see if a collectible or garage sale find might be worth something, the first place to turn is Hayner's new online database, p4A Antiques Reference database.

P4A—Prices for Antiques—provides prices, descriptions and background information for all types of antiques and collectibles. You can use this database to estimate the value of similar items you may wish to buy, sell or insure. Every record includes at least one picture, making it easy to tell if the item listed is really similar to the item you are researching. Since the database is easily accessed from home, you can have the item right in front of you while you do your research. Estimated values and realized prices are given for items listed in the database, along with the date of sale and auction house information.

P4A is used by personal property appraisers, museums, and auction houses. The information in p4A is drawn from about fifty leading regional auction houses in the U.S., along with other selected specialist auctions. Each record is presented in a standardized format that is easily searchable with a few keystrokes. About 87% of all the information in p4A Antiques Reference is unique to this site, and much of the remaining information is not searchable using standard web engines.

P4A can be accessed both at the library and from home. A Hayner Library card barcode is required for home access. To access from home, go to Hayner's website at www.haynerlibrary.org. Click on Online Databases and then click on p4A Antiques Reference.

## Happenings at OASIS

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Macy's at the Alton Square Mall (upper level). Call 465-1490 for registration information.

**Yoga** - Ongoing Yoga classes are held at OASIS. Call for dates, times and cost.

**Lion King at the Fox** - A mesmerizing musical with outstanding costumes – a must see event!
Thursday, June 28 - Fee: $76 includes motor coach transportation and orchestra seating tickets.

**Step by Step Walkers** - A new walking program offered through OASIS and Alton Memorial Hospital. Visit our booth the second Monday of each month from 8:00-10:00 a.m. by the escalators on the upper level. Free health screenings will be provided and a free pedometer to all who sign up.

**Health Fair- Alton Square** - Alton Memorial Hospital and OASIS partner again to offer you a health and resource fair. Free health screenings and booths from various organizations and businesses will be on hand. Saturday, August 11, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

## Adult Education Program Working to Change Lives

For more than 27 years, the Adult Education Division of Lewis & Clark Community College has been reaching out to Madison, Calhoun, Jersey, Greene and Macoupin counties to provide literacy and educational support to more than 1, 200 students each year.

The Adult Education Department is comprised of various free programs that each aim to provide support services to adults. One such program, **Project READ,** helps to combat illiteracy and aims to recruit volunteer tutors for learners whose literacy needs have been assessed. These learners might be individuals from the community who are trying to improve their job marketability, read bedtime stories to their children/grandchildren or read their prescriptions more accurately Other learners may be adult students presently attending classes who find that they need one-on-one support. If you are a high school or GED graduate who has two hours a week to dedicate to helping a learner, or if you know a potential learner who wants to improve his reading or math skills, call Nancy Johnson at 618-468-4144.

***"The economic viability of a community depends on an educated and literate workforce," Val Harris, director of Adult Education, said. "Our programs at Lewis and Clark serve those who have limited resources or who have simply struggled to find academic success. After completing our programs our students go on to post-secondary education or put their literacy skills to use in the workplace. It is critical that we bring educational services to all members of our community and stop the cycle of illiteracy."***

Programs at LCCC in addition to Project READ include the **GED** program, which prepares students to take the GED test. Nearly 200 adults graduate from this free program each year, and many go on to post-secondary education opportunities. The **Enriched GED** program is designed for a select group of students, age 16-18, who are getting a GED while transitioning into college classes. **GED Illinois** offers students who cannot attend class a chance to earn their GED online. **Family Education** is a service of the division that gives parents in the GED program tools to help their children succeed in school. The **English as a Second Language** program helps individuals learn to speak better English through classroom instruction. **Community Technology** makes computer labs and basic instruction available within targeted communities to help bridge the digital divide.

Services are offered at multiple locations throughout our five-county area. For more information about the programs and services offered, contact Val Harris at 618-468-4100.

# Patron Profile – Donna Behle

Donna Behle has lots of energy—make that LOTS and LOTS of energy. She needs it, since she spends her days walking, walking and walking some more. As a professional pet sitter and dog walker, Donna gets lots of fresh air! She started her business, Noah's Nanny, in 2005 and just loves it. It is a perfect fit for Donna, who is an avid animal lover and also owner of a certified therapy dog, Gryphon. Donna was born in West Virginia and spent most of her young life in the Pittsburgh area. After school, she worked as a dental assistant until 1979 when she was hired as a flight attendant for Ozark airlines. She flew with Ozark for one month when they went on strike and she was furloughed.

It was a year and a half before Donna was flying again. She flew with Ozark for 2 years, based in Chicago. Then she was transferred to St. Louis and flew for an additional 21 years out of Lambert, initially for Ozark Airlines, then for TWA (which acquired Ozark) and finally for American Airlines, after it acquired TWA.

Donna loved her job and loved the traveling. She met her husband, Larry, through flying. He flew for 32 years as a captain with Ozark/TWA. Because of the perks of free airline employee travel when a flight was not fully booked, Donna and her husband loved to drop everything for a weekend out of town, particularly in San Francisco, one of her favorite cities. Donna has also visited Rome, Yugoslavia, Hawaii (several times) and Vancouver among numerous other locations.

Donna related one flight incident that she will never forget. It occurred during a flight from St. Louis to Chicago. The flight Donna was working (with two other attendants) had taken off and was still in its ascent when there was a horrendous noise and the plane, a DC9, filled with the smell of burning oil. The lights flickered and the oxygen masks dropped. People were grabbing their ears in pain due to cabin pressure changes. Donna couldn't tell where they were in their flight path, and the captain did not have time to contact the flight crew. Donna knew she and the other flight attendant had to determine which of two emergency exits they would need to use. She grabbed a flashlight and began helping to direct passengers. Miraculously, the plane made a safe landing.

As Donna worked her way to the cockpit, she couldn't believe what she saw. The entire front windshield of the plane was covered in feathers and blood. The plane had hit a whole flock of Canadian geese! Emergency vehicles streamed to the plane, and the mechanics who were checking the damage were incredulous that the pilot was able to land the plane safely. The collar around the engine was beaten in as if by sledge hammers. The geese apparently had also entered the plane through the radar area in the plane's nose. The pilot said he could feel them beating against the forward buckhead at his feet. As Donna was helping shaken passengers to deplane, she looked to the front of the aircraft and saw a worker pulling geese out of the nose and dropping them onto a pile that looked like a haystack of feathers!

In 2000, Donna, though still flying, started volunteering her time at St. Anthony's Hospice. She says, "It was the best thing I've ever done, and it was one of the hardest things I've ever done." One day, Donna attended a conference addressing hospice issues and she saw a "goofy-looking" dog with a hat and sunglasses wearing a sign that said "I'm a hospice dog."

Donna was immediately excited with the concept and approached St. Anthony's Hospice staff. They agreed that if Donna trained and certified a dog for hospice work, they would give it a try. Donna carefully researched breeds. She knew she wanted a small dog that could get in a patient's hospital bed and one that had an extraordinarily calm temperament. Her studies led her to the Papillon breed. Papillon is French for butterfly, and the breed is so named because its ears look like butterfly wings. Interestingly, the hospice program is divided into different stages; the last stage is "butterfly," symbolizing the spirit going to heaven. Donna says it felt like karma that she had found her breed of choice.

Donna procured her puppy (Gryphon) and at 16 weeks old, started him in training at the late June Walker's Wee Glen Training School. June was authorized by Therapy Dogs International to certify therapy dogs after rigorous testing. Under this program, many facets of a dog's training and performance are tested. Two of the more challenging things the dogs must learn are (1) never to flinch at loud noises—hospitals and nursing homes can be loud sometimes because of the machinery and/or ambulance sirens, and (2) to perfect the "leave it command." If the dog goes for an object on the floor and hears "leave it" he is to stop in his tracks and ignore the object. This is invaluable in nursing homes, where patients often may unknowingly drop their pills in their beds or on the floor.

Gryphon passed his therapy certification the first time he tested, and Donna was soon accompanying June Walker on her visits to nursing homes and hospitals, helping cheer up patients and brighten their day through visits with the little wonder dog Gryphon, a.k.a. "Master of the Earth and Universe," says Donna.

In 2002, Donna retired from the airlines and devoted herself to therapy dog work, often helping June during June's training classes. Some of the dogs in Donna's classes were "special needs" dogs, requiring medicine or special care. Donna started thinking about how she could help these dogs and their owners and hit on the idea of starting her own pet-sitting service. With strong encouragement from June, Donna decided to pursue her dream. Cutting through the red tape of bonding, insurance, setting up her books, etc., almost defeated her, but the success of the thriving business June had established was an inspiration to Donna. Today, Donna's pet-sitting service, Noah's Nanny, is in its second year of business and thriving! Donna has grown a strong base of repeat customers and is receiving many referrals from highly satisfied clients.

Noah's Nanny Pet Sitting is truly full service. Donna will visit a client's house as often as desired each day. She spends 45 minutes to an hour with a pet on every visit. She will feed animals, give them medicine, check their water and take them for walks, or just play with them in their yards. Her service helps to avoid the stress pets go through if they have to be kenneled when their humans are away, particularly for older dogs. It is also a boon for people who have to work long hours, or for a pet that needs daily medication.

Donna has cared for dogs that are blind, deaf, paralyzed, three-legged —you name it. She conducts full interviews with new clients to understand their wishes and the dog's needs and, of course, to get vital information such as emergency phone numbers, vet's name and number, and so forth.

Donna also is always happy to go the extra mile. If clients are delayed in returning home, they need only give her a call and she will ensure their pet is cared for. Donna recalls one evening when she was at a clients' home and a terrible storm came in. Since the house was off a long dirt road that tended to wash out, Donna was concerned that she would not be able to get back to the house for her morning visit. Rather than risk leaving the animals unattended the next day, she stayed at the house overnight!

Donna's non-human customer set has ranged from crabs (yes, crabs) to hamsters, rabbits, cats, dogs and horses. Donna is fully insured and a certified member of Pet Sitters International

## *Staff Picks –What We're Reading*

**Liquid Jade: The Story of Tea from East to West** by Beatrice Hohenegger. Nonfiction.
Learn about the origins of tea drinking in Asia, or of penny universities and coffeehouses in Europe, and more in this engaging book on the historical and cultural events surrounding tea as it grew to become the world's most consumed beverage. In this well-written narrative, each chapter can be savored; so sit down with a nice cup of tea and enjoy this delightful book. – Jean S.

**Posh** by Lucy Jackson. Fiction
In Posh we get a glimpse into the privileged lives of the rich, as seen through the students attending the exclusive Griffin School in New York City, and their relationships with their parents and the headmistress of the school who goes by the name of "Lazy." More than designer fashions and lavish spending, this book is about relationships, both loving and troubling. With its good mix of humor, Posh makes for an enjoyable read. – Jean S.

**The Quilter's Homecoming**
by Jennifer Chiaverini. Fiction
This is the 10th title in the Elm Creek Quilts series. In 1925 newlyweds Henry and Elizabeth Nelson leave Pennsylvania to begin a new life in California. Henry discovers that he has been swindled out of his life savings after "buying" a cattle ranch sight unseen. Destitute, they end up working for the owners of the ranch they had hoped to own. The Nelsons make a home out of an old abandoned cabin, where Elizabeth finds two old quilts. A surprise ending involves these quilts but left unsolved is whether or not Elizabeth recovers her own beloved Wedding Ring quilt. Hopefully, we'll find out in her next book.—Sharon S.

**Finn: A Novel** by Jon Clinch.
In this darkly luminous debut, Finn, the namesake of the title, is not Twain's illustrious Huck, but Huck's father, "Pap". "Finn" begins and ends with a body floating slowly down the Mississippi. In between, Clinch tells us the story of Finn's life on and near the river. His life is one of a continual fear and danger of violent death; the life of a man, solitary, poor, nasty, brutish and violent. Huck is presented as the mulatto son of Finn and his common-law wife, Mary, a runaway slave girl. Finn, however, has a hatred of slaves (inherited from his father, a judge) and cannot rationally coexist in his relationship to Mary. The book also brings us snapshots of characters from Twain's "Huck Finn" such as the Widow Douglas and Judge Thatcher Clinch's writing is so evocative and visual you can literally hear, smell and experience life living on the banks of the Mississippi prior to the Civil War. Clinch presents Finn as a tormented soul both loathsome and pathetic. We feel sorry for him as much as we abominate him. This is a riveting first novel, already receiving a flood of critical acclaim. – Bernie D.

**Crimson Portrait** by Jody Shields. Fiction
It's 1915. A young British war widow agrees to have her estate become a military hospital for patients whose faces have been damaged almost beyond repair. When she falls in love with a patient, she is tempted to have his face remade to look like that of her dead husband. Shields's writing weaves dark mythical symbolism with the matter-of-fact medical nitty-gritty to reveal what happens when class, ignorance, hopefulness and despair coalesce. This is a spellbinding book. – Bernie D.

**New York Life in the Big City** – Will Eisner
With an unparalleled eye for stories and expressive illustration, Will Eisner, the master and pioneer of American comics art, present graphic fiction's greatest celebration of the Big Apple. No illustrator evoked the melancholy duskiness of New York City as expressively as Eisner, who knew the city from the bottom up. This new hardcover presents a quartet of graphic works (New York, The Building, City People Notebook and Invisible People)and features what Neil Gaiman describes as "tales as brutal, as uncaring as the city itself. - Bernie D.

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

--NONFICTION
Agatston, Arthur. **The South Beach Diet Taste of Summer Cookbook**
Andrew, Douglas R. **The Last Chance Millionaire: It's Not Too Late to Become Wealthy**
Baldwin, John. **Last Flag Down: The Epic Journey of the Last Confederate Warship**
Brown, Tina. **The Diana Chronicles**
Cash, John Carter. **Anchored in Love: An Intimate Portrait of June Carter Cash**
Dallek, Robert. **Nixon and Kissinger: Partners in Power**
Gore, Al. **The Assault on Reason**
Kelton, Elmer. **Sandhills Boy: The Winding Trail of a Texas Writer**
Katz, Jon. **Dog Days**
McCain, John. **Hard Call: Great Decisions and the Extraordinary People Who Made Them**
Boggs, Matthew. **Project Everlasting** (two bachelors discover the secrets of America's greatest marriages)
Novak, Robert D. **The Prince of Darkness: 50 Years Reporting in Washington**
Perkins, John. **The Secret History of the American Empire: Economic Hit Men, Jackals, and the Truth About Global Corruption**
Ruffenach, Glenn. **The Wall Street Journal Complete Retirement Guidebook: How to Plan It, Live It and Enjoy It**
Queen, William. **Armed and Dangerous: The Hunt for One of America's Most Wanted**
Schultz, Patricia. **1,000 Places to See in the U.S.A. and Canada Before You Die**
Velez-Mitchell, Jane. **Secrets Can Be Murder: What America's Most Sensational Trials Tell Us About Ourselves**
Woods, Thomas E., Jr. **33 Questions About American History You're Not Supposed to Ask**
Zinczenko, David. **The Abs Diet for Women: The Six-Week Plan to Flatten Your Belly and Firm Up Your Body for Life**

--FICTION
Brockmann, Suzanne. **Force of Nature**
Burke, James Lee. **Jesus Out to Sea: Stories**
Burke, James Lee. **The Tin Roof Blowdown**
Carter, Stephen. **New England White**
Child, Lee. **Bad Luck and Trouble**
Clark, Mary Jane. **When Day Breaks**
Connelly, Michael. **The Overlook**
Cook, Robin. **Critical**
Deveraux, Jude. **Someone To Love**
Finder, Joseph. **Power Play**
Herbert, Brian. **Sandworms of Dune**
Hooper, Kay. **Blood Dreams**
Howard, Linda. **Up Close and Dangerous**
Jance, J. A. **Justice Denied**
Kellerman, Faye. **Burnt House**
Koontz, Dean. **The Good Guy**
Lowell, Elizabeth. **Innocent As Sin**
Lustbader, Eric Van. **Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Betrayal**
McEwan, Ian. **On Chesil Beach**
Meyer, Joyce. **The Penny: A Novel**
Michaels, Fern. **Up Close and Personal**
Palmer, Diana. **Lawman**
Patterson, James. **6th Target**
Patterson, James. **The Quickie**
Pearson, Ridley. **Killer Weekend**
Preston, Douglas. **The Wheel of Darkness**
Reichs, Kathy. **Bones to Ashes**
Rendell, Ruth. **The Water's Lovely**
Rice, Luanne. **What Matters Most**
Roberts, Nora. **High Noon**
Rowling, J. K. **Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows**
Sandford, John. **Invisible Prey**
Saul, John. **The Devil's Labyrinth**
See, Lisa. **Peony in Love**
Sierra, Javier. **The Lady in Blue**
Silva, Daniel. **The Secret Servant**
Steel, Danuelle. **Bungalow 2**
Thor, Brad. **The First Commandment: A Thriller**

## Local Program Has More Than Doubled Its Service To Keep Seniors In Their Home

The Community Care Program at Senior Services Plus, Inc. in Alton provides Homemaker services which keep senior citizens living in their own homes throughout Madison and St. Clair Counties. These services include light housekeeping, meal preparation, transportation, daily health monitoring, bathing and laundry. Homemakers also socialize with their clients by playing cards, baking, going on walks, etc.

The Homemakers program was founded in 1979 and is funded by the Illinois Department on Aging. The focus of the program is to enable individuals age 60+ to remain in their home environment as they develop medical conditions of debilitation diseases that limit their functional capacity to perform daily living activities and tasks. Last year Ms. Bryant doubled the Homemaker's program to over 66,000 hours of service per year for 220 clients within the two counties.

To receive this state funded service seniors must be at least 60 years of age, live in Madison or St. Clair counties and be on a limited income as determined by the Southern Illinois Visiting Nurses Association (SIVNA). For those that don't qualify for services due to high income, private pay is available for $13.00 per hour with a minimum of four hours per week. Anyone interested in services should call Ms. Bryant at 618-462-1391.

For patrons residing in the Hayner Public Library District, the Homemakers program can also be complimented by Hayner's Sunshine Express Service which delivers libraries materials (Books, videos, DVDs, CD etc) to homebound patrons. For more information regarding Sunshine Express, call Stephanie at 462-0651. Hayner Library also maintains a satelite library at the center.

Senior Services Plus, Inc. offers many other wonderful programs to help enrich the lives of seniors through programs and services that encourage independent living Programs and services offered throughout Madison and St. Clair counties include. Handyman Program, Transportation Service, Community Care Program, Foster Grandparent Program, Information and Assistance, Meals on Wheels Other activities this summer include trips to Busch stadium, theater evenings in St. Louis, day trips, and at the center (2603 N. Rodgers, Alton) you can sign up for massage therapy, fitness classes, movie afternoons The general public is also welcome three days a week, to a soup and salad bar for only $3.00 For more information on any of these programs please call Senior Services Plus, Inc at 618-465-3298.

## New Magazines Starting in July

***New at the Adult Main Library***

- Animal Wellness
- Country Weekly
- Every Day with Rachael Ray
- Heart & Soul
- Interview
- Interweave Knits
- Make
- Racer
- Wizard

***New at the Branch Library***

- Animal Wellness
- Arthur Frommer's Budget Travel
- Country Weekly
- Family Tree
- GamePro
- Heart & Soul
- M Magazine
- Practical Homeschooling
- Stock Car Racing

***New at the Youth Library***

- Anime Insider
- GamePro
- Homeschooling Today
- Library Sparks
- M Magazine
- Twist Magazine


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Main & Youth Libraries
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## Hayner Library Offers Free and Unlimited Access To Practice Tests Online

Raise your test scores and improve your skills with Hayner's new online database, LearningExpress Library. With just the click of a mouse, Hayner patrons have free and unlimited access to interactive skill-building courses and a broad range of practice tests based on such official exams as the ACT, SAT, GED, ASVAB, Firefighter, Police Officer, Paramedic, EMT Basic, U.S. Citizenship, Postal Worker, Cosmetology, Real Estate Agent & Broker Exams.

This interactive test preparation website offers comprehensive courses in math, reading, and writing; essay writing practice with instant scoring; resume writing and workplace skills enrichment; and more than 300 online practice tests for students and adults of all ages. All practice tests include instant score reports that help you target those skill areas that need the most attention. Complete answer explanations accompany each test question so that you understand why a particular answer is right or wrong. If you are preparing for the SAT or GED, LearningExpress Library offers a complete course series, as well as targeted essay writing practice with multiple writing prompts and instant score reports that immediately let you know how you performed in each skill area.

LearningExpress can be accessed at all Hayner Library locations, with staff members available to help you get started. Hayner patrons may also access the LearningExpress database from home; a Hayner Library card barcode is required for home logon. This remote access is free of charge and available 24/7. To access from home, go to Hayner's web site at www.haynerlibrary.org. Click on "Online Databases" and then click on LearningExpress Library and follow logon instructions.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Labor Day, September 3
Veterans Day, November 11
Thanksgiving, November 22

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## Mission Recognition

Mission Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and non-family) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available on line at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location.

**Michael S.** is a delightful 5 year old who just finished his first year of school in kindergarten. His teacher notes that he comes to school each day happy and ready to learn with a smile for everyone and a bright disposition that serves as a great example to students and staff alike. Michael has been blind since birth but refuses to allow anything to impact his desire to achieve and excel in and out of the classroom. Michael's quick laughter touches all around him and can turn a gloomy day into a joyous occasion. Michael was presented his Mission Recognition certificate at a luncheon held at Senior Services Plus in Alton this past May. At the presentation, he sang his special song, "Be Patient", carrying the message that trust will open doors and good things come from endurance. Though only a young boy, Michael is a great inspiration to all who meet him.

In July, two recipients, **Caroline Thompson** and **Joshua Gross** were recognized for their positive community contributions. Caroline starts ninth grade at Alton High School this September. She has frequently demonstrated a commitment to service in her community, participating in extracurricular events for her school and charities. Recently, she designed a power point presentation of trivia questions for the Oasis Women's Center trivia night, saving the center the $100 fee quoted by a professional firm. She also made and decorated dozens of cookies to sell for her relay for life team. She succeeded in raising $85 which she donated to the cancer charity.

Joshua Gross attends Alton Middle School. During the last quarter of the past school year, Joshua freely volunteered his time to help out a fellow student who is handicapped and in Special Ed. The young girl needed help

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navigating between the Main school building to the Annex when her classes changed. Every day, Joshua would escort her across campus and took her up the elevator, of which she was afraid. He always had a smile on his face and a super attitude that helped brighten the young girl's day. Several weeks before the end of the school year, she had the misfortune to fracture her leg and had to use crutches. Joshua voluntarily assumed more responsibility escorting her around campus and helping her whenever he could so she didn't have to miss classes.

Congratulations to Carolyn and Josh- your thoughtfulness and kind deeds are very much appreciated.

## Digital Audio Books Available

The Hayner Public Library District now has over 100 titles available on digital audiobooks by Playaway.

These audiobooks merge digital audio content and player technology in a single format. With books on tape losing relevance and contents on CDs still cumbersome, Playaway is the simplest way to listen to digital content on the go. Playaway units are self-contained devices roughly the size of a deck of playing cards and weighting less that 2 ounces (pocket size). Each unit comes with earphones and a lanyard that enables users to wear the unit around their neck if desired. The device comes permanently pre-loaded with an entire book in audio format. One player can hold over 40 hours of content! The single device replaces multiple CDs or cassettes. All you need to do is plug in the earphones and play. The players will check out for a two week lending period and there is a wide variety of titles, both fiction and nonfiction, offering premier content from leading publishers and authors. Check out the displays at the downtown library. This is a great new way to enjoy listening to books when you are commuting, exercising, traveling or simply relaxing.

## Don't Miss Friends of the Library Book Sale

In October, the Friends of the Library will hold their regular fall book sale. Thursday, October 11 will be the preview sale from 6:00 pm-8:30 pm There will be a $5.00 admission charge this day only. Friday, October 12, the sale will run from 9:00 am-7:00 pm and on Saturday, October 13, from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. This sale will be held at 327 State Street, Alton. For additional information, contact the Friends at 462-8342.

## Food for Fines

In past years, we have waived current fines on Hayner material if you contributed a nonperishable food item for each fine during a holiday time amnesty period. This year, we will start spreading the holiday spirit a little early. From October 1 through October 31, 2007, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine and Hayner materials only. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

There are several reasons we decided to move up the fine amnesty program.

During the holidays, many different organizations support centers such as the Crisis Food Center but as we get wrapped up in our everyday lives, we sometimes forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are hoping this amnesty calendar change can help people immediately without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity". It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need. Last year we collected over 1200 items for the Crisis Center. Let's see if we can beat that!

## Banned Books Week, Sept. 29- Oct. 6

Celebrating the Freedom to Read is observed during the last week of September each year. Observed since 1982, the annual event reminds Americans not to take this precious democratic freedom for granted.

Banned Book Week celebrates the freedom to choose or the freedom to express one's opinion even if that opinion might be considered unorthodox or unpopular and stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of those unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints to all who wish to read them. After all, intellectual freedom can exist only where these two essential conditions are met.

Reflect on your freedom to read, cherish it, and, by all means, read what you want to read. As the author of Fahrenheit 451, Ray Bradbury, said "You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture. Just get people to stop reading them."

To see what books where challenged this past year or for more information, go to www.ala.org/bbooks. Help spread the word! Encourage your friends and colleagues to celebrate their freedom to read. It's one of our most important democratic freedoms!

## Vintage Voices Returns

Alton City Cemetery at 5th and Vine Street is once again the host site of Vintage Voices – a unique event jointly sponsored and produced by the YWCA and Alton Little Theater. Alton Little Theater actors and other local talent will greet guests at the gravesites of previous residents of Alton, re-enacting in character, the individual stories of the different personalities. This year some of the personalities you will meet are Dr. George Samuels and his wife, Mary – Dr. Samuels was Alton's first black doctor; Carl Levis Hartman who owned the Hartman building and was a successful businessman and civic leader; Captain Henry Leyhe, a riverboat captain and co-founder of the Eagle Packet Boat Company in 1880; Major Matthew Reasoner, a surgeon and medical officer who serve 34 years in the army and the last American to leave from the army of occupation after WW II; William Martin who served as judge at both Lovejoy trials; Samuel Wade, who served four terms as mayor of Alton; Flora Gray, the mother of six sons who all served in the armed forces at the same time; Senator Charles Herb, born in Germany, emigrated to Illinois and became a very successful businessman. He served as mayor of Alton and went on to become state senator.

There will also be a historian as part of the tour who will talk about some of the unique burial customs of the past. Vintage Voices will run every Saturday in October, from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm. Tickets are $12 for adults, $6 for children 12 and under (accompanied by an adult) and children under five are free. Tickets are $10 each for groups of 10 or more. Call 618-465-7774 for reservations and ticket information.

# The Pack Horse Librarians – The Original Homebound Program

Kentucky in the 1930's was in rough shape. The stock market had crashed and this already poor state was feeling the fallout. With factories closing down across the nation, the demand for coal decreased and hundreds of mines closed, which meant unemployment and desperation for thousands of mountain families. And, if that weren't enough, in 1930 the Ohio River flooded. Besides killing over a hundred people, it washed away topsoil, making agriculture practically impossible. Shantytowns appeared and, lacking any sanitation, became breeding grounds for disease and death.

Along came Franklin Roosevelt and his New Deal and The Work Projects Administration (WPA), creating jobs to get America back on its feet and off the dole. Special efforts were made to place women in positions that would not be unseemly for the "fairer sex" and the Pack Horse Library was born.

Pack Horse Librarians regularly traveled extremely rugged and isolated mountain terrain that could only be traversed by horse. Along an eighteen mile route, they would exchange and deliver donated print material (books, magazines, pamphlets, church bulletins) to one room schoolhouses, post offices and private homes. In all weather, pack horse librarians covered between twenty and fifty miles a week, through treacherous routes and along creeks with names such as "Troublesome", "Hell-for-Sartin", and "Cut Shin". The carriers were, in effect, delivering free public library service to rural areas for the first time. The librarians' familiarity with the people along the routes and what materials they would enjoy was crucial to the success of the program, because many rural residents were wary of worldly "book learning", and librarians had to be careful to choose appropriately conservative materials. In fact, the librarians won the people over so completely that some patrons along the routes shared highly prized family recipes and quilt patterns in reciprocation for borrowing books. The librarians took to compiling these in scrapbooks that were circulated as well. Since the government paid only the salaries, collections consisted mainly of used books, which started out ragged and then went on to more battering through hard travel and frequent handling. The librarians had the difficult task of maintaining these worn materials and transforming them into viable collections. Kentucky's pack horse library program is often cited as a paragon of the WPA. From 1935 to its dismantling in 1943, over 100,000 people were served. Your whole family can join a pack horse librarian en route by reading *Down Cut Shin Creek: The Pack Horse Librarians of Kentucky* by Kathi Appelt and Jeanne Cannella Schmitzer, available at the Hayner Youth Library, call number J027.0769. This remarkable tribute includes priceless photos and breathtaking descriptions that will carry you into the mountains of Kentucky.

Excerpted from *How to Get Your Child to Love Reading* by Esme Raji Codell, available at the Hayner Main Library, call number 028.5.

# Celebrating Twenty Years of Homebound Service!

This November marks the 20 year anniversary of the Homebound Delivery Service of The Hayner Public Library District. This important program delivers library materials to senior centers, nursing homes, extended care facilities and individual patron's homes. The service is managed by Stephanie Munson, Hayner Homebound Coordinator. Stephanie also relies on a group of wonderful library volunteers who help in a variety of different functions.

In the early 1980's, Stephanie joined the library staff and worked in the Hayner library bookmobile. Unfortunately, the bookmobile vehicle was becoming cost prohibitive due to increasing repair and maintenance fees. Stephanie was given the charter to research alternative services and to that end she started researching homebound programs. The Quincy Illinois library had a well established program so Stephanie worked with them to understand how to go about setting up a program for Hayner. The Hayner Homebound program began serving patrons in 1986. Though not on a pack horse *(see above article)*, Stephanie delivered library materials to patrons driving her own "buggy"- a 1968 yellow Volkswagen Beetle. Today, you will see the library van out and about helping deliver materials to patrons. On the van you will see the logo and name "Sunshine Express". Hayner Library decided to rename the Homebound Program several years ago. Anyone who is housebound, even temporarily, is welcome to call the library to request delivery of library materials – and remember, you can receive books, magazines, videos, DVD's, audio books, music CDs– delivered right to your door!

Helping Stephanie is a group of twenty volunteers, seven of which have been working with Stephanie since the inception of the program. The volunteers deliver books to individual patrons and some go to nursing homes to read to the residents. They also help maintain a satellite lending library that was started two years ago at Senior Services Plus and will be establishing one this year at the Hillcrest apartments.

The volunteers have become a close group of friends who share a love of books and enjoy helping the community. Stephanie says she has worked with a wonderful group of people through the years and credits the volunteers as responsible for the success of the homebound program.

Stephanie has organized several different events to celebrate the program's anniversary. In June she put together displays at both the branch and main library recognizing the different high rises and senior centers to which she and her volunteers deliver library material. Also, each month since June, Stephanie has drawn the name of one of her homebound patrons to win an audio DVD or a large print book. On November 9 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, Hayner library will host a reception at Senior Services Plus celebrating the program's anniversary. Patrons, library volunteers, center directors and coordinators are all invited to join Stephanie and Hayner staff for cake and punch and a small token of appreciation for making our homebound service such a successful program.

If you are interested in information on volunteering for the homebound program, or learning of other volunteer opportunities at the library, call Stephanie at 462-0677.

## Lucky Winners!

Doretha Wendt and Mary Steward are the lucky winners in Hayner's 2007 Adult Summer Reading Program. Almost 300 patrons participated, overflowing the entry boxes with hundreds of entry slips. Doretha was Hayner's Downtown winner and Mary was the Alton Square winner.

Each received a $100.00 grand prize that included $50.00 gift certificates from two area restaurants. All prizes were made possible through the generosity of private funding. We will be offering this program again, so be on the lookout and remember to sign up. Win $100.00 in area restaurant gift certificates just for reading–it couldn't be easier!

Congratulations, again, to our lucky winners!

## Fall Computer Classes

The last series of computer classes were in such demand, we are going to repeat the series and add an additional topic. We will be filling the classes with names already on our waiting list. To place your name on the list, call 1-800-613-3163. If you were able to attend the last series of classes, please do not repeat your enrollment. The training classes will be small, limited to 10 students each. At this time, the classes will be open to Hayner Library card holders only. The classes are:

**Computer Basics-** a general overview of the hardware, software and working of personal computers. This class will be structured for the beginning computer user.
***The class will have two sessions: You may sign up for ONE.***
***Session 1: Wed., Oct. 3, 5:30-6:30***
***Session 2: Wed.,Oct. 3, 6:30-7:30***

**Beginning Word 2003-** Adjusting margins, alignment, spacing, changing font type and font size, importing graphics, centering, headers and footers
***This class will meet on two separate evenings. Each class will be a two-hour session. You may sign up for ONE session:***
***Session 1: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Oct. 10***
***Session 2: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Oct. 17***

**Advanced Word-** This class will cover some of the more advanced word formatting topics, to help you add flair, templates and tables to your documents.
***This class will meet on two separate evenings. Each class will be a two-hour session. You may sign up for ONE session:***
***Session 1: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Oct. 24***
***Session 2: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Nov. 7***

**Internet/email-** basic searches, how to import/export information, internet email sites, ways to block sites.
***Session 1: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Nov. 14***

**Introduction to Microsoft Excel-** This class will show you how to do everyday things with Excel. Learn how to create a mailing list or a household budget.
***Session 1: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Nov. 28***

These classes are free of charge but require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Leave the class you are interested in attending and session you prefer. You must also leave the bar code number on the back of your Hayner Library card. You will be contacted confirming your seat in the class.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Main Library Events

*The days are getting shorter but there is no shortage of fun events at the Hayner Main Library. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER**
*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, September 8**
**Saturday, October13**
**Saturday, November 10**
**Saturday, December 8**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**
Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *George Portz*

**Friends of Bluegrass**
**Tuesday, September 11, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & "The Friends of Bluegrass" are one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun music. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's "musical philosophy" is to always "leave 'em wanting more"… and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

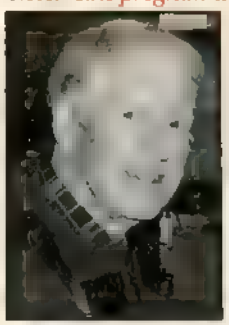
### *Judy Hoffman*

***The Legend of the Piasa Bird: A New Look at the Old Bird***
**Tuesday, September 18, 6:30 p.m.**

The Piasa Bird is our area's most famous antiquity. Its image has inspired poetry, legends, folklore, paintings, and a host of scholarly theories and disputes. Yet, it's an image about which we know very little. For instance, who painted the Piasa Bird? What did the original painting look like? Do we know when it was painted, where it was painted, or why it was painted? Do we know how the extraordinary feat was actually accomplished? Indeed, do we even know if it ever really existed? The mysterious case of the Piasa Bird presents us with the ultimate local history mystery. Local author Judy Hoffman will examine these questions, separating fact from fiction. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Dr. David Cornell & Addie Cox Gramelspacher*

***A Classic Afternoon***
**Sunday, September 23, 2:00 pm**
*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*



Pianist David Cornell and Addie Cox Gramelspacher will present an afternoon of piano and soprano solo music including works by Handel, Debussy, Mozart, Chopin, Joaquin Turina and Victor Herbert.

Dr. Cornell taught physics and astronomy at Principia College and also has a Master's Degree in Music (Piano Performance) from Washington University. He has performed in a variety of recitals throughout the United

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States and also in England and Zimbabwe. In 2000, he was invited to participate in the second Van Cliburn International Piano Competition for Outstanding Amateurs. Ms. Gramelspacher teaches voice at Illinois College in Jacksonville. She holds a master of music degree in vocal performance from SIUE. She has won numerous singing competitions and in 2006 she won the Southern Illinois Young Artist Competition and Graduate Division of the Illinois National Association of Teachers of Singing Competition. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *David Massengill*

***A Tribute to Dave Van Ronk***

**Thursday, September 27, 6:30 pm**

David is a critically acclaimed folksinger and songwriter who has performed throughout the U.S. and Canada including Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Currently living in New York City, much of David's original music divulges his Tennessee roots and an affectionate remembrance of his rural south upbringing. The New York Times cited him as "one of the most talented young singer-songwriters of the Village-based circle." The Halifax Herald wrote "Massengill gets into the same American tradition of ironic exaggeration and humor that gave rise to Mark Twain and Garrison Keillor" David's latest CD is a tribute to Dave Van Ronk, one of the best folk blues musicians of the 20th century. Performing the great music of Van Ronk as well as his own work, David's stories and song are guaranteed to keep you mesmerized. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Dana and Sue Robinson*

***Our Musical Heritage***

**Thursday, October 4, 6:30 pm**

On tour from their home state of North Carolina, Dana and Sue Robinson will perform a concert during which you will hear great songwriting, rich harmonies, intricate and powerful guitar and banjo playing and real old time mountain music. Dana writes songs and tells stories about America, the land and its people. Their performance will provide an understanding of our musical heritage and convey its significance to our culture. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Michael Smith*

***Award- Winning Singer/Songwriter***

**Tuesday, October 9, 6:30 pm**

Michael Smith "wowed" us in previous performances at the Hayner Main Library. We are so excited to bring him back to perform for you. Michael's work has been recorded by such diverse performers as Jimmy Buffet, Jerry Jeff Walker, The Four Freshmen, The Kingston Trio, Steve Goodman, Tom Rush and more than 30 other artists. He has won four prestigious Jeff awards (Chicago equivalent of the Tony) for his 1993 autobiographical play, Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate. *Chicago Magazine* wrote, "One of the best songwriters in the English language…an enchanting and riveting performer." *Sing Out! Magazine* writes "Michael Smith stands as one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer-songwriters." Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Visiting Nurse Association*

***Flu Clinic***

**Saturday, October 13, 11:00 am- 1:00 pm**

The VNA of Southern Illinois will be at the Main Library to deliver flu and pneumonia vaccines. Flu Shots are $25 and pneumonia shots are $45. Cash or checks are accepted. The following insurance providers are also accepted: Medicare Part B, GHP, Mercy Premier, Essence, Humana and Unicare.

## *Jared Hennings*

***Soothing Sounds***

**Thursday, October 18, 6:30 pm**

Vocalist Jared Hennings is well known in the Riverbend for both his beautiful voice and engaging personality. For this performance, he will be accompanied by pianist Susan Travers and they will perform a program of jazz pieces, Broadway standards and soothing ballads. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Gary Hawkins*

***Adventures of a Ghost Hunter***

**Tuesday, October 23, 6:00 pm**

*(note 6:00 start time)*

Gary is a professional paranormal investigator who has been involved with ghost hunting since 1994, during which time he also conducted haunted history tours of Alton with Antoinette's Haunted History Tours. He has also completed a documentary on ghost hunting for KHQA TV in Quincy, IL. Gary has a unique ability which allows him to catch a spirit with his bare hands and immobilize it. Come hear Gary talk about his ghost hunting experiences just in time for Halloween! Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Norman Shaw*

***Genealogy Roundtable***

**Wednesday, October 24, 6:00 p.m.**

Mr. Norman Shaw will join us in the Reading Room of the Main Library to talk about the historic Bruch-Guertler house at 101 Blair Street in Alton. Mr. Shaw has completed his thesis on the life of Ignatz Bruch, a stone cutter in Alton. He will share with us what he has learned about this German family and their life in early Alton. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## *Vince Kwiatkowski*

***The One Man Band***

**Thursday, November 1, 6:00 pm**

*(Note 6:00 start time)*

Vince spent 20 years on the road performing with different bands, then decided to go it alone as his own band! After he sets out all his instruments, he's been known to tell the audience "sorry, folks, the band hasn't gotten here yet so I'll start without them". He dramatically changes music style and instruments between each song from Doo-Wop on the piano…to Charlie Daniels on fiddle…to Tex-Mex or Cajun on accordion. Vince adds great humor to the different songs with stories and anecdotes. Join us for a fun filled musical mix-up! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Lee Murdock*

***Christmas Ship Concert***

**Tuesday, November 13, 6:30 pm**

Imagine a tall ship sailing down Lake Michigan with a bright evergreen tree tied to her topmost

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mast. You can smell the scent of pine as the ship is laden with fresh cut pine trees, headed for southern ports such as Chicago and Milwaukee. Imagine picking your fresh cut Christmas tree right off the boat and taking it home to start your holiday season. This was the scene in November in many Great Lake cities from the end of the nineteenth century until the early 1930s. Join balladeer Lee Murdock as he celebrates this holiday tradition in song, along with many other songs and stories about the Great Lakes. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Peter Fletcher*

***Classical Guitar***

**Tuesday, November 20, 6:30 pm**

Of classical guitarist, Peter Fletcher, *Fanfare Magazine* reported "Fletcher plays it all with a gracious virtuosity that makes for a very pleasing (performance) of unaffected musical poetry. A native of Atlanta, Peter made his formal debut at the age of 15 with the Brasstown Concert Association in North Carolina. Peter has won prizes at many national levels and was twice the recipient of an Eastman Graduate Award from the Eastman School of Music. Peter has performed in Cincinnati's Memorial Hall, St. Philips Cathedral in Atlanta, the Chicago Cultural center and many other musical venues. He had a special guest engagement in 2005 at the World Music Series in Oceanside, California. He made his New York City Debut in Carnegie Hall in February 2007 and will return to Carnegie again in April 2008. He has four CD's all of which have received critical acclaim. This performance will include the works of Handel, Bach, Crespo, Tarrega, Reusner and more. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Limited Edition*

***Sounds of the Holidays***

**Sunday, December 2, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

This is one of our favorite events of the Holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group *Limited Edition* for a program of beautiful Holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Guaranteed to fill you with holiday cheer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

***All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

# Hayner Youth Library

## *Fall Activities for Sept., Oct., Nov.*

- Storytimes

  Preschool Storytimes for children ages 3-5 only includes: Puppet show, two short stories, action song, craft.

Mon. 10 am Library – Sept. 17 (Wheels on the Bus), Oct. 1 (Falling Leaves), 15 (Fire trucks) & 29 (Down the dark, dark hallaway) Nov. –27 (Folk tales and nursery rhymes)

Preschool Storytimes – Tues. 10 am (Branch) Sept. 18 (Wheels on the Bus), Oct. 2 (Falling Leaves), 16 (Fire trucks) & 30 (Down the dark, dark hallaway) Nov. – 13 (We give thanks), 27 (Folk tales and nursery rhymes)

Lapsit for children ages 0-3 only – Tuesdays at 10 am Youth Library includes: action songs, short story, and interactive play with educational toys and a simple craft.

Sept. 11 (Clap Hands), Sept. 25 (Peek-A-Baby), Oct. 9th (Whose toes are those), Oct. 23 (Baby in a car), Nov. 6th (Big Fat Hen), Nov. 20th (Look at you: A baby body book)

- Evening Storytime Tuesdays- 6:30 pm
  Sept. 11 & 25 – Oct. 9th & 23rd –Nov. 6th & 20th
- Dance Dance Revolution – Wednesdays- 3pm
  Sept. 12th, Oct. 3rd, Nov 7th
- After School Fun at Hayner Youth Library
  Want something fun and relaxing to do after school??!! Join us for a take home craft and snack the second Thursday of each month at 4 pm.
  Don't forget to bring a friend.
  Crafts we will be making:
  September 13th ~ make your own shade
  October 11th ~ decorate a door hanger
  November 8th ~ Tambourine Man
  Please call to register @ 462-0652.
  Limited to the first 20 to call.

## *Special Events and Performers:*

- Library Card Sign-Up Month
  If you get a card during the month of September at the youth library you will be automatically entered for a $50 gift card.
- Banned Book Week~ Come and see books that are in jail Sept. 29th-Oct. 6th.
- In recognition of Fire Prevention Week, The Alton Fire Department is coming to the Library!!!! Mon., Oct. 15- 10:30
- Riverwind Storyteller- Sparks & Spooks – Mon., Oct. 29th at 6:30pm
- Children's Book Week November 12th-13th ~ Hayner Youth
- Come in your pjs and snuggle up with your favorite stuffed animal at the youth for Family reading night with local storyteller Becky Long. Hot cocoa will be provided Nov. 15th 6:00pm. Please call and let us know if you are going to come @ 462-0652.

## *Attention all Mystery Lovers!*

There is a great web site that will keep mystery readers entertained for hours. It is www.mysterybooklovers.com and it takes the mystery out of finding a good book.

The site includes book reviews, lists authors and their books in chronological order, has a who's who page that lists author paired with their main character and sidekicks, favorite quotes, an "If You Like" page and links to author sites, publisher sites, online booksellers and online newsletters. You'll never wonder again "what will I read next?"

## Happenings at Oasis

OASIS is a community service organization offering classes and activities for people 50 years of age or older. The OASIS Alton Center is located in Macy's at the Alton Square Mall (upper level). Call 465-1490 for registration information.

**Step by Step Walking Program**
Join our free walking program and receive a free pedometer. OASIS Booth will be located in the mall by the escalators (upper level) on Sept. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12 and Dec 10 from 8-10am. Free health screenings will be provided by Alton Memorial Hospital.

**Fun with German**
Advanced German lessons.
Mondays, Sept 24-Nov 12, 12:00-3:00
Fee: $56 for 8 sessions

**Writing Workshop**
Join us and discover your talent for the written word.
Wednesdays, Sept. 19-Nov 21, 10:00-12:00
Fee: $36 for 10 sessions

**Beginning Bridge Lessons**
For the absolute beginner – learn this fun card game.
Wednesdays, Oct. 3-Dec. 12, 1:00-3:00
Fee: $15 for 10 sessions (includes workbook)

**I Remember When…Alton**
A look at the past with Alton Historian, Charlotte Stetson
Wednesday, Oct 10, 11:00-12:00 Free

**Miles Davis: The Man**
Don Huber gives you insight into Miles Davis, his life, his music, his impact on the music world.
Thursday, Nov 8, 10:30-11:30 Free

## TEEN ACTIVITIES

### *Branch Events:*

**Family Game Night**
September 19, October 17, November 14
One night each month in the fall, the Branch Library at Alton Square will host a family game night. We will have board games for families to play or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family or play with some other great library patrons! This program will be held at OASIS.

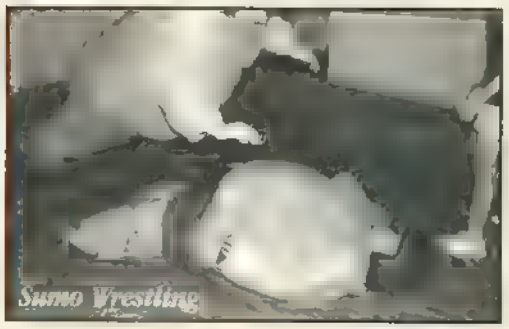
### *Teen Events:*

- **Friday, September 7th**, and **Friday, November 2nd** – Calling all gamers! Come join us for an evening of FUN and games! DDR, Guitar Hero, board games and much more. 5:30pm-7:30pm. Snacks provided!
- **September 11th, October 9th, November 13th**, and **December 11th – Teen Advisory Council** 5:30pm- 6:30pm. If you're 13-18 yrs. old, come join the Hayner Library's Teen group. This group meets one hour per month to discuss and plan Teen Events, Teen materials, and much more. Qualifies for community service hours. Snacks provided! Registration required.
- **October 15th-20th - Celebrate Teen Read Week LOL @ your Library.**
- **October 17th – Teen Movie Night!** Get your comfy clothes, pillow and bring a friend to watch and LOL at a new release. Pizza and soda will be provided. 6pm-7:30pm. Registration required.
- **December 11th** - Come join the Teen Advisory Council and play a game of Library Survivor. 5:30pm-7pm. Prizes Awarded!

***To register for Teen Events please call Sharon at 462-0677 ext. 2861.***

### *The Hayner Teen Summer Reading Program Comes to an End*

This year the Hayner Library hosted its first ever Teen Summer Reading Program. The program kicked off June 16th and ran until July 24th. Each week, teens were invited to participate in a game of book bingo, enter a drawing for a weekly prize and attend teen events. At the end of the reading program each participant was invited to an awesome end of the summer reading party were they were entered for a grand prize and enjoyed soda, pizza, door prizes, and a DJ karaoke. The lucky winner of the grand prize was Meghan Korte who received a dinner and a movie basket worth $100.00. Because of the success of this year's program, we are already thinking of and planning for next year. See ya then!




## *The Smartest Card is @ your library®: Get it, use it at Hayner*

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, and the The Hayner Public Library District wants to make sure that your child is among the two-thirds of Americans that carry the smartest card of all – a library card.

Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

"A library card has always been the most important school supply of all," says Jeff Owen, the library's Executive Director. "Kids can come to the library to get homework help and check out books, but they can also check out free music, DVDs and use the Internet to make after school life a little more fun. We have created the position of School Curriculum Liaison staffed by Sharon Windham. Sharon works with the schools to tailor library programs to school activities. She has also started a very successful Teen Advisory Council and has organized great activities and programs that were very popular with teens over the summer months and she continues to expand programming directly geared for this age group. There's a lot happening for all ages at all three Hayner library locations."

A recent study by the American Library Association also showed that families use libraries to spend time together. Forty-four percent of survey respondents report taking their children to the library for this reason.

Visit any location to sign up for a library card. The card is free of charge to residents of Alton, Godfrey and Foster townships. You just need a picture id, verifying your current address (additional ID may be required.) For more information, call the library at 618-462-0677 or visit our web site at www.haynerlibrary.org.

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

**--NONFICTION**

Adams, Scott. **Stick to Drawing Comics, Monkey Brain! Cartoonist Ignores Helpfull Advice**

Adkins, Trace. **A Personal Stand: Observations and Opinions from a Freethinking Redneck**

Alda, Alan. **Things I Overheard While Talking to Myself**

Baer, Richard. **Switching Time (a story about a woman with 17 personalities)**

Barry, Dave. **Dave Barry's History of the Millennium (So Far)**

Greenwood-Robinson, Maggie. **The Biggest Loser Fitness Program: Fast, Safe, and Effective Workouts to Target and Tone Your Trouble Spots**

Brokaw, Tom. **Boom! Aftershocks of the Sixties and Beyond**

Burns, Ken and Geoffrey C. Ward. **The War: An Intimate History, 1941-1945**

Colbert, Stephen. **I Am America (And So Can You!)**

Coulter, Ann. **If Democrats Had Any Brains, They'd Be Republicans**

Dean, John. **Broken Government: How Republican Rule Destroyed the Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Branches**

Deen, Paula. **Christmas With Paula Deen**

Ellis, Joseph. **American Creation: Triumphs and Tragedies at the Founding of the Republic**

Grodin, Charles. **If I Only Knew Then--Learning From Our Mistakes**

Halberstam, David. **The Coldest Winter: America and the Korean War**

Hyman, Mark. **The Ultrametabolism Cookbook**

Millan, Cesar **Be the Pack Leader: Use Cesar's Way to Transform Your Dog--And Your Life**

O'Donnell, Rosie. **Celebrity Detox**

Osteen, Joel **Become a Better You: 7 Keys to Improving Your Life Every Day**

Perricone, Nicholas. **Ageless Face, Ageless Mind: Erase Wrinkles and Rejuvenate the Brain**

Plaschke, Bill and Tommy Lasorda. **I Live for This! Baseball's Last True Believer**

Ray, Rachael. **Rachael Ray: Just in Time**

Roizen, Michael F. and Mehmet C. Oz. **You, Staying Young: The Owner's Manual to Extending Your Warranty**

Tillman, Mary. **Boots on the Ground by Dusk (Pat Tillman biography)**

Unger, Craig. **Fall of the House of Bush: How a Group of True Believers Put America on the Road to Armageddon**

**FICTION**

Baldacci, David. **Stone Cold**

Beaton, M.C. **Kissing Christmas Goodbye: An Agatha Raisin Mystery**

Bradford, Barbara Taylor. **The Heir**

Brockmann, Suzanne. **All Through the Night**

Brown, Rita Mae. **The Tell-Tale Horse**

Cussler, Clive. **The Chase**

Davidson, Diane Mott. **Sweet Revenge**

Evanovich, Janet. **No Chance: A Cannon & Picket Novel**

Evans, Richard Paul. **Gift**

Feehan, Christine. **Dark Possession**

Flynn, Vince. **Protect and Defend**

Follett, Ken. **World Without End**

Francis, Dick. **Dead Heat**

Gerritsen, Tess. **The Bone Garden**

Greeley, Andrew. **The Bishop at the Lake**

Hamilton, Laurell K. **A Lick of Frost**

Harris, Charlaine. **An Ice Cold Grave**

Harris, Robert. **The Ghost**

Hunter, Stephen. **47th Samurai**

Iles, Greg. **Third Degree**

Johansen, Iris. **Pandoras Daughter**

Karon, Jan. **Home to Holly Springs**

Keillor, Garrison. **Pontoon: A Lake Wobegon Novel**

Koontz, Dean. **The Darkest Evening of the Year**

LaHaye, Tim. **Mark's Story**

Macomber, Debbie. **Where Angels Go**

McNaught, Judith. **Can't Take My Eyes Off of You**

Mosley, Walter. **Blonde Faith**

Parker, Robert B. **Now and Then**

Patterson, James. **Double Cross**

Patterson, James. **You've Been Warned**

Patterson, Richard North. **The Race**

Perry, Anne. **A Christmas Beginning**

Sandford, John. **Dark of the Moon**

Sebold, Alice. **The Almost Moon**

Sparks, Nicholas. **The Choice**

Steel, Danielle. **Amazing Grace**

Truman, Margaret. **Murder on K Street**

Woods, Stuart. **Shoot Him If He Runs**

## *Dog Days of Summer!*

Our summer Bow wow Pow wow reading sessions were great! Lots of kids, lots of dogs and lots of fun had by all! Therapy dogs visit the Hayner Youth library on the second Saturday of every month and kids read to the dogs or just play with them. It's a great way to strengthen a child's confidence and reading skills. Please join us this fall at 10:00 am, on September 8, October 13, November 10 and December 8 – all ages are welcome.

# Test your Poetry Prowess

Following are excerpts of famous poems many of us studied in High School English classes. Can you name the poem and poet?

1. In Xanadu did Kubla Khan
   A stately pleasure-dome decree:
   Where Alph, the sacred river, ran
   Through caverns measureless to man
   Down to a sunless sea.

2. Shall I part my hair behind?
   Do I dare to eat a peach?
   I shall wear white flannel trousers,
   and walk upon the beach.
   I have heard the mermaids singing,
   each to each.

3. O CAPTAIN! My Captain! Our fearful
   trip is done;
   The ship has weather'd every rack, the
   prize we sought is won;

4. And you, my father there on the sad
   height,
   Curse, bless me now with your fierce
   tears, I pray.
   Do not go gentle into that good night
   Rage, rage against the dying of the light.

5. Two roads diverged in a wood, and I-
   I took the one less traveled by,
   And that has made all the difference.

6. How do I love thee?
   Let me count the ways
   I love thee to the depth and breadth
   and height
   My soul can reach, when feeling out
   of sight.

7. Listen, my children, and you shall hear
   Of the midnight ride of Paul Revere,
   On the eighteenth of April in Seventy-
   five; Hardly a man is now alive
   Who remembers that famous day and
   year.

8. The caged bird sings with a fearful trill
   Of things unknown but longed for still
   And his tune is heard on the distant
   hill
   for the caged bird sings of freedom.

9. Oh, somewhere in this favored land
   the sun is shining bright.
   The band is playing somewhere, and
   somewhere
   Hearts are light.

   And, somewhere men are laughing,
   and little children shout,
   But there is no joy in Mudville- mighty
   Casey has struck out.

10. Take thy beak from out my heart and
    take thy form
    From off my door!
    Quoth the raven, "Nevermore."

ANSWERS
1. Kubla Khan – Samuel Taylor Coleridge
2. "The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock" – T.S. Eliot
3. "O Captain! My Captain!"- Walt Whitman
4. "Do Not Go Gentle Into That Good Night"- Dylan Thomas
5. "The Road Not Taken" – Robert Frost
6. From "Sonnets from the Portuguese" – Elizabeth Barrett Browning
7. Paul Revere's Ride – Henry Wadsworth Longfellow
8. "I know Why the Caged Bird Sings"- Maya Angelou
9. "Casey at the Bat"- Ernest L. Thayer
10. "The Raven" – Edgar Allen Poe

# Leopard vs. Poodle

A wealthy elderly lady decides to go on a photo safari in Africa, taking her poodle along for company.

One day the poodle starts chasing butterflies and before long, discovers that he's lost. Wandering about, he notices a hungry-looking leopard heading rapidly in his direction.

The poodle thinks, "Oh, oh!" Noticing some bones on the ground close by, he immediately settles down to chew on the bones with his back to the approaching cat. Just as the leopard is about to leap, the poodle exclaims loudly, "Boy, that was one delicious leopard! I wonder if there are any more around here?"

Hearing this, the leopard halts his attack in mid-strike, a look of terror comes over him and he slinks away into the trees. "Whew!", says the leopard., "That was close! That poodle nearly had me!"

Meanwhile, a monkey who had been watching the whole scene from a nearby tree, figures he can put this knowledge to good use and trade it for protection from the leopard. So off he goes, but the poodle sees him heading after the leopard with great speed, and figures that something must be up. The monkey soon catches up with the leopard, spills the beans and strikes a deal for himself with the leopard.

The leopard is furious at being made a fool of and says, "Here, monkey, hop on my back so you can watch me chew that poodle to bits!"

Now, the poodle sees the leopard coming with the monkey on his back and thinks, "What am I going to do now?", but instead of running, the dog sits down with his back to his attackers, pretending he hasn't seen them yet, and waits until they get just close enough to hear.

"Where's that darn monkey?" the poodle says. "I sent him off an hour ago to bring me another leopard!"

# Riverbend Head Start & Family Services

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is a non-profit organization that provides child development and counseling services to 4,000 low-income children & families in Madison County. Through its Head Start, Transitions Counseling, and Family Foundations programs the agency enables children and families to discover positive solutions to life's challenges. The Hayner Public Library has partnered with Head Start on various activities and enthusiastically supports their critical mission. Thus, we like to help support community awareness of their different activities and programs.

A $4,000 grant from the Alton Foundation to Riverbend Head Start and Family Services will support an education program that teaches parents of babies and toddlers how to properly care for baby teeth. The objective is to decrease and prevent oral disease in order to increase learning.

The training centers around a book called *What To Do For Healthy Teeth* published by the national Institute for Healthcare Advancement. The easy-to-read book is a useful tool for families such as those living in poverty or with little education. It features instructions on daily oral health care as well as how to handle children's pain and illness tied to teeth and gums.

"A child's permanent teeth may not all come in until the child is six to eight years old," said Chuck Parr, RHSFS President. "There is a lot to learn in those critical early years. If a child isn't healthy, they won't learn it and they will fall behind."

He said that in order to prepare children for success in kindergarten, RHSFS provides health, dental, nutrition and parent education services in addition to quality child development and preschool curriculum.

www.riverbendfamilies.org

# *Patron Profile – D-Ann Kimbro*

Having a bad day? Feeling cranky? Spend some time with D-Ann Kimbro and you'll feel better in no time. D-Ann is one of those rare individuals that seem charged with positive energy – it just feels good to be around her.

D-Ann, an Alton native, attended Alton High School before going to SIUE and then to Barnes and Washington University to study cytology (the study of cells.) After an internship at St. Johns Mercy Medical Center, D-Ann was hired, working in the Cytology Laboratory, which is part of the Anatomic Pathology Department. Cytologists diagnose disease and gain other clinically significant information through the examination of cells. D-Ann was fascinated by this new and evolving science and worked at St. John's for 31 years, retiring in 2002. Though she lived in St Louis for about 5 years, in the late 1970's she moved back to Alton. D-Ann also has a brother, Lonnie, living in Alton (and another brother, Delmar, in Oregon) and in 1997, Lonnie bought an old building on Broadway to open as an antique mall. D-Ann, whose parents were avid auction-goers, has always had an interest in, and love for, old things and their histories. She decided to rent one of the booths in her brother's building to sell antiques. To stock her inventory, she began to haunt auctions throughout the area. At one local auction, D-Ann observed a young man who was calling the auction for his first time and asked herself "what is it that creates the fervor and excitement of an auction?". She started to wonder if she could generate that excitement herself. The next day at work in the hospital, D-Ann passed a man in the hall and was surprised to recognize him as the novice auctioneer! She found out that he was a construction worker that had just completed auctioneering school (of which there are 38 nationally) and he agreed to bring her a brochure from his school describing the training process. D-Ann researched and studied about the process of being a successful auctioneer and investigated many different schools. In March of 1999, she enrolled in the Missouri Auction School in St. Joseph, Mo., the oldest school in the country.

Her training consisted of a 10 day intensive study program, running from 8:00 in the morning until 10:00 at night. Her courses covered the legal, ethical and marketing aspects of auctioneering. She spent two hours each day practicing counting drills. She also spent hours practicing tongue twisters to develop the muscles that would allow her to speak at an auctioneer's pace. Today, before each auction, she practices tongue twisters and sings to loosen up her voice. Interestingly, when D-Ann was a child she stuttered so badly she had to undergo extensive speech therapy.

In June of 1999, D-Ann held her first auction and, since 2002, has devoted herself full time to auctioneering. She rents a large space in Mineral Springs Mall (entrance at 301 E. Broadway) where she houses her auction items and holds her auctions. Kimbro Auction Service (465-7564) has two public auctions each month. The first is held on the second Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon and the second public auction is conducted on the fourth Friday of each month at 6:00 pm. Three hours before each auction, D-Ann opens to the public so you can preview the items that she will be auctioning at the event. Food service before and during the auctions is also available from Gelato's in the Mineral Springs Mall.

D-Ann also invites people to stop in anytime when she is open "either by appointment or chance". D-Ann is not a certified appraiser but she is willing to give her opinion of the value of a piece you may be considering auctioning or aquiring. D-Ann holds one or two specialty antique auctions each year but the majority of her sales features items from personal estates. D-Ann also conducts about 25 charity auctions throughout the year. Locally, she has called for the Children's Catholic Home, Jacoby's Art Center, St. Peter and Paul School and the 5 A's. She also does many different charity auctions in St Louis, including one she did for Dance St. Louis, during which she met Tony Larusso.

When not busy covering estate sales or conducting auctions, D-Ann enjoys working in her garden, reading and zipping around town on her scooter. D-Ann always wanted a Vesper with a sidecar and found one this past May. She takes the scooter out 2-3 times a week, often accompanied by her dog, Potter. Potter loves to go riding, proudly wearing his goggles, seat belted in the sidecar. Potter, who D-Ann had classified as a Bulgarian Swiss Retriever ("a new breed"), is possibly one of the cutest dogs you've ever met. D-Ann spotted him as a stray in Haskell park and several days later, when she saw he had migrated to an alley by her home, she knew it was fate they be together (along with her two cats,Katie and Ollie)

D-Ann's love of history, particularly Alton history has gotten her involved in several interesting projects. She accidently stumbled upon CNN's production of the Lewis and Clark debates when they were filming in Alton. They asked her to read for a part and she earned a role in the documentary as a prairie woman- she even got her mother a part as an extra! Also, this past year she observed her first privy dig. Back in the days when people used privies, the privy also functioned as a repository for discarded household items. Researchers use a special probe to test the soil for lime and ash which was routinely tossed into the privy for sanitation purposes. D-Ann attended a dig on 9th St. in Alton and said it was fascinating to uncover the household artifacts of times long past.

Visit Kimbo's auction house to meet this lovely lady. Share D-Ann's fun and excitement in the auction process and perhaps uncover some treasures for yourself!

Note: D-Ann referred me to a great web site: www.auctionzip.com. You can search for upcoming auctions by zip code, (all kinds, antique, real estate, automobile, farm equipment auctions and more.) and view the items that will be available to be auctioned at the event. D-Ann advertises her upcoming auction sales here. But be warned- this site can be addictive!

# Log-on to TumbleBooks

TumbleBookLibrary is an online collection of TumbleBooks, animated, talking picture books which teach kids the joy of reading in a format they'll love. TumbleBooks are created by taking existing picture books, adding animation, sound, music and narration to produce an electronic picture book which you can read, or have read to you. The Hayner Public Library District is now subscribing to this collection. You can access Tumblebooks on-line at the Hayner Library website, www.haynerlibrary.org.

The TumbleBook Library is a collection of licensed titles from children's book publishers such as Scholastic, Harcourt, Little Brown, Walker and Company and others. The Tumblebook library is made up of six different activity sites. They include:

***Story Books:***
This site provides a selection of children's favorite story books. Old time favorites such as "The Paper Bag Princess" by Robert Munch come to life in an educational and interactive way. Kids can also see their favorite fairy tales such as "Jack and the Beanstalk" and "Old Mother Hubbard" come to life.

***Life Learning:***
The life learning site complements and broadens the scope of many themes taught in the classroom. Several of the books cover various holidays and celebrations and can be used to raise awareness of different cultures. Other books in this collection deal with volunteering, aging grandparents, asthma and cultural tolerance. Life Learning also includes non-fiction books and biographies.

***Language Learning:***
The Language Learning Section comes with a growing selection of books in Spanish and French. Many are bilingual titles which allows the user to read the book in two languages.

***Tumble Readables:***
These are chapter books and Young Adult novels. Older students can read the growing collection of children's classics like "Black Beauty", "Alice in Wonderland" and "Anne of Green Gables." The TumbleReadable format, with its innovative text size slider allows the reader to adjust to the text size to what is right for them, making reading online fun and accessible.

***Audio Books:***
Tumblebook Library includes a collection of full length, unabridged, streaming audio books. Perfect for extended story time.

***Puzzles and Games:***
This site can be used to compliment a book the child just read or as a standalone fun (educational) site.

- **TumblePuzzles**
A collection of online puzzles using a picture from the book.

- **TumbleGames**
A collection of concentration games, spelling games, and 'fill-in-the blanks' games, reinforcing concepts from the book.

- **TumbleQuizzes**
TumbleQuizzes use 5 multiple choice questions to test reading and comprehension in a fun way. The quiz tracks the number of right and wrong answers and produces a report at the end. A round of applause is given to users with a score of 4/5 and 5/5.

- **Teacher Resources**
This site provides a collection of teachers resources which will aid any teacher or parent in meeting the unique needs of the individual child The objective of TumbleBooks is to instill a love of reading in children. Reading is not only a tool for learning but also a lifelong skill that is a crucial measure for success. Log-on to Tumblebooks with your child and help him discover the wonderful world of books!

# NEW ITEMS IN THE ILLINOIS ROOM

*Come in and see our new additions.*

Union County, Illinois Cemeteries Vol. 2-4 IR 929.3773995 DEX
1860 Monroe County, Illinois Federal Census IR 929.377391 STE
Legacy of Kin, Hamilton County, Illinois Vol. 1 & 2 IR 929.377395 FEL
Index to Obituaries and Death Notices in the Jonesboro Gazette 1858-1883 (Union County IL) IR 929.3773995 IND
Williamson County, Illinois 1860 Federal Census IR 929.3773993 HAT
1860, 1870, and 1880 Federal Census and Mortality Schedule of Pope County, Illinois IR 929.3773991 EIG
Pope County, Illinois 1900 Federal Census IR 929.3773991 POP
Union County, Illinois Probate Records 1818-1868 IR 929.3773995 DEX
Union County, Illinois Soldiers IR 929.3773995 DEX
Union County, Illinois Marriage Records 1869-1885 IR 929.3773995 DEX
Maple Hill Cemetery Inscriptions, Franklin County, Illinois IR 929.50977394 LEM
Horse Prairie Cemetery, Sesser, Illinois IR 929.50977394 BRO
Alexander County, Illinois Census Records Vol. 1 & 2 IR 929.3773999 DEX
Federal Township Plats: Madison County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats: Macoupin County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats: Jersey County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats: Saint Clair County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Historical Register and Dictionary of the United States Army 1789-1903 Vol. 1 & 2 IR 355.0092273 HEI

## URSULINE CONVENT

The Ursuline Convent book is now complete and available for viewing in the Illinois Room. It is a compilation of newspaper articles gathered from various sources. The Ursuline Convent and the Sisters are a large part of Alton history and our community has been the fortunate beneficiary of their knowledge and care over the years. Visit our Illinois Room and see the book of their local history with many photos.

***Please consider leaving your completed FAMILY GROUP SHEET with the Genealogy Department so it can be placed in the Illinois Room. You can send these to us by mail or drop them off at the library. The family you have been searching for just may find you. Thanks.***

WE HAVE ANCESTRY LIBRARY EDITION© AND HERITAGE QUEST ONLINE© IN OUR ILLINOIS ROOM. These databases are free for your genealogical research in our Illinois Room. Come in and research your family tree today.

Come check out our *Ancestry* magazine, *American Spirit* magazine of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and *Everton's Genealogical Helper* magazine. These can now be checked out for your enjoyment.

**Thanks to the hard work of one of our patrons, we have added Valhalla Cemetery inventory to our other local cemetery inventories. Come see our many cemetery books in the Illinois Room.**

## *For Women By Women - Fall 2007 Conference*

# *"I am Woman…Hear Me Roar"*

The career development series, For Women By Women, will be presentung its 9th annual seminar at the Alton Holiday Inn on September 19, 2007. Lois Britton, owner of Lois Britton Communications, will present four topics to help empower woman in the workplace. Her interactive seminar will cover the topics of stress management, self-confidence, goal setting and motivational tactics. Lois will assist each guest in creating her own guide to a more productive personal and professional lifestyle. During lunch, Donna Gamache, eWomen Network Managing Director of St. Louis, MO will host an interactive presentation, "Packaging the Most Important Product…You" You only have one chance to make an outstanding impression and obviously your wardrobe makes a difference in your total package. Donna will discuss and demonstrate the importance of color, quality, trends, fit and accessories in developing your unique wardrobe style

The seminar will start with registration at 7:30 am and conclude at 1:00 p.m. The $50 admission fee includes the seminar, lunch and luncheon entertainment. A table of six can be purchased for $275. For additional information call The Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois at 618-467-2280. Registration forms are available from the Growth Association or online at www.growthassociation.com. Informational brochures and registration forms are also available at all three Hayner Library locations.

The *For Women By Women* series is produced by a committee of local business women, members of the Growth Association of Southwestern Illinois and volunteers from SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Businesses.

# *Challenge of the Bluffs Run 2007*

For many of us, the crisp, cool, beautiful days of fall are our favorite time of year. It is also the perfect time to participate in the Challenge of the Bluffs Run sponsored by the Alton Marketplace. This annual event is anticipated by runners and walkers alike as a great way to enjoy the colors and the scenic beauty of the bluffs. The run will be held on Saturday, October 6, 2007. The five mile run is up to the top of the Mississippi bluffs through charming Christian Hill area. It will start on Broadway at Alby and finish at Belle Street and 4th Street. Walkers can also participate in a two mile walk up past Riverview Park and back downtown. Registration will be held the day of the race from 8:00 a.m.-8:45 a.m. in front of the Alton Marketplace building at 100 E. Broadway, Alton. You can also register and pay online on the Marketplace's website at www.altonmarketplace.org. The fee for the race is $20 if you register by September 28 and $25 if you register the day of the race. If three or more participants register together, the fee is $18 a piece. The race will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. and all activities will conclude by 11:00 a.m. (including awards ceremonies). Awards will be presented to seven different age categories of male and female runners. Walkers will be awarded 1st, 2nd & 3rd overall. All participants will receive a goody bag which will include a commemorative long sleeve tee shirt and other great items provided by local sponsors. After the race, refreshments will be available in the garden at Mac's Time Out Lounge. If you would like additional information, you can call the Alton Marketplace at 463-1016. Also, contact the Marketplace if you are interested in being a sponsor or a volunteer the day of the race. This race has been sanctioned by the USTEA. Join us for this wonderful annual event and enjoy the fall beauty of the bluffs. If you're not a participant, be sure to come out and cheer on the runners and walkers! (Maps of the race course are available at the Alton Marketplace). All proceeds of this event will benefit the Alton Marketplace and the Mayor's Beautification Committee.

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Main & Youth Libraries
Mon - Thurs, 8 am to 8 pm
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Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm

Alton Square Branch
Mon - Sat, 9:30 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday, Noon to 6 pm

# THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

Foster Township 2007 Vol

## *Hayner Library gets Ready to Grow!*

This past September, The Hayner Public Library District Board of Trustees unanimously approved a plan to expand library space at the Alton Square Mall from approximately 6000 square feet to 24,485 square feet. This represents the culmination of several years of study and analysis by Hayner staff and board members. External library consultants and community leaders also participated in the development of the expansion plan.

The timeline for the development of this plan started in 2000 when an external consultant, Library Planning Associates, conducted an abbreviated Space-Needs Study which confirmed a growing need for additional space to properly house library materials. In 2002, the Summit Planning Group Consultants conducted a random mail survey throughout the library district. The survey results showed that while some respondents would like to see a library in Godfrey or Foster Township, the overall consensus favored the Alton Square Mall for future library growth and development.

In 2004, The Wiseman Consulting was instrumental in guiding library staff, library trustees and 16 diverse community stake holders (Community Planning Committee) through the development of a Five Year Long Range Plan for the library district. From these planning sessions, the Planning Committee determined five key service responses for the library to provide including: tools for life-long learning; general information; current topics and titles; formal learning support; local history and genealogy. Maintaining these service responses would require a growth in space and materials.

From 2005 to 2006, the consultanting firm, Library Planning Associates, conducted a full scale space needs study. The result showed that the Library is short 47000 square feet to provide for CURRENT service needs- future growth is NOT accounted for in this estimate

The Board now was ready to evaluate expansion alternatives. This very thorough evaluation was conducted from 2006 until 2007. Many financial and physical configurations were investigated. Key to all alternatives was sharp attention to maintaining fiscal responsibility. The board unanimously agreed that it did not support a referendum on the ballot for taxpayers i.e.: they would NOT place any additional financial burden on the taxpayer. The alternatives considered included:

- Expand Downtown libraries. Determination: real estate for building/parking expansion not available. Renovation costs were prohibitive.
- Build or buy a new stand-alone library: Distinctly cost prohibitive based on estimates from multiple contractors. Again, the HPLD board does not support a referendum on the ballot for taxpayers.
- Expand at the Mall: Aggressive negotiation between HPLD board and Coyote Management produced a solution to grow services, remain fiscally responsible and benefit overall community growth and development. This plan would expand current library space

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## *Mission Recognition Wins Best in Show*

Demco is a large national supplier of library supplies, furniture, equipment and learning material. In October, Demco and Illinois Library System Directors Organization sponsored the Second Annual Diversity Fair at the Illinois Library Association 2007 Annual Conference in Springfield, Il. The Diversity Fair is a chance for library conference participants to learn about programs and initiatives around the state that address diverse user populations and incorporate outreach programs into the community. The Hayner Public Library District participated in the show, presenting the library's Mission Recognition program. Mission Recognition was developed by Hayner Library, funded through private endowment, to recognize acts of positive behavior and good value judgment of the youth of our community. Monthly, the library awards recognition to kids who have been nominated by friends, family, teachers, or neighbors for their "good deeds." The Hayner Public Library District was very proud and excited to receive "Best in Show" as voted by the judges at the event. This is a great recognition for Mission Recognition and the district has been approached by many peer libraries who are now excited about implementing similar programs in their own communities.

If you observe an act of a positive nature (no deed is too small), you can nominate the individual by filling out a simple nomination form available online at www.haynerlibrary.org, or pick up a form at any Hayner Library location.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas - Dec. 24, 25 & 26
New Years - Dec. 31, Jan. 1
Dr. Martin Luther King Day - Jan 21
President's Day - Feb. 18

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**READY TO GROW! (Cont.)**
at the mall from 6000 sq. ft. to 24,885 sq ft. Coyote Management has agreed to contribute $700,000 towards renovation of the mall space. An extremely prudent lease rate cost was negotiated -approximately 5 times less than current market square foot costs. Coyote management laid out very aggressive and exciting plans/upgrades upon receiving ownership of the mall. Coyote felt Hayner's presence at the mall was a critical anchor and thus were very willing to work with the trustees and agreed upon flexible terms and conditions in the lease contract. Conversely, the library felt that not only would this expansion benefit active library patrons, but would have a huge positive impact on the entire community as mall improvements coincide with the library's expansion.

Phase one and two of the expansion plan is to complete the library expansion at the mall by August 2008. Watch in the next newsletter for information on phase 3!

## News You Can Use!

If you need author biographies, literary criticism, plot summaries, or even just images of literary figures, Hayner's online database, ***Literary Reference Center***, can help you with your research.

***Literary Reference Center*** is a full-text database that provides users with information on thousands of authors and their works across literary disciplines and timeframes. It was specifically designed for public libraries, secondary schools, community colleges, and undergraduate research. It combines information from major respected reference works, books, and literary journals. ***Literary Reference Center*** includes plot summaries, synopses, articles of literary criticism, author biographies, full text from over 300 literary journals, book reviews, poems, short stories, author interviews, and images of key literary figures.

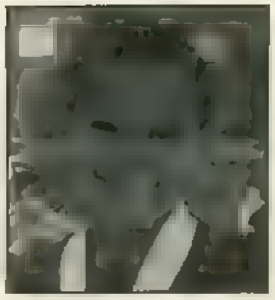
Want more? ***Literary Reference Center*** also features a literary glossary and a guide to literary research. Basic search navigation is easy, and requires no product training. Do a simple keyword search or browse by Works, Most Studied Works, Authors, or Most Studied Authors. You can conduct highly targeted advanced searches by such criteria as document type, literary genre or character, and author information. You can also save research results for future online sessions using the available online personal Folder feature.

***Literary Reference Center*** can be accessed at all Hayner Library locations. Hayner patrons may also access ***Literary Reference Center*** from home. A Hayner Library card barcode is required for home log-on. This remote access is free of charge and available 24/7. To access from home, go to Hayner's web site at www.haynerlibrary.org. Click on "Online Databases" and then click on Ebsco Literary Reference Center.

## Mission Recognition

Mission Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and non-family) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available on line at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location.

For the month of September, 2007, the Mission Recognition recipients were **Jordan Peoples** and **Ries Lundstom**.



Jordan is a 4th grade student at North Elementary School. On September 20, Jordon found a cell phone while waiting at his bus stop. When he arrived at school, he told the assistant principal about the phone and that he wanted to make sure the owner got it back. Jordan is being recognized for acting responsibly, taking overt action to "do the right thing."It was great to see his classmates high-five Jordan and cheer him on when he received this recognition!

Ries Lunstrom is in the 2nd grade at West Elementary. Ries befriended another boy who is three years younger. Ries has always been extremely kind to the younger boy. Two and a half years ago, Ries' friend was diagnosed with leukemia. Ries showed much concern and responded with love and compassion. Ries always inquired about his friend's well being and offered his help in any way. This year, Ries participated in a fundraiser for the Leukemia and the Lymphoma Society called *Light the Night*. Ries started saving his allowance a month before the fundraiser so he would make a personal donation. When arranging his own birthday party in August, Ries asked his friends to make a donation to the Leukemia Society instead of getting Reis a birthday present. As a result, Ries donated $63 in honor of his friend. Ries' kindness, generosity and care for his friend is a wonderful role model for all ages as acknowledged by his teachers, family, friends and Mission Recognition.

## A Bob Graul Tribute

Sadly, Robert (Bob) Graul, retired chief photographer of the Alton Telegraph, passed away on August 31, 2007. A hometown institution, Bob started at the Telegraph in January 1936 and his first photograph for the newspaper was an Alton High School senior class picture that included Robert Wadlow, later to become recognized as the world's tallest man. Bob retired in 1978, after more than 40 years of chronicling events in the Riverbend area, having taken literally thousand of photographs of daily local events. Throughout his career, Bob photographed Presidents Franklin Roosevelt, John Kennedy, Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter. You can view many of Bob's photographs on dedicated pcs at the Hayner Mall and Downtown libraries. Telegraph employee, Charlotte Stetson, has spent over a year of sorting through hundreds of Bob's negatives, indexing the photos, sorting them into various topical categories and digitizing them into a pictorial database, accessible through the library's pcs. You can select photos to be printed at the circulation desk for a $25 fee per photo. Since these photos are copywritten and owned by the Telegraph, they cannot be reproduced for reproduction without the written permission of The Telegraph. Come to the library and view the Bob Graul Photo Archive Collection. It's a wonderful tribute to Bob's lifetime of work preserving the histories of the architecture, events and people in our communities.

# Staff Picks--What We're Reading

**The Song Reader** by Lisa Tucker. Fiction
In her early 20's, Mary Beth thinks she'd doing okay. Her mother died recently, her father disappeared years ago, so Mary Beth is raising her 14-year-old sister, Leeann, by herself. To supplement her waitress income, Mary Beth puts her unique gift to work. She performs song readings—analyzing the lyrics of songs that people can't get out of their heads for hidden meanings in their lives. When a song reading uncovers a scandal, Mary Beth dissolves, unable to cope when her supportive town turns on her, leaving Leeann to pick up the pieces. This is a book about deep family secrets, what we do in the name of love, and the bond between sisters. The characters are fresh, the writing lyrical—it's a book that will pull you in. –Katie S.

**The Golden Compass** by Philip Pullman. Fiction
Harry Potter fans or newcomers to fantasy will enjoy the enthralling story of young heroine Lyra and her adventures in two worlds that are closely linked to our own. Lyra starts her adventures living in the adult world of Oxford University, but soon embarks on a harrowing journey to rescue her friend Roger, who has been captured and transported to the Arctic North. A key to survival in Lyra's world are personal daemons, small animals that live outside the body and represent a person's soul. Children's daemons can change; adults are set. Discover your personal daemon on The Golden Compass website at www.goldencompassmovie.com. Movie opens December 7, 2007. –Jean S.

**When Ghosts Speak** by Mary Ann Winkowski. Non-Fiction
Here is a fascinating new book you can't put down. Not a psychic–but a medium--Winkowski has seen and talked to earthbound spirits for over fifty years. She explains why ghosts stay around us (everywhere and all the time), how to deal with them, and how to protect yourself from those you don't want to live with. Beginning at 4 years of age, her "medium" maternal grandmother would take her to funerals to see the recently deceased ghost. Her grandmother wanted to reassure and comfort the family. Winkowski even tells us to expect to attend our own funeral! The author is the consultant for the CBS TV show Ghost Whisperer. –Sharon S.

**Traveler** by Ron McLarty. Fiction
Jono Riley, a middle-aged Manhattan bartender and part-time actor, receives a letter telling him that his first love, Marie, has died. A bullet left in her shoulder from an unsolved shooting forty years ago traveled and pinched an artery. The news sends Jono back home to East Providence to pay his respects. Through flashbacks we see a working class neighborhood and a boyhood spent during a simpler time when kids formed bonds that lasted forever. We see, too, how events from the past continue to color the present. The mystery of the shooting anchors the story, but it's the appealing characters, humor and sense of nostalgia that make this book a standout.–Katie S.

# Spoon River Reveries

***Tuesday, January 29, 6:30 p.m.***

In an innovative move toward a new approach to Genealogy, the Hayner Library will team up with members of the Alton Little Theatre to present a new look at ancestors and their fascinating reminiscences from the grave. The program will be entitled "Spoon River Reveries" and will be presented on January 29, 2008 at the Reading Room location of the Downtown Library. The short playlet has been taken from the writing of Edgar Lee Masters' Spoon River Anthology.

Adaptations from Spoon River Anthology have been coalesced into a moving experience which enables the viewer to hear from the residents of Spoon River themselves, and has been shaped by Midge Hallett into a very moving and nostalgic theme that has been interwoven, into a fascinating exercise of contemplation.

Some of the actors and actresses who will appear in these roles are Cliff Davenport, Diana Enloe, Marge Barban, Lee Cox and Mike Krause. Most of these actors have recently completed performing in the October presentation of Vintage Voices. Lee Cox, Ways & Means Chairman, of the Alton Little Theatre, will direct this performance. This program is free of charge. Reservations for this event may be made by phoning 1-800-613-3163.

# Meet New "Winter Friends" at Alton Square

Meet authors Carl R. Sams II and Jean Stoick with their new book, *First Snow in the Woods!* on Saturday December 8th. The new woodland holiday décor in the mall this year was inspired by the charming books *Stranger in the Woods*, *Lost in the Woods* and *Winter Friends* by Mr. Sams and Ms Stoick. The authors will be signing books, CDs and DVDs at center court on the lower level of the Alton Square Mall from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon. Waldenbooks and B. Dalton Booksellers in the mall will both have books available for sale. Also on Saturday, December 8, from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm, the authors Carl R. Sams II and Jean Stoick will be reading their books at The Hayner Public Library on the second floor of the mall, near Macys. See mall or library staff for reading times. This event is sponsored by WBGZ, The Telegraph and The Hayner Public Library District. Don't miss this opportunity to meet the authors LIVE at Alton Square and stock up on their beautful books as Christmas gifts that will be loved by readers of all ages.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Winter 2008 Computer Classes

The last series of computer classes were in such demand, we are going to repeat the series and add an additional topic. These classes are free of charge. We will be filling the classes with names already on our waiting list. To place your name on the list, call 1-800-613-3163. Please do not duplicate a class you have already attended. Leave the class you are interested in, and session you prefer. You must also leave the bar code number on the back of your Hayner Library card. You will be contacted confirming your seat in the class. Training classes will be small, limited to 10 students each. At this time, the classes are open to Hayner Library card holders only. You will be contacted confirming your seat in the class.

You are welcome to bring your own flash drive to save the class notes. IF YOU ARE CONFIRMED IN A CLASS AND CANNOT ATTEND BE SURE TO CONTACT US AT THE 800 #. The classes are:

**Computer Basics-** a general overview of the hardware, software and working of personal computers. This class will be structured for the beginning computer user. *The class will have two sessions: You may sign up for ONE.*
***Session 1: Wed., Jan. 23, 5:30-6:30***
***Session 2: Wed., Jan. 23, 6:30-7:30***

**Beginning Word 2003-** Adjusting margins, alignment, spacing, changing font type and font size, importing graphics, centering, headers and footers *This class will meet on two separate evenings. Each class will be a two-hour session. You may sign up for ONE session:*
***Session 1: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Jan. 30***
***Session 2: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Feb. 6***

**Advanced Word-** This class will cover some of the more advanced word formatting topics, to help you add flair, templates and tables to your documents. *Only those who attended Beginning Word in a previous session may sign up for this class.*
***Session 1: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Feb. 13***

**Introduction to Power Point-** Learn how to put your favorite photos into a slide show format by using power point. Bring a CD or flash drive with at least five pictures saved on it.
***Session 1: Wed., Feb. 20, 5:30-6:30***

**Internet/email-** basic searches, how to import/export information, internet email sites, ways to block sites.
***Session 1: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Feb. 27***

**Introduction to Microsoft Excel-** This class will show you how to do everyday things with Excel. Learn how to create a mailing list or a household budget.
***Session 1: 5:30-7:30 on Wed., Mar. 5***

## Hayner Downtown Library Events

*The days are getting shorter but there is no shortage of fun events at the Hayner Downtown Library. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Downtown Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois*

**REMINDER**
***Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.***

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**Saturday, January 12**
**Saturday, February 9**
**Saturday, March 8**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

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### Limited Edition

***Sounds of the Holidays***

**Sunday, December 2, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

This is one of our favorite events of the Holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group, Limited Edition, for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Guaranteed to fill you with holiday cheer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dennis Stroughmatt

***La Guillanee: Ancient French Traditions in Music and Food***

**Tuesday, January 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Who would have imagined that a tradition begun centuries ago, one now extinct in western France, would remain alive in "Upper Louisiana," aka Illinois and Missouri. The Guillanee, a Celtic, pre-Christian tradition of sharing food and bounty amongst the entire community during winter, began in Europe as a gesture of charity over two thousand years ago. In France, it also brought the community together to celebrate the New Year to express joy for life. This presentation will explore the European and Canadian roots of this Southern Illinois tradition of food and music. Performer Dennis Stroughmatt is an authority on French Creole music and culture and has lived, worked and played music in south east Missouri where he learned to speak French Creole, play the fiddle and sing the traditional songs that have permeated the region for over 300 years. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### The Buckhannon Brothers

***Old Time Music***

**Tuesday, January 15, 6:30 p.m.**

Dennis (guitar) and Curtis (mandolin, tenor banjo) Buckhannon have been playing music together since they were kids growing up in North County. January 15th they will be joined with Vince Corkery (upright bass) and will perform an evening of lovely old time waltzes, reels, schottisches and rags performed mainly on mandolin and banjo. The music they play is from another era and much of it has been handed down from old time fiddlers they had the blessing to know and learn from. Other tunes are obscure rags, learned from old recordings, or even from musicians from the present era.....Every tune is a danceable one and they will certainly open up the floor to allow an occasional waltz, etc...Come

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and enjoy music from another time and place that will warm your soul on a cold winter's night. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Steven Gerlach*

***18th Century Medicine***

**Tuesday, January 22, 6:30 pm**

Join Theophratus von Gerlach, Docteur of Physick, (a.k.a. Steven Gerlach) for a discussion of the different tools and surgical techniques that were used and practiced in the 18th century. Many of the medical procedures of that time seem horrific by today's standards but the Dr. will explain how and why the patients endured. He will also discuss those treatments of the time that are still part of medical practice today. A fascinating evening. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Genealogy*

***Spoon River Reveries***

**Tuesday, January 29, 6:30 p.m.**

In an innovative move toward a new approach to Genealogy, the Hayner Library will team up with members of the Alton Little Theatre to present a new look at ancestors and their fascinating reminiscences from the grave. The program will be entitled "Spoon River Reveries" and will be presented on January 29, 2008 at the Reading Room location of the Downtown Library. The short playlet has been taken from the writing of Edgar Lee Masters' Spoon River Anthology and has been shaped by Midge Hallett into a very moving and nostalgic theme that has been interwoven into a fascinating exercise of contemplation. Reservations for this event may be made by phoning 1-800-613-3163.

## *Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*

***Celebrate Mardi Gras***

**Tuesday, February 5, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

A Hayner tradition and highly anticipated yearly event, Bud and his band are back to help us kick off the festive Mardi Gras season. The band plays New Orleans–style jazz in this raucous celebratory event of fun, swing and soul. A local favorite in the St. Louis area, the band always packs the house. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *David Marler*

***UFOs-101***

**Tuesday, February 19, 6:30 p.m.**

MUFON, Mutual UFO Network, is an international scientific organization to investigate and study reported UFO sightings. David Marler is the State Director for the Illinois chapter of MUFON. He will be presenting an introduction to the subject of UFOs and examine the history of UFOs. Key UFO cases will be discussed, particularly those cases which have served to shape our perception of the UFO phenomenon over the years. Discussion will also include the U.S. government's studies into the UFO subject. Also, a landmark UFO sighting will be examined that occurred on Jan 5th, 2000 over Southern Illinois. David personally investigated this case which involved multiple police officers from the surrounding areas. Join us for this fascinating discussion. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Schola*

***Motown and More!***

**Tuesday, February 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Schola is the wonderful choir from Saints Peter and Paul Church. Led by Musical Director, Martha Bockus, the choir has a great following in the community and has been performing together for over ten years. For this program, they will be performing a variety of selections of Be Bop, Do Wop, Motown and more. Take a musical trip back to the 1960s. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Irish Xiles*

***Celebrate St. Patrick's Day!***

**Tuesday March 11, 6:30 p.m.**

The ever-popular Irish Xiles return to Hayner Downtown Library to perform the best songs from their vast repertoire. Come and join the Duffy clan as they showcase tender ballads mixed with rousing battle songs and a jig thrown in for good measure! Full of humor and high energy, this program is not to be missed. The band is open to requests, and you can contact them in advance at dec@xiles.biz or by phone at 314-359-0590. Register for this program at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Jacquie Manning & Rich Prezioso*

***Small Potatoes***

**Thursday, March 20, 6:30 p.m.**

The Chicago-based duo, Small Potatoes, has been touring the folk circuit since 1993 They describe their music as "Celtic to Cowboy" and say it has taken them "years of careful indecision" to come up with a mix of music that ranges from country, blues and swing to Irish. They even yodel. They also pay attention to the warmth and humor that creates a great rapport with their audience and makes for a memorable performance. *Dirty Linen Magazine* called them "one of the most polished, inventive and entertaining shows on the circuit" Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Nancy Lippencott and the River City Revelers*

***An Evening of Swing***

**Tuesday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.**

Nancy is a popular local performer who has entertained us in the past with musical performances of Celtic, American folk and old time country music. Nancy and the River City Revelers is a recent collaboration of musicians that will be performing a program of favorite swing music from the 1930's and '40s. Join us for a great evening and great musical memories. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

*All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment.* ***Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.***

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## Teen Activities

### • Teen Advisory Council

Need community service hours come help Hayner Library with planning teen events, and purchasing idea and much more! Meeting dates will be Tuesday December 11th, Wednesday January 16th, Wednesday February 20th, and Wednesday March 19th. Call 433-2861 to register.
• *As of January '08 all Teen Advisory meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month.*

### • Teen Movie Nights

Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Night's! Each month Hayner will host a movie night exclusively for Teens! The movie will be a new release and pizza and soda are on the menu. Teen Movie Night dates are December 12th, January 23rd, and February 13th. Movies will begin at 6pm sharp. Movies will be announced 2 weeks before show date. Call 433-2861 to register.

### • Teen Video Gaming Night

Calling all gamers! Come join teens for an evening of fun and games. DDR, Star Rock Karaoke, Guitar Hero 2 and 3, and a wide variety of board games. Friday January 4, 2008. Snacks provided. Call 433-2861 to register.

### • Teen Tech Week (March 3rd-8th)

**Internet Scavenger Hunt** - Hayner will be hosting its first ever Teen Internet Scavenger Hunt. To play, pick up a question and rules sheet at the Branch location at Alton Square the week of March 3rd. All answer sheets must be turned in no later than Saturday, March 8th by 9pm. The winner will be contacted by phone. You can't win if you don't play!
**Teen Gaming Night** - Gamers come kick back and play some of the coolest video and board games available. March 7th, 5:30pm-7:30pm. Call 433-2861 to register. Snack provided!

### • Project Next Generation

The Hayner Public Library has been chosen as the 25th host site for Secretary of State and State Librarian Jessie White's youth technology program Project Next Generation. Project Next Generation gives students ages 11 thru 14 the opportunity to try new computer technology, explore life skills, and have fun at the library. The program will involve a variety of activities allowing the students to interact with each other and dedicated mentors while developing skills they can use for the rest of their lives. The fall of '07 was the kickoff program which was a big success! The students meet twice a week and did a variety of projects including taste testing pizza to make a pie chart in Microsoft Excel, using Microsoft publisher to create a iron on t-shirt transfer, and developing a Microsoft PowerPoint presentation depicting Lincoln's time spent in Alton in the 1800's. We are hoping each student will take what they have learned from this experience and pass it on to their peers, and family member. Hayner will offer this program twice a year with approximately 6 to 12 students in each session. Sessions meet twice a week for approximately 1½ hours. If you are interested in participating in this free program please contact Sharon at 433-2861. The next session will start in February 5, 2008.

## Hayner Youth Library

**Winter Activities for Hayner Youth Library**
**December 2007, January, February, & March 2008**

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**Preschool Storytime** – Mondays – 10:00 am
December 10th – January 7th – February 4th – March 3rd & 17th

**Lapsit Storytime** – Tuesdays – 10:00 am
December 4th & 18th – January 15th & 29th –
February 12th & 26th – March 11th & 25th

**Preschool Storytime** – Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 am
December 11th – January 8th & 22nd –
February 5th & 19th – March 4th & 18th

**Evening Storytime** – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
December 4th & 18th – January 15th & 29th –
February 12th & 26th – March 11th & 25th

**Dance Dance Revolution** – Wednesdays – 3:00 pm
December 5th – January 2nd – February 6th – March 5th

**After School Fun** – Thursdays – 4:00 pm – Youth Library

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| December 13th | Santa Hat |
| January 10th | Wonderland Mobile |
| February 14th | Valentine Bear Pouch |
| March 13th | St. Patrick's Garland |

### *Special Events and Performers:*

**Children's Christmas Party – Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus**
Saturday – 2:00 p.m.
December 15th – Hayner Youth

**Loretta Washington – Storyteller**
Monday – 10:30 a.m.
January 7th – Hayner Youth

**DePriest Puppets – Puppetry**
Tuesday – 10:30 a.m.
February 12th – Hayner Youth

**Richard Landry – Magician**
Monday – 10:30 a.m.
March 17th – Hayner Youth

**Janice Katambwe – Storyteller**
Monday – 10:30 a.m.
March 31st – Hayner Youth

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## Branch Library Activities

### Family Game Night

December 12, January 16 and February 13 – 6:30 pm

One night each month in the winter, the Branch Library at Alton Square will hold a family game night. We will have board games for families to play or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family or play with some other great library patrons! This program will be held at OASIS in Macy's at the Alton Square Mall.

### Local Author Phyllis Bechtold Book Signing

*Seymour Bluffs and Robert Wadlow the Tallest Man in the World*

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| Branch Library | December 2 | 1-3 pm |
| Youth Library | December 16 | 1-3 pm |

Local author Phyllis Bechtold will sign copies of her new book "Seymour Bluffs and Robert Wadlow the Tallest Man in the World. In his newest adventure, Seymour Bluffs (an eagle who lives along the bluffs of the Mississippi River) meets Alton native Robert Wadlow, the world's tallest man. Along the way, Seymour learns the valuable lessons of tolerance and diversity

## Happy Anniversary!

On November 9th, Hayner library staff members, library volunteers and Homebound patrons celebrated the 20 year anniversary of the Hayner Library Homebound program. This program was started by Stephanie Munson after the "demise" of the Hayner Library Bookmobile vehicle. Stephanie grew the program over the years and now manages a group of twenty volunteers who help deliver library materials to individual homes, assisted living centers and nursing homes. A reception was held on November 9 at Senior Services Plus to celebrate the success of the program and to thank Stephanie for her years of dedication to growing this valuable service of The Hayner Public Library District.

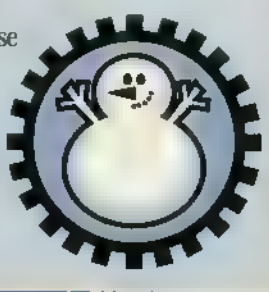
## New & Forthcoming Books

--NONFICTION

**Albright, Madeleine.** Memo to the President Elect: How We Can Restore America's Reputation and Leadership
**Chopra, Deepak.** The Third Jesus: The Christ We Cannot Ignore
**Colson, Charles.** The Faith: What Christians Believe, Why They Believe It, and Why It Matters
**Cramer, Jim.** Jim Cramer's Stay Mad for Life: Get Rich, Stay Rich
**Cruise, Jorge.** The 12 Second Sequence: How to Burn 20% More Calories Every Day
**D'Adamo, Peter.** The GenoType Diet
**DeFelice, Jim.** Rangers at Dieppe: The First Combat Action of U.S. Army Rangers in World War II
**Karlin, Ben.** Things I've Learned from Women Who've Dumped Me
**Krupp, Charla.** How Not to Look Old: Fast and Effortless Ways to Look 10 Years Younger, 10 Pounds Lighter, 10 Times Better
**Margolis, Char.** Discover Your Inner Wisdom: Using Intuition, Logic, and Common Sense to Make Your Best Choices
**Martin, Steve.** Born Standing Up: A Comic's Life
**Ornish, Dr. Dean.** The Spectrum: A Scientifically Proven Program to Feel Better, Live Longer, Lose Weight, and Gain Health
**People Magazine Editors.** Gone Too Soon: Fifty Famous Lives That Ended Far Too Soon
**Quindlen, Anna.** Good Dog. Stay
**Rogers, Jim.** A Bull in China. Investing Profitably in the World's Greatest Market
**Scheuer, Michael.** Marching Toward Hell: America and Islam after Iraq
**Ukra, Mark.** The Ultimate Tea Diet
**Williams, Terrie M.** Black Pain: It Just Looks Like We're Not Hurting: Real Talk for When There's Nowhere to Go But Up

--FICTION

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** Deep Dish
**Berry, Steve.** The Venetian Betrayal
**Brown, Rita Mae.** The Purrfect Murder
**Cannell, Stephen.** Three Shirt Deal
**Coonts, Stephen.** The Assassin
**Delinsky, Barbara.** The Secret Between Us
**Evanovich, Janet.** Plum Lucky
**Garwood, Julie.** Shadow Music
**Grafton, Sue.** T Is For Trespass
**Griffin, W.E.B.** The Shooters
**Grisham, John.** The Appeal
**Higgins, Jack.** Killing Ground
**Jance, J.A.** Hand of Evil
**King, Laurie R.** Touchstone
**King, Stephen.** Duma Key
**Kinsella, Sophie.** Remember Me?
**Koontz, Dean.** Darkest Evening of the Year
**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Sizzle and Burn: The Arcane Society, Book 3
**Lescroart, John.** Betrayal
**Palmer, Michael.** The First Patient
**Paretsky, Sara.** Bleeding Kansas
**Parker, Robert B.** Stranger in Paradise
**Parker, T. Jefferson.** L.A. Outlaws
**Patterson, James.** 7th Heaven
**Preston, Douglas.** Blasphemy
**Rice, Luanne.** Light of the Moon
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Lady Killer
**Steel, Danielle.** Honor Thyself
**Woods, Stuart.** Beverly Hills Dead



## E-Pay

The Hayner Public Library District now offers our patrons a payment web site for your convenience. The library has partnered with the Illinois E-Pay Program to provide you with a secure and easy way to make payment for fines and fees, lost materials, or items purchased from the library.

A kiosk has been set up at each library location circulation desk for your payment using MasterCard, American Express or Discover debit or credit cards. Please remember that you can prevent overdue charges by renewing materials by phone or online. To check your library balance or to renew online, access www.haynerlibrary.org and go to *Hayner catalog* under online catalogs.

To make payment using the epay program, at the kiosk select the type of payment you want to make (MasterCard, Discover or American Express) and complete the online form with the requested information. You will receive a confirmation number by e-mail once your transaction is complete. Print this form for your records. Allow two business days for your account to be updated and the fines to be cleared from your account. If you are paying fees so you can check out today, complete your e-payment and then bring the printed receipt to the circulation desk as proof of payment, so your account can be credited right away.

There is a convenience fee charged for using this system. The fee is not charged or collected by The Hayner Public Library District. This fee is a service charge of the Illinois E-pay program. For payments of $0-$25, the fee is $1.00; for a $25.01-$50 payment, the fee is $1.25; for a $50.01-$75 payment, the fee is $1.88; for $75.01-$100 payment the fee is $2.50. For specific information about convenience fees, go to fee schedule in the e-pay program. If you have any questions or need assistance using the e-pay program, do not hesitate to ask a library staff member for help.

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## Spring 2008

Telegraph Obituary Index 1998-2006 (patron donation) IR 929.377386 TEL
Genealogical Abstracts of Revolutionary War Pension Files IR 973.34 WHI
Early Johnson County, Indiana Landowners IR 929.3772 HOL
Search: A Handbook for Adoptees and Birthparents IR 362.8298 ASK
Made in Illinois IR OVERSIZE 338.09773 ACH
Cadet Life: Western Military Academy (patron donation) IR 373.243 CAD
Lincoln-Douglas Debates IR 973.68 LIN
Army Life of an Illinois Soldier IR B WILLS
Genealogists Guide to Discovering your African-American Ancestors IR 929.108996073 SMI
Lost Pensions: Settled Accounts of the Act of 6 April 1838 IR 973.3 SCO
Adventures of a Traveling Country Boy IR 977.3994002 PRE
My Life in Poetry by Wayman Presley (patron donation) IR 811.54 PRE
Camp and Prison Journal by Griffin Frost IR B FROST
Missouri Heritage by Lew Larkin (patron donation) IR 977.8 LAR
Federal Township Plats: Madison County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats: Macoupin County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats: Jersey County (CD in Genealogy Department)
Federal Township Plats: Saint Clair County (CD in Genealogy Department)

## Sanborn Maps

Hayner Library's Genealogical Department is happy to make available to our patrons the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps. These valuable maps feature 549 city maps in the State of Illinois for your research assistance. Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps are a great resource for architects, urban planners, land-developers and, yes, genealogists, or anyone interested in researching homes, businesses, or land use prior to 1970. Using this database along with our Ancestry Library Edition and Heritage Quest Online will add another dimension to your research. Join us in the Illinois Room for an introduction to the use of this valuable database.

***Yes, it's true; our Illinois Room has many volumes, databases, and maps about Illinois. But, did you know that we can assist you with research in other states? Come visit us and see what new items we have in our Illinois Room collection.***

## My River

In September, Alton was visited by a band of intrepid adventurers- a band of young people from all over the country who were crewing the vessels of the Miss Rockaway Armada. Their fleet of six boats and nine rafts were all created from "trash" that had been discarded by others. They were floating down the Mississippi, from Minneapolis to New Orleans, frequently stopping in different river towns along the way. Their mission, posted on their website (www.missrockaway.org) was to "create, meet people, and finally, for adventure: to reclaim and reinvent the old American urge to strike out and discover the vast mysterious land we inhabit and see it for ourselves." When they stop in various towns along the river route they will parade through town, playing marching music, meeting people and often performing dramatic theater.

The main engines for the boats are Volkswagen Rabbit engines that run on bio-diesel and certainly were a sight to see! The crews frequented the downtown library several times during their visits, using the internet and chatting with patrons. One patron, Genie Keller had written a poem recounting her love of the river and shared it with the crew. They were delighted and honored. The following is Mrs. Keller's lovely poem.

**MY RIVER**
There is a river
That flows by my door
It's wide and it's long
And it's proud of it's lore.

It's deep and it's shallow
It's cool and it's warm
It's lazy and rapid
And can do great harm.

In beauty- it's amazing
With sunsets – filled hearts
The quiet wonder of evenings
The call of shadowed Lark's

It gives of itself to humans
In the filling of every cup
It creates a lovely nesting
For each foul to rest and to sup

It made of itself- the pathway
Where man could easily trod
To bring forth great beginnings
In a nation led by God

Oh, keep me forever, My River,
On your banks where I lay my head,
You may fill me with happiness, always
But flow by my doorway, instead.

Genie Delano Keller
May 2007

# One Thousand Children in Need Will Receive Free Books

300 babies, toddlers and preschoolers in the Hayner Public Library District will receive about 1,500 free storybooks this year thanks to a grant from Reading is Fundamental, Inc. to Riverbend Head Start & Family Services.

Reading Is Fundamental, Inc. (RIF) prepares and motivates children to read by delivering free books and literacy resources to those children and families who need them most.

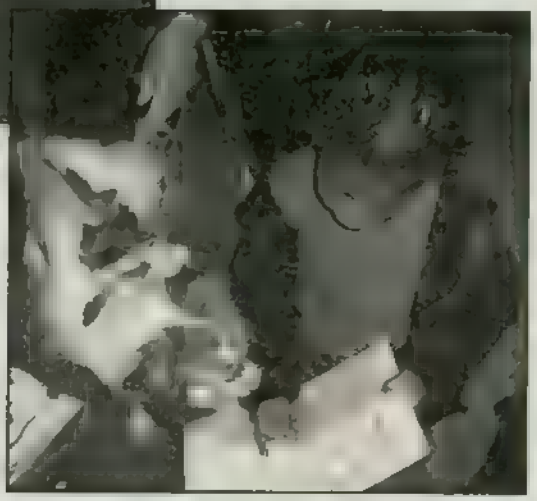
RIF awarded RHSFS a $5,350 grant this year to buy and distribute 3,000 free books to nearly one thousand children enrolled in its Madison County Head Start program. Created by federal legislation in 1965, Head Start is the most successful, longest-running, national school readiness program in the United States. It provides comprehensive education, health, nutrition, and parent involvement services to low income children and their families. Family literacy is at the heart of the program's goal to teach children and strengthen families facing challenges so that they succeed in school and life.

Together, Head Start and RIF combine three essential elements to foster children's literacy: reading motivation, family and community involvement, and the excitement of choosing free books to keep.

RHSFS is able to provide the required matching funds for the RIF grant thanks to donations from local businesses and individuals. To make a donation with a credit card call 618/463-5946. Or mail your much appreciated gift to Riverbend Head Start & Family Services, RIF, 550 Landmarks Blvd., P.O. Box 250, Alton, IL 62002-0250. And thank you for regarding family literacy as a community concern by supporting The Hayner Public Library District and initiatives like RIF.

# More Doggone Fun!

Our fall Bow wow Pow wow reading sessions were great! Lots of kids, lots of dogs and lots of fun had by all! Therapy dogs visit the Hayner Youth library on the second Saturday of every month and kids read to the dogs or just play with them. It's a great way to strengthen a child's confidence and reading skills. Please join us at 10:00 am, on December 8, January 12, February 9 and March 8. October 13, November 10 and December 8 – all ages are welcome. Join us and keep away winter's chill enjoying the warmth of these wonderful animals.



# Doggone Fun Facts

Dogs can suffer from tonsillitis but not appendicitis, as they don't have an appendix.

City dogs live about three years longer than country dogs.

A UN survey revealed that postmen in Britain are bitten by dogs far less than in any other country.

Toy dog breeds live an average of seven years longer that large breeds.

Dogs like squeeze toys because they sound like animals in distress.

In the United States, 12,500 puppies are born every hour.

Calling a puppy to punish it teaches it not to come when it's called. It is best to reward a dog by bringing it to you and to punish it by sending it away.

Dalmatians are born pure white. Their spots don't appear until they are three or four days old.

The miacis, the ancestor of the dog, had retractable claws and climbed trees when it roamed the earth forty million years ago.

A normal dog has forty two teeth: twenty in the upper jaw and twenty-two in the lower jaw. A human adult has thirty-two teeth equally divided between the two jaws.

In the United States, forty people every minute are sent to the hospital for dog bites.

Dog food is one of the most profitable items in the supermarket. People spend four times the amount on dog food as they do on baby food.

# *SCORE's generosity Enhances Business Reference Collections*

The Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423 has made another generous donation to the Hayner Public Library District. SCORE, counselors to America's small business, is a volunteer organization of business people who provide free confidential business counseling to the small business entrepreneur. SCORE has made many past donations to Hayner Library enabling us to build a premier business reference collection. The following titles have been purchased based on SCORE's generous 2007 donation:

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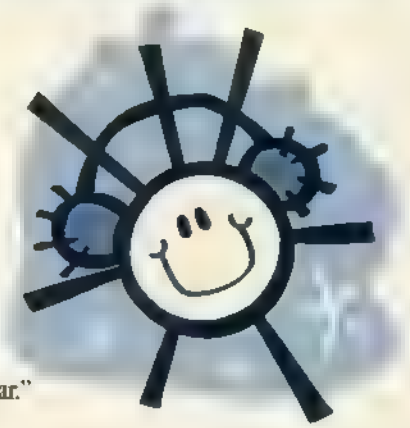
| Complete Book of Business Plans, 2nd Ed. | J. Covello |
| Financing Your Small Business: From SBA Loans and Credit Cards to Common Stock and Partnership Interests | J. Burk |
| How to get the Financing for your New Small Business. Innovative Solutions from the Experts Who Do It Every Day | S. Fullen |
| How to Use the Internet to Advertise, Promote and Market Your Business or Website with Little or No Money | B. Brown |
| How to Write a Great Business Plan for Your Small Business in 60 Minutes or Less – With Companion CD-ROM | S. Fullon |
| Inc. Yourself: How to Profit by Setting up Your Own Corporation | J. McQuown |
| Incorporate Your Business: A Legal Guide to Forming a Corporation in Your State | T.Mancuso |
| Instant Marketing for Almost Free: Effective, Low-Cost Results in Hours, Days or Weeks | S. Benjamin |
| Law (In Plain English) for Small Business | L. DuBoff |
| Make Your Business Survive and Thrive!: 100+ Proven Marketing Methods | P Huff |
| QuickBooks 2007 the Official Guide | K. Ivens |
| Small Business Financial Management Kit for Dummies | J. Tracy |
| Start a Business in Illinois 5th Ed. | L. Connell |
| Starting an Online Business for Dummies | G. Holden |
| Street Smart Internet Marketing – Tips, Tools, Tactics & Techniques to Market Your Product, Service, Business or Ideas | J Michie |
| The New Rules of Marketing and PR: How to Use News Releases, Blogs, Podcasting, Viral Marketing and Online Media | D Scott |
| Get the Interview Every Time. Proven Strategies from Fortune 500Hiring Professionals | B. Greene |
| Best Answers to 202 Job Interview Questions. Expert Tips to Ace the Interview and Get the Job Offer | D Porot |
| Competency-Based Interviews: Master the Tough New Interview Style | R. Kessler |
| Ditch the Flip-Flops: Ace Your Job Interview Fresh Out of College | S. Landy |
| Get That Job. Your Total Plan to Land the Job of Your Dreams (audio book) | D. Trump |
| High Impact Hiring: Your Total Plan to Interview and Select Outstanding Employees | D. Still |
| Hiring and Firing (Entrepreneur Legal Guides) | T. Paetkau |
| Hiring the Best: Manager's Guide to Effective Interviewing and Recruiting, 5th Ed. | M. Tate |
| How to Hire, Train & Keep the Best Employees for Your Small Business | D. Podmoroff |
| Job Interviews for Dummies | J. Kennedy |
| Nail the Job Interview | R. Krannich |
| Recruiting, Interviewing, Selecting and Orienting New Employees | D. Arthur |
| Shortcut Your Job Search: The Best Ways to Get Meeting | K. Wendleton |
| Stop Hiring Failures! | S. Springer |
| The Freeway Guide to Job Interviews: Prepared and Get Hired! (Audio book) | S. Leahy |
| The Manager's Book of Questions: 1001 Great Interview Questions for Hiring the Best People | J. Kador |
| Tips when Hiring and Firing Employees: 50 plus One | L. Magoon |
| You're Hired! Interview Skills to Get the Job | L. Epstein |

If you would like more information about the SCORE organization and their counseling services, call the Alton/Godfrey office at 618-467-8289.

# *Get Your Shine On*



"You've got a devilish smile on your face," said the merchant
to a man who was singing and dancing his way through the market.
"What's her name?"
The man shook his head.
"You just win the lottery?"
"Who needs money? There's so much more to life."
"Hitting the bottle a little early, aren't you?" "Sir, I do not drink! It clouds the mind."
"Sorry" said the merchant. "I didn't mean to offend you. It's just that you're glowing-radiant even.
I don't often see many fellows passing through here looking the way you do without a reason."
"My reason is I've just spent the past two hours at the library reading a recently discovered text by a famous scholar."
"Must have been some book to make your face shine like that."
"Well, knowledge does that to me," said the man
What makes you shine?

Adapted from *The Wisdom of Modern Rabbis*, Sidney Greenberg, Citadel Press

## *Patron Profile – Brandy Kollmar*

Brandy Kollmar is a busy young mother of two boys, 6 year old William and Logan who is 18 months. William started kindergarten this year and Logan, Brandy says, has gone from walking just a few steps to running everywhere! The two young high energy boys keep brandy hopping particularly since she is (temporarily) a single parent. Her husband, Billy, is serving his second tour of duty in Iraq with the Army National Guard. Billy is a Sergeant First Class and has been in the guard for over 20 years. His first tour in Iraq lasted 18 months and this second tour will likely last 12-13 months. Brandy says this tour is a little easier than the first time Billy was overseas. She knows more what to expect and is able to "talk" to Billy face to face every day over the internet, with the wonders of web cam. Billy is able to visit with his two young sons also via the internet. Billy is in a camp in the Baghdad area and lives in a CHU (consolidated housing unit) which is really is no more than a two or three room trailer. Billy shares his CHU with the Platoon Leader, he is a Platoon Sergeant. The Lt. runs the missions and Billy makes sure the men are trained and have the right equipment that is needed. Their mission is Route Clearance. The men are in specialized vehicles looking for roadside bombs. One night they were on patrol and the insurgents detonated 8 bombs so that the U.S. Soldiers did not recover them. Only one vehicle was damaged but it was still able to make it back to base camp. Several men in the patrol were treated for concussions but no other injuries, which demonstrates how well these specialized vehicles protect them. Plus, each soldier wears over 30 pounds of body armor.

Billy sends home a monthly newsletter to friends and family which, for security reasons, does not include specific details of their missions and locations. He does highlight in the newsletter that he is proud to serve his country and that the support all service members receive from home make him prouder still.

Upon his return from active duty, Billy plans to resume his job at Barnes Hospital where he worked as a charge nurse in the trauma unit of the Barnes emergency room. The charge nurse charts the flow of care in ER and is the eyes and ears of the department. It was at Barnes where Brandy and Billy first met. Initially, Brandy worked as a patient care technician in ER. As a patient care tech, she had duties similar to a nurse, drawing blood and providing hands on care – the biggest difference was that she was not authorized to give medications. She worked nights for some time then took a new position as data analyst for trauma services. Brandy loved her job and someday would like to return to work in the science field, possibly forensics. Brandy worked at Barnes for nine years, but cut back to working just weekends when Billy got assigned to his first tour of duty. Long days at work were compounded by a long commute (often 1-1.5 hours). She says that books on tape really helped make the commute bearable!

Brandy is now is a full time mom and loves it but it keeps her running! She gets William off to school in the morning and then runs her errands with Logan. She also takes William to Tae Kwon Do classes 2-3 times a week and can't skip a week without taking the kids to the library. The whole family loves the library. When Brandy and Billy were first married they lived in St. Louis, only blocks away from the St. Louis Public Library. Brandi says she wore out several strollers due to her often daily walks to use the library. When they moved to Alton, she remembers how thrilled Billy was that Hayner had three unique locations. Today, William loves the library for its puppets and movies. He is also started to learn to read which he is so excited about. Logan has no interest in TV but loves to look at books and be read to. Unfortunately, Brandy rarely has much time these days to read a book cover to cover because of all the duties of running a household and caring for two little kids. But she says nothing beats being at home with the children. She says it is difficult with Billy in Iraq. She might not hear from him for a week or so at a time when he is on a mission but she says she just takes one day at a time. We sincerely want to thank Billy and Brandy both for their sacrifices and service to our country. We send all our prayers and wishes for Billy's safe, speedy return home.

## *Voter Registration at Hayner Library*

The Hayner Public Library District offers a voter registration service. Patrons 18 years of age and older who live in Madison County are eligible to register to vote. Patrons must bring two forms of identification (one with current address and one photo ID) with them to register. You can register at either the Downtown or Branch library locations. The last day to register for the Illinois Presidential Primary is January 8. DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER!!

## *New Phone Numbers*

This fall the library went to a new phone system for all three locations. Now the Downtown, Youth and Branch libraries and Administrative office can all be reached by dialing 618-462-0677.

# 2008 Hayner Adult Winter Reading Program

January 12 – February 23

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

Book Title and Author:

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Winter is just around the corner and so is Hayner's Adult Winter Reading Program. Curl up with some good books this winter and win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates just for reading! It couldn't be easier. Just sign up for Hayner's Adult Winter Reading Program, which runs from January 12th to February 23rd. For every book or audio book you read or listen to, you can enter a drawing to win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates. Two $100 sets of certificates will be awarded, one from Hayner's Downtown branch and one from Hayner's Alton Square branch. Every time you finish a book or audio book, fill out an entry form and drop it in an entry box. The more you read the more chances you have to win! The rules are easy too. you must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; register at Hayner's Downtown or Alton Square circulation desks to participate and pick up additional entry forms. Drawings for these sets of restaurant gift certificates will be held on Saturday, February 23. It's so easy. We've even included your first entry form.

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***Read This!*** You say you don't have time to read? Well, historian David McCullough disagrees. Using research that concludes that the average American spends about 4 hours a day (that's 28 hours a week) watching television, McCullough says that if that same amount of time were devoted to reading, in 7 days a person could read…all the poems of Maya Angelou...one novel by F. Scott Fitzgerald...all the poems of T.S. Eliot...two plays by Thornton Wilder..all 150 Psalms from the Bible. Author and basketball executive, Pat Wilhams, expands on this point of view with a theory of his own: most people can finish an average sized book in a week by reading for only 1 hour a day. That's 52 books in a year's time if you keep it up. And you can become quite knowledgeable about any subject if you read the right five books on it. So why not read more? A brighter, more informed future is within your reach. –Adapted from *Read For Your Life*, Pat Williams and Peggy Matthews Rose, Health Communications


## The Hayner Public Library District

401 State Street
Alton, Illinois 62002

Main 462-0677
Branch 462-0677
Youth 462-0677
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Main FAX 462-0665
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Dial-A Story 462-8253
Administration FAX 462-4919


Hours of Operation

Main & Youth Libraries
Mon - Thurs, 8 am to 8 pm
Friday, 8 am to 5 pm
Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm
Sunday, 1 pm to 4 pm

Alton Square Branch
Mon - Sat, 9:30 am to 9:00 pm
Sunday, Noon to 6 pm

# THE HAYNER PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

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## *Mission Recognition... Congratulations 2007 recipients!*

Mission Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and non-family) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available on line at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location. This program is totally funded through private endowment

In January 2008, a Mission Recognition luncheon was held to recognize the 2007 recipients who were recognized individually throughout the year at their schools. Along with the recognition recipients, also attending the lunch were family members, school teachers and administrators, Mission Recognition Committee members, Hayner board and staff members and members of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association Victor Pacini, inspirational speaker and Mission Recognition spokesperson, recapped the deeds that had been recognized in the last year and thanked each recipient for their positive contributions to our communities. The 2007 Mission Recognition recipients includedAndrew Campbell, Caroline Thompson, Marissa Vogel, Julia Mae Campbell, Tommy Lee Sykes, Michael S., Jordan Broyles, Cassie Herrmann, Kaih Yocius, Chelcie Holliday, Ries Lundstrom, Joshua Gross, Gralan Alexander, Madison Bohn, Damuelle Womack, Koran Mason El, Steven Burdick, Blake Forgy, Drew Schwartz, Travis Kopsie, Kyle Plummer, Curtis Stilwell and Jordan Peoples.

January also kicked of the second year of Hayner Library's Mission Recognition initiative with the announcement of five new recognition recipients. Jay Hauck is a freshman at Alton High School. A neighbor of Jay's had fallen Jay heard her calls for help. He went to her, called 9-1-1 and stayed with her until the ambulance came and took her to the hospital. Her fall resulted in a broken leg but Jay's quick action prevented her from suffering further, due to exposure to the weather. Jay is recognized for his quick thinking and responsible action, helping someone in trouble.

Fatwan Lock is in fourth grade at North Elementary School. Fatwan attends school with a student with special needs. Every day, without being asked, Fatwan helps this student off the bus in the morning. He checks on him during the day and, in the afternoon, Fatwan helps the student back on the bus. Fatwan's actions demonstrate a compassion and regard for others needs way beyond his years.

Mackenzie Eickhoff is a fifth grader in St Ambrose Elementary School. Mackenzie found out that her teacher was undergoing treatment for cancer and would lose her hair due to chemotherapy. Mackenzie wanted to demonstrate her love for the teacher and had her hair cut and presented it to her teacher at school. The teacher said that she cherishes Mackenzie's gift.

Chandler Bogart is in the 4th grade of Gilson Brown School. Quinn Whitten attends fifth grade at Evangelical School. Chandler was waiting for his friend Quinn to return home so that they could play together. Chandler was watching Quinn's house across the street from

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JAY HAUCK

FATWAN LOCK

MACKENZIE EICKHOFF

CHANDLER BOGART

QUINN WITTEN

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, March 23
Memorial Day, May 26

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**MISSION RECOGNITION (Cont.)**
his window when he noticed something very wrong. Two boys walking on the street had noticed Quinn's bike inside the open garage. One boy stood guard while the other grabbed the bike and they sped away. Chandler ran to find his father who then recruited another neighbor to track down the boys and the stolen bike. They were successful, the police came and Quinn's bike was returned. Quinn was told of Owen's very good deed and, under his own initiative, took $5 he had received as a Christmas gift to thank his friend and show his gratitude.

All these great kids showed unselfish and compassionate concern for other people. They acted quickly and demonstrated strong value judgment. The Hayner Public Library District and the Mission Recognition Committee thank each one of them for being such valuable contributing citizens in our community.

## *BACH TO THE FUTURE The Bach that Rocks!*

On Tuesday, April 22, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College jointly present a wonderful musical event in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.

BACH TO THE FUTURE is an exciting classical/jazz quartet, transforming the famous classical melodies of Bach and other composers into jazz, Latin and other contemporary rhythms. The four musicians play cutting edge instruments, including the Drumitar, the MIDI electric violin and synthesizers. The group is stylistically similar to Mannheim Steamroller and frequently plays to sold out audiences. They've sold over 100,000 CDs on their own label, Time Machine Records and have opened for David Sanborn, Peter Cincotti, the Rippingtons, Eric Marienthal, Al DiMeola, Stanley Jordan, David Benoit, Michael Franks and the Yellowjackets.

In addition to concerts, the group performs master classes and music education clinics and has several instructional books and CDs published by Mel Bay Publications.

Their CD, "Bach to the Future" is available on Tower Records and iTunes. You can also get more information and hear a sample of their music at www.bachtothefuture.net. Bach to the future – the Bach that rocks! This program is free of charge but attendance registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163

## *The Hayner Public Library District Provides a Great Deal!*

The Hayner Public Library District provides a great deal of services and it also provides a great deal of value!

During fiscal year 2006-2007, we saved you, library users, $4,693,909! All three library locations are open seven days a week, 12 months a year (except for legal holidays). We circulated over 454,000 items (an increase of 7% over fiscal year 2005/2006)- all free of charge!

If library patrons had to purchase the materials we provide for free, let's analyze what they would have spent...

**You borrowed 169,100 books.**
Buying them at an average of $25 per book, you could have spent...$4,277,500.

**You borrowed 33,800 paperbacks.**
At an average of $8 per paperback you could have spent...$270,400.

**We subscribed to 359 magazines for you.**
At an average of $30 per subscription, you could have spent...$10,770.

**We subscribed to 20 newspapers for you.**
At an average of $200 per subscription, you could have spent...$4,000.

**You borrowed 132,499 videos and DVDs.**
At an average cost of $4 per rental, you could have spent...$529,600.

**You borrowed 15,900 audiobooks.**
At an average of $25 each, you could have spent...$397,500.

**You borrowed 24,600 CDs.**
At an average cost of $15 each, you could have spent...$369,000.

**We borrowed 38,050 items on interlibrary loan for you.** Some of these are out of print titles that cannot be purchased, but at an average cost of $25 per item, you could have spent...$951,250

**We answered 4,395 reference questions for you.** Even if you where charged only $2 per question, you could have spent...$8,790.

**We provided 318 free Youth and Adult programs with a total attendance of 11,300 individuals.**
At a minimal charge of $4 per person (half the price of a movie ticket), you could have spent...$45,200.

**FOR A TOTAL OF.....$6,864,010**
**Less library tax collected.....$2,170,101**

**SAVING YOU A TOTAL OF . . . . . $4,693,909***

Your library district is a money-saving investment for the community.
The quality of a library is a showcase of the quality of the community.
Use the library – get your fair share of the savings.

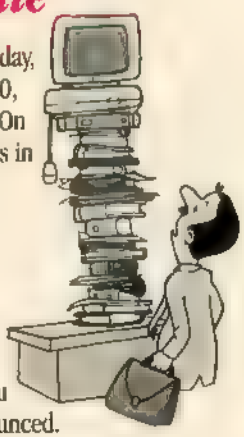
### Celebrate National Library Week April 13-19, 2008

*We also subscribe to 23 different databases ranging in topics from general news and magazine articles, antiques, auto repair, business, current events, history, health, literature and literary criticism, novels and authors, science, college prep, school entrance tests, professional licensing tests, writing skills, genealogy, and more. These databases are available to you 24/7 on our library website (www.haynerlibrary.org) which you can access from your home computer (you don't have to pay for gas to come to the library!) We spend $28,000/year to provide you with this information.

Don't have a computer at home? Then use one of ours – we have 40 public access computers available for your use.

## *Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale*

The Spring Book Sale sponsored by the Friends of the Library will be held Thursday, May 8, 6:00-8:30 p.m., Friday, May 9, 9:00 a.m.- 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 10, 9:00 a.m-3:00 p.m. On Thursday night, there will be a $5.00 admission charge. On Friday and Saturday, there is no admission charge. Come find wonderful bargains in books, magazines, music and more!



## *Computer Classes*

The Hayner Library Computer Education Series is on hiatus for the spring semester. We will return with a summer schedule. Watch for the schedule in the 2008 summer newsletter. We will maintain the current waiting list of those of you who have called for enrollment and contact you when the new schedule is announced. Thank you for your patience.

## *Casey and Friends*

Come join Casey *(see this issue's Patron Profile)* and his canine pals at our Bow-wow Pow-wow sessions. Our winter Bow-wow Pow-wow reading sessions were great! Lots of kids, lots of dogs and lots of fun had by all!

Therapy dogs visit the Hayner Youth Library on the second Saturday of every month and kids read to the dogs or just play with them. It's a great way to strengthen a child's confidence and reading skills. Please join us at 10:00 a.m., on March 8, April 12, May 10 and June 14 in the Youth Library on 401 State Street, Alton – all ages are welcome.

## *Food For Fido*

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month and in commemoration of this, all three locations of The Hayner Public Library District will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5A's Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner material only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation for each fine.

Please remember that 5A's also has a thrift shop at 632 Wood River Ave., Wood River, IL. It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. They have a large collection of used books (hardcover for $ 1.00, paperback $.25 - $.50), puzzles, clothes, collectibles, household goods, furniture, toys and seasonal items. Donations are accepted during regular store hours. For questions regarding the shop, call 254-0635 (shop) or 466-3702(shelter).

Please help our friends at the 5 A's – they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected or abused animals brought to the shelter. Remember, the new shelter is now open at 4530 N. Alby Rd., Godfrey. Stop by and visit this wonderful new facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever) and, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

## VERY INTERESTING STUFF

In the 1400's a law was set forth in England that a man was allowed to beat his wife with a stick no thicker than his thumb. Hence we have 'the rule of thumb'

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Many years ago in Scotland , a new game was invented. It was ruled 'Gentlemen Only... Ladies Forbidden'...and thus, the word GOLF entered into the English language.

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The first couple to be shown in bed together on prime time TV was Fred and Wilma Flintstone.

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Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the U.S. Treasury.

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Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.

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Coca-Cola was originally green.

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It is impossible to lick your elbow.

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The State with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska

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The percentage of Africa that is wilderness: 28% (now get this...)

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The percentage of North America that is wilderness: 38%

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The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven: $16,400

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The average number of people airborne over the U S. in any given hour: 61,000

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Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.

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The first novel ever written on a typewriter, Tom Sawyer.

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The San Francisco Cable cars are the only mobile National Monuments.

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Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:
Spades - King David
Hearts - Charlemagne
Clubs -Alexander, the Great
Diamonds - Julius Caesar

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# SPECIAL EVENTS AT HAYNER

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Yay, it's spring! Time to get out and about – be sure to join us for all the great programs we have lined up for you! All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, March 8**
**Saturday, April 12**
**Saturday, May 10**
**Saturday, June 14**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Irish Xiles*

***Celebrate St. Patrick's Day!***
**Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.**

The ever-popular Irish Xiles return to Hayner Main Library to perform the best songs from their vast repertoire. Come and join the Duffy clan as they showcase tender ballads mixed with rousing battle songs and a jig thrown in for good measure! Full of humor and high energy, this program is not to be missed. The band is open to requests, and you can contact them in advance at dec@xiles.biz or by phone at 314-359-0590. Register for this program at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Jacquie Manning & Rich Prezioso*
### Small Potatoes

**Thursday, March 20, 6:30 p.m.**

The Chicago-based duo, Small Potatoes, has been touring the folk circuit since 1993. They describe their music as "Celtic to Cowboy" and say it has taken them "years of careful indecision" to come up with a mix of music that ranges from country, blues and swing to Irish. They even yodel. They also pay attention to the warmth and humor that creates a great rapport with their audience and makes for a memorable performance.

Dirty Linen Magazine called them "one of the most polished, inventive and entertaining shows on the circuit" Register at 1-800-613-3163

### *Nancy Lippencott and the Nighthawks*

***An Evening of Swing***
**Tuesday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.**

Nancy is a popular local performer who has entertained us in the past with musical performances of Celtic, American folk and old time country music. Nancy and the Nighthawks is a recent collaboration of musicians that will be performing a program of favorite swing music from the 1930's and '40s. Join us for a great evening and great musical memories.

Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *MSchola*

***Motown and More!***
**Tuesday, April 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Schola is the wonderful choir from Saints Peter and Paul Church. Led by Musical Director, Martha Bockus, the choir has a great following in the community and has been performing together for over ten years. For this program, they will be performing a variety of selections of Be Bop, Do Wop, Motown and more. Take a musical trip back to the 1960s. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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## *Mobile Museum*

***Behind Barbed Wire:***
***Midwest POWs in Nazi Germany***
**Thursday, April 3 & Friday, April 4,**
**11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**
**Location: VFW Post 1308**
**4445 Alby - Alton**

TRACES is a non-profit educational organization which has taken a 40 – foot school bus and converted it to a mobile museum. The **BUS** exhibit tells the stories of Midwest soldiers and airmen captured in WWII and kept as Prisoners of War (POWs) in Nazi Germany This exhibit explores their experiences topically—e.g., their capture, interrogation, camp life, art/theater in the camps, escape attempts, death marches at the war's end, liberation and return to the U.S. reconciliation. The exhibit includes audio-video components, 22 display panels and 10 display cases--bringing alive a little-known subchapter of U.S. WWII history. The exhibit is free of charge. This unique event is jointly sponsored between the Hayner Public Library District, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 1308 and the Ladies Auxiliary.

## *Johnsmith*

***Songwriter, Poet, Storyteller***
**Tuesday, April 15, 6:30 p.m.**
A *Sing Out* magazine review of a Johnsmith performance noted "exceptionally written songs, passionate vocals and intelligent lyrics." John, who now hails from Wisconsin, has spent two decades performing in the U S. and abroad. He has produced half a dozen CDs to critical acclaim and is a past winner of the New Folk competition at the Kerrville Folk Festival. He was also recently featured on the elite "New Dimensions" program on NPR. Come, hear Johnsmith. His songs and voice go straight to the heart. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Bach to the Future*

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill*
**Tuesday, April 22, 7:00 p.m.**
Bach to the Future is an exciting classical/jazz quartet transforming the famous classical melodies of Bach and other composers into jazz, Latin and other contemporary rhythms. The four musicians play cutting edge instruments including the Drumitar, the MIDI electric violin, and synthesizers. They have sold more than 100,000 CDs on their own label and we are so excited to have them bringing a performance to our community! Stylistically similar to Mannheim Steamroller, the group is a must see! They will perform some of your favorite Bach as well as Beethoven's 5th (Carlos Santana style) and a Brahms mambo (a Brahmbo!) This program is presented jointly by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College and is free of charge; however, registration is required. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## *Don Huber*

***Local Civil War History***
**Thursday, April 24, 6:30 p.m.**
Join us for the quarterly genealogy round table. You will learn about Alton's involvement in the Civil War from resident authority Don Huber. Registration is required at 1-800-613-3163

## *Gabie McGarrah*

***Flamenco and More!***
**Tuesday, May 6, 6:30 p.m.**
"Flamenco is more than a style of music for Gabie McGarrah. It's as if he's using his guitar to channel the spirits of Spanish Gypsies who played it hundreds of years ago" *The Belleville News-Democrat*. Gabi has been performing as a professional musician for 40 years but it is his rare skills on Flamenco guitar that have helped him create a niche market in the St. Louis region introducing audiences to a foreign genre with an exotic quality. His program will feature a combination of flamenco pieces as well as favorite ballads and folk music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Configurations*

***Schubert Quintet in C Major, Opus 163***
**Tuesday, May 13, 6:30 p.m.**
Franz Schubert is considered by many musicologists as one of Viena's greatest composers during the 1820s. One of his most beautiful and dramatic works is his Quintet in C Major, Op. 162. Renowned cellists, James Nicholas wrote "For us cellists, it is THE cello quinteT...it is possibly the greatest piece of chamber music ever written, Beethoven's quartets not withstanding".

Come hear the extraordinary string ensemble, Configurations, perform this remarkable work. Alison Rolf and Jessica Platt will perform on violin, Christine Banda on the viola and James Nacy and Beverly Field on cello. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Victor Pacini*

***An Evening with Victor Pacini***
**Tuesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m.**
Victor Pacini began performing over 25 years. As a very young boy, Victor ritually put

# Special Events at Hayner

on his own personal tribute to Elvis Presley at family gatherings. This ultimately got Victor noticed by a manager of a local '80's "Tribute to Elvis" show band. At the age of 8, Victor was picked up by the band to be the opening act for a Sunday family show. He performed throughout the Midwest and Canada for the next couple of years with this twelve-piece band. Today, Victor takes the stage every evening with an energy and a commitment to entertain his audience.

Victor's choice of music spans five decades from rock and roll to pop. His original songs are a hit as well. Victor continues to wow his audience with his interactive style and his ability to entertain. Register at 1-800-613-3163

*All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.*

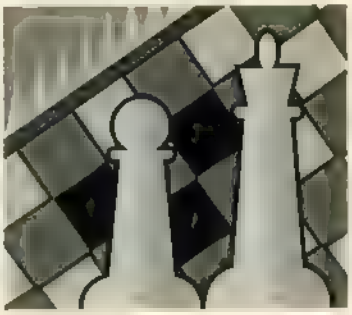
## *Hayner Library Branch Events at OASIS Alton Center*

*The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library at Alton Square Mall. Thank you to OASIS Alton Center for partnering with us and providing the meeting rooms where these events will be held. The OASIS center is located on the second floor of Macy's at the Alton Square Mall- follow the hallway to the right of Macy's Customer Service. The programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

### *Family Game Night*

**March 5, April 16, and May 14**
**6:30 p.m.**

One night each month in the spring, the Branch Library at Alton Square will hold a family game night. We will have board games for families to play or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family or play with some other great library patrons! This program will be held at OASIS.



## Hayner Youth Library

**Preschool Storytime**
Mondays – 10:00 a.m.
March 3rd, 17th & 31st – April 14th & 28th – May 12th

**Lapsit Storytime**
Tuesdays – 10:00 a.m.
March 11th & 25th – April 8th & 22nd – May 6th & 20th

**Preschool Storytime**
Tuesdays (Branch) – 10:00 a.m.
March 4th & 18th – April 1st, 15th & 29th – May 13th

**Evening Storytime**
Tuesdays – 6:30 p.m.
March 11th & 25th – April 8th & 22nd – May 6th & 20th

**Dance Dance Revolution**
Wednesdays – 3:00 p.m.
March 5th – April 2nd – May 7th

**After School Fun**
Thursdays – 4:00 p.m. – Youth Library

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| March 13th | St. Patrick's Garland |
| April 10th | Poetry Hanging |
| May 8th | May Day Wreath |

**SPECIAL EVENTS AND PERFORMERS:**

**Richard Landry – Magician**
Monday – 10:30 a.m.
March 17th – Hayner Youth

**Easter Program**
Saturday – 2:00 p.m.
March 22nd – Hayner Youth

**Young Children's Poetry Month**
April 13th – April 20th

**Janice Katambwe – Storyteller**
Monday 10:30 a.m.
March 31st – Hayner Youth

**Lisa Berman – St. Louis Zoo**
Monday – 10:30 a.m.
April 14th – Hayner Youth

**Mother Goose and Friends – Chris Everett**
10:30 a.m.
May 6th – Hayner Youth

## Young Adult Activities

**• Teen Advisory Council**

Need community service hours or just want to hang out with friends? Come join The Hayner Teen Advisory Council (TAC). TAC members plan teen events, work on fun projects, and help pick out new materials for the Library. Meeting dates are the third Wednesday of each month: Wednesday March 19th, Wednesday April 16, and Wednesday May 21st, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Snack provided! For more information or to register, call Sharon @ 433-2861.

**• Teen Movie Nights**

Bring a friend and come join the fun at Teen Movie Night. Each month, Hayner will host a movie night exclusively for teens! The movie will be a new release and pizza and soda are on the menu! Movie night dates are Wednesday. March 26th, Wednesday April 23rd, and Wednesday May 28th. Movies will begin at 6pm and movie titles will be announced 2 weeks before show dates. For information or to register, please call 433-2861.

**• Teen Tech Week (March 3-8)**

***Teen Gaming***

Calling all gamers! Bring your games and your friends and join us for some gaming fun. DDR, Star Rock Karaoke, Guitar Hero II and III and a variety of board games. The fun takes place on Saturday May 3rd, 1-3 p.m. Pizza and soda will be available. For more information or to register, call 433-2861.

***Internet Scavenger Hunt***

Want a chance to show off your internet /library skills. Enter the Teen Tech Week's Internet Scavenger hunt. To play, pick up an entry form at the branch location at Alton Square the week of March 3rd. Complete the form by answering each question correctly and turn it in by Saturday March 8th. The winners will be drawn and contacted by phone on Monday March 10th. Each winner will receive a $25.00 gift card.

**• Teen Summer Reading Program**

Hayner Public Library would like to invite teens to participate in this year's summer reading program. The theme, Get in the Game, Read, will offer teens a wide variety of fun activities in and out of the library. The program kick off date will be Saturday June 7th at the Alton Square location. For more details, call Sharon at 433-2861, or watch the mail for your Hayner Public Library District's summer newsletter.

# Behind Barbed Wire: Midwest POWs in Nazi Germany

The Upper Midwest has unique connections to the World War II European-theater prisoner of war (POW) experience. They occurred during the Third Reich, which is what Germany's Nazis defined as the era of their empire. The first U.S. troops sent to Europe came from the Iowa-based 34th "Red Bull" Division. This division consisted of men from Iowa, the Dakotas and Minnesota. They served for more than 600 days, which was the longest uninterrupted duty of any U.S. unit in the history of the U.S. Army. About 2,000 soldiers from the 34th Division were captured in North Africa in February of 1943. They were captured in February 1943 by German *Afrikakorps* troops, led by Field Marshall Erwin Rommel.

The non-profit educational organization **TRACES** is bringing these stories to life through the creation of its **BUS-*eum***—a 40-foot school bus converted into a mobile museum.

The exhibit consists of narrative display panels illustrated with photographs and documents, audio and DVD documentaries, artifacts and more. This exhibit will bring the stories of Midwest POWs in Nazi Germany to both large and small communities around the region. In conjunction with the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1308 and ladies auxiliary, The Hayner Public Library District will be hosting The BUS-eum on April 3 and April 4, 2008. The exhibit will be open to the public both days from 11:00 am until 7:00 p.m. The bus will be located in the parking lot of the VFW Post 1308, 4445 Alby, Alton, IL. Admission is free of charge. Bring your entire family to view this incredible piece of our history. The privilege to host this exhibit is made possible through funding by private endowment to The Hayner Public Library District and by funding from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1308 in Alton, IL and the Ladies Auxiliary.

# Words of Wisdom

If it weren't for electricity, we'd all be watching television by candlelight
- Actor/Comedian George Gobel

I don't want to achieve immortality through my work; I want to achieve immortality through not dying. - Woody Allen

From the moment I picked your book up until I laid it down I was convulsed with laughter. Someday I intend reading it.
- Groucho Marx

Children today are tyrants. They contradict their parents, gobble their food and tyrannize their teachers. I despair for the future.
- Socrates, 400 BCE

Everywhere I go I'm asked if I think the university stifles writers. My opinion is that they don't stifle enough of them.
- Flannery O'Connor

The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him no good. - Samuel Johnson

Only two things are infinite, the universe and human stupidity, and I'm not sure about the former. - Albert Einstein

From *The Ultimate Book of Useless Information*, Noel Botham, Penquin Books, 2007
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# Genealogy News

Did you know we have **Italians to America**, **Germans to America** and **Irish to America** for your use in the Illinois Room? These CD's can help you locate those elusive ancestors you've been unable to find. Come in today and have a look.

## NEW IN THE ILLINOIS ROOM

View from the Mountain Top IR 808.84 VIE

Yates Phalanx: The History of the Thirty-Ninth Regiment IR 973.7473 CLA

Genealogical Abstracts Revolutionary War Veterans Scrip Act 1852 IR 973.3455 BRO

Glimpses of Glory IR 973.7473 DUK

Born to be a Lady (patron donation) IR B ROADY

Memoirs of the War, Tenth Illinois IR 973.777 WIL

History of the 33rd Illinois Infantry IR 973.7473 HIS

History of the 73rd Illinois Volunteer Infantry IR 973.7473 HIS

Fighting Fourth Division of the 14th Illinois IR 973.7473 DUG

History of the 30th Illinois IR 973.7473 MCD IR 973.7473 MCD

Centennial History of Mason County, Illinois IR 977 3553 COC

History of Pike County IR 977.3453 HIS

History of Hancock County IR 977.343 GRE

History of McDonough County IR 977.342 HIS

History of Logan County, Illinois IR 977.357 HIS

History of Coles County, Illinois IR 977.372 HIS

Standard History of Champaign County, Illinois (Vol. 1, 2) IR 977.386 STA

The Genealogy Department is excited to announce that we now have in our collection material on each of the 102 counties in Illinois. These materials may include biographical information on many citizens as well as topographical information, geographical notations, census information, important features of county government, and major areas of commerce.

The Genealogy Department has been working diligently to locate and purchase for both genealogical and historical research this collection of fine materials; we are so happy to make them available in one easy location for both research and educational perusal of our patrons. Come in and see what we have.

# New & Forthcoming Books

**--NONFICTION**

**Aamodt, Sandra.** Welcome To Your Brain: Why You Lose Your Car Keys But Never Forget How To Drive and Other Puzzles of Everyday Life
**Allende, Isabel.** The Sum of Our Days
**Andrews, Julie.** Home: A Memoir of My Early Years
**Bertinelli, Valerie.** Losing It: And Gaining My Life Back One Pound at a Time
**Blanchard, Kenneth.** The One Minute Entrepreneur: The Secret to Creating and Sustaining a Successful Business
**Bolden, Abraham.** The Echo from Dealey Plaza: The True Story of the First African American On the White House Secret Service Detail and His Quest for Justice after the Assassination of JFK
**Brown, Alton.** Feasting on Asphalt: The River Run
**Carter, Jimmy.** A Remarkable Mother
**Cherny, Andrei.** The Candy Bombers: The Untold Story of the Berlin Airlift and America's Finest Hour
**Garvey, Steve.** My Bat Boy Days: Lessons I Learned from the Boys of Summer
**Glenny, Misha.** McMafia: A Journey Through the Global Underworld
**Hornbacher, Marya.** Madness: A Bipolar Life
Lindbergh, Reeve. Forward from Here: Leaving Middle Age and Other Unexpected Adventures
**Maxwell, John C.** Leadership Gold: Lessons Learned from a Lifetime of Leading
**O'Donnell, Rosie.** Rosie O'Donnell's Crafty U: 100 Easy Projects the Whole Family Can Enjoy All Year Long
**Parker, Kathleen.** Save the Males: Why Men Matter Why Women Should Care
**Ray, Rachael.** Yum-o!: The Family Cookbook
**Roberts, Cokie.** Ladies of Liberty: Women Who Shaped Our Nation
**Schlessinger, Laura.** Stop Whining, Start Living
**Watson, Brenda.** The Detox Strategy: Vibrant Health in 5 Easy Steps
**Weller, Sheila.** Girls Like Us: Carole King, Joni Mitchell, and Carly Simon--And the Journey of a Generation
**Yearwood, Trisha.** Georgia Cooking in an Oklahoma Kitchen: Recipes from my Family to Yours

**--FICTION**

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Nightshade
**Archer, Jeffrey.** A Prisoner of Birth
**Baldacci, David.** The Whole Truth
**Balogh, Mary.** Simply Perfect
**Barr, Nevada.** Winter Study
**Berg, Elizabeth.** The Day I Ate Whatever I Wanted and Other Small Acts of Liberation
**Bohjalian, Chris.** Skeletons at the Feast: A Novel
**Cannell, Dorothy.** Goodbye, Ms. Chips
**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Winding Ways Quilt: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel
**Clark, Carol Higgins.** Zapped: A Regan Reilly Mystery
**Clark, Mary Higgins.** Where Are You Now?
**Connelly, Michael (Ed.)** Mystery Writers of America Presents the Blue Religion: New Stories About Cops, Criminals, and the Chase
**Deveraux, Jude.** Secrets
**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** Pleasure
**Fielding, Joy.** Charley's Web
**George, Elizabeth.** Careless in Red
**Hart, Carolyn.** Death Walked In: A Death on Demand Mystery
**Hess, Joan.** Mummy Dearest: A Claire Malloy Mystery
**Hoffman, Alice.** The Third Angel
**Johansen, Iris.** Quicksand
**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Compulsion: An Alex Delaware Novel
**Kleypas, Lisa.** Blue-Eyed Devil
**Koontz, Dean.** Odd Hours
**Lahiri, Jhumpa.** Unaccustomed Earth: Stories
**Lippman, Laura.** Another Thing to Fall
**Martini, Steve.** Shadow of Power A Paul Madriani Novel
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Miracle at Speedy Motors (No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency)
**Patterson, James.** Sundays at Tiffany's
**Perry, Anne.** Buckingham Palace Gardens
**Picoult, Jodi.** Change of Heart
**Quick, Amanda.** The Third Circle
**Rice, Anne.** Christ the Lord: The Road to Cana
**Robards, Karen.** Guilty
**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Paints the Town
**Russell, Mary Doria.** Dreamers of the Day
**Sandford, John.** Phantom Prey
**Weiner, Jennifer.** Certain Girls
**Williams, Sean.** Star Wars: The Force Unleashed
**Woods, Stuart.** Santa Fe Dead

## Vocabulary Check

Do you know the definition of: nosism (NO-siz-em) noun

The use of 'we' in referring to oneself.

[From Latin nos (we).]

As it's often used by editors, it's also known as the "editorial we". It's also called "the royal we" owing to its frequent use by royalty.

Mark Twain once said, "Only kings, presidents, editors, and people with tapeworms have the right to use the editorial 'we'."

*-Anu Garg (words at wordsmith.org)*

***Answers to Kid Lit can be found on the back page of this newsletter.***

## Kid Lit

Let your inner child out as you recall the answers to these questions about favorite children's books.

1. What was the name of the greedy young girl sent down the garbage chute in Roald Dahls story of the mysterious chocolate factory?
2. What is the name of the rat in E.B. White's classic, *Charlotte's Webb*?
3. In Judy Blume's funny family stories *Otherwise Known as Sheila* the Great and *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*, who is Peter Hatcher's annoying little brother?
4. At what address does Harry Potter live during summer vacation?
5. In Beverly Cleary's series featuring Ralph Mouse, what kind of vehicle does Ralph drive?
6. In Kate DiCamillo's Newberry Award winner *Because of Winn Dixie*, what is the dog's name?
7. Who wrote the famous children's poetry books, *Where the Sidewalk Ends, A Light in the Attic* and *Falling Up*?
8. Who wrote *Squirrel Nutkin, Peter Rabbit* and *Jemimah Puddle-Duck*?
9. Laura Numeroff tells us never to give a mouse a cookie, never to give a pig a pancake, but what should you never give a moose?
10. What story collection includes "Jack's Bean Problem," "Little Red Running Shorts," "Chicken Licken," "The Princess and the Bowling Ball," and "The Really Ugly Duckling?"

# *Staff Picks— What We're Reading*

**Away** by Amy Bloom. Fiction
Separated from her young daughter during a time in Russia of great violence against Jews, Lillian Leyb finds herself alone. Without money or family, she immigrates to America where she immerses herself into the culture of New York City during the mid-1920s and lands a job as a seamstress in a Yiddish theater. When news comes to her that her daughter is alive in Siberia, Lillian is determined to reach her. Away is an epic journey of one woman's desperate quest to find her lost daughter. –Jean S.

**Discover Your Inner Wisdom** by Char Margolis. Non-Fiction
Margolis has over 30 years of experience as an intuitive psychic. She explains our own ability to tap into--and rely on--our intuition to help make important decisions. She also stresses using logic and common sense along with intuitive feelings to help us listen to our inner wisdom. She tells us about the barriers we must overcome in order to access this wisdom. She believes that if we would learn how to listen, we could make decisions that are intended for our good. Using universal wisdom can help us avoid regretful consequences in all areas of our lives. Making better decisions attracts more good. Margolis says that this will help prevent us from being influenced by negative energy. Reading about the personal experiences of many others who relied on their intuition make this book interesting.—Sharon S.

**Tallgrass** by Sandra Dallas. Fiction
In 1942, a small town in Colorado becomes the reluctant neighbor to a Japanese internment camp. Rennie Stroud and her family are some of the very few who accept the evacuees in a town full of fear and resentment. When a local girl is murdered, the town is ready to explode. Dallas writes in a clean and simple style, with voices so realistic you can hear them. The camp is based on an actual internment camp that was located in Colorado. –Katie S.

**The Center of Everything** by Laura Moriarty. Fiction
Ten-year-old Evelyn Bucknow feels she's lucky to live in Kansas, the "smack-dab" center of the United States. But as she grows from a young girl to a young woman, she finds herself in the center of so much more. With a kooky but loving mother, a Bible-thumping grandmother, an unforgiving grandfather, few enlightened teachers, no social status and not the prettiest looks, Evelyn examines the poor decisions of friends whose lives are lost to hopelessness and finds the courage, despite her insecurities, to create a path away from poverty and its limits. –Katie S.

# MORE VERY INTERESTING STUFF...

If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle. If the horse has one front leg in the air, the person died because of wounds received in battle. If the horse has all four legs on the ground, the person died of natural causes.

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Only two people signed the Declaration of Independence on July 4, John Hancock and Charles Thomson. Most of the rest signed on August 2, but the last signature wasn't added until 5 years later.

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Q. Half of all Americans live within 50 miles of what?
A. Their birthplace

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Q. Most boat owners name their boats. What is the most popular boat name requested?
A. Obsession

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Q. If you were to spell out numbers, how far would you have to go until you would find the letter 'A'?
A. One thousand

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Q. What do bulletproof vests, fire escapes, windshield wipers and laser printers have in common?
A. All were invented by women.

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Q What is the only food that doesn't spoil?
A. Honey

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Q. Which day are there more collect calls than any other day of the year?
A. Father's Day

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In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. When you pulled on the ropes, the mattress tightened, making the bed firmer to sleep on. Hence the phrase... 'Goodnight, sleep tight'

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It was the accepted practice in Babylon 4,000 years ago that for a month after the wedding, the bride's father would supply his son-in-law with all the mead he could drink. Mead is a honey beer and because their calendar was lunar based, this period was called the honey month, which we know today as the honeymoon.

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In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts... So in old England, when customers got unruly, the bartender would yell at them 'Mind your pints and quarts, and settle down.' It's where we get the phrase 'mind your P's and Q's'.

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Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim, or handle, of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. 'Wet your whistle' is the phrase inspired by this practice.

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At least 75% of people who read this will try to lick their elbow!

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Don't skip over this just because it looks weird. Believe it or not, you can read it.

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YOU KNOW YOU ARE LIVING IN 2008 when..
1. You accidentally enter your PIN on the microwave.
2. You haven't played solitaire with real cards in years.
3. You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three.
4. You e-mail the person who works at the desk next to you.
5. Your reason for not staying in touch with friends and family is that they don't have e-mail addresses.
6. You pull up in your own driveway and use your cell phone to see if anyone is home to help you carry in the groceries.
7. Every commercial on television has a web site at the bottom of the screen
8. Leaving the house without your cell phone, which you didn't even have the first 20 or 30 (or 60) years of your life, is now a cause for panic and you turn around to go and get it.
10. You get up in the morning and go on line before getting your coffee.
11. You start tilting your head sideways to smile. : )
12. You're reading this and nodding and laughing.
13. Even worse, you know exactly to whom you are going to forward this message.
14. You are too busy to notice there was no #9 on this list.
15. You actually went back up to check that there wasn't a #9 on this list.

# *Patron Profile – Patrick Murphy*

Patrick Murphy has come to believe in certain phenomena that he did not give credence to B.C. (before Casey.) Casey is Patrick's dog, a Bearded Collie that he acquired through the Bearded Collie Club of America's rescue program. It all started when Pat went to visit a friend in Florida who had two therapy dogs. Therapy dogs are animals that are trained to pass very strict criteria of behavior set by the agency, Therapy Dogs International. Upon successful testing, the dogs and their handlers are qualified to visit nursing homes, hospitals and other institutions where therapy dogs are needed. Patrick who was retired from the elevator business (37 years) and a career as a professional musician (30 years) decided that he was going to pursue having his own therapy dog. He researched breeds thoroughly, and determined the Bearded Collie seemed of perfect temperament and intellect to be a successful therapy dog. Two weeks after Pat filled out his application for a rescue dog adoption, he was contacted that a dog was available (this process normally can take up to a year). Pat was not deterred by the fact that the dog had been rescued after living the first two years of his life in a puppy mill. Pat was not prepared for how traumatized the animal would be. The dog weighed 32 pounds (vs. his current fighting weight of 58 pounds) and his coat was so terribly matted, he had to be shaved. Fortunately, Patrick is a patient man and he persevered in earning Casey's trust and devotion through constant care and training classes.

Several months after Casey was living with Pat, Pat took the dog with him on a short trip to the store. Then the unimaginable happened. Casey was able to slip out of the car and bound off- Pat did not even realize Casey was gone until he finished his shopping. Someone told Patrick they saw the dog run onto the highway and get hit by a car and then run off to some thick woods. Patrick searched frantically for over two weeks and posted over 500 "lost dog" flyers. Several people reported sighting Casey and word spread quickly about the injured dog loose in the woods. Patrick said the amount of help he received from people was astounding- from state troopers, to dog catchers, to local people who had heard of Casey's plight. Patrick would come across perfect strangers looking for Casey at 11:00 or 11:30 at night.

Patrick was also contacted by five different dog psychics each offering their help. Pat describes the first four psychics as less than convincing but the fifth caller, Charlene from California, changed his opinion about psychic communication. Via the phone, she perfectly described the copse of woods where Patrick would find Casey. Pat said it felt like she was standing right next to him. When he could not see Casey in the area she described, Charlene confirmed that was because Casey was too scared to show himself. She channeled her thoughts to Casey, instructing him to bark so that people could find him and bring him to safety. The next day someone spotted Casey in the exact woods Charlene had identified. Patrick found a live trap and set it in the target area. Amazingly, several days later a phone call came to Patrick from the owner of a car lot in the area of the missing dog. The owner told Patrick that he had come to work that morning and heard the loudest and most insistent barking coming from the woods. When the owner went to investigate, he found Casey. The dog immediately stopped barking and lay down in the trap that Patrick had placed in the woods as described by Charlene. This was the first time Patrick was aware of that Casey had barked in all the months they had been together. Patrick and Casey where reunited and have seldom been apart since. Unfortunately, due to his injuries from the car, the vet had to amputate Casey's left front leg. However, this never distracted either Casey or Patrick from their goal to have Casey certified as a therapy dog.

Patrick contacted June Walker who had managed Touched by a Canine, a therapy dog training group (sadly, June has since passed away). To be certified, the dogs must demonstrate fundamental training commands (sit, stay, come, etc.) as well as advanced socialization skills with other dogs and humans. They must not react to sudden loud noises (hospitals can be noisy places) and they must not touch food or put anything in their mouths without their owners express approval. June told Patrick that Casey was ready for his certification tests. Patrick did not think he was ready. Casey had not previously executed some of the critical commands, but Patrick decided to let him try. Casey watched attentively as the other dogs completed their training exercises. When it became Casey's turn, he literally flew through the training without a single misstep. Since his certification, Casey has brought smiles and comfort to many seniors and hospitalized people throughout the area. Casey is also a faithful partner in the Hayner Library's Bow-wow Pow-wow program. He and other dogs come to the library the second Saturday of every month for children to read to. Casey loves it and definitely knows when he is "going to work". Casey used to be so afraid of people, children and adults alike- now he lets the kids use him as a stepstool and he is a friend to all.

Patrick is a multifaceted individual. He raised one son and three daughters. He has been involved (founder?) in the St. Louis Chapter of National Guild of Hypnotists for 14 years. For three years, he maintained an office in Clayton providing hypnotherapy services. Patrick also became a practitioner of Reiki. Reiki is a Japanese technique for stress reduction and relaxation that also promotes healing. It is administered by lying on of hands and is based on using life force energy to promote holistic healing. Patrick is a qualified Reiki master/teacher and has even successfully practiced his healing on Casey! Patrick worked for three years on a suicide hotline and also mastered photography.

This summer, Patrick and Casey will be attending summer camp for Bearded Collies. Held at Purina Farms, for three days over 200 dogs come from all over the country to enjoy each other's company, practice herding and agility training. Patrick first attended camp a year and a half ago and he said it is amazing to see all these dogs together, working, playing and behaving beautifully. We are certain Casey will steal the show. After all, when the story of his being lost hit the press, he received over 500 emails and toys and treats from around the world. He has been on TV, ridden in parades and was the mascot for a teenage rock group that went by the name of "3 Legged Dog". The bond between Pat and Casey is amazing and we have so appreciated their visits to the library and their work in our community.

**The following article is condensed from a report published by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). To read the complete article, go to www.nea.gov and click on "news". You can also print the full report from this site.**

**Dana Gioia, Chairman of the NEA, writes:**
**"Whatever the benefits of newer electronic media, they provide no measurable substitute for the intellectual and personal development initiated and sustained by frequent reading."**

**"The general decline in reading is not merely a cultural issue, though it has enormous consequences for literature and the other arts. It is a serious national problem. If, at the current pace, America continues to lose the habit of regular reading, the nation will suffer substantial economic, social and civic set backs."**

## *National Endowment for the Arts Announces Reading Study*

In November, 2007, the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) announced the release of *To Read or Not To Read: A Question of National Consequence*, a new and comprehensive analysis of reading patterns in the United States. *To Read or Not To Read* gathers statistics from more than 40 studies on the reading habits and skills of children, teenagers, and adults. The compendium reveals recent declines in voluntary reading and test scores alike, exposing trends that have severe consequences for American society.

"The new NEA study is the first to bring together reliable, nationally representative data, including everything the federal government knows about reading," said NEA Chairman Dana Gioia. "This study shows the startling declines, in how much and how well Americans read, that are adversely affecting this country's culture, economy, and civic life as well as our children's educational achievement."

Among the key findings:

**Americans are reading less** - teens and young adults read less often and for shorter amounts of time compared with other age groups and with Americans of previous years.

- On average, Americans ages 15 to 24 spend almost two hours a day watching TV, and only seven minutes of their daily leisure time on reading.

**Americans are reading less well** - reading scores continue to worsen, especially among teenagers and young males. By contrast, the average reading score of 9-year-olds has improved.

- Reading scores for 12th grade readers fell significantly from 1992-2005, with the sharpest declines among lower-level readers.

**The declines in reading have civic, social, and economic implications** - Advanced readers accrue personal, professional, and social advantages. Deficient readers run higher risks of failure in all three areas.

- Literary readers are more likely than non-readers to engage in positive civic and individual activities - such as volunteering, attending sports or cultural events, and exercising."

## *His True Calling*

Alan had a head for business, an aptitude for numbers and a song in his heart. He was a gifted musician who played the saxophone, flute and clarinet. While training at one of the most prestigious music conservatories in the country, Alan hoped to make a name for himself in the industry.

When given the opportunity to join a popular swing band, Alan took it. Instead of going to college, Alan toured the country as a musician. But he didn't follow the typical lifestyle of musicians. Whenever he wasn't playing music, he was reading books about economics- even between sets of the band's performances. Clearly, he was different from his fellow musicians.

So, in spite of his talent, Alan never felt that he belonged. Adding emphasis to this feeling was another saxophone player in the band who really had "it." This other guy was so phenomenal that Alan began feeling inferiors by comparison. He realized he'd never be as good as this guy. So Alan quit the band – quit music altogether- and started college.

Now some of you may think, "That's too bad. That kid should've followed his dream." But sometimes it takes another person's greatness to expose our limitations and set us free to pursue our true talents.

Today, Alan says that leaving the band was the "best economic decision" he ever made in his life. After graduating college, Alan found his niche in finance. And for nearly 20 years- serving four U.S. presidents- Alan Greenspan chaired the Federal Reserve Board.

If you're curious about that other saxophone player…
His name was Stan Getz.

*Adapted from CNNMoney.com and SFGate.com*

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# *The Hayner Public Library District Offers Exciting Powerful New Service!*

Through funding provided by private endowment, The Hayner Public Library District now offers you an exciting new service. You can now search the digital archives of the *Alton Telegraph* from 1836 through present day. This online database contains over 500,000 historical newspaper pages and is searchable by keyword and date. Use the archive for genealogy, to research your family history or simply to learn more about Alton's colorful past. This material is owned and copywrited by *The Telegraph* and may not be reproduced without express written permission of *The Telegraph*. You may print off single copies of articles for your personal use. The database will be available to you at all three library locations on our public access computers and also via dedicated computers at the Hayner Library Downtown location (326 Belle St., Alton, IL). It will not be available for remote access.

In conjunction to the Alton Telegraph Digital Archives you will also have access to tens of millions of searchable worldwide newspapers pages, dating as far back as the 1700s. This data base is powered by NewspaperARCHIVE.com, the largest newspaper source online. You can search by country, state, city or specific publication date and/or subject in over 2,858 newspaper titles.

Come into any of the three Hayner Library locations and check out these incredibly powerful research tools- another exclusive local service of The Hayner Public Library District.

The history books are full of stories of gifted persons whose talents were overlooked by a procession of people until someone believed in them. Albert Einstein was four years old before he could speak and seven before he could read. Isaac Newton did poorly in grade school. A newspaper editor fired Walt Disney because he had "no good ideas." Werner von Braun failed ninth-grade algebra. Haydn gave up on making a musician of Beethoven, who seemed a slow and plodding man with no apparent talent.

There is a lesson in such stories: Different people develop at different rates, and the best motivators are always on the lookout for hidden capacities.

- Alan McGinnis, *Bringing Out the Best in People*, Augsburg Fortress Publication (check out the audio at 158.1 MCG)

**Kid Lit – Answers**

1. Veruca Salt
2. Templeton
3. Fudge (Farley Drexel Hatcher)
4. 4 Privet Drive
5. Motorcycle
6. Winn Dixie
7. Shel Silverstein
8. Beatrix Potter
9. A muffin
10. *The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales* by John Scieszka


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Things to Know...
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Memorial Day, May 25 & 26
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 1

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# MISSION RECOGNITION

## *March and April 2008 Recipients*

Mission Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and non-family) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available on line at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location. This program is totally funded through private endowment.

We had two students recognized in March and one in April.

**Rod'onia Singleton** is a 5th grader in North Elementary School. Going into school one day she saw a teacher with an injured ankle struggling with a heavy book bag. Rod'onia inquired if she could help the teacher and carried the heavy bag, herself, into the teacher's classroom. Rod'onia was nominated for Mission Recognition by her principal who wrote 'in a day when children sometimes think of their own needs before others, it is wonderful that this child recognized the need of someone else. Rod'onia displays this helpful caring attitude daily and always has a big smile on her face."

In March, two students were nominated to Mission Recognition. **Brian Brey** is a sixth grader at Alton Middle School. He found a $20 bill outside the school building. Rather than keeping the money for himself, he turned the money into the school's House Office. Brian's Assistant Principal wrote "Brian has been taught the skills of being a good citizen in school and outside of school. Brian has great qualities as a young person. He is honest, caring and gets along with everyone."

**Everlene Fone** is an 8th grader at Alton Middle School. She was in the school office to get an ID, waiting behind another student whom she did not know. The first student was $1.00 short of enough money to purchase his ID and was told he would have to come back tomorrow with the money. Everlene reached into her pocket and produced $1.00. She told the student she would pay his bill for him. The secretary said it wasn't necessary but Everlene insisted. Says her Assistant Principal "Everlene always puts others before herself I have never met a more genuine and compassionate person…her goodness brings out the goodness in others.

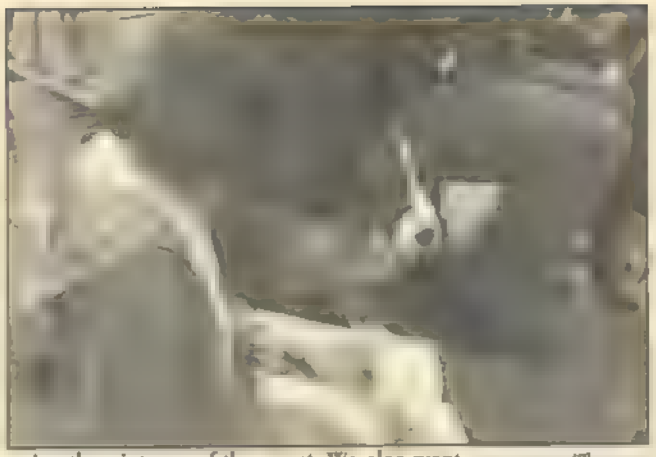
# *Paws for an Update*

In 2003, The Hayner Public Library District initiated a program called Bow wow Pow wow. The design of this program was to bring certified therapy dogs into the library and have children would practice reading to them. Studies have shown that reading to dogs dramatically helps improve a child's confidence in his reading skills. The dogs are nonjudgmental of the child's reading capabilities and are a calming influence upon the child.

Also in 2003, June Walker of Walker's Wee Glen Training Center had started managing a group of pet handlers to help them achieve certification of their dogs as therapy dogs. With June's guidance and determination they earned their certifications from Therapy Dog International (TDI) and they formed their own social organization, Touched by a Canine. The library contacted June to see if she was interested in helping establish a reading program with dogs at the library. She gladly agreed and organized the handler's participation. The first Bow wow Pow wow was an immediate success! The kids loved it!

Today, the group meets in the Hayner Youth library the second Saturday of every month from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Children can read to the dogs from the books set out by library staff or they can just enjoy visiting. All ages are welcome. Toddlers are often present, with Mom or Dad doing the reading. Not only does the program foster improved reading skills, it teaches kids that respect and love for an animal will be returned many times over. It also teaches the kids that the library is an exciting and fun place to visit, with unique programs for fun and learning.

This program has been wonderfully received by the community. Hayner Library was the first library in the area to initiate such a program, and it has now been duplicated through several libraries in the Lewis and Clark Library System. Hayner staff has been contacted by libraries from Texas, Colorado, Michigan, Delaware, North Carolina, Florida and California for help and guidance to institute similar programs. The Hayner program has been extolled in the yearly newsletter of Therapy Dogs International and even written up by an animal rights organization in China! Consistent readers of our newsletter know that we include pictures and information about the program in every issue. Why? Because we have received such an overwhelming response from our readers regarding how much they



enjoy the pictures of the event. We also want to make sure that new families are aware of this offering and will join us. Parents, grandparents and relatives attend, often with cameras, and they have as much fun as the kids.

Very sadly, June passed away in 2007. This past April, a tree was dedicated to her memory in Glazebrook Park in Godfrey. Many of the handlers she trained brought their dogs to attend the dedication ceremony. It was a beautiful memorial and a wonderful gathering of people and animals that June had so deeply touched.

Without June's presence, the group was worried about the lack of a certifier in our area. The dogs have to be recertified (tested) every year. Ultimately, working through TDI, the group was able to facilitate a testing session in Godfrey. The testing was held at North Elementary School. The certification process is a stringent event. Dogs must perform all the basic commands· sit, stay, down, come. They must demonstrate that they are calm and socialized walking among other dogs and strangers. They must not react at all to sudden loud noises. One exercise requires the owner to leave the dog with a stranger. The owner leaves the room for a period of time during which the dog must sit calmly with the stranger and then come when called by the owner.

Wheelchairs and walkers are moved around each dog repeatedly – they can show no reaction. The dogs must demonstrate the "leave it" command. They must not put anything in their mouths without the owner's permission. Food is placed next to them and they must not touch it. They must walk and perform calmly by the owner's side through all activities. Upon successful completion of all these exercises, the dog is approved as a certified therapy dog. This allows him to visit senior centers, hospitals, nursing homes, schools and, yes, libraries, offering emotional support and comfort to all ages. Therapy dogs increase emotional well-being, promote healing and improve the quality of life for the people being visited and the care giving staff as well. It is a wonderful way to volunteer time and effort to enrich the lives of others.

Bring your kids and join us the second Saturday of every month for a Bow-wow Pow-wow! We meet in the Hayner Youth Library from 10·00-11:00 a.m. The summer sessions will be held on May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9 and September 13. Of course, this program is free of charge and open to all ages. And don't forget your camera!

# *Diana Enloe Recieves 2008 Circle of Care Award From Riverbend Head Start and Family Services*

*Julian and Antonio, pre-schoolers at Essic Robinson Head Start in Alton, assemble an alphabet puzzle with Diana Enloe. Best-known for being a beloved school teacher and prolific Alton Little Theater volunteer, Enloe is the 2008 recipient the Circle of Care community betterment award given by Riverbend Head Start & Family Services.*

Entertainment.. Education...Empowerment

'Now, read that one more time, please...slowly."

If this evokes memories of your high school English teacher, it should. For glossophobes (those with a fear of speaking in public) this memory might be a bit chilling. For students of Diana Enloe, it probably provides a delightful blast to the past.

A popular English, Theater and Speech teacher at West Junior, and Alton and East Alton-Wood River High Schools, Enloe retired in 1989, then taught at SIUE and mentored student teachers.

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An award-winning director, Enloe has been involved in more than 50 productions and serves on the Board of Governors as Public Relations Chair. She has directed musicals for Marquette Catholic High School, auditioned, costumed and coached volunteers in the Vintage Voices program, co-chaired First Night River Bend for its critical first years, and co-chaired the 2004 Heartland Chautauqua. She served on the board of the St. Louis Black Repertory Theater and is an Arts For Life award recipient.

In 1976 Enloe founded the Illinois High School Theatre Festival to enrich the education of high school students and in-service teachers, directors, and theatre sponsors. The 25-year-old festival is now the largest & oldest non-competitive high school theatre festival in the country.

Enloe is active in the Episcopal Parish of Alton, where she serves on the Vestry and in the Alton Community Service League where she raises funds to grant to community betterment projects.

Her beloved late husband, Ron, shared her passions for the classroom and the stage. Through the years they appeared on both sides of the footlights and on stage together. They met while teaching at West Junior and both taught at Alton High.

Her son Gordon Robertson and his wife Christine are the proud parents of Enloe's cherished grandchildren Keenan (13), Sean (11) and Lily (8).

Her closest friends are planning a June 10, 2008 gala to recognize Enloe's lifetime of achievement in education, entertainment and empowerment. She will be bestowed with Riverbend Head Start & Family Services 2008 Circle of Care community betterment award. Visit www.riverbendfamilies.org or 618/463-5946 for reservations or more information.

# *Employee of the Month*

Staff member, **Patty Stalcup**, was awarded Hayner Library Employee of the Month in April, 2008. Patty is responsible for Acquisitions and Media Processing. No small job as the library acquires an average of 2000 new items (books, cds, dvds etc.) each month. The amount of material Patty processes, single-handedly, is amazing!

Patty first started working at the library part-time in 1971 as part of a work-study program sponsored by Alton High School. She took full-time employment in 1973 and now has 37 years of service to The Hayner Public Library District. Throughout those years she has given dedicated service to the Library District. She often assumes responsibility for projects outside her job responsibilities and is always available to help and support other members of the Hayner Library Staff. Patty has a daughter who lives and works in Ct., and a son who recently graduated from Roxana High School and will be attending Lewis & Clark Community College. Congratulations, Patty, and thank you for your many contributions to the library district.

*Hayner Youth Library Assistant, Shannon Ballard, reads stories to the children at the Head Start Essig Center in Alton Riverbend Head Start and the Hayner Public Library District partner in multiple activities to promote literacy in our communities.*

# Special Events at Hayner

## Get in the game, READ!

### Summer Reading Program 2008

Registration begins Saturday, June 7th
Open to ages birth – 12.

This six week program ends July 24th. There will be storytimes, crafts, performers, and video game nights. Don't forget about our JD Junior Volunteer Program open to ages 10 – 14. Volunteer packets will be available for pickup at the Hayner Youth division. No programs the week of July 4th. Some of the performers will be: Popsicle the Clown, Ben Pinkley~ Ventriloquist, Victor Pacini~ Singer, Jason Vaughn~ Balloon Costumes, Bobby Nofolk, Jeff Lefton ~ Magician, DePriest Puppets, JoJo the Magical Clown.

There will be an end of the Summer Reading Party on July 24th at the Commons Building on the Lewis and Clark Community College Campus. We will have a local celebrity to visit with the kids and also will have Hockey Slap Shot, Airbrush tattoos, Slam Dunk Combo.

**Awards * Prizes * Entertainment * Surprises**
**For More Information, you can call 462-0677 option #4**
**or you can stop in at the Hayner Youth Library**

## *Summer Jazz Series*

The Hayner Public Library District has again partnered with the North Alton Godfrey Business Council, and the Village of Godfrey Parks and Recreation Department to present a summer jazz music series. Three concerts will be held at the Commons on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL. 62035. The first concert will be held on Wednesday, June 11, featuring the Sessions Jazz Band. The next concert will be performed by Sentimental Journey Jazz Band on Wednesday, July 16 and the series will conclude on Wednesday, August 12 with a performance by the U.S. Air Force Band of Mid-America. All three programs will run from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. They are all free of charge. Dinner will be available at 5:30, provided by Carvers for a charge of $12.00. Reservations for dinner are required. To register for the meal, call 466-6110.

## Hayner Main Library Events

*Finally, summer! Time to get out and about and be sure to join us for all the great programs we have lined up for you! All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Main Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER:** *Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

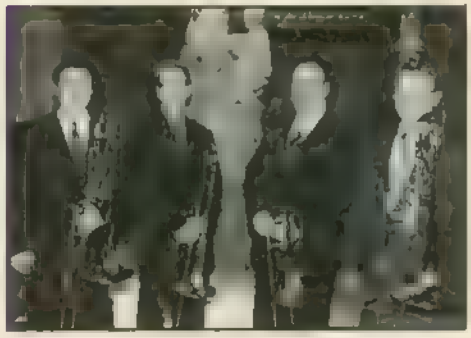
**Saturday, May 10**
**Saturday, June 14**
**Saturday, July 12**
**Saturday, August 12**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Victor Pacini
### *An Evening with Victor Pacini*

**Tuesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m.**

Victor Pacini began performing more than 25 years ago. As a very young boy, Victor ritually put on his own personal tribute to Elvis Presley at family gatherings. This ultimately got Victor noticed by a manager of a local '80s "Tribute to Elvis" show band. At the age of 8, Victor was picked up by the band to be the opening act for a Sunday family show. He performed throughout the Midwest and Canada for the next couple of years with this twelve-piece band. Today, Victor takes the stage every evening with energy and a commitment to entertain his audience. Victor's choice of music spans five decades from rock and roll to pop. His original songs are a hit as well. Victor continues to wow his audience with his interactive style and his ability to entertain. Register at 1-800-613-3163



### The Original Boneheads
### *A Little Bit of Everything*

**Tuesday, June 10, 6:00 p.m.**
**Note 6:00 p.m. start time**

The Original Boneheads, a.k.a. The St. Louis Trombone Quartet (yes, TROMBONE Quartet!) was founded in 1998 and have in the years since played at art fairs, concerts, casinos, university ceremonies, private events, parades , museum and corporate events and many church services, to glowing reviews. Each of the players is conservatory trained and experienced in musical settings from symphony orchestras to bar bands. This breadth of musical experience is reflected in the quartet's song list, which contains marches, jazz and swing, rock, doo wop, classical, R & B, polkas, blues, Americana and more. This evening's performance will be an eclectic mix of jazz, swing, blues and classical. Join us for this unique event. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Switchback
### *American Roots/Celtic Soul*

**Sunday, June 15, 2:00 p.m.**

"A successful show for us is like an amusement ride - it's a rush," says Brian Fitzgerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive and it's coming at you a little harder because we're coming out of small jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick, the two perform as Switchback, showcasing a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their

# Special Events at Hayner

dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Michael Mason
### *Jazz, Sin, and the Demon Rum*
**Tuesday, June 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Multitalented musician Michael Mason presents a look at the prevalent moods and attitudes among the religious communities and the public in general towards jazz, musicians, prohibition, and "The Roaring 20's." There are many insightful, humorous, and sometimes not-so-gracious public responses to the development and spread of jazz, the prevalence of vaudeville theaters, speakeasies, honky-tonks, and burlesque houses, and the predominant mood is of relaxed morality and unmitigated optimism in the "Roaring 20's." Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Chris Vallillo
### *Roots of Rural Music*
**Tuesday, July 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Illinois is unique among all the states in that its access to the major waterways of the Mississippi, Ohio, and Illinois Rivers, as well as the Great Lakes, made it a virtual crossroads of peoples, cultures, and ideas. As railroads surpassed the rivers as a means of transportation, Illinois would become the central hub for the nation's rails. This mingling of people produced a rich body of roots music that paints a colorful portrait of our heritage and gives detailed insight into the people and times that forged the state we have become. From the songs of the first pioneers through the era of steamboats, trains, and early radio, award-winning folksinger and music collector Chris Vallillo brings this rich heritage to life in a lively performance and discussion of the roots music of rural Illinois and its impact on our lives today. Register at 1-800-613-3163

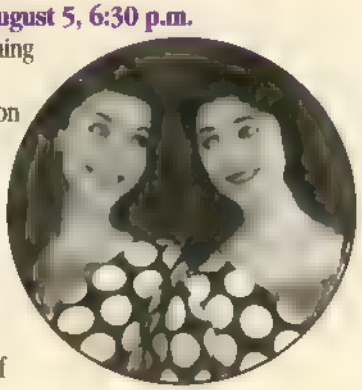
## Bobby Norfolk and Kenya Ajanaku
### *Drums and Music of Africa: A Celebration of Life*
**Tuesday, July 15, 6:30 p.m.**

Emmy Award winning storyteller Bobby Norfolk and drummer Kenya Ajanaku will take you on a journey to Africa through folktales and music. Bobby explores the songs and oral traditions of Africa's peoples while Kenya provides a rhythmic musical setting and shares his extensive knowledge of native instruments. Discover African culture through dynamic story theater, unique musical instruments, traditional clothing and dance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Forest Bevineau
### *The Singing Sheriff*
**Tuesday, July 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Well- known Deputy Forest Bevineau (a.k.a The Singing Sheriff) has a huge following throughout the area. His incomparable singing voice and incredible repertoire of all types of music has brought him fans of all ages. Also a king of karaoke (he has won first prize on three different cruise vacations), his performances are often a mix of musical styles and can run the gamut from gospel to country western, popular to R & B and more. He says sometimes he just looks at the audience to decide what to sing. He loves to have the audience sing along. Join us for what promises to be a great evening of song and surprises. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Broadway on the Driveway Swing St. Louis
**Tuesday, August 5, 6:30 p.m.**



The performing troupe "Broadway on the Driveway" takes you on a sentimental journey that reunites you with some of Broadway's greatest hits as well as those of the Andrews Sisters, Judy Garland, Fred Astaire, Doris Day, Frank Sinatra, Bing Crosby and more. Featuring a collection of song and dance routines, this is a celebration of the Big Band era. Enjoy lively choreography, tight harmonies and retro costuming as sisters Emily and Lacy Miller perform some of the best music of the 20th century. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Plain Label Band
### *A Musical Mixed Bag*
**Tuesday, August 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Join Martha Brockus, Musical Director of Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church, for an evening of wonderful music performed by the Plain Label Band. After singing together for many years in the church choir, the band members decided to spread their wings into popular music. As they each brought the own favorite styles to the table, the result is an eclectic blend of musical styles with the common thread of acoustic accompaniment and close vocal harmonies. So come enjoy a little bit country and a little bit rock and roll! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## George Portz
### *Friends of Bluegrass*
**Tuesday, September 9, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & "The Friends of Bluegrass" are one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun music. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's "musical philosophy" is to always "leave 'em wanting more"...and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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**Richard Garey**
**Tuesday, September 16, 6:30 p.m.**
Actor/storyteller Richard Garey recreates the famous Mark Twain Shows of 100 years ago. Filled with hilarious comedy and compelling drama, this show is guaranteed to entertain and educate. It's all in the words of Mark Twain. KSDK Television "Show Me St. Louis" says "Garey has big shoes to fill and he fills them." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *For All You Bookworms*

- The first person who referred to a coward as a chicken was William Shakespeare.
- The only mention of the United States of America by Shakespeare was in his play *The Comedy of Errors*.
- Shakespeare's daughters were named Susanna and Judith.
- In *Gone with the Wind*, Melanie's pregnancy lasts twenty-one months based on the actual battles mentioned.
- Agatha Christie claimed she did most of the plotting for her detective's stories while sitting in a bathtub, eating apples.
- Elizabeth Barrett Browning's pet cocker spaniel was named Flush.
- In 1900, Americans voted their favorite book, after the Bible, *The Sears Roebuck Catalogue*.
- Charles Dickens penned in Puny Pete, Little Larry and Small Sam before settling on Tiny Tim for his crippled child in *A Christmas Carol*.
- Edgar Allen Poe was expelled from West Point Military Academy for turning out for a public parade wearing only his white belt and gloves.
- Oscar Wilde lived out the last three years of his life in France as Sebastian Melmoth
- The first names of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde were Henry and Edward.
- Rembrandt's last name was van Ryn.
- Disney cleaned up the story of *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* for his feature cartoon. In the original Grimm Brothers fairytale, the queen was condemned to dance in red-hot shoes until she died. Disney had her falling off a precipice to her death.

- From *The Ultimate Book of Useless Information by Noel Botbe, Perigree Book Publishing (check it out – call number 31 02 Bot)*

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**Get in the Game, READ!**
*Opening Day For Summer Registration*
June 7th – Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm – Hayner Youth
June 7th – Saturday 9:30 am to 9:00 pm – Hayner Branch

**Preschool Storytime**
Mondays – 10:00 am
June 9th & 23rd – July 7th & 21st – August 4th & 18th – September 15th & 29th
(for children 3-5)
- JUNE 9TH: BATTER UP WOMBAT
- JUNE 23RD: AT THE BEACH
- JULY 7TH: FROGGY PLAYS SOCCER
- JULY 21ST: JUNGLE BASEBALL GAME
- AUGUST 4TH: LET'S GO CAMPING
- AUGUST 18TH: PIRATES
- SEPTEMBER 15TH: HOW I SPENT MY SUMMER VACATION
- SEPTEMBER 29TH: WHEELS ON THE BUS

Please register at the Youth Library or by calling 462-0677.

**Lapsit Storytime**
Mondays – 10:00 am
June 16th – July 14th – August 11th & 28th – September 8th & 22nd
(for children 3-5)
- JUNE 9TH: BATTER UP WOMBAT
- JUNE 23: AT THE BEACH
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**Evening Storytime**
Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
June 10th & 24th – July 8th & 22nd – August 5th & 19th – September 2nd, 16th & 30th

**Video Game Night** – Wednesdays – 5:00 pm
June 11th, 18th, & 25th – July 9th, 16th, & 23rd – August 6th – September 3rd

**Summertime Crafts** – Thursdays – 10:00 am

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| June 12th | Sports Ball Key Chain |
| June 19th | Sport Star Shirt |
| June 26th | Sport Ball Magnet |
| July 10th | Photo Sport Ball Frame |
| July 17th | Pennant Seat Cushion |
| August 14th | Sports Ball Necklace |

**After School Fun** – Thursdays – 4:00 pm
September 11th Foam Pencil Case with Pencils

## *Special Events and Performers*

**Trebor Promotions – A1 Clowns and Entertainers**
Saturday – 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
June 7th – Youth Department

**Kathleen Landess – Popsicle & Company**
Monday – 11:00 am
June 9th – Reading Room – Main Library

**Ben Pinkley – Ben & Buddies Youth Ventriloquist**
Tuesday – 10:00 am
June 10th – Reading Room – Main Library

**Victor Pacini – Get in the Game, Dream**
Tuesday – 10:00 am
June 17th – Reading Room – Main Library

**Jason Vaughn – Double O Balloons**
Monday – 11:00 am
June 23rd – Reading Room – Main Library

**Bobby Norfolk – Author/Artist/Storyteller**
Monday – 11:00 am
July 7th – Reading Room – Main Library

**Jeff Lefton – Magician** – Tuesday – 10:00 am
July 8th – Reading Room – Main Library

**Harvey Wheeler – Juggler** – Tuesday – 11 am
July 15th – Reading Room – Main Library

**DePriest Puppets – Puppet Show**
Monday – 11:00 am
July 21st – Reading Room – Main Library

**Jodi Redler – JoJo the Clown**
Tuesday – 10:00 am
July 22nd – Reading Room – Main Library

**End of the Summer Party**
Thursday – 5:00 to 8:00 pm
July 24th – The Commons at Lewis & Clark Community College

# Special Events at Hayner

# TEEN ACTIVITIES

• **Teen Advisory Council**
Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? This is the place for you! The Hayner Public Libraries Teen Advisory Council. TAC meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month 5:30pm -6:30pm to brainstorm new project ideas, suggest programs and activities for the library, advise the library on music, DVDs and books to purchase, and much more! Meeting dates will be Wednesday, June 18th, Wednesday, July 16th, and Wednesday, September 17th. Interested in joining or for more information, call Sharon at 433-2861.

• **Teen Movie Nights**
Bring your friends and come join us for Teen Movie Night. Each month Hayner Library offers a free movie night exclusively for teens. Movies are a new release and pizza and soda are on the menu. Movie night dates will be Wednesday, May 28th, Wednesday, June11th, Wednesday, July 30th, Wednesday, August 20th and Wednesday, September 24th. Movie titles will be available two weeks prior to show. Please register at 433-2861.

• **Teen Video Gaming**
Come join us for fun and games at Hayner Libraries Teen Gaming. We will be playing a variety of video games including DDR, Guitar Hero 2 and 3, Manning '08 and much more! The fun includes soda and snacks! Dates are Wednesday, June 11th, 1pm-3pm and Saturday, September 6th, 1pm-3pm.

## *2008 Summer Reading Program "Get in the Game, Read".*

This year, Hayner is pleased to host its second annual Teen Summer Reading Program **"Get in the Game, Read"**. This program is a four week program that serves young adults ages 12-18. The programs kick off date is Saturday June 7th. Anyone who registers on June 7th between 11-3pm will be entered to win a $100.00 gift card. Registration is open until Friday, June 20, 2008. Each week participants can enter for a weekly prize by reading a book, magazine or listening to a book on tape. The more you read, the more chances you have to win. Summer Reading Program events will be held on Wednesdays at the Hayner Branch location at Alton Square. For more information please call Sharon at 433-2861.

• **Here is a list of this year's events:**
*(All Teen events will be held at the Branch location at Alton Square unless otherwise specified)*

• **Saturday, June 7th – Summer Reading Kick Off!** (Branch Location) 11am-3pm. Gift Card Giveaway.

• **Wednesday, June 11th – Video Gaming.** 1pm-3pm. DDR, Guitar Hero 2 and 3, Sing Star Rock, Manning 08 and much more!

• **Wednesday, June 11th – Teen Movie Night.** 6pm. Pizza and soda are on the menu. Please register at 433-2861.

• **Wednesday, June 18th – Crazy Bowling at Bowl Haven Lanes.** First game and shoes are included. Call to register at 433-2861.

• **Wednesday, June 18th – Teen Advisory Council.** 5:30-6:30pm. To register call 433-2861.

• **Wednesday, June 25th – A day @ Glazebrook Park.** We will have a variety of fun events including a Mechanical Surfboard, Jousting, and Bouncy Boxing. Come join in the fun! This free event starts at 11am and ends at 3pm. Lunch is provided. Please register at 433-2861.

• No programs the week of the 4th of July. Have a safe and happy holiday!

• **Wednesday, July 9th – Tailgate Party.** Come join us for a surprise contest, Sports movie, Pizza and Soda. This events start at 12pm. Movie starts 1pm.

• **Wednesday, July 16th - End of the Summer Reading Party.** 5:30pm-8pm. Food, games, door prizes, karaoke DJ, and a grand prize giveaway. All participants of the reading program receive a free book!

## *Project Next Generation*

The Hayner Public Library was chosen as the 25th host site for Secretary of State and State Librarian Jessie White's youth technology program, Project Next Generation. Hayner Library has now successfully completed its second session ending in April. The program gives students ages ages 11 thru 14 the opportunity to try new computer technology, explore life skills, and have fun at the library. The program involves a variety of activities allowing the students to interact with each other and dedicated mentors while developing technology skills they can use for the rest of their lives. The program meets twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30pm to 4:45pm. The next session will begin June 10, 2008. If you are interested in joining this free class please contact Sharon at (618) 433-2861.

## HERE ARE SOME REAL QUESTIONS ASKED OF CHILDREN'S LIBRARIANS:

1. WHO WROTE THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK?

2. DO YOU HAVE ANY BOOKS WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF REAL LIVE DINOSAURS?

3. DO YOU HAVE THAT BOOK, HOW TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD?

4. ONE CHILD ASKED HOW TO SPELL TEQUILA. AFTER TELLING HER THE SPELLING, THE LIBRARIAN ASKED WHAT SHE WAS LOOKING UP. SHE WAS TRYING TO FIND THE BOOK TEQUILA MOCKINGBIRD.

5. DO YOU HAVE LITTLE RICHARD'S ALMANAC?

6. A SERIOUS 8-YEAR-OLD CAME IN THE LIBRARY LOOKING FOR INFORMATION ON THE DEAD SEA SQUIRRELS. BOY, WAS HE DISAPPOINTED!

*(From Books Kids Will Sit Still For by Judy Freeman)*

## Heard from a little girl attending one of our most recent special programs…

After presenting three egg laying zoo animals to the children, Lisa Berman, from the St. Louis Zoo asked the children what animals they could name that laid eggs. One little girl piped up with her answer, "The Easter Bunny!"

## READ THE BOOK BEFORE YOU SEE THE MOVIE

| Book/Movie | Release Date |
|---|---|
| Nim's Island | April 4, 2008 |
| The Chronicles of Narnia. Prince Caspian | May 16, 2008 |
| Kit Kittredge: An American Girl Mystery | July 2, 2008 |
| The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2 | August 8, 2008 |
| Where the Wild Things Are | Sometime in 2009 |
| City of Ember | October 10, 2008 |
| Harry Potter and the Half Blooded Prince | Nov. 21, 2008 |
| The Lotus Cave | Sometime in 2010 |
| Lovely Bones | March 13, 2009 |
| Uglies | Sometime in 2008 |
| Life of Pi | Sometime in 2009 |
| Ink Heart | January 30,2009 |
| Cloudy with Chance of Meatballs | March 27, 2009 |
| How to Train Your Dragon | Nov. 20, 2009 |
| The Chronicles of Narnia. The Voyage of the Dawn Treader | May 7, 2010 |

## New & Forthcoming Books

--NONFICTION

**Agatston, Arthur.** The South Beach Diet Supercharged

**Assaraf, John.** The Answer: Grow Any Business, Achieve Financial Freedom, and Live an Extraordinary Life

**Bragg, Rick.** The Prince of Frogtown

**Browne, Sylvia.** End of Days: Predictions and Prophecies about the End of the World

**Carey, Art.** Champions Body for Life: The Official Guide for the Body-for-LIFE Challenge

**Chapman, Gary D.** Love As a Way of Life: 7 Traits That Will Transform Your Relationships

**Chopra, Deepak.** Why is God Laughing? The Path to Joy and Spiritual Optimism

**Feinstein, John.** Living on the Black: Two Pitchers, Two Teams, One Season to Remember

**Felder, Don.** Heaven and Hell: My Life in the Eagles (1974-2001)

**Friedman, Thomas L.** Green is the New Red, White, and Blue

**Halberstam, David.** Everything They Had: Sportswriting from David Halberstam

**Hiaasen, Carl.** The Downhill Lie: A Hacker's Return to a Ruinous Sport

**Mahler, Jonathan.** Hamdan v. Rumsfeld. A Historic Challenge to the President

**Maraniss, David.** Rome 1960: The Olympics that Changed the World

**Montville, Leigh.** The Mysterious Montague: A True Tale of Hollywood, Golf, and Armed Robbery

**Notaro, Laurie.** The Idiot Girl and the Flaming Tantrum of Death: Reflections on Revenge, Germophobia, and Laser Hair Removal

**Preston, Douglas.** The Monster of Florence

**Ripley, Amanda.** The Unthinkable: Who Survives When Disaster Strikes and How We Can Do Better

**Sampras, Pete.** A Champion's Mind: Lessons from a Life in Tennis

**Schroeder, Alice.** The Snowball: Warren Buffett and the Business of Life

**Snyderman, Nancy.** Medical Myths That Can Kill You: And the 101 Truths That Will Save, Extend, and Improve Your Life

**Van Praagh, James.** Ghosts Among Us: Uncovering the Truth About the Other Side

**Walker, Herschel.** Breaking Free (tells of Walker's life with dissociative identity disorder)

**Walters, Barbara.** Audition: A Memoir

--FICTION

**Barnes. Linda.** Lie Down With the Devil

**Block, Lawrence.** Hit and Run

**Brockmann, Suzanne.** Into the Fire

**Brown, Dale.** Shadow Command

**Brown, Sandra.** Smoke Screen

**Buchanan, Edna.** Legally Dead

**Burke, James Lee.** Swan Peak: A Dave Robicheaux Novel

**Child, Lee.** Nothing to Lose

**Clark, Mary Jane.** It Only Takes a Moment

**Collins, Jackie.** Married Lovers

**Cook, Robin.** Foreign Body

**Cornwell, Patricia.** The Front

**Coulter, Catherine.** TailSpin

**Crais, Robert.** Chasing Darkness: An Elvis Cole Novel

**Cussler, Clive.** Plague Ship

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Broken Window

**Evanovich, Janet.** Fearless Fourteen

**Gardner, Lisa.** Say Goodbye

**Griffin, W.E.B.** Death and Honor: An Honor Bound Novel

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Blood Noir

**Harris, E. Lynn.** Just Too Good to Be True

**Howard, Linda.** Death Angel

**Jance, J. A.** Damage Control

**Johansen, Iris.** Silent Thunder

**Kellerman, Faye.** The Mercedes Coffin

**Lindsey, Johanna.** No Choice but Seduction

**Lowell, Elizabeth.** Blue Smoke and Murder

**Oates, Joyce Carol.** My Sister, My Love: The Intimate Story of Skyler Rampike

**Parker, Robert B.** Resolution

**Patterson, James.** Sail

**Pearson, Ridley.** Killer View

**Reich, Christopher.** Rules of Deception

**Reichs, Kathy.** Devil Bones

**Rendell, Ruth.** Not in the Flesh

**Rice, Luanne.** Last Kiss

**Roberts, Nora.** Tribute

**Saul, John.** Faces of Fear

**Silva, Daniel.** Moscow Rules

**Siddons, Anne Rivers.** Off Season

**Steel, Danielle.** Rogue

**Thor, Brad.** The Last Patriot

**Turtledove, Harry.** The Man with the Iron Heart

**Hayner is working to expand its map collection. Please check your attic, glove compartment of your car, and even your basement for maps. We would love to have your donation.**

## Are You A Wannabe... Ancestor Detector?

Ever wondered about the origin of your red hair, or from whom did you inherit those deep brown eyes? Do you know where your Grandpa comes from, or what was your Great-grandma's maiden name?

Does the thought of researching your family tree sound fun and exciting, but leave you scratching your head and wondering "where do I begin?" Well, you are not alone…we can help! The Genealogy Department of Hayner Public Library can help you get started researching your family tree today.

We will not only help you get started, we will help you keep going and then when it is finished, you can even add your family history to the Illinois Room collection here at Hayner Public Library. It will be archived and preserved for all your generations to come!

Genealogy is a fascinating and fulfilling hobby. Learn about your heritage by documenting the lives of your ancestors. Genealogy is one of the fastest growing hobbies around. With the advancement of technology, more records are becoming available to the public, making family history less stressful and much easier to research. The staff of the Hayner Public Library Genealogy Department works hard to keep up with all the latest websites, databases and research shortcuts to help you in your quest. The Genealogy Department staff is available for appointments. We are located in the Main Library at 326 Belle Street.

So, stop thinking about your family history…and get busy finding it!! You never know where it may lead you….but we think you can have a lot of fun getting there! Genealogy Dept. 462-0677

## Charlotte Johnson Beginning Genealogy

### Wednesday, July 23, 6:30 p.m.

If you have been thinking about discovering your family tree, now is the perfect time to start. Charlotte Johnson, local historian and experienced genealogy researcher will reveal techniques and resources to help you uncover the past history of your family. Charlotte is well-known in the Illinois Room and is so helpful to those who are stuck in their research. She is knowledgeable about local history and local families; we are excited to spend the evening with her. Join us on Wednesday, July 23, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the Main Library downtown for an evening packed with ideas and fun. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

# Staff Picks – What We're Reading

**The Translator: A Tribesman's Memoir of Darfur** by Daoud Hari. Nonfiction
Daoud Hari, a Zahawa tribesman from the Darfur region of Sudan, grew up in a village where children raced camels and played games in the moonlight: a place where indigenous Africans coexisted with their Arab neighbors. Hari tells of his village life, and how he helped western journalists as a translator, leading them into war-torn Darfur to report on genocide and mass displacement of native Africans. An unforgettable and moving story told with much humanity. Learn more about the author and the people of Darfur at www.thetranslator-book.com. *–Jean S.*

**The Winding Ways Quilt** by Jennifer Chiaverini. Fiction
This is the 12th title in the Elm Creek Quilts series. For anyone who was disappointed in the last book in this series, you won't be with this one. Master Quilter Sylvia is the central figure as she pieces a Winding Ways quilt with each of her staff in mind. This is a fast read that recalls the backgrounds of the original quilters. Far from being redundant or boring, new information is provided about their lives. Changes soon to surface will keep this book a favorite. *–Sharon S.*

**A Hole in the Universe** by Mary McGarry Morris. Fiction
Gary Loomis returns home after serving 25 years in prison for a murder committed when he was 18. He hasn't forgiven himself and doesn't expect forgiveness from others. He just wants to be left alone, settling into his old neighborhood, now filled with drugs and poverty. Yet his sincerity and acts of kindness draw others to him, and slowly pull Loomis back into a life he feels he will never deserve. Morris has done the impossible, making us care so deeply for Loomis and the offbeat yet very real characters who enter his new life. *–Katie S.*

**Balzac and the Little Chinese Seamstress** by Dai Sijie. Fiction
A gem in the guide of a well-crafted fairytale set in the 1970's revolutionary China, two teenage boys explore the boundaries of new experience. The boys, as part of the demographic referred to as "young intellectuals," are sent from China's cities to be re-educated in the countryside in response to Chairman Mao's campaign. While the boys master the hazardous task of toting excrement in back buckets, the peasants spend their days mesmerized by the conveniences of a modern alarm clock and the boys' renditions of city films. Reading forbidden Western literature by lamplight, falling in love with the Little Seamstress, and exploring the bittersweet (and slightly humorous) transition from boyhood into manhood defines the journey of enlightenment á la Balzac. *–Emily I.*

# Does Your Job Consume Your Life?

Does your job consume your life? Is your office plagued by arbitrary edicts? Does every photocopier and fax-machine have a sign posted telling you what to do? Simplify the daily grind by replacing your current office rules with these posted by the owner of a carriage works in 1872:

- Office employees each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys and trim wicks. Wash windows once a week.
- Each clerk will bring in a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the day's business.
- Men employees will be given an evening off each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if they go regularly to church.
- After 13 hours of labor in the office, the employee should spend the remaining time reading the Bible and other good books.
- Every employee should lay aside from each pay day a goodly sum of his earnings for his benefit during his declining years so that he will not become a burden on society.
- Any employee who smokes Spanish cigars, uses liquor in any form, frequents pool and public halls, or gets shaved in a barber shop will give good reason to suspect his worth, integrity and honesty.
- The employee who has performed his labors faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of 5 cents per day in his pay, providing profits from business permit it.

Now back to work…and don't forget your bucket and scuttle!

From *The U*N*A*B*A*S*H*E*D Librarian* Issue 146- Number 1 of 2008

# A Helping Hand

Students attending high school in Germany are required to engage in one week of volunteer work providing community service. This past March, The Hayner Public Library District benefited from this policy as Joe Bartels spent a week working at the library in various capacities. Joe lives in Gross-Umstadt, Germany, a small town about 30 miles south east of Frankfurt, population of approximately 15,000. Joe's mother lives here in Alton and Joe came to visit her for his two week spring break but first spent a week at the library fulfilling his volunteer hourly requirement. Library staff greatly appreciated Joe's help and enjoyed getting to know him.

Joe lived in Alton for 9 years (attending St. Mary's) before moving to Germany. He is currently the equivalent of a senior in high school, but in Germany students attend school for grades 1-13 (as vs. 1-12 in the U.S.) and upon graduation, they have the equivalent of an Associate's degree. The German education system requires each student to study English for seven years and French or Latin for five years. The German educational system schedules student holidays differently than in the U.S. students only get six weeks for summer vacation but they also get a two week spring break, a three week break over the Christmas holidays and another two weeks off in October. Sporting teams are not sponsored by the schools, but clubs funded by the cities offer team sport activities.

Joe anticipates majoring in political science his last year of high school and then will determine where he wants to complete his college education. Joe has dual citizenship between the U.S. and Germany which allows him to vote in both countries but also requires him to file two tax returns! He says there are many considerations in deciding where he ultimately will study and live, whether the U.S. or Germany. In Germany, a college or university education was, until 2006, completely funded by the German government (now the students pay up to about $1000/yr. for tuition.) Joe says that German society considers education a human right as vs. a "product" you pay for.

Universal health care is also funded by the German government and there are many agencies that provide shelter and care to the needy. The homeless population is negligible-much less than major cities in the U.S. Of course, these services need funding and thus the taxation rate is high. Germany has a 19% sales tax and gas is $8.00/gallon of which almost $5.00 is tax dollars.

Joe and his family were taking a trip to Dallas for his remaining time on spring break. Joe said that every time he is in the U.S. they make a point of visiting a different state. He estimates that he has been to at least 25 of the 50 American states. We sent Joe off with our best wishes in his academic achievements and hopes that he comes to visit the library on his next trip to Alton.

## *Patron Profile – Dr. Lesley Hauser*

Dr. Lesley Hauser moved to our area in 1998 and currently practices dentistry at the Bethalto Health Center. Originally from New York, Lesley grew up in Long Island's Levittown. She attended the State College of Buffalo, majoring in the Arts program, specifically print making. She transferred to the University of New Mexico and completed a degree in Art Education. However, the reality of few job opportunities in her chosen course of study sent her back to the University of New Mexico, this time to study nursing. She completed her Registered Nursing Bachelors degree and spent the next eight years as an operating room nurse and working in the cardiac-cath lab. Free spirit that she is, Lesley picked up her roots once again and moved back to Buffalo, New York. There, she attended the State University of New York School of Dentistry graduating in 1993 and spending 1993-94 completing her residency at the VA Medical Center of Buffalo.

Lesley always knew that private practice was not the path she was to take- she wanted to provide care to the underserved – providing care to people with limited access to dental services.

Working in a Community Health Center in upstate New York (Brockport N.Y) the majority of Lesley's patients were low income families and migrant farm workers.

Moving to Godfrey, Illinois in 1998, Lesley worked in both community health care and correctional facilities. At the correctional centers she provided dental care to male inmates and found them to be no trouble at all. In fact, they were extremely respectful and polite to her. She relates how surprised she was that in some facilities the new inmates actually wore the black and white striped correctional uniforms that we associate with old movies. She laughed recalling one inmate that told her "wearing black and white stripes in here is bad but if you are out in the real world, stripes can be quite slimming." Lesley said, it is certainly a universal truth that no matter how big and tough someone may appear, everyone is afraid of the dentist. She also noted that the health care provided to the inmates was excellent and, as patients, they were overwhelmingly appreciative of the dental care they were provided. She enjoyed this job very much but it required many hours of travel. Though she drives a Prius (out of her environmental consideration), the time on the road was becoming prohibitive for her.

Lesley's next career move was to take employment with the Bethalto Health Center, where she currently works. Here, she works primarily with children, two years of age and up. The dental section of the Health Center serves primarily children with medical cards though Lesley does occasionally treat adult patients.

In her down time, Lesley enjoys playing the cello. She was a former member of the Camerata String Ensemble at Lewis & Clark Community College under the musical direction of Pete Pancella. Today she meets weekly at a friend's house for evenings of music, friendship and laughter. She enjoys cooking and reading and she is also an exercise enthusiast, particularly biking and walking. She loves taking walks with her dog bundle of personality- Sunny, an American Staffordshire Terrier

Lesley greatly enjoys living in the Riverbend area but has also purchased property in New Mexico, to which someday she hopes to retire. Welcome Lesley to the community and thank you for the wonderful dental services you provide. We hope that retirement is some years away!

## *New in the Illinois Room:*

Woodland Hill Cemetery, East Alton, Illinois (patron donation) IR 929.50977386 CUR
Pioneer Kentuckians with Missouri Cousins (Parts 1 & 2) IR 929.3778 BRO
Old Kentucky Entries and Deeds IR 929.3769 JIL
Kentucky Marriages, 1797-1865 IR 929.3789 KEN
Kentucky Obituaries, 1787-1854 IR 929 3769 KEN
Earliest Tennessee Land Records and Earliest Tennessee Land History IR 929.3768 GRI
Complete Index to the Names of Persons, Places and Subjects Mentioned in Littell's Laws of Kentucky IR 929.3769 SMI
Ships from Scotland to North America IR 929.3411 DOB
Vermont: Heads of Families at the Second Census IR 929.3743 UNI
A Collection of Upwards of Thirty Thousand Names of German, Swiss, Dutch, French and other Immigrants IR 929.3 RUP
Merck's 1899 Manual IR (donation) IR 615.58 MER
History of Piatt County, Illinois IR 977.3673 PIA
History of Fulton County, Illinois IR 977.348 HIS
History of Effingham County, Illinois IR 977.3796 HIS
Scots-Irish Links 1575-1725 Vol. 5 IR 929.3415 DOB
500 Brickwall Solutions to Genealogy Problems IR 929.1072 FIV
Cherokee Connections IR 929.1089975 GOR
Denizations and Naturalizations in the British Colonies in America 1607-1775 IR 929.37 BOC
Early Records Hampshire Co. Virginia (patron donation) IR 929.375495 EAR
German-English Genealogical Dictionary IR 929.103 THO
American Place Names of Long Ago IR 917.3003 AME
Twentieth Century African American Leaders in Alton (donation) IR 973.77 ALT

## *Food For Fido*

During the month of April, all three library locations waived current fines on Hayner materials with a contribution of an item of pet food. By the end of the month, we had collected over 350 items, which were delivered to the 5 A's Animal Shelter.

The 5 A's shelter is supported solely through private donations. Please help this wonderful organization as best you can, whether it be through cash donations, by contributing items to their resale shop, or by providing pet food or supplies.

Of course, a great way to help the animals at the shelter is to adopt one. Hayner Library has an extensive collection of materials to help you decide what is the right pet for you and how to train and care for your "new best friend."

The shelter is located at 4530 N. Alby Road, Godfrey, Il. For questions or further information, contact the shelter at 466-3702.

# Computer Classes

The Hayner Public Library District is resuming it's series of computer classes. We will be filling the classes with names already on our waiting list. To place your name on the list, call 1-800-613-3163. If you were able to attend the last series of classes, please do not repeat your enrollment. The trainung classes will be small, limited to ten students each. At this time, the classes will be open to Hayner Library card holders only. The classes are:

**1. Introduction to computing: (Two one-hour sessions from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and again from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Wednesday July 2)**

In this class, the students will learn about the two main types of computers and their operating systems; how to properly turn the computer on and off; what to look for if purchasing a computer; the differences between desktops and laptops; and, the various peripherals one can attach to a computer (printers, faxers, scanners, etc.)

**2. Introduction to Microsoft Word: (Two two-hour sessions from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 9 and again on Wednesday, July 16. You may sign up for ONE session.)**

This will be an introduction to using Microsoft Word. The learner will be able to name the various parts of a Word screen; enlarge or shrink text using two different methods; change the type and/or size of the font; align the text; change the line spacing; and perform a spelling and grammar check. The product created in this session will center on the creation of a personal letter.

**3. Intermediate Microsoft Word: (Two two-hour sessions from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 23 and again on Wednesday, July 30. You may sign up for ONE session.)**

Intended to be a continuance of Introduction to Microsoft Word, this class will work on using creative aspects of Word. The learner will create a sign or flyer that will have a border around its edges, a border around significant areas of the sign, a picture inserted in its midst, a WordArt title that's centered, and a table that will be used to post the dates and times.

**4. Introduction to the Internet and Email: (One two-hour session from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6.)**

The learner will learn how to sign up for free email; do a basic search; the different kinds of URL suffixes; how to set a home page; where to find free software downloads; how to enlarge the website to make it easier to read; and other aspects of the Internet as the needs of the learner arise.

**5. Introduction to Microsoft Excel: (Two two-hour sessions from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 13 and again on Wednesday, August 20. You may sign up for ONE session.)**

Identification of the various components of Microsoft Excel ; how to set up a spreadsheet one could use to track medical bills; setting up a spreadsheet to use as an address book; and how to import the addresses into Word to print labels. Students wanting to create spreadsheets with actual information pertaining to themselves will need to bring in Cds or flash/USB/thumb drives that contain the necessary files.

**6. Introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint: (Two two-hour sessions from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 27 and again on Wednesday, September 3. You may sign up for ONE session.)**

The students will need to bring in their own CDs or flash/USB drives with photos on them for this class. Using those photos, they will create a slide show. If they bring in a flash/USB/thumb drive of their own, they'll also be able to save the presentation and take it home.

# Book Group Favorites

There is a great website for all you fellow book lovers. It is www.readinggroupchoices.com. This site collects information from thousands of book clubs across the country. It lists the books the clubs are reading and discusses what the clubs enjoyed the most. It also features new titles that the site editors recommend to lively discussion. The site has links to interviews with different authors and also has the facility to put your club in touch with the author, in person, for club discussions via teleconversation.

Visit the site and enter the titles of favorite books your club has read and you will be eligible to win $75 to cater one of your next meetings. You may also win a selection of current and recommended books sent to each person in your group

The ten most popular titles chosen by book groups, nationally, in 2007 include:

1. **The Kite Runner** by khhaled Hosseini (Riverhead)
2. **My Sister's Keeper** by Jodi Picoult (Washington Street Press)
3. **The Memory Keeper's Daughter** by Kim Edwards (Penguin Books)
4. **The Glass Castle** by Jeannette Walls (Scribner Book Company)
5. **Snow Flower and the Secret Fan** by Lisa See (Random House Trade)
6. **Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic and Madness and the Fair that Changed America** by Erik Larson (Vintage)
7. **The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time** by Mark Haddon (Vintage)
8. TIE: **March** by Geraldine Brooks (Penguin Books) and **The History of Love** by Nicole Krauss (W.W. Norton)
9. TIE. **Red Tent** by Anita Diamant (Picador)and **Pope Joan** by Donna Woolfolk Cross (Ballantine Books)
10. TIE: **Year of Wonders** by Geraldine Brooks (Penguin Books) and **Water For Elephants** by Sara Gruen (Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill)

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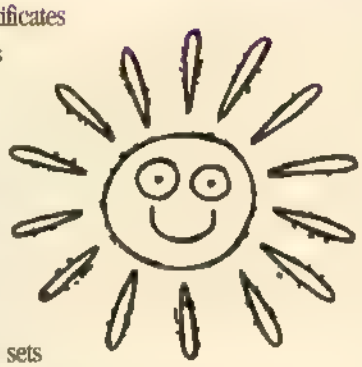
# Don't Miss Pride's Home and Garden Tour!

The Pride, Inc Home and Garden Tour will be held on Sunday, June 8th from Noon to 5:00. It is a self guided tour of gardens and homes in Alton and Godfrey. Tickets are $12.00 and are available in advance at several local businesses. Tickets will be available on the day of the tour at the Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau. For information call 467-2375.

# 2008 Hayner Adult Summer Reading Program
## June 7 – July 19



Win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates just for reading this summer—that's right, just for reading! How? It's easy--just sign up for Hayner Library's Adult Summer Reading Program. From June 7th through July 19th, for every book or audio book you read or listen to, you can enter a drawing to win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates. Two $100 sets of certificates will be awarded, one from Hayner's Downtown branch and one from Hayner's Alton Square branch. Every time you finish a book or audio book, fill out an entry form and drop it in an entry box. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! The rules are easy too: you must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; register at Hayner's Downtown or Alton Square circulation desks to participate and pick up additional entry forms. Drawings for these sets of restaurant gift certificates will be held on Saturday, July 19th. Come on—it's easy! We've even included your first entry form here!

**2008 HAYNER ADULT SUMMER READING PROGRAM**

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Address:

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Phone: _____

Book Title and Author:

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# The Hayner Public Library District

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## *The Smartest Card is @ your library®: Get it, use it at Hayner Library*

September is Library Card Sign-up Month, and the The Hayner Public Library District wants to make sure that your child is among the two-thirds of Americans who carry the smartest card of all – a library card.

Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

"A library card has always been the most important school supply of all," says Jeff Owen, the library's Executive Director "Kids can come to the library to get homework help and check out books, but they can also check out free music and DVDs and use the Internet to make after-school life a little more fun."

A recent study by the American Library Association also showed that families use libraries to spend time together. Forty-four percent of survey respondents report taking their children to the library for this reason.

Visit any location to sign up for a library card. The card is free to residents of Alton, Godfrey and Foster townships You just need a picture id, verifying your current address and an additional form of ID **This year, anyone signing up for a new card will get a stadium seat cushion (great for the upcoming football season!), while supplies last.** For more information, call the library at 618-462-0677 or visit our Web site at www.haynerlibrary.org.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Labor Day – September 1
Veteran's Day – November 11
Thanksgiving – November 27


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## MISSION RECOGNITION

Mission: Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at wwwhaynerlibrary.org or at any library location.

In May 2008, shortly before the last day of school, the students of the Illinois House of the Alton Middle School were called to the auditorium for an assembly. They were surprised with a performance by Victor Pacini, the entertaining singer and powerful motivational speaker who has lent his time as spokesperson for Hayner Library's Mission: Recognition program. The kids loved Victor and strongly responded to his energy, music and message of "do the right thing."

The whole student body was being recognized for a very special project they had executed earlier in 2008. Called Teens for Jeans, it was a campaign in which the students worked throughout the community to collect gently used jeans to donate to homeless teens. The campaign was supported by Aeropostale, a mall-based specialty retailer of casual and active apparel for young men and women. The company charter is to provide customers a focused selection of high-quality, active-oriented fashions at compelling prices. For this project the donated jeans would be cleaned by Aeropostale and then distributed at no charge to teens at local homeless centers. The school collected more than 200 pairs of jeans, creating the secondary benefit of recycling good reusable clothing.

The students were obviously thrilled by Mission: Recognition; reaction to the program was a loud mixture of cheers, singing and excitement from students and school staff alike. The school received a trophy from Hayner Library as acknowledgment of their outstanding achievement,

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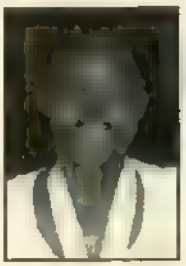
**MISSION RECOGNITION (Cont.)**
and a great time of recognition and appreciation was had by all.



In May, **Sha'Doca Hearn**, an eighth-grade student in Alton Middle School, was recognized by Mission: Recognition. In the past, Sha'Doca struggled with anger management. Through hard work, dedication and perseverance she developed new skills to cope with and express her emotions. She now passes on those skills to others, reaching out to students in a way that only a peer can.

When Sha'Doca sees a classmate become upset, she approaches the student to let him or her know that she sees what is happening. Her confidence and charisma allow her to attend to other students, and her genuine empathy and relationship skills enable her to give them real help. Sha'Doca uses good problem-solving ability to help students see and evaluate their choices regarding subsequent action. She guides them in setting goals for themselves and motivates them to avoid making the mistakes she made. Sha'Doca helps others view things from a broader perspective, i.e., how the choices they make now can impact their future. This past school year she was appointed student council president, and academically she has earned a place on the honor roll for several quarters. Through her own hard work, she has turned her life around and is helping others to do the same. She is a remarkable young woman.

Also recognized in May was **Nigel Harris**, a fifth-grader at East Elementary School. Nigel's nomination identified him as a hard-working, fantastic student, well organized and responsible—an overall great kid. Most impressively, Nigel's compassion for others is developed way beyond his years. He goes out of his way to befriend "special needs" kids and makes it his personal job to watch over them. He includes them in everything and makes them feel part of the group. Nigel also is a great help to his teacher, always willing to take on extra responsibilities. Nigel is extremely respectful to adults and peers alike. Additionally, he tutors younger kids and is involved in community organizations such as Redbird basketball, football and church activities, and this summer he joined the Boys and Girls Club. Nigel is a great role model for young and old alike.

In July, we were proud to recognize the heartwarming actions of brother and sister **Matthew** (grade 3) and **Ole-Haze** (grade 5) **Moore**. At the beginning of the children's summer vacation, their grandmother was recovering at home from major surgery. While other young children were out playing, enjoying the delights of a responsibility-free summer, the children willingly took over chores at their grandmother's house to aid in her recovery. Their volunteer services included cleaning house, cooking, doing the laundry, taking out the trash and caring for their grandmother for the first two weeks after her discharge from the hospital.

Before going to play with their friends, both Matthew and Ole-Haze always checked in to see if there was anything their grandmother needed and to make sure she was comfortable. Their grandmother knew that the children were disappointed that she could not attend their ball games or participate in other activities, but they never complained. In order to create a more peaceful environment for her, Matthew and Ole-Haze purposely worked hard to contain the bickering that commonly occurs between siblings.

Matthew and Ole-Haze made "welcome home" signs when their grandmother was discharged from the hospital and stopped in to smother her with hugs and kisses whenever they passed her room. Matthew and Ole-Haze's unselfish assistance, loving-kindness, understanding and prayers undoubtedly helped to speed their grandmother's recovery and will always be remembered in the hearts of their family.

## *Please Help Us To Serve You Better*

Recently, we began asking you to take a few minutes to fill out a very simple survey. The purpose of this survey is to help us assess our services and collections to best address your changing needs, lifestyle, entertainment preferences and resource and information requirements. Please help us make the Hayner Public Library the best library – your library.

## *Mall Expansion Underway – Get A Preview of Your New Library Facility!*

The Hayner Public Library District is very excited that the expansion project at the Alton Square Mall is now underway. As many of you are aware, the original plan to expand the library facility on the second floor of the mall had to be canceled due to weight load bearing constraints. The current location of the library will be at the Sears end of the mall, in spaces previously occupied by Walden Books, GNC Nutrition and four empty rental units on the northwest end of the mall near the Sears store. The new facility will include a teen area, a children's area and crafts room, study rooms, expanded computers, wireless computer access, automated checkout, and many state-of-the-art features and services. Currently, the opening date of the new library facility is scheduled for mid-January 2009. We have installed a 3D virtual fly-through of the new facility on the flat panel screen displays in the downtown and mall library locations. We thunk you will be as excited as we are after viewing YOUR new library facility!

## *Dog Days of Summer Were the Best!*

Our summer Bow-wow Pow-wow reading sessions were great! Everyone made lots of new friends – both the four-legged and two-legged kind. Therapy dogs visit the Hayner Youth Library on the second Saturday of every month and kids read to the dogs or just play with them. It's a great way to strengthen a child's confidence and reading skills. Please join us at 10:00 a.m., on September 13, October 11, November 8 and December 13 – all ages are welcome. Bring cameras.

## *Food for Fines*

In past years, we have waived current fines on Hayner material if you contributed a nonperishable food item for each fine during a holiday time amnesty period. The past couple of years we have decided to start spreading the holiday spirit a little early, sponsoring the program in October. It was very successful and we have decided to repeat the October scheduling of the program.

From October 1 through October 31, 2008, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine and Hayner materials only. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

There are several reasons we decided to move up the fine amnesty program. During the holidays, many different organizations support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but as we get wrapped up in our everyday lives, we sometimes forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are hoping this amnesty calendar change can help people immediately without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

Perhaps you have some Hayner material that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center, but it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

## EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

The Hayner Public Library District has initiated a program to recognize employees who are nominated by their colleagues for overall job performance, teamwork and positive attitude. Previously recognized in our last newsletter as our first award winner was Patty Stalcup. Patty is responsible for Acquisition and Media Processing. Our next three award recipients are John Daubman (May), Shannon Ballard (June) and Fred Buchanan (July).

**John Daubman** is a member of the Maintenance Services staff. Following high school, John served in the Army for eight years. Much of that service was overseas. He has worked for The Hayner Library District since 2004, and he and his wife are both members of The Friends of the Library. John and Grace just celebrated their twentieth wedding anniversary. John is also Hayner's unofficial football fanatic.

**Shannon Ballard** is a full-time Library Assistant in the Hayner Youth library. She has been with the library district more than nine years, starting as a Page in the Hayner Branch Library. Shannon lives in Godfrey, and in addition to her job at Hayner, she attends Lewis & Clark Community College.

**Fred Buchanan** has been a member of Hayner's Maintenance Services staff for seventeen years. Prior to that he served in the Army for two years, spent 27 years working at Owens-Illinois Glass, from which he retired, and also worked eight years in home remodeling. Fred has one son and is a native of Alton.

Thank you to these great employees for their years of service and many contributions to the Hayner Public Library team.

## *Lucky Winners!*

Congratulations to Marcella Waddell and Edna Sommars, the lucky winners in Hayner's 2008 Adult Summer Reading Program. Marcella Waddell was the winner at Hayner's Downtown branch and Edna Sommars won at Hayner's Alton Square branch. Each winner received a $50 gift certificate to Red Lobster and a $50 gift certificate to Tony's Restaurant.

The reading program, which ran from June 7 to July 19, drew hundreds of entries for the grand prize drawings. For each book read or audiobook listened to, contestants earned another chance to win. All program prizes were made possible through the generosity of private funding.

Hayner's next Adult Reading Program will be held this winter, so watch your newsletters for details—it could be you next time! Thank you to all the readers who participated in the program this summer and congratulations again to our lucky winners Marcella Waddell and Edna Sommars.

## *Don't Miss the First Downtown Fall Festival*

This year we can look forward to the First Annual Downtown Fall Festival on Saturday, October 25, from 12:00 noon until 3:00 p.m. This fun-filled family event has been coordinated through a joint partnership between Downtown Alton, Inc., and Pride. Festivities will include a scarecrow decorating contest (with prizes), a Pride/Downtown Alton, Inc. Chili Cook-off, live music and much more. Mark your calendars now!

## *Vintage Voices Returns*

Alton City Cemetery at 5th and Vine Streets is once again the host site of Vintage Voices – a unique event jointly sponsored and produced by the YWCA and Alton Little Theater. Alton Little Theater actors and other local talent will greet guests at the gravesites of previous residents of Alton, reenacting in character the individual stories of the various local personalities. This year you will meet Dorothy Colonius, founder of Alton Little Theater; Harriet Aldous and Mrs. Homer Davis, cofounders of the Alton YWCA; George H. Wilson, who narrowly escaped being sold into slavery and lived to more than 100 years old; Senator Edmond Beall; Dr. H. C. Smith, founder of Beverly Farms; Nathaniel Hanson, owner of the Enos Apartments, who established the apartments as a stop on the underground railroad; and Robert W. Smith, congressman before the Civil War. There also will be a guest historian as part of the tour, in character as Mary Todd Lincoln. Vintage Voices will run every Saturday in October, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. For ticket prices, reservations and information, call 465-7774.

## *Don't Miss Friends of the Library Book Sale*

In October, the Friends of the Library will hold their regular fall book sale. Thursday, October 9, will be the preview sale from 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. There will be a $5.00 admission charge this day only. Friday, October 10, the sale will run from 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. and on Saturday, October 11, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. This sale will be held at 327 State Street, Alton. For additional information, contact the Friends at 462-4396.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Downtown Library Events

*We have a great semester of fall and early winter programs scheduled for you and your family and friends. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Downtown Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, September 13**
**Saturday, October 11**
**Saturday, November 8**
**Saturday, December 13**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Kittie Moller
### *Fanfare*

**Tuesday, September 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Kittie Moller and Fanfare plan a variety of styles of music with a great deal of well.... fanfare! Fanfare features the beautiful vocals of Kittie Moller backed up by three additional band members. Fanfare will take you all over the sound spectrum with music that includes Motown, R & B, Pop, Country, Standards and Big Band. Fanfare has appeared all over the country at top clubs, hotels, conventions and concerts. Some of their past engagements include playing before all of the St. Louis Rams home games for three seasons, and a USO tour of Africa. Throughout their career, Fanfare has been rated one of the top musical groups and Kittie one of the top female vocalists in the St. Louis area. Kittie has had two No. 1 Independent Chart hits. She also was nominated by the Academy of Independent Recording Artists for New Female Vocalist of the Year in 1997. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Maureen Christine
### *Lights, Camera, Action: Hit Songs from Hollywood Movies*

**Tuesday, October 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Maureen Christine is a celebrated concert vocalist and national recording artist. The demand for Maureen's captivating stage presence and crystal clear voice has produced invitations for her to perform with numerous symphony orchestras, concert bands and 16-piece big bands, including the Count Basie Orchestra. Maureen was pre-nominated for a 2002 Grammy Award alongside Harry Connick, Jr., and Rosemary Clooney. She is heralded as "a singer worth crowing about" by the *Chicago Tribune* for her thoughtful interpretations of "great American standards, romantic ballads, and jazz classics." Accompanied by pianist Don Stille, Maureen's program at the Hayner Library will feature hit songs from your favorite movies. Enjoy Grammy winners such as "My Heart will Go On" *(Titanic)*, "I Will Always Love You" *(The Bodyguard)* and hits from the movie version of *Phantom of the Opera*. She will include songs from our favorite animated Disney movies, timeless classics including "People" and "The Trolley Song," "What a Wonderful World," and much, much more. Don't miss this memorable evening of music. Register at 1-800-613-3163. *This concert is sponsored in part by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council.*

### Visiting Nurse Association
### *Flu Clinic*

**Saturday, October 11,**
**11:00 a.m-1:00 p.m.**

The VNA of Southern Illinois will be at the Hayner Downtown library to deliver flu and pneumonia vaccines. Flu shots are $30 and pneumonia shots are $45. Cash or checks are

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accepted. The following insurance providers are also accepted: Medicare Part B, GHP, Mercy Premier, Essence, Humana and UniCare.

## John Dunphy
## Author Book Discussion

**Tuesday, October 14, 6:30 p.m.**

John Dunphy will talk about his latest book, *It Happened at the River Bend*, which covers just about all the bases of our area's history. This work deals with topics such as the Underground Railroad, the Wood River Massacre, the old prison, the Hartford Castle, Elijah Lovejoy, Robert Wadlow, Miles Davis, James Earl Ray and much more. He also will have a few things to say about haiku, a unique type of poetry of which John is one of the acknowledged masters. Come fully prepared to learn a great deal! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Lincoln-Douglas Sesquicentennial

**Broadway & Market St., Alton, IL**
**Saturday & Sunday,**
**October 18 & 19, 2008**
**Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**
**Sunday: Noon to 4 p.m.**

Come see Lincoln and Douglas face off in their final debate prior to the Illinois Senatorial election of 1858. The streets of Downtown Alton will be closed to pave the way for festival activities, which will include: period vendors, a living history tour with re-enactors and docents at nine different Lincoln and Civil War historic site. Events will also feature the debut of the new Lincoln and Civil War interpretive panels and a presentation of Reunion Tour 08. Hayner Public Library is planning Lincoln programming with "Songs of Abraham Lincoln" and a special appearance by Mary Todd's seamstress. Both the library and Alton Museum of History and Art plan special exhibits to interpret Lincoln's many visits to Alton. Festival admission is free. For more information, call 1-800-258-6645.

These two days of festivities have been made possible through the hard work and generous donations of many local businesses and organizations. In-kind sponsors include Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau, The Hayner Public Library District, The Alton Marketplace and the City of Alton. Financial sponsors also include Lefferson & Associates, Ray and Peggy Sullwell, TL Cleaning, The Bank of Edwardsville, Illinois American Water Company, St Anthony s Health Center, private endowment to The Hayner Public Library District, Riverbend Billiards and Grill, Paul Lauschke & Associates, Morrissey Construction, The Illinois Humanities Council, Norton & Rain, Inc., Roberts Ford- Chrysler-Jeep, Cornerstone Bank & Trust, VFW Ladies Auxiliary Post 1308, Leonard Berg, Shell Community Federal Credit Union and Johnsons Corner

## Bucky Hawker
## *Musical Mayhem*

**Tuesday, October 28, 6:30 p.m.**

Illinois has a rich and diverse folk music tradition, including many folk songs related to death and dying. Murders, fires, tornadoes, floods, shipwrecks, mining accidents, train wrecks, gangsters and Father Time have all claimed victims in song. Join folksinger/historian Bucky Hawker for a performance of a sampling of these songs along with historical commentary. Bucky, an expert in folk music in the USA and particularly Illinois, has toured extensively throughout the US, Canada and Europe. He holds a PhD in American history, is a published author and has recorded many musical CDs. Join us for an evening of musical mayhem to kick off your Halloween festivities. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Elizabeth Lakamp
## *Through the Eras*

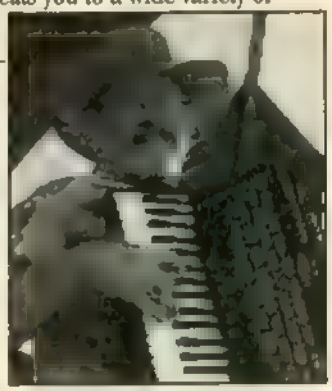
**Tuesday, November 4, 6:30 p.m.**

Elizabeth Lakamp is a favorite entertainer in the St. Louis area. Known for her ever-popular American Sweetheart Variety Shows, she will be performing a program that promises a fun-filled evening of musical memories, bubbling over with energy, interaction, costume changes and most of all—music, music, music! Combining selections from the '30s and '40s, this eclectic program includes songs of the Andrews Sisters and a tribute to our deserving veterans. She also may include tunes from Hank Williams and Patsy Cline, all of which will make faces light up with memories of days gone by. No matter what your musical taste, you are bound to enjoy this show. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Zydeco Crawdaddys
## *Zydeco Music and New Orleans Style Jazz*

**Tuesday, November 11, 6:30 p.m.**

St. Louis's first zydeco band, the Zydeco Crawdaddys, treats you to a wide variety of traditional as well as contemporary zydeco music from the French Creole region of southern Louisiana. The infectious rhythms of traditional zydeco instruments are guaranteed to make you smile. Audience participation with rubboards and shaker cans is always permitted, if not actively encouraged. And during the show the Daddys heat things up with their own renditions of traditional New Orleans–style jazz numbers, interspersed with some of their original compositions. Using traditional zydeco instruments such as the accordion and washboard, the Zydeco Crawdaddys evoke endless fun and are bound to get the crowd rolling. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## Curtis & Loretta
## *Music Straight from the Heart*

**Tuesday, November 18, 6:30 p.m.**

This husband and wife duo's extraordinary harmonies and proficiency on a parade of stringed instruments create an alluring frame for their poignant original songs and carefully chosen traditional pieces from the British Isles, the U.S. and beyond. Between them, they play Celtic harp, mandolin, mandocello, guitars, banjo, and ukulele, plus a bit of harmonica, shakers, and kazoo. Curtis & Loretta hail from Minnesota. Minneapolis' City Pages entertainment newspaper named them "Best Performers of the Twin Cities."

"Curtis and Loretta are in many ways the quintessential folk duo· finely

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honed vocal harmonies of multidimensional intrigue, abundant talent on an array of stringed instruments, deep traditional roots, great originals, and equally strong strains of gravity and playful irreverence.... It's both musically riveting and spiritually invigorating."—Rick Mason, *CityPages* A-List. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*
**Sunday, December 7, 3:00 p.m.**
*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

This is one of our favorite events of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. This year, the group will be joined by Kenneth Kohler, who is on the music staff at Twin Oaks Presbyterian Church in Ballwin, MO. Ken started his music career at age 9 and by 14 years of age took his first job as an organist in a church in Philadelphia. He holds a Masters Degree in Music from the American Conservatory in Chicago. For this concert, Ken will perform several numbers on the chapel's new organ, a Rodgers Trillium Masterpiece Series organ. For three decades, Ken has been involved in the sale, design and installation of Rodger's organs. The magnificent instrument at the chapel is a digital organ, capable of orchestral sounds in addition to organ sounds. This program is free but does require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
### *A Celtic Christmas*
**Tuesday, December 9, 6:30 p.m.**
They're back!! The amazing duo Brian Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. When they performed for us earlier this year they earned an extended standing ovation. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests and favorites from their original songbook— truly a show for the whole family. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Computer Class Schedule
Our summer series of computer classes will conclude on September 17. As the holidays will quickly be upon us, we have elected to wait until after the first of the year to resume offering additional classes. The schedule for first quarter 2009 should be announced in the winter newsletter, available in December

# Hayner Youth Library

## Fall Activities for September, October, November, December 2008

**Preschool Storytime** – Mondays – 10:00 am
September 15th & 29th – October 13th & 27th
November 10th & 24th – December 8th & 22nd

**Lapsit Storytime** – Mondays – 10:00 am
September 8th & 22nd – October 6th & 20th – November 3rd & 17th – December 1st, 15th & 29th

**Evening Storytime** – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
September 2nd, 16th & 30th – October 14 & 28th – November 25th – December 9th & 23rd

**Video Game Night** – Wednesdays – 5:00 pm
September 3rd

**Dance Dance Revolution** –
Wednesdays – 3:00 pm
October 1st – November 5th – December 3rd

**After School Fun** –
Thursdays – 4:00 pm
September 11th
Foam Case with Pencils
October 9th
Rhinestone Leaf Hanging
November 13th
Place Mat Weave
December 11th
Reindeer Antler Headband

### *Special Events and Performers:*

**Library Card Sign-Up Month**
September 1st – 30th

**Drawing for Winner of Library Card Sign-Up** – Prize – $50.00 Gift Certificate
September 30th

**Banned Books Week**
September 27th – October 4th

**Alton Fire Department – Fire Prevention**
Monday – 11:00 am – September 29th

**Riverwind Storytellers – Sparks & Spooks**
Thursday – 6:00 pm – October 23rd
**Come to a party on Halloween,**
**Dream up a costume in which to be seen.**
**Let your imagination go wild,**
**call upon your Inner child.**
Party: October 30th
Time: 5-7:30
Place: Hayner Youth Library 401 State St.
Bring a camera!!

**Family Reading Night** – Stephanie Munson
Thursday – 6:00 pm – November 20th

**Children's Christmas Party** –
Santa and Mrs. Claus – Saturday –
2:00 p.m. – December 20th

## Hayner Library Branch Activities

The following events are sponsored by the Hayner Branch Library the Alton Square Mall. Events are free of charge but do require registration at 1-800-613-3163.

**Family Game Night**
September 17,
October 15 and
November 19
6.30 pm

One night each month in the spring, the Branch Library at Alton Square will hold a family game night. We will have board games for families to play or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family or play with some other great library patrons!

# Special Events at Hayner

## TEEN ACTIVITIES

**• Teen Video Gaming**
Come join us for fun and games at Hayner Libraries Teen Video Gaming event. Teens will be playing a variety of video games including DDR, Guitar Hero 3, Manning 08, Rock Band and much more. The event includes free drinks and snacks. Saturday September 6th, Saturday October 4th, and Saturday November 8th. 1p.m.-3p.m.To register call 433-2861.

**• Teen Movie Nights**
Bring your friends and come join us for Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner will show a new release exclusively for teens. Pizza and soda are on the menu. Wednesday September 24th, Wednesday October 29th, Wednesday November 12th. Movies start 6p.m.To register call 433-2861.

**• Teen Advisory Council**
Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? This is the group for you! The Hayner Public Library offers teens a way to make a difference. Come join us once a month and help brainstorm new projects, suggest new purchasing ideas and help make the library the new hot place to hang out. Meeting dates are the third Wednesday of each month. Wednesday, September 17th, Wednesday, October 15th, Wednesday November 19th, and Wednesday, December 17th. Meeting times are 5:30p.m.-6:30p.m. To register call 433-2861.

**• Teen Read Week (October 13th –18th)**
*"Books with Bite at your Library"*

**▸▸Shredded Book Contest**
Participants will be given three clues that will help them guess the title of a scary shredded book. The book will be on display in a see-through container which will be displayed at the Alton Square Library location. One guess per person. The winner will be notified by phone Monday October 20, 2008. Come by and give us your best guess! Ages 12-18 may enter.

**▸▸Scary Movie Marathon** (Columbus Day Monday October 13th)
Meet your friends at the Hayner Public Library for a terrifying double feature! The fun begins at 11a.m Snacks and drinks will be on the menu. To register please call 433-2861.

**• Teen Summer Reading Program 2008**
The 2008 Teen Summer Reading Program "Get in the Game!, Read" was a great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on their reading while flexing their muscles. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a variety of sports-related events such as crazy bowling, video gaming, riding a mechanical surf board, bouncy boxing, and much more! We would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner for the most hours of reading, **Elizabeth Steines.** I would also like to thank all the participants.

**• Project Next Generation**
The Hayner Public Library has been chosen as the 25th host site for Secretary of State Jessie White's youth technology program, Project Next Generation. This free program gives students ages 11-14 the opportunity to try new technology, explore life skills, and have fun at the library. New classes will be forming mid-October running for nine weeks and meeting from 3:30p.m.-4:45p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you are interested in attending please call Sharon at 433-2861 or come by the Alton Square location

Above, former participants enjoy a trip to Springfield to the Project Next Generation Picnic. Secretary of State Jesse White hosted the event August 7, 2008. All participating libraries were entertained by the Jesse White Tumblers and fed an awesome meal from KFC. A good time was had by all!

## *Poster Contest Winner*

This summer, the Illinois Library Association and Illinois Reading Enrichment and Development (iREAD) sponsored a Poster Contest to promote Teen Reading. The contest was open to middle and high school aged artists. The kids were asked to illustrate the theme "SCARE UP A GOOD BOOK". The winning poster will be the basis for the YA (Young Adult) iREAD Summer Reading Program in 2010. Libraries throughout Illinois are participating in the contest, and the design of each library's individual winner will be submitted to the Illinois Library Association (ILA). ILA staff will then pick a statewide winner from the winning entries in October, 2008. The winner will receive $1000 in prize money and his or her poster will be reproduced and distributed throughout the state to promote the 2010 Summer Reading initiative.

The first-place winner for the Hayner Public Library District is 16-year-old **Brigid Vaughn**, the daughter of Mary and Jeff Vaughn, who reside in Alton. Congratulations, Brigid, on your very clever illustration of the theme "Scare up a good book." We certainly will be rooting for you this October!

Judging the artwork was, as you might expect, not an easy process. Library staff decided to recognize additional poster entries second and third place winner. Second place was awarded to Eric'el Johnson, age 14, of Alton. There was a tie for third place between Katelin Richie, age 11, of Godfrey and Christopher Plunkett, age 14, also of Godfrey.

# *Youth Summer Reading Party*

Jailen

Ma'Shay

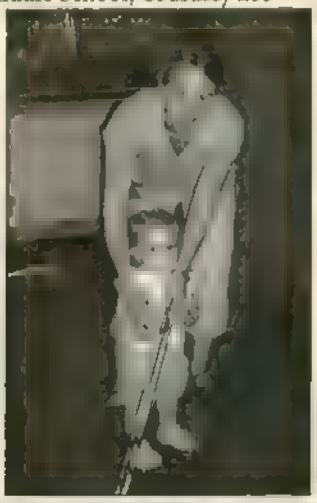
Melena

The summer reading program, GET IN THE GAME! READ came to end on July 24th. The end of the summer party was held at the Commons Building on the Lewis and Clark Community College campus. There were 350 people in attendance at the party. We had wonderful participation this summer from our children. 460 children signed contracts and out of that number we had 250 children complete their contracts. Of that number we had 68 children who read 30 hours or more. Their names are posted on our wall of fame at the Hayner Youth Division. These names will be displayed throughout the month of August; also if you did not attend the party, all the children who completed their contracts can pick up their certificates and free award book at the Hayner Youth Division.

For the 2008 Reading Champions, the children who read the greatest number of hours in their age group were as follows: In the 0-3 age group the winner was Ma'Shay Steward (42 hours). In the 4-6 age group the winner was Jailen Sie-Orlovski (42 hours). In the 7-9 age group the winner was Margaret McCarthy (98 hours). And in the 10-12 age group the winner was Melena Tandy (210 hours).

The Traveling Summer Reading Trophy, awarded annually to the school with the highest percentage of students completing the reading program at Hayner, was won this year by Gilson Brown Elementary School. In second place was St. Mary's, and in third place was Evangelical.

Ten volunteers (shown in the photo at right) were recognized for their summer service to the Youth Library and donated more than 400 hours to help our summer run as smoothly as it did. They were Maggie Aery – St. Mary's; Olivia Farmer – St. Mary's; Jackson Frosch – North Elementary; Paisley Harper – Alton Middle School; Ryan Haynes – West Elementary; Breaunna Jackson – Alton Middle School; Courtney Lee – Sts Peter and Paul, Eli Parker – Alton Middle School; DeAnna Pope – Mary Institute and Country Day School and Denver Smith – Cold Spring Middle School.



The entertainment for the evening was provided by the 62 Sports Group. They had fun and exciting activities for the children to do which included Hockey Slap Shot, Air Brush Tattoos, and the popular Slam Dunk Combo. The 62 Sports Group by Shanta the Storyteller was very enlightening. Shanta is a nationally known storyteller who blends traditional folktales, contemporary stories and world instruments in exciting and inspiring presentations.

Some of the different organizations that donated great prizes for our Hayner readers were, Waldenbooks – The Magic House – Gateway Fun Park – Red Lobster – Culvers – Chicago White Sox – Olga's Kitchen – and the St. Louis Rams.

Hayner Youth Library is looking forward to next year's 2009 summer reading program, "READ on the WILD SIDE" and we hope it will be just as successful.

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

**--NONFICTION**

**Baldwin, Alec.** A Promise to Ourselves: A Journey Through Fatherhood and Divorce
**Barrett, Jennifer.** The Smart Cookies' Guide to Making More Dough: How Five Young Women Got Smart, Formed a Money Club, and Took Control of their Finances
**Curtis, Tony.** American Prince: A Memoir
**De Laurentiis, Giada.** Giada's Kitchen: New Favorites from Everyday Italian
**Deen, Paula.** Paula Deen's Kitchen Wisdom and Recipe Journal
**Doocy, Steve.** Tales from the Dad Side: Misadventures in Fatherhood
**Garavaglia, Jan.** How Not to Die: Surprising Lessons on Living Longer, Safer, and Healthier from America's Favorite Medical Examiner
**Garten, Ina.** Barefoot Contessa Back to Basics: How to Get Great Flavor from Simple Ingredients
**Jubak, Jim.** The Jubak Picks
**Katz, Jon.** Izzy and Lenore: Two Dogs, an Unexpected Journey, and Me
**Koontz, Dean.** Bliss to You: Trixie's Guide to a Happy Life
**McCarthy, Jenny.** Mother Warriors: A Nation of Parents Healing Autism Against All Odds
**McGraw, Phil.** Real Life (Preparing for the 7 Most Challenging Days of Your Life)
**Meacham, Jon.** American Lion: Andrew Jackson in the White House
**Millan, Cesar.** A Member of the Family: Cesar Millan's Guide to a Lifetime of Fulfillment with Your Dog
**O'Reilly, Bill.** A Bold Fresh Piece of Humanity: A Memoir
**Oz, Mehmet C.** You, Being Beautiful: The Owner's Manual to Inner and Outer Beauty
**Patterson, James.** Against Medical Advice: A True Story
**Pepin, Jacques.** Jacques Pepin More Fast Food My Way
**Pickens, T. Boone.** The First Billion is the Hardest: How Believing It's Still Early in the Game Can Lead to Life's Greatest Comebacks
**Ray, Rachael.** Rachael Ray's Big Orange Book: Her Favorite All-New 30-Minute Meals, Veggie Meals, Holiday Menus, Dinners-for-One, Kosher Meals, Rollover Menus, and Much, Much More!
**Rice, Anne.** Called Out of Darkness: A Spiritual Confession
**Schroeder, Alice.** The Snowball: Warren Buffett and the Business of Life
**Sears, Barry.** Toxic Fat: When Good Fat Turns Bad
**Somers, Suzanne.** Breakthrough: Eight Steps to Wellness
**Spoto, Donald.** Spellbound by Beauty: Alfred Hitchcock and His Leading Ladies
**Turner, Ted.** Call Me Ted
**Wagner, Robert.** Pieces of My Heart: A Life

**--FICTION**

**Baldacci, David.** Divine Justice
**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Quilter's Kitchen: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel with Recipes
**Cain, Chelsea.** Sweetheart
**Connelly, Michael.** The Brass Verdict
**Cornwell, Patricia.** Scarpetta
**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Bodies Left Behind
**Douglas, Carole Nelson.** Cat in a Sapphire Slipper: A Midnight Louie Mystery
**Feehan, Christine.** Dark Curse
**Flynn, Vince.** Extreme Measures
**Gerritsen, Tess.** The Keepsake
**Gregory, Philippa.** The Other Queen
**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Swallowing Darkness
**Harris, Robert.** Conspirata
**James, P. D.** The Private Patient
**Johansen, Iris.** Dark Summer
**Keillor, Garrison.** Liberty: A Lake Wobegon Novel
**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Bones
**King, Stephen.** Just After Sunset: Stories
**Kleypas, Lisa.** A Wallflower Christmas
**Koontz, Dean.** Your Heart Belongs to Me
**Lamb, Wally.** The Hour I First Believed
**Le Carre, John.** Most Wanted Man
**Lehane, Dennis.** The Given Day
**Lustbader, Eric.** First Daughter
**Macomber, Debbie.** Cedar Cove Christmas
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Comforts of a Muddy Saturday: An Isabel Dalhousie Novel
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The World According to Bertie
**Meltzer, Brad.** The Book of Lies
**Miller, Linda Lael.** A McKettrick Christmas
**Muller, Marcia.** Burn Out
**Parker, Robert B.** Rough Weather
**Patterson, James.** Cross Country: A Novel
**Peters, Elizabeth.** The Laughter of Dead Kings
**Rankin, Ian.** Exit Music
**Rice, Luanne.** The Letters
**Robb, J. D.** Salvation in Death
**Roth, Philip.** Indignation
**Sandford, John.** Heat Lightning
**Shreve, Anita.** Testimony
**Sparks, Nicholas.** The Lucky One
**Steel, Danielle.** A Good Woman
**Truman, Margaret.** Murder Inside the Beltway
**Updike, John.** The Widows of Eastwick
**Woods, Stuart.** Hot Mahogany

## Banned Books Week

**September 29 – October 6**

Celebrating the Freedom to Read is observed during the last week of September each year. Observed since 1982, the annual event reminds Americans not to take this precious democratic freedom for granted.

Banned Book Week celebrates the freedom to choose or the freedom to express one's opinion even if that opinion might be considered unorthodox or unpopular and stresses the importance of ensuring the availability of those unorthodox or unpopular viewpoints to all who wish to read them. After all, intellectual freedom can exist only where these two essential conditions are met.

Reflect on your freedom to read, cherish it, and, by all means, read what you want to read. As the author of *Fahrenheit 451*, Ray Bradbury, said "You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture. Just get people to stop reading them"

To see what books were challenged this past year or for more information, go to www.ala.org/books. Help spread the word! Encourage your friends and colleagues to celebrate their freedom to read. It's one of our most important democratic freedoms!

# *Patron Profile Charlotte Johnson*

It was a delight to meet and chat with Charlotte Kenniebrew Johnson as the subject of this month's patron profile. Charlotte was born in Evanston, Illinois, and spent most of her childhood in Jacksonville and Springfield, Illinois. Charlotte's father was a highly skilled and respected surgeon who, during World War I, was commissioned to train military doctors and nurses. Dr. Kenniebrew opened a clinic in Jacksonville that grew from 6 to 67 beds. Charlotte remembers her father always encouraging her to be continually learning. When she was a little girl, he would reward her with a nickel for each book she read and reported on. By the second grade, he upped the ante to six cents a book. Charlotte didn't need the encouragement, because she always loved to read and loved visiting her local library every Saturday. Charlotte's mother was a talented musician, a music teacher and a 50-year employee of the State of Illinois.

Upon completing high school, Charlotte attended Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee. She earned her degrees in voice, piano composition and music education. She also attended Roosevelt University in Chicago and the University of Minnesota. After graduating from college, she married native Altonian Cyrus Johnson, and they settled in Champaign, Illinois. Cyrus worked for Illinois Bell Telephone and General Mills. Charlotte taught in the Chicago public school system until 1973. They moved to Minnesota when Cyrus accepted a position in Minneapolis, a city that Charlotte says she absolutely loved. Charlotte worked for Minneapolis Special School District #1, preparing a wide variety of curriculum guides and teaching aids in music and the arts. She also taught choir, strings, and humanities projects at the Ramsey Fine Arts Elementary Center. Charlotte and Cyrus raised two daughters, Judie, who today lives in Minnesota, and Renee, who lives in Alton. Charlotte has a granddaughter, Jennie, who is a junior at William Woods University in Fulton, Missouri.

In 1991 Cyrus retired from his position as a Corporate Vice President for General Mills, and the Johnsons moved back to Alton, where they purchased a farm. Cyrus was from a large family that owned a farm in Wood Station, Alton. Established in 1850, it is among the oldest working family farms in Illinois. Cyrus' brother, Lloyd, and his wife Minnie now own the family farm. Many members of the Johnson family reside in the Riverbend area.

Once settled in Alton, Charlotte spent seven years volunteering at Jennie's schools. During this time she did substitute teaching for one year for the Alton School District but decided to devote her time to her numerous volunteer activities, researching local histories and doing genealogical research.

Genealogy has fascinated Charlotte since her teenage years. When Charlotte was a girl, her maternal Aunt Marie documented Charlotte's grandfather's stories in shorthand. Several years later this document was transcribed and published as a small book by Charlotte's brother. Titled *He Must Have Been a Prince*, the booklet tells the stories of George Schultz, patriarch of the family, who died in 1899, and stories of other family members and of living conditions in the late 1800s. The booklet is based on the recollections of his son, James Sherman Schultz.

James was Charlotte's "Grandpap" and the tie binding the family. During World War II, nine young members of the Johnson family were in the armed forces simultaneously. In fact, they all met up in Africa. Fortunately, all came home safely. As each went to visit Grandpap, he would make them stand close enough that he could touch their faces to make sure they were really with him.

Grandpap sensed when his days were soon to be over and, unbeknownst to family members, except Charlotte, rode his bike to the hospital. Upon his admittance, the hospital contacted the family to let them know that Grandpap was there. He communicated that he knew it would be too upsetting to Charlotte if he passed in the family home, and he wanted to spare her that memory. The family visited him that evening and took his Bible to him. He told them they did not need to come back tomorrow. The next day, before the family could get to the hospital, he was gone. More fascinating anecdotes are recorded in the booklet, which you can find in the Illinois Room of the Hayner Downtown Library.

In 1993, Charlotte, Renee and Jennie went to Alabama to visit distant relatives of Charlotte's father's. It was during this visit that Charlotte learned the story of Winnie, her paternal great-grandmother. Grandmother Winnie was a native of Ghana, Africa. She carried a medicine bag of herbs in her village and ministered to the sick. One evening some men from a nearby village came and said their chief was sick and Winnie must come with her brothers and bring her medicine bag. The men led them onto a ship, and that was the last they saw of their village in Ghana. It was a slave ship. In America, she and her brothers initially worked together on the same plantation. Then Winnie was sent to Alabama. One brother went to Arkansas and the other to Oklahoma. She never saw them again.

Through her genealogical research, Charlotte was able to identify five different branches of the family descended from Grandmother Winnie and her brothers, widely dispersed throughout the country. She also determined that she had a cousin living in South Africa. He has visited the tribe and area where Winnie was originally born. Winnie's medicine bag was passed on to her grandson (Charlotte's father) when he graduated from Meharry Medical School in 1897.

Charlotte has spent many hours chronicling the genealogy of both her husband's family and her own, but she is also a well-known author and historian of African-American families, culture and events. In 1991 she participated on a task force established by the Illinois State Library to produce the *Illinois African-American Resource Guide*. The Guide was designed to encourage further research in African- American history and culture in Illinois. It includes information on historical societies, museums, libraries, archives, historical sites, prominent people and organizations that have helped define the African-American experience in Illinois. She also prepared a nomination, and was accepted, to the "Network for Freedom Underground Railroad Program" of the National Park Service, which offers detailed information regarding the Rocky Fork Area in Godfrey, one of the first free-state stops for slaves escaping from Missouri.

Charlotte has contributed articles to the Illinois Department of Tourism, the Missouri Historical Society, The Ralph Bunche Museum, and the *St. Louis Post Dispatch*—to name just a few. She is a frequent speaker at various civic organizations, schools and museums. She has received numerous awards, including the 1999 YWCA Woman of Distinction award, the 2003 Lovejoy Human Rights Award and the 2004 National Council of Negro Women, Alton Section, Unsung Hero Award.

Charlotte is a board member of the Madison County Historical Society and a member of St. James Baptist Church.

Charlotte has completed most of the research for her many and varied projects using the resources of the Hayner Downtown Library Illinois Room. Charlotte has become a great friend of the Hayner genealogy staff and is always willing to help fellow researchers.

## New Items For Our Illinois Room Researchers

Uncovering your Ancestry through Family Photographs ***IR 929.1072 TAY***
Observations of an Illinois Boy ***IR B EBY***
The Meal Must Go On (patron donation) ***IR 641.5 MEA***
Combined History of Randolph, Monroe, and Perry Counties, Illinois ***IR 977.392 COM***
Woodford County History ***IR 977.353 WOO***
Pope County Notes ***IR 977.3991 ALL***
Portrait and Biographical Album of Pike and Calhoun Counties, Illinois ***IR 977.3453 POR***
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Boone County Then and Now ***IR 977.329 BOO***
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Index to the 1800 Census of North Carolina (patron donation) ***IR 929.3756 IND***
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Family Tree Maker Everton Publishers 1500-1990 ***CD-ROM 929.3 FAM***
Treets, a Feast of Family Trees ***IR 929.1028 MAT***

## Geneology Roundtable

Have you ever wondered about the history of your house or property? Join us on Thursday, September 18 at 6 30 p.m. in the Reading Room of the downtown Hayner Public Library location for a fun and informative evening. Mr Terry Sharp, President of the Alton Area Landmarks Association, will discuss the various aspects involved in researching your house or property. The Hayner Public Library District has worked jointly with the AALA to collect house and property histories for the Alton area. We would love to add your property to our file in the Illinois Room. If you have photos, abstracts, histories, etc., please consider keeping a copy in our file. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## Newspaper Archive.com

**Hayner Public Library has newspaper archive.com**

**About the Archive**: Access NewspaperARCHIVE contains tens of millions of searchable newspaper pages, dating as far back as the 1700s. It is your gateway to searching and reading historical newspapers online. NewspaperARCHIVE.com, the world's largest archive of online newspapers, is providing this valuable research tool. Use the archive to view and print newspaper pages from around the world.

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- Type in search terms
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Come in and try out this new database at any of our Hayner Public Library locations. No more broken reels of microfilm or scratched film. The images are clearer and sharper than the old films and fiche.

## Lincoln-Douglas Debates Traveling Exhibit Coming to Alton Oct. 1-30, 2008

***Marks the 150th anniversary of the nation's most famous political speeches***

The 150th anniversary of the greatest political discourse in American history will be commemorated in Alton as The Hayner Public Library District hosts a traveling exhibit on the Lincoln-Douglas Debates October 1 through October 30. This free exhibit is sponsored by the Looking for Lincoln Heritage Coalition on behalf of the Lincoln-Douglas Debate Communities.

The exhibit is one of eight identical exhibits visiting libraries in the state through November 2008 to raise awareness of the Debates and why their words and topics still resonate with Americans today. Each exhibit is 20 feet wide by seven feet tall and contains a wealth of information about the Debates, the political climate of the time, and the 1858 election results. Douglas, the incumbent U.S. Senator, defeated Lincoln in 1858, but the notoriety that Lincoln gained during the Debates helped propel him to the White House when he again faced Douglas in the 1860 election.

Historians from the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum helped to develop the exhibit's content, text and graphics.

The traveling exhibits were funded in part by a grant from the Illinois Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission. For more information about the exhibits or scheduling one for your local library, visit www.lookingforlincoln.com.

The Hayner Library District is proud to be one of eight libraries to showcase the traveling exhibit and we are especially excited that we will have the display during the month of October to complement the Lincoln-Douglas Sesquicentennial Event taking place in downtown Alton on October 18 and 19.

The display will be set up at the Sears end of the Alton Square Mall in front of the future location of the Hayner Mall Library. Don't miss a great opportunity to educate yourself and your family prior to the debate reenactments on October 18!

## "Red Books" in the Illinois Room

If you have never visited our Illinois Room, you are in for a huge surprise. If you have visited, you may have never investigated our "Red Books." Our Journal of Illinois History is a very large seventy-two volume set that discusses a multitude of Illinois subjects including people, places and events. A three-volume index accompanies this set and is invaluable for historical and genealogical research throughout the entire state. It is a storehouse of fascinating historical writings. Come in and have a look.

Have you completed your family tree? Are you finished with the books you used to complete your research? Hayner would love to have your genealogy books. Call us at 462-0651 and ask for the Genealogy Department to donate your items. Let us know what you have.

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Sunday, Noon to 6 pm

## *Federal Literacy Grant Develops Local Preschoolers' Reading Habits*

In 2007, the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) recommended level funding for the federal literacy program Reading is Fundamental, Inc. (RIF) that provides free books to underserved children. In November of that year, the NEA published a report on reading habits of youth that revealed "recent declines in voluntary reading and test scores alike, exposing trends that have severe consequences for American society," according to its Web site.

Locally, the result of the recommendation is a $5,352 grant to Riverbend Head Start & Family Services that will put 3,753 free books in the hands of 913 underserved children in Madison County. In the Alton area, 306 children will be impacted.

The children are enrolled in Head Start, a national school readiness program for qualifying families. Family literacy is at the heart of the program's goal to teach children and strengthen families so they can better succeed in life. Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has operated the Madison County area Head Start program since 1985.

Family reading events for Head Start kids and their parents will be planned throughout the year, many in partnership with The Hayner Public Library District.

TheBANK of Edwardsville donated $1,784 to provide the required local match. This is the ninth year Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has received an RIF grant.

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is a non-profit organization that strengthens families in Madison County, Illinois, through child development and counseling programs that enable children and families to discover positive solutions to life's challenges. The Hayner Public Library District looks forward to continuing our partnership with this community-critical organization. For additional information about Riverbend Head Start, visit www.riverbendfamilies.org

### *This is so sweet....*

A true anecdote: A few weeks ago, as I was leaving work on my way to lunch, I observed a car stopped near the outside book return drop The car had stopped so a little girl could hop out to drop her library books in the return slot. She was dropping her many books, one at a time, into the book return Before putting in her very last book, she hugged it tightly to her chest and then kissed it twice. She then moved to drop it in the box but pulled back and kissed it twice more before finally dropping it in. I didn't ask her, but I think it is safe to say she loves her public library. – *Ed.*

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas - Dec. 24, 25 & 26
New Years - Dec. 31, Jan. 1
Dr Martin Luther King Day - Jan. 19
President's Day - Feb. 16


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## *SMARTHINKING at The Hayner Public Library District*

A new study by the American Library Association finds that America's libraries are breaking through traditional brick-and-motor walls to serve more people online and in person. That is certainly the case for the Hayner Public Library District. We have added a very exciting new offering to our data base collection. Hayner Library is now hosting SMARTHINKING which provides real time online tutoring: anywhere, anytime. SMARTHINKING provides tutoring in Mathematics (Basic Math through Calculus, including Bilingual Math), Biology, Intro to Anatomy and Physiology, Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Physics, Economics, Accounting, Intro to Finance, Statistics, Spanish and Writing. Tutoring is available 24/7. SMARTHINKING tutors are all academically experienced educators with advanced degrees in their field

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Key Features of SMARTHINKING include:

- Student–Centered Learning. SMARTHINKING's online tutoring engages students and provides positive reinforcement. Tutors guide students, posing probing questions and using parallel examples to promote active learning
- Technology that brings concepts alive. SMARTHINKING's proprietary tutoring software facilitates highly interactive tutoring sessions. Using an online whiteboard for live, real-time collaboration, e-instructors and students have access to a palette of tools to share text, draw diagrams and post pictures.

Just imagine how personal, one-on-one tutoring can help you or your kids master many subjects without the pressure of competing in the classroom environment. In the Essay Center, you can choose the type of tutor you would like to have review your writing. Choices include First Available, ESL Specialist, Business/Technical Writing Specialist and Creative Writing Specialist. SMARTHINKING also provides study guides, study skills, manuals, test prep and self assessment tools to help any student study smarter.

SMARTHINKING is available on the public access computers at all three Hayner locations or from your computer through your Hayner library account. Just log on to the Hayner library homepage (www.haynerlibrary.org), click on "online databases" and go to "homework help." The SMARTHINKING service is free of charge and available to you now. Studies have shown that students who supplement their classroom studies with SMARTHINKING outperform other students in all available subject areas. So get online and show that you are SMARTHINKING!

## *Expansion Project*

The facility expansion project at the Alton Square Mall continues to make progress. All demolition of the existing storefronts is complete. The six stores which combine to create the new library space have lost their dividing walls and now comprise one grand space. Interior work is beginning and the target date for project completion is mid February.

One of the changes you will see is the implementation of RFID technology. Radio Frequency Identification provides new ways to enhance self service, optimize staff efficiency, lower the risk of repetitive motion injuries, reduce material losses and increase service capacity. All library materials will have an RFID tag. Using your current library card, you can scan books under the RFID reader and they will be immediately checked out to you. If you have a stack of books, you can scan the whole stack at one time and the RFID reader will record the ID number of each individual book. The reader will also take books off your record when you bring them back to the library. There will be security gates at the libraries' entrances that will set off a mild alarm if you leave the facility with a book that has not been checked out. This is a greatly needed security function that will ensure protection of library assets. Use of RFID technology for self checkout is strictly voluntary as library staff will also be available to facilitate circulation, as we do today. This technology will be installed both at the mall library and the library downtown.

## *Get Through Tough Times @ Your Library*

All this talk of recession and economic downturn is a bit scary isn't it? However, there are many ways the Hayner Public Library District can help you and your family during these tough economic times through the "free" services we offer.

In some ways, this brief list oversimplifies all the things the library can offer, but that is kind of the point...to provide a reminder of the basic but important services libraries offer at little or no cost. So, without further adieu, there are eight ways libraries can help you get through our country's economic slowdown:

1. Try it before you buy it. Money is tight. Don't buy a CD, DVD, or book without "test-driving" it first. Come to the library and borrow it to see if it's a purchase that is right for you. If we don't have it, we'll try our hardest to get it for you.

2. Two words: FREE INTERNET.

3. Bolster your business. We have access to databases and research tools that will help you reach new and different markets, even during tough times.

4. Get the skills you need. Attend a computer class. Learn a new language. We have extensive materials for self-help, self-improvement and independent learning on thousands of topics.

5. Find entertainment. Hayner Library offers great programs, events and activities for ALL ages at no cost; Great musical and cultural programs, family game nights, movie nights and game nights for teens -- and so much more. A fun night out doesn't need to be an expensive night out.

6 Be a well-informed investor. The library has up-to-date stock market information that will help you get through tough times. Make smarter investment decisions with the most current financial information.

7. Find a new job, a better job, or a different job. Use computers, books, newspapers, and more to find employment, build a resume and compose cover letters.

8. Regain a sense of community. Feeling a bit disconnected during tough times? Libraries are places where communities come together. Stop in and take a moment to take in the action... you'll find it abuzz with information, people, and possibilities!

# MISSION RECOGNITION

**Mission: Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location.**

Recognized in August by Mission Recognition was **Deanna Rhoads**. Deanna is a 7th grader at Alton Middle School. This past summer, Deanna gave up summer vacation time to volunteer as the Assistant Camp Director for the Village of Godfrey Parks and Recreation Department summer Ed-Venture Camp at Glazebrook Park. The camp took place June 9-13 and lasted 3.5 hours each day. Deanna was an outstanding addition to the program by assisting the Camp Director with each of the twelve campers every day. She helped with archeological digs and the discovery and creation of dinosaur fossils. Without Deanna's help, the camp would not have been possible.

Also recognized in August was **Jonathan North**. Members of the Trinity African Methodist Episcopal Church were attending a retirement banquet for the Presiding Elder of the District. The banquet was to take place in Springfield, IL. To ensure that his 93 year old Grandmother was able to attend the banquet, Jonathon accompanied her. He filled her plate at the dinner as well as other seniors at the table and made sure they had everything they needed, leaving them to enjoy the event. Jonathan also was the one who went to his grandmother's rescue went she fell in her home He was the only one to assist her Jonathan plays drums at his church and is a member of the Young People's Department (YPD) which is part of the Sarah Allen Women's Missionary Society.

**Aranxta Salvador**, a 7th grader in Alton Middle School is bilingual in English and Spanish. A new student arrived, Valeria, who has very limited English language skills. Aranxta has assisted her in her classes and in communicating to others. Aranxta has been very willing to assist adults and students in breaking through the language barrier. This assistance has helped Valeria transition to the middle school and also has been a huge help in advancing Valeria's education and socialization with school mates.

Also recognized in October was **Zach Livingston**. Zach is friends with Austin Manka, a student with a visual disability. Zach helps Austin with daily tasks that Austin has difficulty in achieving alone. Austin has several technological devices that he uses to assist him with his studies. Zach helps Austin with his locker, his studies and helps him transport his vision equipment from place to place. The teachers request that Austin and Zach be placed in classes together because Zach does such a great job helping Austin.

In November, 10th grader **Victoria Rothe** was recognized by Mission Recognition. Victoria attends Alton High School. Victoria was leaving school one day and noticed an expensive cell phone lying in the parking lot There was no one to turn it into at the time, so she took it home and turned it into the Assistant Principal first thing the next morning. They were able to determine the owner of the phone and returned the phone before classes started.

# *Book Woes – Sarah Brandt, The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis*

Whether burning the midnight oil to finish J.K. Rowlings latest *Harry Potter* adventure or curling up to turn the pages of a favorite classic, many are familiar with the joys of reading. Discovering new information and embarking on imaginative journeys are two of the numerous reasons to indulge in a good book. However, while reading literature does remain one of America's most popular cultural pursuits, it is disturbing to discover that over the past several years the number of readers has been declining at an alarming rate. Results of a study conducted by the National Endowment for the Arts have shown that year by year fewer Americans are recognizing the valuable knowledge and entertainment that can be found in a book.

Countless studies have illustrated the importance of literacy to a child's development and also to the continuing intellectual benefit of adults. Beginning in childhood, literacy becomes an essential skill. According to the U.S. Department of Education, the single most important activity for building knowledge is reading aloud to children. The National Research Council suggests that the best time to start sharing books with children is during infancy, even when babies are as young as six weeks old. Reading aloud to children has been shown to develop and strengthen learning pathways in the brain, better preparing them for school and social interaction. Children who read have also been shown to score higher on achievement tests than children who do not read often. For children who fail to attain adequate reading skills, future school subjects become difficult and sometimes impossible to master.

Still, today's kids seem to find reading less and less a worthwhile pastime. Even with the incredible popularity of books like the *Magic Tree House Series* and the *Series of Unfortunate Events*, few children elect to read for entertainment. A simple book has begun to pale in comparison to the ready availability of technology at home and at school. A recent study showed that the average American child lives in a home with 3 televisions, 2 DVD players, 3 radios, 2 CD players, 1 video game system and 1 computer. Add to that 100 CDs, 40 DVDs and 16 video games and there is little space for books.

Adults too have had a large share of their attention diverted from reading. While still ranking as a favorite cultural activity, the number of readers in the United States has remained steady in recent years despite a population increase of nearly 400 million. Though this trend is troubling, it is not altogether surprising. The declining number of active readers in America reflects a larger social shift toward electronic media entertainment and information. Indeed, the instant availability of internet and television news reports makes the time required to read newspapers seem almost a waste. This cultural transformation has resulted in a preference for instant gratification. While reading a book requires a degree of active attention and engagement, electronic media require no more than passive participation. Even interactive media such as video games and the internet foster shorter attention spans.

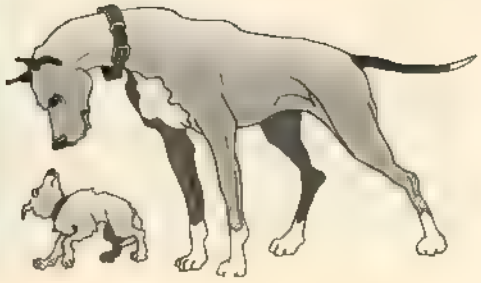
While the problem of illiteracy in America has been recognized, it remains as prevalent as ever. Recent studies have shown that an estimated 21 million Americans simply cannot read, and the costs of illiteracy are estimated to be $225 billion a year in lost productivity. Functional illiteracy renders an individual unable to use reading, writing and computational skills in everyday life. Filling out a job application, reading traffic signs, figuring out an election ballot, reading a newspaper or understanding a bus schedule becomes almost impossible. In the richest country on earth, 23 percent of adult Americans - 44 million men and women - cannot do these everyday things.

It is not only reading, however, that is at stake. As recent studies have demonstrated, readers play a more active role in their communities. When compared to non-readers, people who enjoy books have been found to nurture a more active role in arts, sports and political organizations. There is also a direct correlation found in the pursuit of reading to larger incomes and higher education levels. The current decline of reading, therefore, reflects a larger retreat from civic and cultural life- a change that is certainly not for the better.

## *Book Woes? Not with Bow-wow Pow-wow*

A great way to make sure your kids aren't victim to book woes- join us for our monthly Bow-wow Pow-wow. Therapy dogs visit the Hayner Youth library on the second Saturday of every month and kids read to the dogs or just play with them. It's a great way to strengthen a child's confidence and reading skills. Please join us at 10:00 am, on December 13, January 10, February 14 and March 14. All ages are welcome and be sure to bring your camera!

***Even big kids love meeting the dogs at Bow-wow Pow-wow.***



## *Library Quiz Answers from Middle Schoolers*

*In our last issue, we offered some fun examples of real questions asked of children's librarians. In a similar fun vein, here are some real library quiz answers from middle school students:*

Information on dragons can be found by asking one of them in the office.

Reference books cannot be checked out because they are too big and heavy.

Fiction books are just a lot of stories, so they don't get a rating number.

The Dewey System measures how cold it got overnight by measuring how much wetness is on the grass in the mornings.

You can find words with similar meanings in Rogers Brontosaurus.

Boolean operators are telephone sellers in other countries.

A bibliography is the cast of characters in the bible.

Books with the letter R on the label are only for people over 18.

You can use an author search if you don't know who wrote the book you're looking for.

Plagiarism is when you copy someone else without them finding out.

An abstract is a painting that doesn't make any sense.

A citation is when you go to a web site and copy it so no one says you cheated.

The New York Public Library has two lions outside the front door to stop people stealing books.

Standing on the shoulders of giants is important in research for getting the books off the top shelf.

People shouldn't put their real name and address on their library cards because an orthodontist might see it.

If I see stuff on the Internet that makes me uncomfortable, I should tell all my friends where the website is so they don't get scared when they go there by mistake.

Friction books are put together so they don't slide off the shelves because of the plastic covers.

Literature is long stories in tiny letters with no fun happening.

You should not make too much noise in the library because then no one will know you are there when they come to start a fight

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## Hayner Downtown Library Events

*We have a great semester of fall and early winter programs scheduled for you and your family and friends. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Downtown Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, December 13**
**Saturday, January 10**
**Saturday, February 14**
**Saturday, March 14**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Youth Library for your child to read stories to. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*

Sunday, December 7, 3:00 p.m.
*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

This is one of our favorite events of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. This year the group will be joined by Kenneth Kohler, who is on the music staff at Twin Oaks Presbyterian Church in Ballwin, Mo. Ken started his music career at age 9 and by 14 years of age took his first job as an organist in a church in Philadelphia. He holds a Master's Degree in Music from the American Conservatory in Chicago. For this concert, Ken will perform several numbers on the chapel's new organ, a Rodgers Trillium Masterpiece Series organ. For three decades, Ken has been involved in the sale, design and installation of Rodger's organs. The magnificent instrument at the chapel is a digital organ, capable of orchestral sounds in addition to organ sounds. This program is free but does require registration.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Switchback
### *A Celtic Christmas*

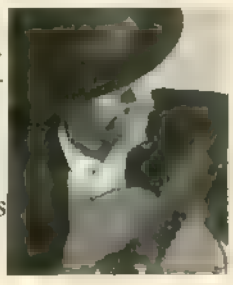
**Tuesday, December 9, 6:30 p.m.**

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. When they performed for us earlier this year they earned an extended standing ovation. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, including Celtic requests and favorites from their original songbook— truly a show for the whole family. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Gabie McGarrah
### *Flamenco and More!*

**Tuesday, January 13, 6:30 p.m.**

"Flamenco is more than a style of music for Gabie McGarrah. It's as if he's using his guitar to channel the spirits of Spanish Gypsies who played it hundreds of years ago"- *The Belleville News-Democrat*. Gabi has been performing as a professional musician for 40 years, but it is his rare skills on Flamenco guitar that have helped him create a niche market in the St. Louis region and introduce audiences to a foreign genre with an exotic quality. His program will feature a combination of flamenco pieces as well as favorite ballads and folk music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



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## An Evening with Abe Lincoln
**Wednesday, January 28, 6:30 p.m.**

Step back in time with us. The Genealogy/ Local History Department will be hosting an entertaining program with Abraham Lincoln impersonator, Patrick McCreary in the Reading Room downtown. Mr. McCreary has been working in the professional theatre for over 30 years. He has worked onstage and in radio, television, and opera in 46 states and Europe. His impersonation of the 16th President of the United States will take us back in time while giving us a brief lesson in history. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Ellen Martinez
### *Mixed Emotions*
**Tuesday, January 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Hailing from Southern Illinois near the St. Louis area, Ellen Martinez has been singing and entertaining all her life. She has graduated from country, rock, and pop music to become a skilled jazz vocalist, making use of all of the musical experiences available to her. Her most recent, and third CD, *Mixed Emotions*, is a beautiful collection of songs featuring classic standard tunes, as well as some brand-new originals. Ellen has written four of the songs and has collaborated with several of the musicians on three others. The songs are all about some view of love, for the world, for one's self, and, without a doubt, for a significant other. Ellen uses a whispery approach to some of the ballads, while adding a dramatic, climactic touch to some of the more energetic cuts. The songs all possess a melodic quality that is so often missing in today's music. Ellen's musical talents have been compared to greats such as Ella Fitzgerald, Dianna Krall and Sarah Vaughn. Come enjoy the music of a local jewel! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dennis Stroughmatt and L'Esprit Creole
### *French Creole Musical Tour*
**Tuesday, January 27, 6:30 p.m.**

While many people know of the French-speaking Cajun and Creole culture that thrives yet today in the state of Louisiana, few know the story of the French Creoles of "Upper" Louisiana, and the remnants of still thriving French culture in towns like Sainte Genevieve, Missouri, and Vincennes, Indiana. Dennis Stroughmatt has gained wide acclaim for his work in bringing their songs and stories, and the charming Upper Louisiana Creole dialect, to the attention of the world once again. Let Dennis Stroughmatt and his band, L'Esprit Creole, take you on a musical tour of French settlements in North America. Emphasis is on the French Creole settlers' music, language and history from Illinois, Missouri and Indiana. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Destiny Quartet
### *Inspirational Harmonies*
**Tuesday, February 10, 6:30 pm**

Destiny Quartet's sound is made up of three harmonious girls' voices which are supported by a solid bass foundation. The result is an admirable blend of harmonies and pleasing contrasts in their vocal arrangements. Their inspirational selections will include four-part harmony southern gospel songs and spirituals performed with both track and piano accompaniments , as well as a cappella pieces. The toe-tapping rhythms and inspirational lyrics will be sure to leave you uplifted and encouraged. Register at 1-800-631-3163.

## The Harman Family
### *An Evening of Bluegrass*
**Thursday, February 19, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey , Il.*

The Harman's haven't played for us for several years, and we are so excited to have them back! Wait till you see how big the boys are! The family has been playing bluegrass throughout the Riverbend for two generations. Join Mike, his wife Stacy, and their sons, 21-year-old Mark, 18-year-old Jeff and 12-year-old John, for a program of great picking, singing and down home-fun. If you haven't seen the Harmans perform, you don't want to miss this opportunity. We guarantee you'll have a hard time staying in your seat. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Forest Bevineau
### *The Singing Sheriff*
**Tuesday, February 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Well-known Deputy Forest Bevineau (a.k.a. The Singing Sheriff) has a huge following throughout the area. His incomparable singing voice and incredible repertoire of all types of music has brought him fans of all ages. Also a king of karaoke (he has won first prize on three different cruise vacations), his performances are often a mix of musical styles and can run the gamut from gospel to country western, popular to R & B and more. He says sometimes he just looks at the audience to decide what to sing. He loves to have the audience sing along. Join us for what promises to be a great evening of song and surprises. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Cheri Schear
### *Beautiful Sounds*
**Tuesday, March 10, 6:30**

Soprano Cheri Ann Schear was the featured singer with George Gobel on the Midwest concert tour through 9 states. She was the singing star of the *"Hits of Broadway"* night club revue through the US and abroad. She sang in the first national tour of "No, No, Nannette" for 15 months with June Allyson, Dennis Day and later with Virginia Mayo. She also leant her talents to performances of *"The Sound of Music"* and *"The King and I"*. She was the district winner of the Metropolitan Opera auditions for four successive years. She sang at the Muny Opera for many years and has sung with the St. Louis Symphony chorus, performing at Carnegie Hall. Come, enjoy the beautiful voice of Cheri Shear as she performs a program of the great standards of today and yesterday.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Lee Murdock
### *Celebrating Illinois Irish*
**Tuesday, March 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Best known for his interpretations of local and Great Lakes songs, Lee Murdock has also spent many years researching and performing songs from Ireland. This program will feature songs of the Irish immigrants who settled in Chicago

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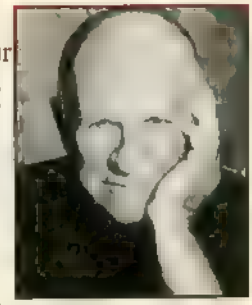
and the midwest, including an anthem honoring the Irish folks who labored to build the Illinois and Michigan Canal and those who settled on Michigan's Beaver Island. Lee will round out the program with some boisterous Irish singalongs and a selection of sweet ballads of the Emerald Isle. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dan Hoerle
***Virtuoso Guitar***
**Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 pm**

Dan has been studying guitar since he was 12 years old and in the 1990's, turned his passion to classical guitar. Well known in the St. Louis area, Dan will perform a program to include the works of Bach, VillaLobos, jazz standards and original compositions. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Michael Smith
***Award-Winning Singer/Songwriter***
**Tuesday, March 31, 6:30 pm**

Michael Smith wowed us in previous performances at the Hayner Downtown Library. We are so excited to bring him back to perform for you. Michael's work has been recorded by such diverse performers as Jimmy Buffet, Jerry Jeff Walker, The Four Freshmen, The Kingston Trio, Steve Goodman, Tom Rush and more than 30 other artists. He has won four prestigious Jeff awards (Chicago equivalent of the Tony) for his 1993 autobiographical play, Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate. Chicago Magazine wrote, "One of the best songwriters in the English language…an enchanting and riveting performer." Sing Out! Magazine writes, "Michael Smith stands as one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer-songwriters." Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## HAYNER YOUTH LIBRARY

### Winter Activities for January, February and March 2009

**Preschool Storytime** – Mondays – 10:00 am
January 5th – February 2nd – March 2nd, 16th & 30th
**Lapsit Storytime** – Mondays – 10:00 am
January 12th & 26th – February 9th & 23rd – March 9th & 23rd
**Evening Storytime** – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm
January 6th & 20th – February 3rd & 17th – March 3rd, 17th & 31st
**Dance Dance Revolution** – Wednesdays – 3:00 pm
January 7th – February 4th – March 4th
**After School Fun** – Thursdays – 4:00 pm

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| January 8th | Tic-Tac Snow |
| February 12th | Sweetheart Wreath |
| March 12th | Shamrock Sucker Pin |

### *Special Events and Performers:*

**First Person Historical Presenter** – Carol Shelton – Monday – 11:00 am
February 9th
**St. Louis Zoo** – African Storytellers – Tuesday – 11:00 am
February 24th
**The Butterfly House** – Story of a Butterfly – Monday – 11:00 am
March 16th

## Hayner Library Branch Activities

### Family Game Night
**December 17 at 6:30 pm**

In December, we will have a Family Game Night. We will have board games for families to play or you may bring your own games. Have fun playing with members of your own family or play with some other great library patrons.

## *Holiday Gift Ideas*

The holidays are around the corner and certainly the best gift you could give your kids is their own Hayner Library library card – it's a great stocking stuffer that gives all year long, year after year! The perfect stocking stuffer (and it's free to residents of Alton, Godfrey and Foster Townships).

There are also items you can purchase for the book lovers on your lists. We have canvas library tote bags that are great for transporting library materials and are a terrific way to help go green. They are $8.00 each, washable and practically indestructible. Also for bibliophiles, we have reading stands so you can read hands free. There are some that sit on a table or others that can be placed on your lap. The range in prices from $14.99 to $19.99 and $24.99 .(I found mine indispensible after rotator cuff surgery)

We have lovely note cards with an etching of the historic Youth Library building – 25 note cards and envelopes for only $6.00.

There are also "star" paperweights for $4.99. Great for your kid's teacher.

Or how about crafting an IOU for your child promising you will take him to the library every week, to choose his own books, music or DVD's. It's a great way to share time together and instill in your child a library habit that will benefit him the rest of their life.

## *USB Flash Drives Available for Purchase*

All Hayner Library locations now have 1 GB USB Flash drives available for your purchase. If you need to save your work to a removable drive to take home with you, these light and portable drives function just like another hard drive. Just plug into any USB port and transferring data between computers has never been so easy. You can purchase a drive at the circulation desk of any Hayner Library location. They are $12.00 each.

## Hayner Library Gets Out the Vote

Mary Cordes of the Hayner Public Library District spoke to Kylie Voss and other young mothers about voting at a recent group meeting. After Mary explained how parents can register to vote and described the early voting opportunity in Madison County, Illinois, they watched *Iron Jawed Angels*, an inspiring movie about women's suffrage starring Hillary Swank.

The meeting was the first of four in a series entitled Empowerment - Steps to Building Self Esteem & Confidence. The three remaining meetings covered Education Beyond High School, Family Budgeting, Victim Prevention and Domestic Violence.

The parents are enrolled in Family Foundations, a program of Riverbend Head Start & Family Services that strengthens families with birth to five-years-olds. Many of the parents don't have access to other means of socialization or parenting advice and voluntarily enrolled in Family Foundations for extra parenting support.

The meetings are conducted in a comfortable peer group setting at the program's resource center located at 1802 E. Broadway, next door to the Essic Robinson Head Start Center. Transportation and childcare is provided to promote participation.

## Families That Read Together Succeed Together

Over 900 babies, toddlers and preschoolers chose a free book to take home and keep in November at Family Reading Night events across Madison County. In Alton, 200 children and their families enjoyed a meal and an educational activity as well as choosing a free book.

At the Essic Robinson Head Start center located at 1802 E. Broadway in Alton, 200 families celebrated a "Go for the Gold" themed Family Reading Night on November 20. After enjoying a warm, nutritious meal, children and their parents, grandparents, caregivers, and siblings read a book together then did a fun activity. The event provided an opportunity for families to enjoy being out in the world together. Some families are isolated due to lack of transportation or low income.

Promoted by Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White, Family Reading Night encourages families to spend quality time reading together. Head Start strongly believes that the whole family must value reading in order for a child to excel in school and life. It emphasizes parent involvement in their child's preschool reading education by celebrating Family Reading Night and giving free books to children to take home and keep.

Head Start is a national school readiness program administered locally by Riverbend Head Start & Family Services. www.riverbend-families.org Created in 1965, Head Start is the most successful, longest-running, national school readiness program in the United States. It provides comprehensive education, health, nutrition, and parent involvement services to qualifying children and their families.

Throughout the year, events and activities that encourage families to read together take place at Head Start. Research shows that children from families who read together are more likely to succeed in school.

The free books are thanks to a grant from Reading is Fundamental (RIF), a 42-year-old national literacy organization. RIF places books in the hands of children who likely do not have any, through grants to local organizations for the purchase of books. Nationally, RIF provides 4.5 million children with 16 million new, free books each year. In Madison County, RIF gives over 900 Head Start children more than 3,000 free books. In the Hayner Public Library District, over 300 children will receive 900 books thanks to RIF and TheBANK of Edwardsville, who provided the required local cash match for the RIF grant. www.rif.org

## Set an Example

"Last summer an Associated Press Ipsos poll found the typical American had read only four books in the past year and one in four adults read no books at all (not even for work or school). Among those who did feast upon the written word, the median number of books read for women was nine: for men, five." Extracted from *The Issue at Hand* by Jennifer Bardi, *The Humanist*, July- August 2008.

These are scary numbers – more frightening when you think of how children's habits are so influenced by what they observe from the behavior of adults around them. If their parents aren't reading, what will inspire the child to discover the value and wonders of books and reading.

Beware of the example you set. Turn off the TV or DVD player and open a book, magazine or newspaper. Do research on do-it–yourself projects, political issues, financial/market matters. Take "reading vacations". Read aloud to your partner or with your family. Try different types of reading materials or new and different authors Most importantly, enjoy reading and be an adventurist.

## More Bookworm notes

During World War I Agatha Christie worked in a hospital dispensary and it was there she acquired her extensive knowledge of poisons.

Dylan Thomas once unkindly pointed out that except for one misplaced letter, T.S.Eliot's name spelled backwards is "toilets."

Mike Jagger turned down almost $7,000,000 advance offer on his memoirs from a publisher because he said he "couldn't remember" enough significant details from his own life.

Arthur Conan Doyle was awarded a knighthood for his defense of the British concentration camps during the Boer Wars and not because of his Sherlock Holmes stories.

Haley's comet came into view in 1835 when Mark Twain was born and was again in view in 1910 when he died.

The letters of the word SHAZAM, which was shouted to conjure up comic-book hero Captain Marvel, stood for Solomon's Wisdom, Hercules's Strength, Atlas's Stamina, Zeus's Power, Achilles's Courage, and Mercury's Speed.

The single dot over the lower-case letter "i" is called a tipple.

The English syllable "ough" can be pronounced nine different ways. One sentence that contains them all is: "rough-coated, dough –faced thoughtful ploughman strode through the streets of Scarborough and after falling onto his slough he coughed and hiccoughed."

Left-handed people cannot write Mandarin Chinese.

*From The Ultimate Book of Useless Information by Noel Botbe, Perogee Book Publishing (call number 31.02 Bot)*

## New & Forthcoming Books

**--Nonfiction**

**Allen, David.** Making It All Work. Winning at the Game of Work and the Business of Life

**Bach, David.** Fight for Your Money (How to Stop Getting Ripped Off and Save a Fortune)

**Beattie, Melody.** The New Codependency: Help and Guidance for Today's Generation

**Bittman, Mark.** Food Matters

**Bloomberg, Michael.** Do the Hard Things First (And Other Bloomberg Rules for Business and Politics)

**Brown, Bobbie.** Bobbie Brown Makeup Manual: For Everyone from Beginner to Pro

**Browne, Sylvia.** All Pets Go to Heaven: The Spiritual Lives of the Animals We Love

**Burrough, Bryan.** The Big Rich: The Rise and Fall of the Greatest Texas Oil Fortunes

**Chopra, Deepak.** Reinventing the Body, Resurrecting the Soul: How to Create a New You

**Dent, Harry S.** The Great Crash of 2010

**Dickinson, Amy.** The Mighty Queens of Freeville: A Mother, a Daughter, and the People Who Raised Them

**Fisher, Helen.** Why him? Why Her? Understanding Your Personality Type and Finding the Perfect Match

**Gardner, David.** The Motley Fool Million Dollar Portfolio: The Complete Investment Strategy That Beats the Market

**Grandin, Temple.** Animals Make Us human: Creating the Best Life for Animals

**Grann, David.** The Lost City of Z: A Tale of Deadly obsession in the Amazon

**Hamilton, Scott.** The Great Eight: How to Be Happy (Even When You Have Every Reason to be Miserable)

**Huckabee, Mike.** Do the Right Thing: Inside the Movement That's Bringing Common Sense Back to America

**Hyman, Mark, M.D.** The UltraMind Solution: Automatically Boost Your Brain Power, Improve Your Mood and Optimize Your Memory

**Ifill, Gwen.** The Breakthrough: Politics and Race in the Age of Obama

**Korda, Michael.** With Wings Like Eagles: A History of the Battle of Britain

**Kiyosaki, Robert.** Rich Brother, Rich Sister: Two Remarkable Paths to Financial and Spiritual Happiness

**Lewis, Michael.** Panic: The Story of Modern Financial Insanity

**Maroon, Joseph.** The Longevity Factor: How Resveratrol and Red Wine Activate Genes for a Longer and Healthier Life

**McGraw, Robin.** What's Age Got to Do With it? Living Your Healthiest and Happiest Life

**Mrazek, Robert.** A Dawn Like Thunder: The True Story of Torpedo Squadron Eight

**Rogak, Lisa.** Haunted Heart: The Life and Times of Stephen King

**Smith, Ian K.** The 4 Day Diet

**Torre, Joe.** The Yankee Years

**--Fiction**

**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity Slays the Dragon

**Bernhardt, William.** Nemesis: The Final Case of Eliot Ness

**Berry, Steve.** The Charlemagne Pursuit

**Binchy, Maeve.** Heart and Soul

**Block, Lawrence.** Killing Castro

**Brockmann, Suzanne.** Dark of Night

**Burke, Jan.** The Messenger

**Cannell, Stephen J.** On the Grind

**Child, Lincoln.** Terminal Freeze

**Delinsky, Barbara.** While My Sister Sleeps

**Evanovich, Janet.** Plum Spooky

**Feehan, Christine.** Murder Game

**Garwood, Julie.** Fire and Ice

**Griffin, W.E.B.** Black Ops: A Presidential Agent Novel

**Grippando, James.** Born to Run

**Grisham, John.** The Associate

**Hannah, Kristin.** True Colors

**Higgins, Jack.** A Darker Place

**Hoag, Tami.** Deeper Than the Dead

**Hooper, Kay.** Blood Sins

**Iles, Greg.** The Devil's Punchbowl

**Jance, J.A.** Cruel Intent

**Johansen, Iris.** The Treasure

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Running Hot

**O'Shaughnessy, Perri.** Show No Fear: A Nina Reilly Novel

**Palmer, Michael.** Second Opinion

**Parker, Robert B.** Night and Day

**Patterson, James.** Run for Your Life

**Patterson, Richard North.** Eclipse

**Phillips, Susan Elizabeth.** What I Did for Love

**Picoult, Jodi.** Handle With Care

**Rice, Luanne.** The Geometry of Sisters

**Robb, J.D.** Promises in Death

**Roberts, Nora.** The Pagan Stone: The Sign of Seven Trilogy

**Rowling, J. K.** The Tales of Beedle the Bard (Children's)

**Spindler, Erica.** Breakneck

**Steele, Danielle.** One Day at a Time

**Trigiani, Adriana.** Very Valentine

**Woods, Stuart.** Mounting Fears

## Spoon River Reprise

Last year, the Genealogy team of The Hayner Public Library District and members of the Alton Little Theater teamed up to present "Spoon River Reveries", a short playlet based on the classic "Spoon River Anthology" by Edgar Lee Masters.

On April 2, Hayner Library staff and Alton Little Theater will reunite to present "Spoon River Reprise". This program will present a new look at ancestors and their fascinating reminiscences from the grave.

Adaptions from Spoon River Anthology have been coalesced into a moving experience which enables the viewer to hear from the residents of Spoon River themselves, and has been shaped by Hayner Genealogist, Midge Hallett, into a moving and nostalgic theme that has been interwoven into a fascinating exercise of contemplation.

Performed by actors and actresses from the Alton Little Theater, the performance will be accompanied by a guitarist playing the music of the Civil War. The program will be held at the Alton Little Theater at 2456 Henry Street on Thursday, April 2 at 6:30 pm. The program will be free of charge but does require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Employee of the Month

In September, **Lauren Erwin** was recognized as Employee of the Month. Lauren is a native of Godfrey and currently lives in Godfrey with her husband, Brian. Lauren has worked for The Hayner Public Library District for four years. She started working the circulation desk and now is part of the cataloging staff. Lauren works full time and also attends Columbia College where she is earning her Bachelors degree. Upon graduation, she intends to pursue a Masters Degree in Library Science.

The October 2008 Employee of the Month was **Jan Harnetiaux**. Jan originally hails from Minnesota but has lived much of her adult life in Alton. Jan has worked for The Hayner Public Library District for twenty four years. She has worked in all three library locations but spent much of the time working in cataloguing. Today, she works part time as a jack-of- all-trades, helping out wherever she is needed. Jan and her husband, Rex, have two grown sons.

# HISTORY AND GENEOLOGY

## *An Evening with Abe Lincoln*

Step back in time with us. The Genealogy/Local History Department will be hosting an entertaining program with Abraham Lincoln impersonator, Patrick McCreary on the evening of January 28th, 2009 at 6:30 pm in the Reading Room downtown. Mr. McCreary has been working in the professional theatre for over 30 years. He has worked onstage and in radio, television, and opera in 46 states and Europe. His impersonation of the 16th President of the United States will take us back in time while giving us a brief lesson in history. This program is a must see for anyone who is interested in history, Abraham Lincoln or both! Please reserve your seat at: 1-800-613-3163.

## *Is your Grandmother's Recipe in our Illinois Room?*

Your Grandmother's recipe is a valuable piece of history to the Genealogy & Local History Department of the Hayner Public Library District!! The Illinois Room at the Main Library holds a large collection of locally compiled cookbooks that are not only a treasure chest of local history and flavor, but a pleasure to read. We would gladly add your church, or local organization's cookbook to this collection. If you have an extra copy, please consider donating it to the Hayner Public Library Genealogy & Local History Department.

**The following is a list of recently acquired books on Abraham Lincoln. In light of his upcoming 200th birthday celebration (12 February 2009), we are so pleased to be able to add these to our large Lincoln Collection in the Illinois Room. We also welcome any Lincoln-related materials you may wish to donate.**

Abe Lincoln and the Frontier Folk of New Salem IR 977.3355 REE
Abraham Lincoln and the Second American Revolution
IR 973.7092 MCP
Abraham Lincoln the Man Behind the Myths IR B LINCOLN
Abraham Lincoln: The Man and His Faith/Owen IR B LINCOLN
An Honest Calling IR 340.092 STE
Eddie, Lincoln's Forgotten Son/Emery IR B LINCOLN
Father Abraham: Lincoln's Relentless Struggle to End
Slavery/Striner IR B LINCOLN
Following in Lincoln's Footsteps/Gary IR B LINCOLN
Honor's Voice: The Transformation of Abraham Lincoln/
Wilson IR B LINCOLN
Inside Lincoln's White House IR 973.7092 HAY
Judging Lincoln/Williams IR B LINCOLN
Lincoln Emancipated IR B LINCOLN
Lincoln Family Album IR 973.7092 NEE
Lincoln on Leadership IR 973.7092 PHI
Lincoln, Religion, and Romantic Cultural Politics/Winger IR B LINCOLN
Lincoln, the Presidential Archives/Wills IR B LINCOLN
Lincoln's Last Night IR 973.7092 AXE
Lincoln's Other White House/Brownstein IR B LINCOLN
Lincoln's Sacred Effort/Morel IR B LINCOLN
Lincoln's Sanctuary/Pinsker IR B LINCOLN
Lincolniana or the Humors of Uncle Abe IR 973.7092 ADD
Moonlight, Abraham Lincoln and the Almanac Trial IR 345.73 WAL
Mr. Lincoln's Brown Water Navy IR 973.758 JOI
Shadows Rise, Lincoln and the Ann Rutledge Legend IR 973.7 WAL
Team of Rivals/Goodwin IR B LINCOLN
With Charity for All IR 973.7092 HAR

## HAYNER LIBRARY OFFERS IMPORTANT NEW RESEARCH AIDS

### *Allgemeiner Handatlas & Cram's Atlas*

Handatlas maps of both local, national, and international design can be most effective in genealogical research. Hayner Public Library now offers the Andees Allgemeiner Handatlas and the Cram's Atlas for just such in-depth analysis of location of ancestors, and the examination of written records of these predecessors. Both of these Atlases have been digitized, indexed, and made fully searchable. They are alive with color execution, definitive in detail and easy to access.

The Andrees Allgemeiner Handatlas was recognized as the finest detailed Atlas of the late 19th century, and its accuracy and definitive detail of Europe and Northern Asia is unsurpassed. Due to wars and land redistribution, many name-places were changed through time making it most difficult to locate specific towns and villages that our ancestors called home. These maps can aid in location and can even illustrate the nature of such changes.

Cram's Atlas is a fully indexed database for every locale mentioned in the 1880 United States Census, along with every 1887 United States Post Office. The Atlas includes more than 4,000 U.S. & Canadian county histories. An added feature is the U.S.A. place-name index with more than 58,000 entries of towns no longer in existence. This feature is a necessity for one looking for an area no longer in existence, and unavailable on a more modern and updated map.

We urge that you visit the Illinois Room at the Main Library downtown, and to access and search these colorfully illustrated and historically reliable maps

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## *Plant your roots at The Hayner Public Library!!*

The Genealogy Department of The Hayner Public Library District gladly accepts Family Histories, Family Group Sheets, and Lineage Charts to add to the growing collection of Genealogical information housed in the Illinois Room of the downtown library at 326 Belle Street.

Family histories and group sheets are a real treasure for anyone trying to connect the dots on their family tree!! They can also lead you to other family members who are researching the same family surname or lineage. Please consider donating any family histories including Bibles or just a simple family group sheet to our Genealogy Collection.
If your roots are in the Alton area, plant them right here…at The Hayner Public Library! Call us at 462-0651 to set up an appointment with our Genealogy staff---it's free.

## *Guess What This is…*

Show your age and guess what this is-something no teenager in the 1950-1960s would be without!

**Answer:** It is a plastic piece that gets inserted into the middle of a 45 RPM record so it can play on a 33 1/3 record player. And if you didn't know what it was, you probably don't understand any of the explanation. Have someone over 30 explain it to you.

# Patron Profile
# Ann Bromaghim

This issue's patron profile will take you around the world – for that is where Ann Bromaghim has lived for 16 years.

An Alton native, Ann attended Alton High School and received her undergraduate degree in Park Administration and Conservation from Western Illinois University. She went on to earn a Master's degree in elementary education with an emphasis in environmental education. While getting her Master's she also worked as an educator at White Pines Ranch Outdoor Education Center in Oregon, Ill. There she taught Chicago area students about ecosystems and biomes and learned such skills as horse training, mountain climbing, rappeling and survival skills. Shortly after completing these studies, Ann spent her summers as Director of the Youth Conservation Corps at Pere Marquette, and upon graduation, began classroom teaching in Spring Bluff, Mo. One day, while flipping through a magazine, Ann saw a small advertisement for candidates wishing to live and work overseas, no other details included. On a whim, Ann answered the ad. She received an application to fill out that she says was the size of the yellow pages. She completed the application, sent it back and promptly forgot about it. This was in the fall of 1982. In April 1983 Ann received an unexpected phone call. Her job application had been accepted and she was being offered a job to commence that August – just a few months away. The job? Teaching elementary school in Brussels, Belgium. Ann had to get out her atlas to locate Belgium (much to her dismay). She researched the city of Brussels, the capital of Belgium and found that the city was bilingual: natives spoke either French or Flemish. Ann knew neither language, nor did she know anyone who lived overseas. Ann told her hairdresser that she was thinking of moving to Brussels. Her hairdresser was less than impressed and asked Ann why she was moving to Calhoun County!

And so, within a few short weeks, Ann was on a plane heading eastward to teach fourth graders in an American school in Belgium. She arrived in Belgium with little more than her suitcase. She did not even have the address of the school she was to report to and remembers her frustration in the airport in Brussels when she could not find a listing for the school in the yellow pages. Unfortunately, Ann was looking up the listing under the category "schools," forgetting that English was no longer the primary language- her address was found under the listing "ecole" (French for school). Ann realized she might have a lot to learn!

Well, of course, Ann found her school She rented a house and enrolled in Alliance Francais – the renowned French-language-speaking center. At Alliance Francais, Ann enrolled in an immersion course to learn the French language. There she and students from all over the world, including Turkey, Iraq, and countries in Africa and Eastern Europe, were allowed to communicate from day one only in French. Ann said within half a year she was reasonably fluent. Ann does remember a particular language gaffe when she went to a hairdresser and asked her if she "voullez vous coupez moi cheveaux?" rather than "coupez moi chavoo." She had asked the hairdresser to cut her horse instead of her hair!

Ann found Brussels to be a great assignment and the kids easy to teach. They were the children of NATO delegates and United States embassy staff and, out of the 24 students she taught, 21 had IQs of 125 or higher

After a year in Brussels, Ann heard of a teaching opportunity in Holland that was available. Anxious to experience living in another country and looking forward to the opportunity to learn Dutch, Ann took the job in Holland teaching third graders on an American Air Force base called Kamp Van Zeist. It was Kamp Van Zeist that served as the trial location for the convicted terrorists connected with the air disaster of Pan Am flight 103 in Scotland

Concluding her assignment in Holland, Ann returned to the states initially to get married and then – not. Anxious to return overseas, she took a teaching opportunity that took her back to the Netherlands, to a small town called Coevorden, (literally, cow crossing). There she taught 5, 6, 7 and 8th grades in one room to 11 boys and 4 girls. She mastered Dutch well enough to sing in the local choir, join the local pool and take tennis lessons. She gave cooking lessons to her American students so they could learn Dutch. Her sole source of transportation was her bicycle, which taught her never to buy heavy objects at the grocery store and that Christmas trees don't transport well via a two-wheeler

In Coevorden, Ann went to dine in a castle that had been converted to a restaurant. There she saw her family coat of arms on the wall. Her research determined that her ancestors had once been occupants of the castle!

Ann's next opportunity turned out to be one that came with major culture shock. She went to live in Korea. She left a town with a population of approximately 30,000 and customs similar to her heritage to live in a city of 20 million with a completely different culture. Ann arrived in Korea the year before the 1988 Olympics and made fast friends with a fellow high school instructor, Nancy Lee Hill. It turned out that Nancy was the great-great-granddaughter of Robert E. Lee and was very involved politically, particularly with the Olympics. She got Ann involved in many wonderful Olympic activities, and Ann had the opportunity to interact with national newscasters and Olympic judges during the events.

Ann took language classes in a woman's university (Ewha) and today can write or sound out the language but has forgotten most of the vocabulary. She taught 1st, 5th and 6th grades in a school of 1,200 students.

Leaving Korea after four years, Ann transferred to Germany, where she would live for the next eight years. In Germany, she taught 4th, then 2nd grade. She lived in Hanau, Germany, about a half- hour east of Frankfurt. While in Germany, she lived with the Fischer family, with whom she still keeps in touch and sees on visits. Herr Fischer taught Ann German, minding the counsel of his wife, "don't teach her any bad words." Herr Fischer was 10 years old during World War II and showed Ann many examples of living history, including evidence of a Nazi encampment not far from the family home. Ann recalls there was a forest behind the house that was incredibly dense and deep. One day she rode her bike into the forest which, after two hours, showed no signs of thinning. Ann loved her time in Germany and loved her adopted family and many great friends. She has many wonderful memories of traveling adventures and holiday celebrations. Sadly, in 2000, Ann's mother became extremely ill, so Ann immediately flew home to care for her. Her mother is now doing well, and Ann has settled back into life in Alton. That is not to imply that her life is settled, because she is as busy as ever. She has served on the boards of the YWCA and the Alton Museum of Art and History and is very active at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. She also participated in this year's Vintage Voices, portraying Mary Todd Lincoln.

When Ann first returned to Alton, she worked at St. Mary's School as the computer coordinator. Then she learned about an enterprising idea that captured her fancy: mobile dog grooming. After formal training and certification with a facilitator in San Diego, Ann started her business, "Groomer Van Gogh." Behind her truck, she carts a trailer that has all the bathing, drying and grooming tools that you would find at a groomer's shop, all powered by a generator. Ann provides bathing, basic clipping, styling, nail and ear care for most dog breeds, right in your own driveway. Groomer Van Gogh services are available Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. For an appointment or more information, call 530-7716. Ann fills out her days as church administrator for Main Street United Methodist Church and by providing computer training classes for the Hayner Public Library District as well as for Senior Services Plus. She also is available for private individual computer training. For more information regarding Ann's training availability, you can contact the library at 462-0677. We are glad to have Ann back home, but we are sure it won't be long until she embarks on more exciting adventures!

## SCORE a Success Starting a Small Business

Do you have a small business or are you dreaming of starting one? Do you find issues such as financing, taxes, cash flow and marketing all overwhelming? Would you like to have a team of experts to guide and council you – free of charge? SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Businesses, is a volunteer organization of business people that provides free, confidential business counseling to help you through new business start up and/or ensure that your existing business prospers.

The Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423 serves seven counties with Alton as its center and is made up of 33 active counselors. The are also an additional 180 counselors available to help you online. In the 2007-2008 fiscal year, SCORE Chapter 423 handled 583 counseling cases, logged 1150 hours of non-counseling activity and worked with 827 clients.

In past years, SCORE has made generous financial contributions to the Hayner Public Library District to help us develop the premier small business reference collection in southern Illinois. This year, Hayner was the recipient of generous funding from both the SCORE District 0507 and the SCORE Chapter 423. SCOREs contributions have allowed us to aquire the following materials for our small business reference collection·

## Score Business Books-Sept. '08

*The Knack: How Street-Smart Entrepreneurs Learn To Handle Whatever Comes Up*
*Ahead of the Curve: Two Years at Harvard Business School*
*Top Careers in Two Years: Education and Social Services* (2 copies) *The Book of U.S. Government Jobs: Where They Are, What's Available & How To Get One*
*Start: How To Get Your Business Underway*
*Expert Resumes For People Returning To Work,* 2nd ed.
*The Quick Resume & Cover Letter Book: Write and Use an Effective Resume in Only One Day*
*Crafting a Business: Make Money Doing What You Love*
*Work From Home Handbook: Flex Your Time, Improve Your Life*
*Business Etiquette For Dummies,* 2nd ed.
*The Ten Commandments of Business Failure*
*Expert Resumes for Baby Boomers*
*Words That Work: It's Not What You Say, It's What People Hear*
*Nonprofit Meetings, Minutes & Records*
*Gallery of Best Resumes for People Without a Four-Year Degree*
*Office 2007: (Covers The Core Essentials)*
*Best Entry-Level Jobs 2009*
*The Total Money Makeover: A Proven Plan for Financial Fitness,* 2nd ed.
*Stop Foreclosure Now: The Complete Guide to Saving Your Home and Your Credit*
*Legal Guide For Starting & Running a Small Business,* 5th ed. and 10th ed.
*The Small Business Bible: Everything You Need to Know to Succeed in Your Small Business*
*Top careers in two years: computers and information technology*

## Staff Picks—What We're Reading

**Paper Towns** by John Green. Fiction
Spunky Margo Roth Spiegelman is going to get even (dressed as a ninja in the middle of the night, armed with catfish, Veet, and Vaseline,) and she's chosen you as her accomplice. Do you go? If you're Quentin Jacobsen and hopelessly infatuated, you do. Margo takes us on a whirlwind adventure that includes eye-brow stealing (the ultimate choice for those who have wronged: shave off Lefty or paint on Righty?), tip-toeing around the complexity of adolescence with comedic banter and pop-culture. That is, until she disappears the following morning leaving Walt Whitman to do her bidding and Quentin to follow the clues. Where is Margo? But better yet, who is Margo? The more Quentin searches, the less he knows about the Margo he thought he knew. In the place of a bubbly socialite, he finds an introverted music lover with such a penchant for mysteries that she became one. Perhaps the best explanation is that "nothing ever happens like you imagine it will." John Green recently announced that the rights to Paper Towns have been bought by the makers of Juno.—Emily I.

**The Longest Trip Home** by John Grogan. Biography
For those of you who enjoyed *Marley and Me*, you'll find that Grogan (born 1957) applies the same humor and writing style to his own autobiography. He describes funny details about growing up in a strong Catholic upbringing during the 1960s-1970s. Surprisingly his mother had quite an influence on him. He has a skill for taking ordinary, everyday events and turning them into something worth talking about. Having grown up outside of Detroit, Grogan explains social issues that affected him, such as race riots. He helps the reader remember personal long-forgotten memories. Grogan's story could easily become an interesting movie such as *My Girl*.—Sharon S.

## From Dictionary.com: Proverb- noun

1. A short popular saying usually of unknown and ancient origin, that expresses effectively some commonplace truth or useful thought
2. A wise saying or precept; a didactic sentence

Here are just a few of the wonderful proverbs and wise sayings recorded in *1001 Smartest Things Ever Said*, edited by Steven D. Price, The Lyons Press (call number: 081 one)

What is harder than rock, or softer than water? Yet soft water hollows out hard rock. Persevere. *(Ovid)*

I learned much from my teachers, more from my books, and most from my mistakes. *(Anonymous)*

People cannot be managed. Inventories can be managed, but people must be led. *(H. Ross Perot)*

If you're not failing every now and again, it's a sign you're not doing anything very innovative *(Woody Allen)*

The most pathetic person in the world is someone who has sight, but has no vision. *(Helen Keller)*

Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire. *(William Butler Yeats)*

We should be careful to get out of experience only the wisdom that is in it- and stop there; lest we be like the cat that sits down on a hot stove lid. She will never sit down on a hot stove lid again- and that is well; but also she will never sit down on a cold one any more. *(Mark Twain)*

Absurdity, n.: A statement or belief manifestly inconsistent with one's own opinion. *(Ambrose Bierce)*

If you want to give God a good laugh, tell him your plans. *(Yiddish proverb)*

Wise men talk because they have something to say; fools talk because they have to say something. *(Saul Bellow)*

You can't dance at two weddings at the same time nor can you sit on two horses with one behind. *(Yiddish proverb)*

Blessed is the man who can laugh at himself, for he will never cease to be amused. *(Proverb found in many cultures)*

*…and two favorites:*
The innkeeper loves the drunkard, but not for a son-in-law. *(Yiddish proverb)*
The church is close, but the road is icy. The tavern is far, but I will walk carefully. *(Russian proverb)*

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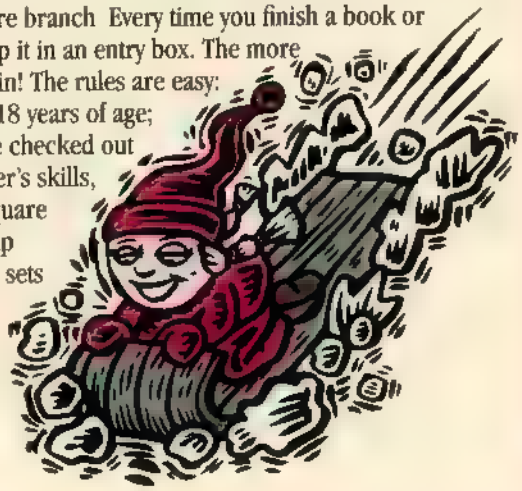
## *2009*
## *Hayner Adult Winter Reading Program*
### *January 17 – February 28*

Enjoy the best of both worlds when the weather turns cold! Curl up warm and cozy with some great reads this winter while you earn chances for some fun nights out, all compliments of Hayner's Adult Winter Reading Program. From January 17th to February 28th, for every book or audio book you read or listen to, you can enter a drawing to win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates. Two $100 sets of certificates will be awarded, one from Hayner's Downtown branch and one from Hayner's Alton Square branch Every time you finish a book or audio book, fill out an entry form and drop it in an entry box. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! The rules are easy: you must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills, register at Hayner's Downtown or Alton Square circulation desks to participate and pick up additional entry forms. Drawings for these sets of restaurant gift certificates will be held on Saturday, February 28th. Come on—it's easy! We've even included your first entry form here!



## *2009 Hayner Adult Winter Reading Program*
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# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays
Easter Sunday - April 12
Memorial Day - May 25

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## *We're Almost There!*

On Saturday, March 21, the Hayner Public Library staff, board, friends, patrons and local dignitaries will celebrate the Grand Opening of the new mall facility with a 12:00 noon ribbon cutting and a week of special events hosted by the library.

The new facility is located at 132 Alton Square Mall by Sears and the J. C. Penney Court. The space was previously occupied by six retailers and has been refitted into one large facility, effectively tripling the current space Hayner occupies at the mall. All Hayner library locations have been extremely overcrowded, housing growing collections of print and nonprint materials, computers and varying services for the public. Working with Coyote Management, the mall owners, since August, 2007 and Burnidge Cassell Associates, architects, the library developed a strategy to allow youth, teen and adult collections and activities, large print, reference and small business collections all in one facility. New features include a multipurpose room, a teen center, increased seating for reading, three computer centers by age, study rooms, a beautiful new reference center, local art displays and more. The library is also instituting a more user-friendly way of organizing its nonfiction collections using subject area signage. Self-checkout will be available as well as help from our staff with any library needs. Security of library materials will be greatly enhanced. New services, programs and activities will be available for all the community and for all ages.

Illinois Secretary of State/State Librarian Jesse White, who also serves as State Librarian, will be at the noon, March 21 Grand Opening and ribbon cutting. Following the ribbon cutting, the Jesse White Tumbling Team will perform at 1:00 pm in the J. C. Penney Court. The Jesse White Tumbling Team has been thrilling audiences since 1959. Their acrobatic performances can frequently be seen during half-time major league shows for the NBA, the NFL and major league baseball games. Team members can qualify as young as six years old and have attracted national and international attention. They have performed extensively on national television, in commercials and movies, several Presidential inaugural parades, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus and with the Harlem Globetrotters. They make more than 1,000 public appearances each year. The Jesse White Tumbling Team has been a highly successful initiative designed to address juvenile delinquency, helping more than 10,000 boys and girls from inner city communities to stay away from gangs and drugs.

On Sunday, March 29, at 2:00 p.m. another special treat awaits you and your family. The terrifically popular musical ensemble *Bach to the Future* will perform in the J. C. Penney Court. Imagine the classics – Bach, Beethoven, Mozart – performed in exciting new ways... modern jazz, African and Latin rhythms. *Bach to the Future* brings an exciting, whimsical approach to the most beloved music of all time, and some of the most interesting cutting-edge instruments you'll ever see, including a WishBass, a Drumitar and an electric violin that glows when played. All four players are world-renowned performers, best-selling authors, and highly acclaimed composers. This is a show you won't want to miss! *Bach to the Future* - The Bach that Rocks!

During the week of March 21-March 29, there will be a number of other great activities available to people of all ages. They will include "alternate reality" games on

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**We're Almost There! (Cont.)**
March 21 and 22 (in-library scavenger hunts); bounce house and Izzy the Grizzly, the Gateway Grizzlies' baseball team's mascot, on March 22; WBGZ will conduct their morning broadcast from the library on Monday, March 23 at 10:00, offering free give-aways to library card holders, a music trivia contest will continue throughout the week and there will be a video gaming night on March 27. Featured events also include programs conducted by the staffs of the St. Louis Science Center (*Space, the Final Frontier*, March 23, 11 a.m.), the St. Louis Zoo (*Wild about Reading*, March 24, 11:00 a.m.) and the Butterfly House (*The Story of the Butterfly*, March 25, 11:00 a.m.). All programs and events are free of charge and funded through private endowment.

The library at 326 Belle Street will remain in operation for those patrons who prefer to use the downtown location. The original Hayner library building, currently the Youth Library, will be reorganized to provide genealogy and local history services and will house the Illinois Room collection.

Join us on Saturday, March 21, to celebrate the new technologies, new services and new library at 132 Alton Square Mall. Thank you to the Library Board, Director and Staff for making this important contribution to our community come to fruition.

## *The worth of your library*

"Libraries will get you through times of no money better than money will get you through times of no libraries:-Anne Herbert, *The Whole Earth Catalog*

# MISSION RECOGNITION

**Mission: Recognition** is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location.

The following awards were announced for the contributions of kids recognized during the fourth quarter of 2008.

In October, **Jordan Pfeifer**, now a 10th grader at Alton High, was recognized for the great help he voluntarily provided to a church's vacation bible school during his summer vacation. The school was caught short staffed at the last minute and Jordan unhesitatingly agreed to help out. He was at the church program every morning at 8 am to prepare for the daily puppet show. The kids loved him and couldn't wait to see his puppet character every morning. After the puppet show, Jordan remained at the camp to help out wherever he could. Kids and counselors both loved Jordon for his warmth, character and willingness to serve.

**Michael Overstreet** is in the 4th grade in North Elementary and was a Mission Recognition recipient in November. While on a school field trip, Michael found money that belonged to another student. He could easily have kept the money himself but he immediately brought it to his teacher and together they were able to find the rightful owner. Michael's teacher was very proud of Michael's display of honesty and integrity.

In January, Mission Recognition was awarded to the student council representatives of West Elementary School. Ranging in grades from 3rd to 5th, the council reps did a remarkable job motivating their fellow classmates to bring items for the Community Christmas drive. During the fall, they ran a two week contest among the West classrooms to collect donations for needy families. They made posters to display and announcements over the PA system soliciting donations. The reps visited all the classrooms daily to collect and count the goods and graph the results. These graphs were displayed at the school, encouraging "friendly competition" between classes. In just two short weeks, the representatives collected over 4400 items such as coats, toys, gloves, and food. The representatives poured enthusiasm, hard work and high energy into this effort resulting in a brighter Christmas for many families in our community.

### *Celebrating a Year of Worthy Recognition*

Hayner Library's Mission Recognition program is funded through private endowment and to celebrate our second year of the program, the endowment sponsored a celebratory luncheon for the great kids who had been recognized in 2008. There was a great turnout at the luncheon including family, friends, school administrators, teachers, library staff and endowment members. Victor Pacini, the inspirational speaker who has partnered with Hayner library to promote the Mission Recognition program, acknowledged each individual recognition recipient. During 2008, thirty three young people received Mission Recognition acclaim for activities displaying compassion, thoughtfulness, and high moral standards. These kids, along with so many other young people in our community, certainly deserve to be recognized for the positive contributions they make to all of us. We need to make sure we take time every day to thank a young person for their positive impact on all our lives. Please participate in the Mission Recognition program- it DOES make a difference.

## A Lesson in Friendship

Contributed by a reader David M. Vassos, Edmonton Alberta Canada to *Bits and Pieces Magazine*, Sept. 2008

This story illustrates what can happen when we take a friendship for granted.

When I was six, my older brother and I were followed home by a stray dog who'd been hanging around a livery stable. I took some meat from the house and fed it to him. And from that moment on, I had a new best friend. I called him Butch.

Butch accompanied me every morning on my paper route. He even helped me with the contest I entered to sign up new subscribers. While I spun a tale of how I hoped to sell extra papers to earn the money to buy my dog a license, Butch would sit nearby looking sad. It worked like a charm.

That winter, a friend gave me an old dog harness that I used to hook up Butch to the sleigh. By now, he knew the paper route by heart. Butch pulled me around the neighborhood as I threw the papers from the sleigh. We were inseparable.

But things changed after I went to high school. When I discovered girls, I spent less time with Butch. And he didn't like that.

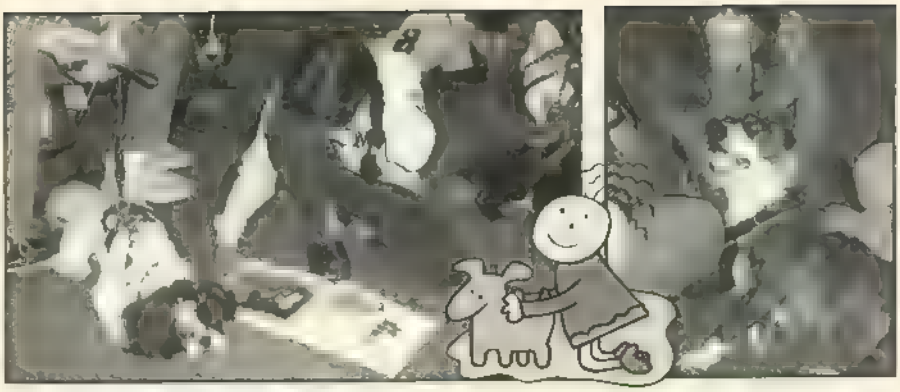
Once, we visited my friend George whose dad was a blacksmith and worked out of a barn on their property. I don't know if it was the horses or the hay that evoked memories of the stables, but Butch immediately took a liking to the place

George made a big fuss over Butch. He fed him and played with him. And when it was time to go home, Butch didn't want to leave.

There were times after that when Butch would go off and not return for days. I soon learned that Butch was hanging out at George's place and sleeping over.

One day, I was coming out of my dad's coffee shop with Butch. George walked by and called to him. Was George trying to steal my dog? I called out to Butch, too. For a few moments, Butch just sat there looking between us. Then he got up and went to George. I was heartbroken.

That day, I learned that the best way to keep a friend is to be a friend.



## Bow-wow Pow-wow

Everyone feels extra energy as the weather gets nicer and plants and trees start to "green up". Our therapy dogs are more anxious than ever to make new friends- both the four legged and two legged kind. Therapy dogs visit the Hayner Youth library on the second Saturday of every month and kids read to the dogs or just play with them. It's a great way to strengthen a child's confidence and reading skills. Please join us from 10:00 am to 11 am on March 14, April 11, May 9 and June 13 – all ages are welcome. Bring cameras.

## Food For Fido

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month and in commemoration of this, all three locations of The Hayner Library District will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner material only Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation for each fine.

Please remember that 5 A's also has a thrift shop at 632 Wood River Ave., Wood River, IL. It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10.00 am – 3 00 pm. They have a large collection of used books (hardcover for $1.00, paperback $.25-$.50), puzzles, clothes, collectibles, household goods, furniture, toys and seasonal items. Donations are accepted during regular store hours For questions regarding the shop, call 254-0635 (shop) or 466-3702(shelter)

Please help our friends at the 5 A's they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected or abused animals brought to the shelter. Remember, the new shelter is now open at 4530 N. Alby Rd., Godfrey. Stop by and visit this wonderful new facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever) and, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome

## Dog Logic

The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue. *Anonymous*
There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face. – *Ben Williams*
A dog is the only thing on earth that loves you more than he loves himself – *Josh Billings*
The average dog is a nicer person than the average person. – *Andy Rooney*
Dogs love their friends & bite their enemies, quite unlike people, who are incapable of pure love & always have to mix love & hate. – *Anonymous*
Anybody who doesn't know what soap tastes like never washed a dog. – *Franklin P Jones*
If your dog is fat, you aren't getting enough exercise. – *Unknown*
My dog is worried about the economy because Alpo is up to $3.00 a can. That's almost $21.00 in dog money. *Joe Weinstein*
If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you; that is the principal difference between a dog and a man. – *Mark Twain*
Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole. – *Roger Caras*
If you think dogs can't count, try putting three dog biscuits in your pocket and then give him only two of them. – *Phil Pastoret*

## *Children's Science Exam*

**Q:** Name the four seasons.
**A:** Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.

**Q:** Explain one of the processes by which water can be made safe to drink.
**A:** Flirtation makes water safe to drink because it removes large pollutants like grit, sand, dead sheep and canoeists.

**Q:** How is dew formed?
**A:** The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire.

**Q:** How can you delay milk turning sour?
*(Brilliant, love this!)*
**A:** Keep it in the cow.

**Q:** What causes the tides in the oceans?
**A:** The tides are a fight between the Earth and the Moon. All water tends to flow towards the moon, because there is no water on the moon, and nature hates a vacuum. I forget where the sun joins in this fight.

**Q:** What are steroids?
**A:** Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs

**Q:** What happens to your body as you age?
**A:** When you get old, so do your bowels and you get intercontinental.

**Q:** What happens to a boy when he reaches puberty?
**A:** He says good-bye to his boyhood and looks forward to his adultery.
*(The kid gets an A+ for this answer!)*

**Q:** Name a major disease associated with cigarettes.
**A:** Premature death

**Q:** How are the main parts of the body categorized? (e.g., abdomen)
**A:** The body is consisted into three parts -- the brainium, the borax and the abdominal cavity. The brainium contains the brain; the borax contains the heart and lungs, and the abdominal cavity contains the five bowels A, E, I, O, and U.

**Q:** What is the fibula?
**A:** A small lie.

**Q:** What does 'varicose' mean?
*(I do love this one...)*
**A:** Nearby.

**Q:** Give the meaning of the term 'Caesarian Section.'
**A:** The Caesarian Section is a district in Rome.

**Q:** What does the word 'benign' mean?'
**A:** Benign is what you will be after you be eight.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Downtown Library Events

*We have a great semester of spring programs scheduled for you and your family and friends. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are held at the Hayner Downtown Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER**: Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, March 14**
**Saturday, April 11**
**Saturday, May 9**
**Saturday, June 13**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Youth Library (401 State Street, Alton, IL) and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Cheri Schear
### *Beautiful Sounds*

**Tuesday, March 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Soprano Cheri Ann Schear was the featured singer with George Gobel on the Midwest concert tour through 9 states. She was the singing star of the "Hits of Broadway" night club revue through the US and abroad. She sang in the first national tour of "No, No, Nannette" for 15 months with June Allyson, Dennis Day and later with Virginia Mayo. She also lent her talents to performances of "The Sound of Music" and "The King and I." She was the district winner of the Metropolitan Opera auditions for four successive years. She sang at the Muny Opera for many years and has sung with the St. Louis Symphony chorus, performing at Carnegie Hall. Come, enjoy the beautiful voice of Cheri Shear as she performs a program of the great standards of today and yesterday.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mellaney Gray
### *Poetry Reading*

**Sunday, March 15, 4:00–5:00 p.m.**
**Note: This program will be held in the Hayner Youth Library, 401 State St., Alton, IL**

In August of 2008, Alton native, Mellaney Gray, published her debut collection of poetry titled *Chasing Lovers*. Mellaney's poems take the reader through a "transformation process" in her own search for fulfillment. Her writing reveals the heartfelt expressions of a woman who has embarked on a personal odyssey and wishes to share her experiences through verse. Mellaney enjoyed working as a page in the Hayner Youth Library during her youth. She also found the library to be a wonderful personal haven. To celebrate the publishing of *Chasing Lovers*, Mellaney will be reading examples of her work in the Youth Library, 401 State St., Alton, IL. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Lee Murdock
### *Celebrating Illinois Irish*

**Tuesday, March 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Best known for his interpretations of local and Great Lakes songs, Lee Murdock has also spent many years researching and performing songs from Ireland. This program will feature songs of the Irish immigrants who settled in Chicago and the Midwest, including an anthem honoring the Irish folks who labored to build the Illinois and Michigan Canal and those who settled on Michigan's Beaver Island. Lee will round out the program with some boisterous Irish sing-alongs and a selection of sweet ballads of the Emerald Isle. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### The Jesse White Tumbling Team

**Celebrate Our Grand Opening in the Mall**
**Saturday March 21**
**12:00 Ribbon Cutting/**
**1:00 p.m. Tumbling Exhibit**
**Note: This program will be held in the J.C.Penny Center Court in the Alton Square Mall.**

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## Dan Hoerle
### *Virtuoso Guitar*
**Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Dan has been studying guitar since he was 12 years old and in the 1990's turned his passion to classical guitar. Well known in the St. Louis area, Dan will perform a program to include the works of Bach, Villa Lobos, jazz standards and original compositions. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bach to the Future
### *The Bach that Rocks!*
**~~Saturday, March 28~~, 2:00 p.m.**

**Note: This program will be held in the J.C. Penney Center Court at Alton Square.**

BACH TO THE FUTURE is an exciting classical/jazz quartet, transforming the famous classical melodies of Bach and other composers into jazz, Latin and other contemporary rhythms. The four musicians play cutting edge instruments, including the Drumitar, the MIDI electric violin and synthesizers. The group is stylistically similar to Mannheim Steamroller and frequently plays to sold out audiences. They've sold more than 100,000 CDs on their own label, Time Machine Records, and have opened for David Sanborn, Peter Cincotti, the Rippingtons, Eric Marienthal, Al DiMeola, Stanley Jordan, David Benoit, Michael Franks and the Yellowjackets. This program is free of charge.

## Michael Smith
### *Award-Winning Singer/Songwriter*
**Tuesday, March 31, 6:30 p.m.**

Michael Smith wowed us in previous performances at the Hayner Downtown Library. We are so excited to bring him back to perform for you. Michael's work has been recorded by such diverse performers as Jimmy Buffet, Jerry Jeff Walker, The Four Freshmen, The Kingston Trio, Steve Goodman, Tom Rush and more than 30 other artists. He has won four prestigious Jeff awards (Chicago equivalent of the Tony) for his 1993 autobiographical play, *Michael, Margaret, Pat & Kate*. Chicago Magazine wrote, "One of the best songwriters in the English language…an enchanting and riveting performer." *Sing Out!* Magazine writes, "Michael Smith stands as one of the few undisputed geniuses among singer-songwriters." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Detective Mike Bazzell & Detective Dave Vucich
### *Internet Safety*
**Tuesday, April 7, 6:30 p.m.**

**Alton Square Mall Library location**

In August 2008, the Illinois State Senate and House passed amendments to the School Code concerning Internet safety education curriculum. These amendments mandate that beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, a school district must incorporate into the school curriculum a component on Internet safety to be taught at least once a year to students in grade 3 or above. To this end, Detectives Bazzell and Vucich have been working with members of the Alton School District staff technology trainees to develop a curriculum to deliver to both staff and students in the coming school year. This is an incredibly important topic, as Internet crimes against children continue to rise at an alarming rate with increasingly sophisticated methods of execution. Parents, attend this program with your children to see the latest techniques predators are implementing against your children and observe online, real-time examples of predator activities. Learn how best to monitor your child's activities and identify potentially threatening activity. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dennis Stroughmatt and L'Esprit Creole
### *French Creole Musical Tour*
**Thursday, April 9, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program was originally scheduled for January 27 but canceled due to weather conditions. If you were signed up for the January program, you have been automatically transferred to the attendance list for April 9 If you will not be attending on the 9th, please call 1-800-613-3163 so we can give your reservation to another patron. Thank you*

While many people know of the French-speaking Cajun and Creole culture that thrives yet today in the state of Louisiana, few know the story of the French Creoles of "Upper" Louisiana, and the remnants of still-thriving French culture in towns like Sainte Genevieve, Missouri, and Vincennes, Indiana. Dennis Stroughmatt has gained wide acclaim for his work in bringing their songs and stories, and the charming Upper Louisiana Creole dialect, to the attention of the world once again. Let Dennis Stroughmatt and his band, L'Esprit Creole, take you on a musical tour of French settlements in North America. Emphasis is on the French Creole settlers' music, language and history from Illinois, Missouri and Indiana. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Mark Dvorak
### *Old Songs and New People*
**Tuesday, April 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Folk singer Mark Dvorak presents an intergenerational program of American folk songs—many recognizable, some new. Mark uses humor and anecdotes to familiarize the audience with his music. Mark is an instructor at the famed Chicago Old Town School of Music and has released multiple award-winning CDs. *The Chicago Tribune* has identified Mark as "a commanding vocalist and masterful banjo player." Mark also has been distinguished as "one of today's most important folk artists." We are so excited about Mark's return to Hayner. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy an evening of music, humor and fun. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Ralph Butler, Gigi Darr, Jim Stevens
### *Intimate Evening of Cabaret*
**Tuesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Ralph Butler (vocals), Gigi Darr (keyboard) and Jim Stevens (saxophone) will perform an intimate cabaret of contemporary American music. Come hear this popular local trio as they entertain you with music spanning several decades. All ages will enjoy their musical style. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Gary Hawkins
### *Adventures of a Ghost Hunter*
**Thursday, April 30, 6:00 p.m.**
**(note 6:00 start time)**

Gary Hawkins is a professional paranormal investigator who has been involved with ghost hunting since 1994, during which time he also conducted haunted history tours of Alton with Antoinette's Haunted History Tours. He has also completed a documentary on ghost hunting for KHQA TV in Quincy, Il. Gary has a unique ability that allows him to catch a spirit with his bare hands and immobilize it. Come hear Gary talk about his ghost hunting experiences as we start the six-month countdown until Halloween! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Irish Xiles
### *Irish Humor and Song*
**Tuesday, May 12, 6:30 p.m.**

The ever-popular Irish Xiles return to Hayner Downtown Library to perform the best songs from their vast repertoire. Come and join the Duffy clan as they showcase tender ballads mixed with rousing battle songs and a jig thrown in for good measure! Full of humor and high energy, this program is not to be missed. The band is open to requests, and you can contact them in advance at dec@xiles.biz or by phone at 314-359-0590. Register for this program at 1-800-613-3163.

## Paul Jarvis
### *The Music of Willie Nelson*
**Tuesday, May 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Willie Nelson impersonator Paul Jervis will perform the songs of Willie Nelson accompanied by Don Curtis. Paul sings and plays the guitar and drums at the same time. He is accompanied by Don, who plays steel guitar, completing the two-and-a-half man band! Paul's repertoire spans Willie's career from the 1960s to today. He loves to play to requests, so come prepared with your favorite Willie song titles. It will be a great evening of classic country as portrayed by classic Willie. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Chris McBrien
### *Handwriting Analysis*
**Tuesday, May 26, 6:30 p.m.**

In ancient times hundreds of emperors, kings, queens and leaders used this validated science to aid in politics, solve personal problems and thwart war. Handwriting analysts, or graphologists, assist in police work and are employed by federal agencies, banks and corporations. Chris McBrien has been a professional handwriting analyst since 1991 and will amaze you discussing this fascinating science leaving you in awe of its accuracy. He will also explain methods so you can try handwriting analysis on your own. Join us for an evening of something completely different. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Elizabeth Lakamp
### *Rock Around the Clock with Eliza Dawn*
**Tuesday, June 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Join us for a wild time learning the crazy music and dances of the 1950s! Presented in complete poodle skirt attire, this show shares a story fit for all ages. In great sing-along mode, Eliza also teaches the fundamentals of moving to the groove, teaching the wacky dances of the '50s and '60s such as the Monkey, the Jerk, the Mashed Potato, the Twist and the Hand Jive. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
### *American Roots/Celtic Soul*
**Sunday, June 14, 2:00 p.m.**

"A successful show for us is like an amusement ride – it's a rush," says Brian Fitzgerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive and it's coming at you a little harder because we're coming out of small jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Swords & Roses
### *Swashbuckling Comedy*
**Tuesday, June 30, 6:30 p.m.**

Swords & Roses was founded in 2000 by sisters Maria and Susan Romine (a.k.a. Angelique and Belle LeFleur). For five years, they served as Dance Mistresses for The Greater St. Louis Renaissance Faire. They received their stage combat experience through the Society of American Fight Directors. The singing, sword-swinging sisters have combined their many talents into a unique show of terrific entertainment. The act consists of elements of choreographed stage combat with rapiers, period-authentic costumes, comedy, singing and swashbuckling-fun. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## TEEN ACTIVITIES

### • *Teen Advisory Council*

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so this is the group for you! Come join us once a month and help us brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and make the library the new hot place to hang out. Meeting dates will be Wednesday, March 18th, Wednesday, April 15th, Wednesday, May 20th, and Wednesday, June 17th. Ages 12-18 welcome. Call 433-2861 to register.

### • *Teen Movie Nights*

Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner will host a movie night exclusively for Teens! The movie will be a new PG 13 release Pizza and soda are on the menu! Teen Movie Night dates are Wednesday, March 25th, Wednesday, April 29th, Wednesday, May 27th, and Wednesday, June 24th. Movies will begin at 6pm sharp. Movies will be announced two weeks before show date Ages 12-18 welcome. Call 433-2861 to register.

### • *Teen Video Gaming*

Calling all gamers! Come join teens for a day of fun and games Games include DDR, Star Rock Karaoke, Guitar Hero 2nd 3, Rock Band and a wide variety of board games. Event dates are Saturday March 14th and Saturday, May 9th. The fun starts at 1pm. Snacks provided. Call 433-2861 to register

### • *Teen Tech Week (March 8-14, 2009)*

**Music Trivia contest** – 12 to 18 yr. old players will have a chance to win a $25.00 i-tunes gift card by answering ten music trivia questions. Trivia sheets can be found at the Branch circulation desk. For more information call 433-2861.

**Video Gaming Event** – Come join us on March 14th for some video gaming fun! The fun will be 1 3pm All gamers age 12 18 welcome. To register call 433-2861.

### *Teen 2009 Summer Reading Program*

"Read on the **Extremely** Wild Side"

This year teens will be invited to explore the **EXTREMELY** wild side of reading All participants will have the opportunity to read for some great prizes and attend some awesome events in our new facility. Registration will kick off early June and the program runs 4 weeks Dates and times coming soon! For more information please call 433-2861

### • *Project Next Generation*

The Hayner Public Library has been chosen as the 25th host site for Secretary of State and State Librarian Jessie White's youth technology program Project Next Generation. Project Next Generation gives students ages 11 thru 14 the opportunity to try new computer technology, explore life skills, and have fun at the library. The program will involve a variety of activities allowing the students to interact with each other and dedicated mentors while developing skills they will use for the rest of their lives. Sessions meet twice a week for approximately 1½ hours and will be held at our new Alton Square location (next to Sears on the lower level) If you are interested in participating in this free program please contact Sharon at 433-2861. Our next session is scheduled to start in late March 2009.

## HAYNER YOUTH LIBRARY

**ALL Winter Activities for Hayner Youth Library**
**AT OUR MALL LOCATION**
**March, April and May 2009**

**Preschool Storytime – Mondays – 10:00 am**
March 2nd, 16th & 30th – April 6th & 20th May 4th & 18th
**Lapsit Storytime – Mondays – 10:00 am**
March 9th & 23rd – April 13th & 27th May 11th
**Evening Storytime – Tuesdays – 6:30 pm**
March 3rd, 17th & 31st – April 6th & 20th May 4th & 18th
**Dance Dance Revolution – Wednesdays – 3:00 pm**
March 4th – April 1st – May 6th
**After School Fun – Thursday – 4:00 pm**
March 12th – Shamrock Sucker Pin
**After School Fun – Wednesdays – 4:00 pm**
April 8th Save the Earth
May 13th Something Nice for Mom

### *Special Events and Performers:*

**Special Appearance by Dr. Seuss** – Monday – 11:00 am
March 2nd
**62 Sports** – Sunday – 1:00 – 5:00 pm – March 22nd
**Izzy the Grizzlie** – Sunday – 2:00 pm – March 22nd
**St. Louis Science Center – Space the Final Frontier** –
Monday 11.00 am – March 23rd
**St. Louis Zoo – Wild About Reading** – Tuesday – 11 00 am
March 24th
**The Butterfly House – The Story of a Butterfly** –
Wednesday – 11:00 am – March 25th
**Trebor Promotions – Clown** – Wednesday – 4:00 – 6.00 pm
March 25th
**Family Night – Movies** – Thursday – 6:00 pm – March 26th
**Richard Landry – Magic of Reading** – Friday – 11.00 am
March 27th
**Harvey L. Wheeler – Juggler** – Saturday – 11:00 am – March 28th
**St. Louis Zoo – African Storytellers** – Sunday – 2 00 pm
March 29th
**Stevens Puppets – Dan Raynor** – Monday – 11.00 am
March 30th
**Becky Long – Local Storyteller** – Tuesday – 11:00 am –
March 31st
**Ben Pinkley – Ventriloquist** – Wednesday – 11 00 am – April 1st
**Chad Evans – Mr. Music** – Thursday – 11:00 am – April 2nd
**Family Night – Movies** – Thursday – 6:00 pm – April 2nd
**Al James – I Love to Read Magic Show** – Monday – 11:00 am
April 6th
**Easter Program – Easter Bunny** – Saturday – 2:00 pm
April 11th
**Chris McBrien – Magic Storyteller** – Monday – 11.00 am
April 13th
**Dave Farver – Mr. Saxophone** – Monday – 11.00 am – May 11th
**St. Louis Science Center – Vanasaurus Festival** – Saturday –
11:00am -2:00pm – June 6th

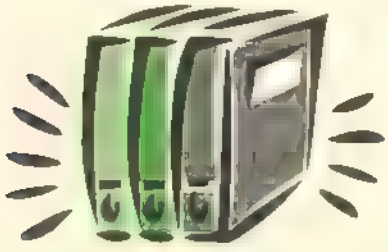
## Spoon River Reprise

Last year, the Genealogy team of The Hayner Public Library District and members of the Alton Little Theater teamed up to present "Spoon River Reveries", a short playlet based on the classic "Spoon River Anthology" by Edgar Lee Masters.

On April 2, Hayner Library staff and Alton Little Theater will reunite to present "Spoon River Reprise". This program will present a new look at ancestors and their fascinating reminiscences from the grave.

Adaptions from Spoon River Anthology have been coalesced into a moving experience which enables the viewer to hear from the residents of Spoon River themselves, and has been shaped by Hayner Genealogist, Midge Hallett, into a moving and nostalgic theme that has been interwoven into a fascinating exercise of contemplation.

Performed by actors and actresses from the Alton Little Theater, the performance will be accompanied by a guitarist playing the music of the Civil War. The program will be held at the Alton Little Theater at 2456 Henry Street on Thursday, April 2 at 6:30 pm. The program will be free of charge but does require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



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## Ed and Nancy Ryrie to Receive Circle of Care Award from Riverbend Head Start & Family Services

### Award Dinner is May 21, 2009

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has named Edward and Nancy Ryrie of Alton the recipients of its 2009 Circle of Care community service award. The couple will receive the award at a dinner held in their honor on May 21, 2009, at Lewis & Clark Community College. Guests will learn about the Ryrie's unwavering commitment to strong families, accessible healthcare, literacy and community service and how they have impacted Riverbend Head Start & Family Services' mission to enable children and families to develop positive skills to meet life's challenges.

Nancy Ryrie co-chaired the first Circle of Care event in 1994 that honored Dr. Paul Pierce, her family's pediatrician. Since moving to Alton from Aurora, Illinois in 1979, she has immersed herself in the Alton Memorial Hospital White Cross Auxiliary, health literacy activities, and myriad community service organizations. A heart attack survivor, Mrs. Ryrie is resolute in her commitment to educating the community, especially its women, about heart disease, the nation's leading cause of death in women.

Edward Ryrie, an Alton native, grew up in a family committed to quality healthcare for all. For generations the Ryrie family has embraced Alton Memorial Hospital's mission to improve the health of the people and communities it serves. That has included thousands of at-risk children and families that this agency has served since it began in 1916. Both were instrumental in achieving Alton Memorial Hospital's recent capital campaign goal that will meet a fast-emerging need for expanded healthcare services in the community.

*For an invitation or more information about the event, call 463-5946 or email info@riverbendfamilies.org*
*Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is a non-profit organization that provides child development and counseling services to families in Madison County*
*www.riverbendfamilies.org*

## General Tips for Preserving Library Books (and Your Books):

1. Please do not leave library books in a car, shed, barn or other location without climate control for extended periods of time. A general rule of thumb is, if you wouldn't want to stay there, neither do your books!
2. Do not read any book that you value, or have to return, in the bath.
3. As much as is possible, keep books away from pets and small children.
4. Keep books away from open flames, excessive heat or chemicals.
5. Use care when keeping books in a bag. What else is in the bag that could damage the book?
6. Pay attention to the weather! Will your bag protect any books you are transporting from moisture? Some books, literally, become bricks when exposed to excessive moisture. (Liner notes on CDs and DVDs are especially bad.)

Tips for your home library:

1. Some books have a limited shelf life Mass market (small) paper backs are almost always made with poor quality paper and bindings and will have a limited shelf life. Feel free to read these in the bath, by the pool etc. If you have to store some of your books in a less than desirable location, these are the books.
2. Pets and small children love to play with, and sometimes chew on books. Keep out of date materials and books with a limited shelf life on the shelves they can reach.
3. Make sure the books you value most are kept away from direct sunlight and in an indoor climate that is comfortable to you. (A temperature of 70° F and 40% relative humidity is just about ideal for home libraries.)
4. Never use tape on any book! Better repair materials are not at all expensive, and some are nearly as easy to use.
5. Prioritize your books. Know which books are most valuable both to you and in real terms, and treat your collection accordingly. Chances are you will not be able to save every book you've ever owned. Decide which ones are important and which are more disposable.
6. If you have any questions about the care of your books, contact the Special Collections Librarian.

# Computer Classes

We have reinstated our computer training classes. The training classes will be small, limited to 10 students each. At this time, the classes will be open to Hayner Library card holders only. These classes are free of charge but require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Tell us the class you are interested in attending. You must also leave the bar code number on the back of your Hayner Library card. Once a class is full, your name will automatically be added to a waiting list. You will be contacted confirming your seat in the class. Please do not enroll in a class you have previously attended. These classes will be held at the Hayner Library Alton Square Mall Facility

The classes are:

**Computer Basics** – a general overview of the hardware, software and working of personal computers. This class will be structured for the beginning computer user.
It will be offered twice.
Class 1: Thursday, May 28, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Class 2: Thursday, May 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**Beginning Word 2003** – Adjusting margins, alignment, spacing, changing font and font size, importing graphics, centering, headers and footers
Class 1: Thursday, June 4, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

**Intermediate Word** – This class will cover some of the more advanced word formatting topics, to help you add flair, templates and tables to your documents.
Class 1: Thursday, June 11, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

**Introduction to Excel** – This class will show you how to do everyday things with Excel. Learn how to create a mailing list or a household budget.
Class 1: Thursday, June 18, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

**Internet/email** – Basic searches, how to import/export information, internet email sites, ways to block sites.
Class 1: Thursday, June 25, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

**Introduction to Power Point** – Learn how to put your favorite photos into a slide show format by using power point. Bring a CD or flash drive with at least five pictures saved on it.
Class 1: Thursday, July 2, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

# History and Genealogy

## NEW ADDITIONS TO OUR HISTORIC ILLINOIS ROOM

Calhoun County: a New Geography IR 977.3853 UND
Calhoun County Mortality Census 1850-1880, Military List 1862 IR 929 3773853 CAL
Calhoun County, Illinois 1865 Census IR 929.3773853 EIG
1880 U.S. Census Calhoun County, Illinois IR 929.3773853 UNI
1870 U.S. Census Calhoun County, Illinois IR 929.3773853 UNI
1860 U.S. Census Calhoun County, Illinois IR 929.3773853 EIG
1850 U.S. Census Calhoun County, Illinois IR 929 3773853 UNI
1840 U.S. Census Calhoun County, Illinois IR 929.3773853 UNI
United States Census 1830 Calhoun County, Illinois IR 929.3773853 POS
Cabbage Patch Childhood (a patron donation) IR B MCCOY
Finding your Chicago Ancestors IR 929.107207731 DUM
Schuyler County Illinois History IR 977.3475 SCH
Illustrated Encyclopedia of Madison County Illinois IR 917.73 ILL
Maps from the covers of Saga of Southern Illinois IR 912.773 MAP
The Source, third edition IR 929.1072073 SOU
Hill Funeral Home Death Certificate Records, Carterville, Illinois IR 929.3773993 BUR
Pulaski County, Illinois Genealogy Notes Vol. 1 & 2 IR 929.3773998 PUL
Where They Sleep (Pulaski County) Vol. 1-5 IR 929.3773998 WHE
Records of Warren County, Illinois IR 977.3415 REC
Our Past (Alton Telegraph) 1986-2000 (patron donation) IR 977.386 OUR

## DAR at the Library

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the DAR recently replaced our outdated Patriot Index with the newest 3-volume edition. They have also donated a copy of A century of service the story of the DAR by Ann Arnold Hunter and a copy of History of Illinois, from 1778-1833 A book on the life and times of Ninian Edwards authored by his son, Ninian W. Edwards was also entrusted to the library for the historic Illinois Room. Their kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated This organization does so many good things in our community. All of these volumes will be available in our Illinois Room.

The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy and Local History Department is happy to feature the acquisition of the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps. These maps were executed in 1867 by D.A. Sanborn who became the primary American publisher of fire and architectural maps for nearly one hundred years.

The maps include information such as the architectural outline of a building, the size, shape, and construction materials used, heights, function of structures, and locations of windows and doors. The maps also give street names, street and sidewalk widths, property boundaries, building use, and house and block number They give textual information on construction details such as steel beams and reinforced walls. The maps also give generic symbols to denote stable, garage, maids' quarters, and warehouses. The maps have also been updated into eight different editions, showing both urban growth and a fair amount of migration trends

The maps are useful to urban specialists, social historians, architects, genealogists, local historians, community planners, and environmentalists. Visit the Illinois Room and see what you can learn from the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps.

## Marquette High School Yearbooks

The Hayner Library Genealogy and Local History Department would like to invite patrons and friends of the library to be aware of the ever present need to expand our Marquette High School Yearbook Collection.

At present we have some yearbooks from the sixties through the current timeframe, but would be most appreciative of any earlier editions of the Explorer for the use of our patrons. So if any of you are becoming minimalists and scaling back at home, please consider a donation that will be of great use and enjoyment to others who have the same regard for Explorer pictures, lore, and other statistical activity information.

## Patron Profile: Cyrus Brown

Cyrus Brown is a seven-year-old charmer. He loves to talk to people, making friends everywhere he goes. The library staff looks forward to his weekly library visits to stock up on books, video games, movies and, of course, lots of attention. Over Halloween, he insisted his mother, Katrina, take him to the library so he could show off his costume to library staff.

Cyrus had a rough path at the beginning. Born prematurely, he was a mere one pound, seven ounces at birth. He spent the first three months of his life in the hospital before he was big enough to go home. Due to the prematurity of his birth, Cyrus developed cerebral palsy, and doctors direly predicted he would never read or walk. However, the unfailing love and support of his mother and grandmother, occupational and physical therapy at school, and a very supportive church community helped Cyrus conquer the doctors' prognosis. Cyrus was determined to overcome significant physical challenges and has become a very adventurous, active and outgoing little boy.

Today, Cyrus is a second grader at Eunice Smith School and is an avid reader, sounding words out with his mom when he occasionally gets stumped. He participates in the school's "Ocean of Fame" program in which students commit to read for 100 minutes on their own time each term of the school year. His mom also credits the support and attention from his teachers Mrs. Scheiter and Mrs. Stubis for his wonderful reading achievements. His mom describes Cyrus as a happy guy who loves to play the drums at his grandmother's house, loves music in general and particularly singing in church. He is always making friends and helping others.

Cyrus's mother works full time at the Boeing Leadership Center in Missouri and studies occupational therapy part time at Lewis & Clark Community College. Cyrus is in school during the day and in the evening, if his mother can't be home, he stays with his grandmother, Jeannie Bradshaw.

Cyrus's mother calls him her "miracle baby." He certainly is a very special little boy!

## Employee of the Month

Hayner Library District recognizes an employee each month exceptional job performance.

**Theresa MacDonald** was recognized as the Employee of the Month in August 2008. Theresa, a native of Alton, is a part time library assistant at the Alton Square Mall Location. Theresa started working at the library as a page over three years ago and was promoted library assistant in 2008.

**Pam Bierman** of Brighton was the November Employee of the month. Pam came to the library in 1998 working part time on the Telegraph Indexing Project. She became full time in 1999 and currently works as a Genealogy/Local History Assistant. Pam has two children.

**Mary Kay Serio** is December's Employee of the Month. Mary Kay worked in the library district from 1978-1980. She left to pursue other opportunities including Director of St. Francis Day Care and librarian at Marquette Catholic High School. In 2003, Mary Kay began working part time in the Children's Library and now if a full time Library Assistant in the Hayner Downtown Library. Mary Kay has two children and one grandchild.

**Sam Wuellner** received the January 2009 Employee of the month. Sam started part time with The Hayner Library District in 2006 as an Information Technologies Assistant while also completing his Associates Degree at Lewis & Clark Community College. Sam went full time as Information Technologies Assistant in 2009 and lives in Godfrey, IL.

## Poetry Reading

**Mellaney Gray** is a native of Alton and has enjoyed a career as a Speech-Language Therapist. At a very young age, she started writing and also enjoyed other creative passions including painting, antique collecting and gardening. In August of 2008, she published her debut collection of poetry titled *Chasing Lovers*. Mellaney's poems take the reader through a "transformation process" in her own search for fulfillment. Her writing reveals the heartfelt expressions of a woman who has embarked on a personal odyssey and wishes to share her experiences through verse.

Mellaney enjoyed working as a page in the Hayner Youth Library during her youth. She also found the library to be a wonderful personal haven. To celebrate the publishing of *Chasing Lovers*, Mellaney will be reading examples of her work in the Youth library on Sunday, March 15 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Join us for poetry and light refreshments to welcome a refreshing new voice to the literary world

# Our Favorite Books

"Have you read any good books lately?" is the question most asked of the library staff In the spirit of that question, we thought it would be fun to compile a list of the Hayner Library staff's all time favorite books. We hope these lists inspire you to try a new title or author. Did your favorite book or author find its way onto one of our lists?

**Mary C.**
*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain
*The Agatha Raisin* series by M.C. Beaton
*Lake Wobegon Days* by Garrison Keillor
*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
*The Wonder Boys* by Michael Chabon

**Amanda P.**
*The Harry Potter* series by J.K. Rowling
*The Kate Daniels* series by Ilona Andrews
*Chronicles of Elantra* series by Michelle Sagara
*The Vampire Academy* by Richelle Mead
*The Summoning* by Kelley Armstrong

**Theresa M.**
*One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish* by Dr Seuss
*Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas* by Hunter S. Thompson
*Intensity* by Dean Koontz
*The Odd Couple* (a play) by Neil Simon
Any and all cookbooks

**Kimberly F.**
*The Gemma Doyle* Series by Libba Bray
*The Mediator* series by Meg Cabot
*The Twilight* series by Stephenie Meyer
*The Host* by Stephenie Meyer
*The Vampire Diaries* series by L.J. Smith

**Janet S.**
*Shadow of the Wind* by Carlos Ruiz Zafon
*Cane River* by Lalita Tademy
*I Feel Bad About My Neck* by Nora Ephron
*Dead Simple* by Peter James
*The Archie and Gretchen* series by Chelsea Cain

**Abby B.**
*Family Tree* by Barbara Delinsky
*Suzanne's Diary for Nicholas* by James Patterson
*The Rosary Girls* by Richard Montanari
*They Cage Animals at Night* by Michael Jennings Burch
*Marley and Me* by John Grogan

**Teressa H.**
*Psy-Changelings* series by Nalini Singh
*Georgia Kincaid* series by Richelle Mead
*Argeneau Family* series by Lynsay Sands
*Sons of Destiny* series by Emma Holly
Any books written by Tamora Pierce

**Stephanie M.**
*A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith
*Joy in the Morning* by Betty Smith
*Chiefs* by Stuart Woods
*Grass Roots* by Stuart Woods
*Romeo and Juliet* by William Shakespeare

**Jean S.**
*The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
*The Count of Monte Cristo* by Alexandre Dumas
*The Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan
*Gaudy Night* by Dorothy L. Sayers
*Memoirs of a Geisha* by Arthur Golden

**Katie S.**
*East of Eden* by John Steinbeck
*A Day No Pigs Would Die* by Robert Newton Peck
*A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest J. Gaines
*The Power of One* by Bryce Courtenay
*Mrs. Mike* by Benedict and Nancy Freedman

**Midge H.**
*The Age of Innocence* by Edith Wharton
*East of Eden* by John Steinbeck
*An American Tragedy* by Theodore Dreiser
*Dr. Zhivago* by Boris Pasternak
*The Prince of Tides* by Pat Conroy

**Emily I.**
*The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
*Anthem* by Ayn Rand
*Tess of the d'Urbervilles* by Thomas Hardy
*Infidel* by Ayaan Hirsi Ali
*Me Talk Pretty One Day* by David Sedaris

**Sue M.**
*The Red Tent* by Anita Diamant
*The Source* by James Michener
*The Pillars of the Earth* by Ken Follett
*The Romanov Prophecy* by Steven Berry
*Gone With the Wind* by Margaret Mitchell

**Lauren E.**
*The Concannon Sisters* trilogy by Nora Roberts
*The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
*The Lovely Bones* by Alice Sebold
*Size 12 is Not Fat: A Heather Wells Mystery* by Meg Cabot
*Anyone But You* by Jennifer Crusie

**Janet A.**
*Chronicles of Narnia* series by C.S. Lewis
*The Longest Walk* by Slavomir Rawicz
*The Hobbit* by J.R. Tolkien
*The Red Tent* by Anita Diamant
*Traveling Mercies* by Anne Lamott

**Cathie L.**
*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
Gone With the Wind by Margaret Mitchell
*Hawaii* by James Michener

**Sharon S.**
*The Quilter's Apprentice (Elm Creek Quilts* series) by Jennifer Chiaverini
*Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs. Keckley: The Remarkable Story of the Friendship Between a First Lady and a Former Slave* by Jennifer Fleischner
*The Longest Trip Home: a Memoir* by John Grogan
*Angels Watching Over Me* (Shenandoah Sisters series) by Michael Phillips
*When Ghosts Speak: Understanding the World of Earthbound Spirits* by Mary Ann Wenkowski

**Jan H.**
*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
*The Source* by James Michner
Any book written by Anne Perry
Any book written by Dick Francis
Any book written by Tony Hillerman

**Mary Kay S.**
*The Little Prince* by Antoine de Saint –Exupery
*Twenty Wishes* by Debbie Macomber
*Irish Gold* by Andrew Greeley
*The Josie Marcus Mystery Shopper* series by Elaine Viets
*The Marcus Bolitar* series by Harlan Coben

**Sarah M.**
*The Virgin Suicides* by Jeffrey Eugenides
*To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee
*The Perks of Being a Wallflower* by Stephen Chbosky
*The Wedding* by Nicholas Sparks
*Second Glance* by Jodi Picoult

**Tracy F.**
Any book written by Janet Evanovich
Any book written by Alex Kava
*Cedar Cove* series and *Blossom Street* series by Debbie Macomber
Any book written by Kathy Reichs
*A Journal for Jordan* by Dana Canedy

**Kate R.**
*The Human Comedy*, Honore de Balzac
*Madame Bovary*, Gustave Flaubert
*Barchester Towers*, Anthony Trollope
*Anna Karenina*, Leo Tolstoy
Short stories (any), Anton Chekhov

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Sunday, 1 pm to 6 pm

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Sunday, Noon to 6 pm

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## *New & Forthcoming Books*

**--Nonfiction**

**Aronne, Louis, MD.** The Skinny On Losing Weight Without Being Hungry
**Bach, David.** Fight For Your Money
**Barker, Bob.** Priceless Memories: A Memoir
**Barra, Allen.** Yogi Berra: Eternal Yankee
**Bartmann, Bill.** Bailout Riches! How Every Day Investors Can Make a Fortune Buying Bad Loans for Pennies on the Dollar
**Brinkley, Douglas.** Wilderness Warrior: Theodore Roosevelt and the Crusade for America, 1858-1919
**Cruise, Jorge.** Body at Home
**Deen, Paula.** Paula Deen's: The Paula Deen Family Cookbook
**Isaacson, Rupert.** The Horse Boy
**Krupp, Charla.** How Not to Look Old: Fast and Effortless Ways to Look 10 Years Younger, 10 Pounds Lighter, 10 Times Better
**Leachman, Cloris.** Cloris
**Lebovitz, David.** Living the Sweet Life in Paris
**Osmond, Marie.** Might As Well Laugh About It Now
**Schlessinger, Laura.** In Praise of Stay at Home Moms
**Spelling, Tori.** Mommywood
**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Encyclopedia of Crafts
**Susanka, Sarah.** Not So Big Remodeling: Tailoring Your Home for the Way You Really Live
**Trump, Donald.** Think Like a Champion: An Informal Education In Business and Life
**Welch, Suzy.** 10-10-10: A Life-Transforming Idea

**--Fiction**

**Albert, SusanWittig.** Wormwood
**Archer, Jeffrey.** Paths of Glory
**Bain, Donald.** Madison Avenue Shoot: A Murder, She Wrote Mystery
**Baldacci, David.** First Family
**Berg, Elizabeth.** Home Safe
**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Lost Quilter: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel
**Child, Lee.** Gone Tomorrow
**Clark, Carol Higgins.** Cursed: A Regan Reilly Mystery
**Clark, Mary Higgins.** Just Take My Heart
**Coben, Harlan.** Long Lost
**Connelly, Michael.** The Scarecrow
**Cussler, Clive.** Corsair
**Dallas, Sandra.** Prayers for Sale
**Davidson, Diane Mott.** Fatally Flaky
**Deveraux, Jude.** Lavender Morning
**Fielding, Joy. Still life**
**Harris, Charlaine.** Dead and Gone
**Hart, Carolyn.** Dare to Die: A Death on Demand Mystery
**Johansen, Iris.** Deadlock
**Kellerman, Jonathan.** True Detectives
**Kleypas, Lisa.** Smooth Talking Stranger
**Laurens, Stephanie.** Temptation and Surrender
**Lippman, Laura.** Life Sentences
**Macomber, Debbie.** Summer on Blossom Street
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** Tea Time for the Traditionally Built
**Michaels, Fern.** Mr. and Miss Anonymous
**Michaels, Fern.** Under the Radar
**Patterson, James.** The 8th Confession
**Perry, Anne.** Execution Dock
**Picoult, Jodi.** Handle with Care
**Preston, Douglas.** Cemetery Dance
**Robards, Karen.** Pursuit
**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Delivers the Goods
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Look Again
**Vine, Barbara.** The Birthday Present

## *New Hours at the Downtown Libraries*

For your convenience, we've extended the hours of the downtown libraries on Sundays. Both downtown locations will be open from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. All other hours of operation remain the same.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## Grand Opening of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall is a Great Success!

We thought it would never get done in time!

In the last weeks before the Grand Opening of the library in Alton Square Mall, every pair of hands was working, setting up shelving, cleaning, arranging furniture and shelving books, books and more books! The place was a beehive of constant and frenetic activity—construction workers, plumbers, electricians, architects, interior designers, delivery people, carpet layers, furniture movers and every available Hayner Library staff member, plus a large group of community volunteers, all working like mad to get everything in place for the big day. Boxing, moving, and shelving (in correct Dewey order, of course) over 200,000 books is not a job for the faint of heart…or the weak of back!

The target date, March 21, arrived as a beautiful bright spring day—perfect for a Grand Opening. Hayner staff, the Board of Trustees and honored guests met in the new library in preparation for the ribbon cutting. The public gathered outside the library to participate in the opening. The outpouring of community support and interest was beyond all expectations. Hundreds of people gathered for their first visit to the beautiful new library facility.

At precisely 12:00 noon, the ribbon cutting ceremony commenced, with a presentation of the colors and singing of the national anthem by the Alton High School Air Force ROTC under direction of Master Sergeant Rich Dansizen. Jeff Owen, Executive Director of the library district, then welcomed all to the event and introduced Susan Huber, President of the Hayner Library Board of Trustees. Susan introduced the other attending board members, thanked the public for their patience during the renovation process and thanked the staff for all their hard work.

Senator William Haine spoke next, describing his own love of libraries and his fond memories of working as a page in the Hayner Library when he was a boy. Senator Haine turned the program over to our special guest, Jesse White, Illinois Secretary of State and State Librarian. Secretary White complimented the new library facility particularly for the innovation of locating in a mall environment.

Also sharing words of appreciation and congratulations were Mike Campion, the mayor of Godfrey; Dorothy Nagy, Foster Township Supervisor; and Alton Square Mall General Manager Lori Ehlers. Senator Haine then cut the ribbon, and the crowd was showered with balloons dropped from the mall's second level. The library doors were opened and people poured in, eager to check out their new library.

The crowd was delighted with what they found. Through the beautiful entryway is the main customer service desk where you can have a library staff member help you check out your materials; or, you can use the new self-checkout station.

Near the desk is the Bob Graul Gallery where you can access copies of the thousands of photographs Mr. Graul published over his career working for The Telegraph. Also, directly in front of you at the west side of the library is the colorful children's library with books, games, DVDs, computers with age-appropriate software and lots of space for story times and

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day - July 4
Labor Day, September 6 & 7


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**GRAND OPENING (Cont.)**

activities.Passing through the children's library, you enter a multi-purpose room that can be used for activities and programs for all ages.

Back in the main body of the library, the first set of stacks includes CDs, DVDs, magazines, newspapers and comfortable seating arrangements for reading the morning paper or other

materials. The rest of the stacks are dedicated to fiction, nonfiction, mysteries, large print and reference materials, including a specific section for the small business owner.

There are 34 computers for public use (sign-up no longer required) and a Wi-Fi bar where you can use our wireless connection to go online with your own computer. At the north end of the library, you will find the reference desk staffed by two full-time reference librarians. Also in this area are two enclosed study rooms to accommodate students, home schoolers, exam takers and proctors, or anyone needing a quiet, private work space.

Adjoining the study rooms is our TeenSpace. This part of the library is set aside for teen/young adult materials, computers and seating. The collection of materials includes fiction and nonfiction, graphic novels, magazines, CDs and DVDs, all geared to the interests and needs of our teenage patrons. There is also a bank of computers set aside specifically for teen use.

Throughout the facility are a number of tables for independent study, lots of comfortable seating for reading and study, and computers with direct access to our online catalogues to find the location of specific materials. Signage throughout the library is more like that in a retail store than cryptic library coding.

At 1:00 p m., attendees of the Grand Opening were treated to a performance by the Jesse White Tumblers— a remarkable group of young men and women from Chicago who performs tumbling feats and acrobatics that take your breath away.

Special events continued throughout the week, including a Bounce House for kids, visiting staff and programs from the St. Louis Science Center, the St. Louis Zoo and the Butterfly House. Puppets, jugglers, clowns, and Izzy the Grizzly delighted youngsters and adults alike. The week of events concluded with a live performance by the musical group Bach to the Future performing classical music in contemporary arrangements on technically advanced electrical instruments and synthesizers. It was a great week of activities and drew crowds beyond our wildest hopes.

We are happy to report that the crowds keep coming. We have signed up hundreds of new library card holders. Foot traffic on a single day is surpassing the previous traffic counts of a whole month of activity.

The library is bright and inviting, and people are finding they can spend hours exploring the new facility and services. Besides self-checkout, patrons can retrieve special hold items themselves if they don't want to wait for staff assistance. We also are now offering laptop computers that you can check out for personal use on the library premises. Bow wow Pow wow (our therapy dog reading program) and computer training classes are offered in the multipurpose room. Come visit us often— you'll love it as much as we do!

## A Poet's Legacy

Marlin Thomas was an extremely talented and artistic young man. He was also an activist, a passionate leader and a mentor to many Marlin Thomas was disabled

Marlin never regretted his disability—for it was that which defined the purpose of his life. Marlin accomplished so much during his life and touched so many people that those who knew him were truly blessed. For those of us who did not know Marlin, he left his poetry.

Marlin was an active, happy child. At the age of six, he was attending YMCA Camp in Pasadena, CA, when a counselor noted that he seemed to be having some difficulty keeping up while playing with the other children. A Phys. Ed. teacher also noticed that Marlin's motor skills seemed to be slowing down. Marlin's mother, Cynthia, immediately took him for medical care, which revealed upsetting news. Marlin was diagnosed with Duchenne muscular dystrophy, a progressive disease that was expected to diminish his life expectancy to a mere seventeen years.

Marlin and his mother shortly moved back to Alton so Marlin could receive medical treatment at Barnes-Jewish Hospital while living as normal a life as possible, which is exactly what Marlin did. He attended elementary schools in Alton where he excelled in his studies. At North Middle School, he played the drums in band and was an enthusiastic member of chorus.

By 14, Marlin had stopped walking and began to use a wheelchair full time; this slowed him down not at all Marlin had a motorized wheelchair that would get him all over town. Worried friends would call Marlin's mother and say, "We just saw Marlin up on the beltway." To which Cynthia would respond, "Is he upright?" "Yes." "Then he is doing fine!" Cynthia was determined that Marlin would have the freedom and independence to live his life as fully as possible; and with the love and support of Cynthia, his step-dad and surrounding family, this is exactly what Marlin was able to do. Because Alton High School at the time was not ADA compliant, Marlin could not matriculate with his friends. He was badly disappointed but accepted his reality, attending Civic Memorial in Bethalto. There, Marlin thrived. He discovered acting and was active in many clubs and activities.

Upon graduation from high school, Marlin attended LCCC, then SIUE as an English major. At SIUE, Marlin served as the president of New Horizons, a school-sponsored disability support group. In 1997, Marlin left school to work at IMPACT, where he was hired and mentored by Dick Goodwin, IMPACT'S founding Executive Director. IMPACT is a self-help advocacy organization formed to help people with disabilities live independently, free from physical and attitudinal barriers.

Marlin became a leader in the disability rights movement and facilitated remarkable achievements. He was a founding member of KASA (Kids as Self Advocates) an organization of teens and young adults with disabilities and also NDSU (National Disabled Student Union) a national, cross-disability student organization. He was an active member of CCDI (Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities in Illinois), which established The Marlin Thomas CCDI Conference Scholarship to benefit young people with disabilities who live in the Alton area, honoring Marlin's work as an advocate and a mentor. He was also an active member of SILC (Statewide Independent Living Council of Illinois) which established the Marlin Thomas Mentor of the Year Award presented at the annual IL Youth with Disabilities Leadership Summit

Marlin's goal was to allow people with disabilities to live as independently as possible; to not be forced due to environmental, economical or governmental constraints to live a life dependent on the care of others. Marlin himself was immensely proud of the day he moved into his own apartment—that day represented a personal achievement as well as an example to all people with disabilities that a disability does not have to equate to dependency.

Knowing Marlin's career accomplishments, however, is knowing only half the man Marlin also had the soul of an artist, to which he gave expression through writing poetry. He wrote his first poem as a child of seven years and from that day forward, poetry was a constant in his life. His writing filled notebook after notebook chronicling the course of his disease, his career and his life experiences.

Following his death, his mother Cynthia began reading through Marlin's notebooks. She was familiar with many of the poems, since Marlin would often read them to her after he finished writing, but she was amazed at the volume of work he had produced. She found it very therapeutic to read Marlin's poetry. She says, "The words evoked memories like he was still here with me."

Marlin had always talked about writing and publishing a book some day, and it occurred to Cynthia what a fitting tribute to her son it would be to publish a book of selected poems. She pored over his work, making the difficult decisions about what pieces to include. She recognized that Marlin's works generally fell into one of three categories: those depicting love, frequently unrequited, those dealing with disabled rights/issues; and those that defined how it felt to be disabled. Each of the three categories is represented in the final collection of his work.

In 2008 Marlin's poetry was published posthumously. The title of the collection is "Special Ed Is Down the Hall," a moving line from his poem "Welcome to CM." Marlin's poetry, which provided an emotional outlet for him, provides us great insight into the world of the disabled. His works are beautiful, moving and at times disturbing.

Marlin died on October 20, 2005, at the age of 30. He was a remarkable man who will always be remembered for his achievements in promoting rights for the disabled and as a man who fulfilled his purpose in life. He will also be remembered for the love and friendship he provided all who were a part of that life. Read Marlin's poems and you will be moved by the beauty and depth of his work.

"Special Ed Is Down the Hall—Disabled and Proud" by Marlin D. Thomas, compiled by Cynthua A. Campbell, iUniverse Inc.,Bloomington, IN

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## Employee of the Month

In March 2009, Hector Lozano was recognized as the Hayner Library Employee of the Month. Hector is a fulltime Library Assistant. He was born in Puerto Rico and raised in Miami. He and his wife, Miriam, have five sons, one daughter and eleven grand children- all of whom Hector is very proud!

The April 2009 Employee of the Month was Tara Gould. Tara, the former manager of Walden Books at Alton Square Mall is working in Acquisitions and Processing. Tara, and her husband, Eric, have two boys, ages two and four years.

Teressa Heafner was Employee of the month in May 2009. Teressa is a part time Library Assistant. She graduated from Blackburn College in 2007 with a degree in Communications.

## Circulation Policies

Several changes have been made to our circulation policy. Most significantly, fines for overdue videos and DVDs are now reduced You will be charged $.10 per day for each day an individual item is overdue.

**CHECKOUT PERIODS FOR MATERIALS BY FORMAT**

The initial checkout period for all print materials is two weeks. The initial checkout period for videos, DVDs, and software is one week.

**CHECKOUT LIMITS FOR MATERIALS BY FORMAT**

**Books** – no limit; do not take everything we have on one subject
**Audiocassettes/Audio CDs/Music CDs** – any combination of 10 per card
**Videocassettes/DVDs** – any combination of 5 per card
**Magazines** – 5 issues per card
**Software on Compact Disc (CD-ROM)** – 5 per card
**Leap Pads** – 1 per family; 5 story cartridges per family
**Puppets** – 5 per card

**REGULAR RENEWALS**

The regular loan period for all library print materials is two weeks. All items (except videos, DVDs, and software) may be renewed at the borrower's request as long as there are no outstanding holds on the items. The renewal period is two weeks. The same item cannot be charged to the same borrower more than three times in a row – i.e., a maximum of three consecutive charges, or a total of six weeks. In other words, the same borrower cannot renew the same item more than twice.

Videos, DVDs, and software may be checked out for one week. Videos, DVDs, and software may be renewed one time. After returning these items, they must sit on the shelf for twenty four hours before they can be checked out again.

## Go Green @ Your Library

Use your library for books, magazines, newspapers, DVDs, CDs – all free. Hayner Public Library District- The ultimate recycling center.

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**Pseudandry (su-DAN-dree), noun**
The use of a male name as a pseudonym by a woman

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Downtown Library Events

*When your kids (or spouse) whines "there's nothing to do", come enjoy the family friendly events at the Hayner Downtown Library. These events are great for all ages and they're all free of charge. Don't spend the money for a movie ticket…come to Hayner Library for a great summer of fun for you and your family and friends. All programs are free of charge but do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all the following programs are held at the Hayner Downtown Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER**: Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Mall Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL*

**Saturday, June 13**
**Saturday, July 11**
**Saturday, August 8**
**Saturday, Septmber 12**
**10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Cheryl Eichar Jett
### *Image of America-Alton*

**Sunday, June 7, 2:00 p.m.**
*Note: This program will be held in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

Author Cheryl Eichar Jett will discuss her recently published book, part of the Images of America series, Alton. Her book follows the stories of Easton, Lovejoy, the developers and politicians, the entrepreneurs and the workers, and the famous and the infamous through vintage images from Madison County Historical Library, The Hayner Public Library District, the Telegraph and other collections. Books will be offered for sale ($21.99, cash or check only) or you can bring your own copy to be signed by the author. Register at 1-800-613-3153.

### Elizabeth Lakamp
### *Rock Around the Clock with Eliza Dawn*

**Tuesday, June 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Join us for a wild time learning the crazy music and dances of the 1950s! Presented in complete poodle skirt attire, this show shares a story fit for all ages. In great sing-along mode, Eliza also teaches the fundamentals of moving to the groove, teaching the wacky dances of the '50s and '60s such as the Monkey, the Jerk, the Mashed Potato, the Twist and the Hand Jive. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Switchback
### *American Roots/ Celtic Soul*

**Sunday, June 14, 2:00 p.m.**

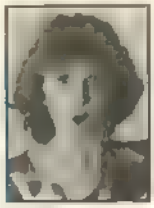
"A successful show for us is like an amusement ride - it's a rush," says Brian Fitzgerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive and it's coming at you a little harder because we're coming out of small jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick, showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Swords & Roses
### *Swashbuckling Comedy*
**Tuesday, June 30, 6:30 p.m.**

Swords & Roses was founded in 2000 by sisters Maria and Susan Romine (a.k.a. Angelique and Belle LeFleur). For five years, they served as Dance Mistresses for The Greater St. Louis Renaissance Faire. They received their stage combat experience through the Society of American Fight Directors. The singing, sword-swinging sisters have combined their many talents into a unique show of terrific entertainment. The act consists of elements of choreographed stage combat with rapiers, period-authentic costumes, comedy, singing and swashbuckling-fun.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Judith Heineman & Daniel Marcotte
### *Grimm's Grimmest: The Darker Side of Traditional Fairy Tales*



*Please note start time:*
**Tuesday, July 7, 6:00 p.m.**
What really happens after Sleeping Beauty is awakened by the Prince's kiss? They do not live happily ever after! Be prepared for a chilling dramatic performance of these striking tales, some set to music, as they were first intended for adults. The power of fright in children has been studied as a necessary and useful survival tool. Listening to narrow escapes and horrible demises in ghost stories and gothic tales strengthens human survival instincts. The imagination is primed to act in reality should these dangerous situations arise, thus justifying the enjoyment shared in hearing a good scary story. Hear a selection of the original gothic tales as told long before the stories were edited in the Victorian era. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Gabie McGarrah One-Man Band
**Tuesday, July 14, 6:30 p.m.**

With more than 45 years of musical experience, Gabie McGarrah performs music from the 1930s to the 1980s. As a one-man band, he accompanies himself with prerecorded backing tracks that he makes in his home studio. This allows him to play all the instruments himself and then to add his voice and guitar live. He'll probably be guilty of playing a small taste of flamenco also. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mark Richman
### *St Louis' Favorite Sinatra Singer*
**Tuesday, July 21, 6:00 p.m.**
*Note: Program start time is 6:00 p.m.*
Mark Richman is known as the "Big Band Sound of St. Louis." His natural singing capability and unique phrasing have earned him the reputation of St. Louis' Favorite Sinatra. He has performed as the featured singer at The Bevo Mill in St. Louis and he was also featured at The Tenderloin Room in the Chase Park Plaza. With a repertoire of more than 100 songs in the styles of Tony Bennett, Bobby Darin, Michael Buble, Dean Martin and, of course, Frank Sinatra, Mark continues to wow audiences, performing request after request. Register at 1 800-613-3163.

## Elsie Wasser
### *Genealogy Round Table*
**Wednesday, July 22, 6:30 p.m.**
Census Questions? Just beginning your family history? Have you hit a brick wall in your research? Get the answers you need with us. Spend an evening with Elsie Wasser, librarian of the Madison County Genealogical Society and learn research basics as well as interesting tidbits about the census and what you can learn from it. We will meet in the Reading Room at the downtown location on Belle Street. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## Ken Martin
### *A Musical Mix*
**August 4, 6:30 p.m.**
Ken Martin, originally from the St. Louis area, has been playing music since he was thirteen. Today he plays private bookings a well as at wineries, wine bars and upscale restaurants. Martin has opened for such performers as Kenny Rogers and the First Edition as well as Gordon Lightfoot. A self-taught musician, he performs acoustic guitar and vocals of music mostly from the 1950s, through the 1970s. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mary Anne Shulte
### *A Little Bit Dixie*
**Tuesday, August 11, 6:30 p.m.**
Mary Anne Schulte on the keyboard and Bobby Grimm playing the banjo will take us on a musical journey down south to enjoy some of our favorite Dixieland tunes. Mary Ann is one of the most versatile pianists in the St. Louis area. She has performed with the St. Louis Stompers, the St. Louis Rivermen and as a soloist throughout clubs in the St. Louis area. She is currently performing with the band "Spectrum," which Modern Bride has listed as the "top wedding band in the Midwest in 2007 and 2008." Mary Ann and Bob have been teamed up for the last two years performing as the Bob & Mary Ann duo. Bob is one of the outstanding tenor banjoists in America today. Bob has performed with many great St Louis bands including the Jazz Incredibles and the Old St Louis Levee Band (OSLLB). He joined Jeannie Kittrell and the OSLLB in 1978 aboard the Lt. Robert E. Lee, playing with the band weekly for 13 years. This evening's program will include Ragtime, Dixieland, sing-a-longs and traditional American music. Join us for an evening of upbeat music with this engaging duo. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Jerry Lavick
### *Alton's "Piano Man"*
**Tuesday, August 18, 6:30 p.m.**
Jerry Lavick, also known by many as "Alton's Piano Man," has spent his entire life in the Alton area. During the 50's and 60's he played piano locally for the Mack Howard's Skyliners Band. Currently, he plays keyboard for LCCC's Dixie Dudes and solo piano for private parties.

He also plays E-flat clarinet for the New Horizons Band. Jerry's program will feature songs by popular piano celebrities Frankie Carle, Floyd Cramer, Ray Charles, Jerry Lee Lewis and Scott Joplin; medleys from Andrew Lloyd Webber and the Beatles; and selected classical concert, Boogie-woogie, country, and Dixieland music. This variety will be enjoyed by all audience ages. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## George Portz
### *Friends of Bluegrass*
**Tuesday, September 8, 6:30 p.m.**

"George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass" is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun music. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more"…and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mazurka Wojciechowska
### *Ethnic Songs/American Music*
**Tuesday, September 15, 6:30p.m.**

Mazurka Wojciechowska is one of Chicago's leading experts in Slavic folk music. She has toured Europe and the US extensively, researching and playing music from the various Slavic countries. Today, Mazurka sings and performs in over a dozen languages. Her program "Ethic Songs/ American Music" was developed during her research years, incorporating music from both Slavic and non-Slavic countries. Though sometimes titled "For Adults Only," this program is completely family friendly and features ethic songs which became part of mainstream popular music in America during the 1940s and 1950s, including the Anniversary Waltz and the Beer Barrel Polka. Join us for a great time including a rousing sing-along. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Barry Cloyd
### *Carl Sandburg: Poet of the People*
**Thursday, September 24, 6:30 p.m.**

The brilliant poet and musician, Carl Sandburg, rose from humble beginnings as the son of an illiterate Swedish blacksmith in Galesburg, Illinois to become a two-time Pulitzer prize winner. Sandburg literally defines the essence of American life with his stunning free verse and stories. He was also a serious musicologist. This program weaves together Carl Sandburg's poetry with stories of Lincoln and American folk songs, bringing to life one of America's best loved poetic giants. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Sally Sheahan
### *Social Security: Benefits Overview*
**Tuesday, September 29, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Hayner Library Location at Alton Square Mall.*

This Social Security presentation has been designed to provide an overview of benefits. Retirement, Survivor's/Widow's benefits and Medicare benefits will be highlighted in an open forum. Many other facets of retirement benefits will be discussed such as: spouse's benefits, Medicare enrollment periods, Internet tools and the effect of wages on retirement. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## *Bow Wow*

Ann Landers once said "Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful." This advice is hard to heed after attending our monthly Bow wow Pow wow. Therapy dogs visit the Hayner library on the second Saturday of every month where kids read to the dogs or just play with them. These dogs are so loving and sweet they make everyone feel special. We are now holding our monthly meetings in the KidsSpace in the Hayner Library facility in Alton Square Mall. We meet in the Multi-Purpose Room and it is a blast. There is plenty of room for kids and dogs to spread out and visit. It's a great way to help your kids continue to grow their reading skills over the summer months Join us Saturday, June 13, July11, August 8 and September 12 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

# Special Events at Hayner

## TeenSpace
### Summer '09 Activities

- ***Teen Advisory Council (TAC)***

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so this is the group for you! Join us once a month in our new Teen-Space located in or new facility at Alton Square Mall Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas and help make the library your new hot spot to hang out! Meeting dates will be Wednesday, June 17th, Wednesday, July 15th, Wednesday, August 19th, and Wednesday, September 16th. Meeting time 4pm-5pm. Ages 12-18 welcome. Call 462-0677 ext. 2872 to register or go on line at www.haynerlibrary.org.

- ***Teen Movie Nights***

Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner Library will host a movie night exclusively for Teens! The movie will be a pg-13 new release. Pizza and soda are on the menu! Teen movie dates are Wednesday, June 24th, Wednesday, July 29th, Wednesday, August 26th, and Wednesday. September 30th.The movie will begin at 6pm. Movies will be announced two weeks before show dates. Ages 12-18 welcome. Call 462-0677 ext. 2872 to register or go online and register at www.haynerlibrary.org.

- ***Teen Video Gaming***

Calling all gamers! This event meets every other month from 1-3pm. Games include DDR, Star Rock Karaoke, Guitar Hero, Rock Band and much more! Event dates are Wednesday, June 10th, and Saturday, August 8th. Snacks provided. Ages 12-18 welcome. Call 462-0677 ext. 2872 to register or go online and register at www haynerlibrary.org.

### *Teen 2009 Summer Reading Program*
**"Read on the EXTREMELY Wild Side"**

This year teens will be invited to explore the extremely wild side of reading! All participants will have the opportunity to read for some great prizes and attend some awesome events in our new facility. Registration will kick off Saturday June 6th. The program will run approximately 4 weeks. Ages 12-18 welcome to join. Please register for all events at 462-0677 ext. 2872 or online at www.haynerlibrary.org.

**Events:**

**Saturday, June 6th Summer Reading Kick Off.** Come register and play a game of Hillbilly Golf for a chance to win a $50.00 gift card. 10am-2pm.

**Wednesday, June 10th – Teen Gaming Event.** 1-3pm in the Multi-Purpose Room.

**Wednesday, June 17th – Come see Ian Cole the Yo-Yo kid.** This is a must see! 1pm in the Multi-Purpose Room.

**Wednesday, June 17th – Teen Advisory Council Meeting.** 4-5pm in the Teen Space.

**Wednesday, June 24th – Reptile Experience.** Come meet Steve and some of the most extreme reptiles you have ever seen! 1pm in the Multi-Purpose Room.

**Wednesday, June 24th – Teen Movie Night.** 6pm in the Multi-Purpose Room., Last day to register for summer reading program.

**Week of June 29th – July 4th** – No programming. Have a safe Holiday!

**Wednesday, July 8th – World Cup Stacker Joel Brown** will come show off his awesome cup stacking abilities. A must see! 1pm Multi-Purpose Room.

**Wednesday, July 15th – End of the Summer Teen Reading Party.** Come out to Glazebrook Park and join us for a day of Extreme games by 62 Sports Group. Must be registered to attend. Fun starts at 10am. Lunch included!

**Wednesday, July 29th – Teen Movie Night.** 6pm in the Multi-Purpose Room

## *Look What's New in Our Illinois Room*

Illinois Biographical Dictionary 2008-2009 Edition IR 977.3 ILL

Great Scott! And the People Who made it Great (Scott County, Illinois) IR 977.3455 FER

We'll Always Remember IR 373.243 WEL

Handbook of Old Gallatin County (patron donation) IR 977.397 HAN

Brighton Centennial 1869-1969 IR 977.383 BRI

Corn Belt Route IR 385.09773 GRA

Staging Ritual: Hopewell Ceremonialism at the Mound House Site, Greene County, Illinois IR 977.384 BUI

Short History of the Gravel Springs Distillery and Bottling Works IR 338.77635 FAR

Never anything So Solemn: An Archaeological, Biological, and Historical Investigation of the Nineteenth-Century Grafton Cemetery IR 977.3855 NEV

Major Watersheds of Illinois (map table) IR MAPCASE 333.73 MCC

Illinois Encyclopedia 2008-2009 Edition IR 977.3 ILL

Andrees All Gemeiner Hand Atlas (parts 1 & 2) (CD) (on Illinois Room Computer)

Cram's Unrivaled Atlas of 1888 (CD) (on Illinois Room Computer)

Goshenhoppen Registers 1741-1819 IR 929.374812 GOS

Migration to South Carolina –1850 Census IR 929.3757 MOT

German and Swiss Settlers in America IR CD-ROM 929.2 GER (kept at Genealogy Desk, ask for it)

Annals of Knox County IR 977.34903 ANN

Scots-Irish Links 1575-1725 (Part four) IR 929.3415 DOB

Index of Madison County Gazetteer (patron donation) IR 917.73 ALT

History of Grafton (patron donation) IR 977.3855 HIG

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# Special Events at Hayner

## KidsSpace Summer Activities

### • Story Times

**Movers and Shakers Story Time** – Come join us for this fun and interactive story time. Meeting dates are June 8th and 22nd, July 6th and 20th. August 3rd, 17th, and 31st, September 14th and 28th at 10am. Ages 2-5. Please register by calling 462-0677 ext. 2837. Limited space available!

**Mommy and Me Story Time** – This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth thru 2. This 30 minute story time includes stories, songs, finger plays and a pint size snack. Meeting dates are June 1st, 15th, and 29th, July 13th, and 27th, August 10th and 24th, and September 21st at 10am. Please register by calling 462-0677 ext. 2837. Limited space available!

**Sleepyhead Story Hour** – Come to this story time is your favorite PJ's! Stories, songs, crafts and a bedtime snack are included. Ages 2-5. Meeting dates are June 2nd, 16th, and 30th, July 14th and 28th. August 11th and 25th, September 8th and 22nd at 6:30pm. Please register by calling 462-0677 ext. 2837. Limited space available!

### • Family Movie Night

Bring the whole family to this G-PG new release. Meeting dates are June 10th, July 8th, August 12th and September 9th. Movie starts 6pm. Snacks are on the menu! Please register by calling 462-0677 ext. 2837.

### • Family Gaming Night

The Hayner Public Library is your families gamming head quarters! Bring the family and play a variety of board and video games. Meeting dates are June 3rd, July 1st, August 5th, and September 2nd. Gaming starts at 6pm. Snacks are on the menu! Please register by calling 462-0677 ext. 2837.

### • Movie & Craft

This craft time offers kids ages 5-11 the opportunity to watch a movie, do a craft, and eat a little popcorn! The fun begins at 10am on the followings dates: June 11th, 18th, and 25th, July 2nd and 9th. Please register by calling 462-2837 ext. 2837. Limited space available!

## The 2009 Youth Summer Reading Program
## "Read on the Wild Side"

Come join the Hayner Library Summer Reading Program "Read on the Wild Side" This year's reading program is packed full of fun for kids ages birth thru 11. Register and enjoy performers, story times, craft times, movies, gaming and much more! Summer kick off and registration start Saturday, June 6th. The St. Louis Science Centers Vanasuarus will be here to help you start your summer off on the wild side! The Vanasaurus will arrive at 11am and stay until 2pm.

### Performers and Events:

**Wednesday, June 3rd** – Family Gaming Night. 6pm
**Saturday, June 6th** – St. Louis Science Center "Vanasuarus" 11am-2pm.
**Wednesday, June 10th** – Stories and Songs with Becky Long. 10am.
**Wednesday, June 10th** – Family Movie Night. 6pm
**Thursday, June 11th** – Movie & Craft. 10am.
**Wednesday June 17th** – St. Louis Zoo "Wild about Reading" 10am.
**Thursday June 18th** – Movie & Craft. 10am.
**Friday June 19th** – Outdoor Movie at Haskell Park. Starts at dusk.
**Wednesday, June 24th** – World Bird Sanctuary "Live Bird Sing Along" 10am.
**Thursday, June 25th** – Movie & Craft. 10am
*Last day to register for summer reading program.*
**Wednesday, July 1st** – Family Gaming Night. 6pm.
**Thursday, July 2nd** – Movie & Craft. 10am
*No performer week of the 4th of July. Have a safe 4th!*
**Wednesday, July 8th** – Chad Evans "Mr. Music" 10am.
**Wednesday, July 8th** – Family Movie Night. 6pm.
**Thursday, July 8th** – Movie & Craft. 10am
**Thursday, July 23rd** – End of the Summer Reading Program at Lewis and Clark College Commons Building. 6-8pm. All registered participants who complete at least 6 hrs. of reading will be invited to join us for snacks, prizes, pictures, bounce houses, and one giant slide!

• *All summer events require registration.*
*To register for a performers or story times call 462-0677 ext. 2837.*

### • Special Events

**Movers and Shakers Special Story Time**- The Hayner Public Library invites Beth Smilack and her puppet Bebo to the new kidsSpace for "Signs, Say and Play Workshop". The fun begins at 10am on June 8th and 22nd. Beth will also be here for one Sleepyhead Story Hour on Tuesday, June 30th at 6:30pm. Ages 2-5. Please register at 433-2837. Limited space available!

### Haskell Park Outdoor Movie Event

The Hayner Public Library along with The Friends of Haskell Park and Duke Bakery will be hosting an outdoor movie night event on Friday, June 19th at Haskell Park. Outdoor Cinema Events will be showing the movie "The Sound of Music Sing Along" the fun starts at dusk. This is a free program! Don't forget to bring your chair or blanket! Refreshments will be available for purchase.

## New & Forthcoming Books

***--Nonfiction***

**Apter, Terri.** What Do You Want from Me? Learning to Get Along with In-Laws

**Baime, A. J.** Go Like Hell: Ford, Ferrari, and their Battle for Speed and Glory at Le Mans

**Bass, Rick.** The Wild Marsh

**Bittman, Mark.** Mark Bittman's Kitchen Express: 404 inspired Seasonal Dishes You Can Make in 20 Minutes or Less

**Blanchard, Ken.** Who Killed Change?

**Block, Lawrence.** Step-by-Step: A Memoir

**Cox, Patsi Bale.** The Garth Factor: The Career Behind Country's Big Boom

**Eldred, Gary W.** Trump University Real Estate 101: Building Wealth With Real Estate Investments

**Ferrazzi, Keith.** Who's Got your Back: How to Find the People in Your Life Who Will Pick You Up, Tell You the Truth, and Kick Your Butt (When You Need it)

**Foxworthy, Jeff.** How to Really Stink at Work: A Guide to Making Yourself Fire-Proof While Having the Most Fun Possible

**Gardner, Chris.** Start Where You Are: Life Lessons in the Pursuit of Happyness

**Gavin, James.** Stormy Weather: The Life of Lena Horne

**Hasselbeck, Elizabeth.** The G-Free Diet: A Gluten-Free Survival Guide

**Hemingway, Ernest.** A Moveable Feast: The Restored Edituon

**Johnson, Jeff.** Tattoo Machine: Tall Tales, True Stories, and My Life in Ink

**Katz, Jon.** Soul of a Dog

**King, Larry.** My Remarkable Journey

**Lilly, Chris.** Big Bob Gibson's BBQ Book: Recipes and Secrets from a Legendary Barbecue Joint

**Martin, Wednesday.** Stepmonster: A New Look at Why Real Stepmothers Think, Feel and Act the Way We Do

**Maxwell, John C.** How Successful People Think: Change Your Thinking, Change Your Life

**Mediate, Rocco & Feinstein, John.** Are You Kidding Me? The Story of Rocco Mediate's Extraordinary Battle With Tiger Woods at the US Open

**Miller, Robin.** Robin Rescues Dinner: 52 Weeks of Quick-Fix Meals, 350 Recipes, and a Realistic Plan to Get Weeknight Dinners on the Table

**Neely, Patrick and Gina.** Down Home with the Neelys: A Southern Family Cookbook

**Nelson, Craig.** Rocket Men: The Triumph and Tragedy of the First Americans on the Moon

**Rico, Johnny.** Border Crosser: One Gringo's Illicit Passage from Mexico into America

**Snyderman, Nancy.** Diet Myths That Keep Us Fat

**Starobin, Paul.** After America: Life After the American Century

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Cupcakes

**Tye, Larry.** Satchel: The Life and Times of an American Legend

**Waldman, Ayelet.** Bad mother: A Chronicle of Maternal Crimes, Minor Calamities, and Occasional Moments of Grace

**Wasik, Bill.** And Then There's This: How Stories Live and Die in Viral Culture

***--Fiction***

**Brockmann, Suzanne.** Hot Pursuit

**Brookner, Anita.** Strangers

**Brown, Dale.** Rogue Forces

**Burke, James Lee.** In the Valley of Ancient Rain Gods

**Cook, Robin.** Intervention

**Coulter, Catherine.** Knockout

**Cussler, Clive.** Medusa: A Novel From the NUMA Files

**Davidson, MaryJanice.** Undead and Unwelcome

**Deaver, Jeffery.** Roadside Crosses: A Kathryn Dance Novel

**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** Resurrecting Midnight

**Evanovich, Janet.** Finger Lickin' Fifteen

**Gardner, Lisa.** The Neighbor

**Green, Jane.** Dune Road

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Skin Trade: An Anita Blake Vampire Hunter Novel

**Harris, E. Lynn.** Blame It On the Sun

**Hoffman, Alice.** The Story Sisters

**Howard, Linda.** Burn

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Trust No One

**Koontz, Dean.** Relentless

**Larsson, Stieg.** The Girl Who Played With Fire

**Lescroart, John.** A Plague of Secrets

**Lindsey, Jeff.** Dexter by Design

**Lindsey, Johanna.** A Rogue of My Own

**Lustbader, Eric.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Deception

**Margolin, Phillip.** The Fugitive

**Palmer, Diana.** Heartless

**Patterson, James.** Swimsuit

**Pearson, Ridley.** Killer Summer

**Reich, Christopher.** Rules of Vengeance

**Reichs, Kathy.** 206 Bones

**Rice, Luanne.** The Deep Blue Sea for Beginners

**Roberts, Nora.** Black Hills

**Rollins, James.** The Doomsday Key

**Rosenberg, Nancy Taylor.** The Cheater

**See, Lisa.** Shanghai Girls

**Silva, Daniel.** The Defector

**Slaughter, Karin.** Genesis

**Steel, Danielle.** Matters of the Heart

**Turtledove, Harry.** Hitler's War

**Updike, John.** My Father's Tears and Other Stories

**Vincenzi, Penny.** The Best of Times

**White, Stephen.** The Man in the Tomb

## MISSION RECOGNITION

Mission: Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location.

The following awards were announced for the contributions of kids recognized during the first quarter of 2009.

In March, Jaquesz Sanders found $40 on the floor of his classroom. Rather than keep the money, which he easily could have done, he told his teacher and turned the money in to the assistant principal Jaquesz showed excellent judgment and certainly deserves to be recognized for doing the right thing.

When Blake Unterbrink, now 9 years old, received stitches in the Emergency Room of Alton Memorial four years ago, he was given a teddy bear to take home and help Blake to feel better. This past January, Blake's little brother Braden had to go to the emergency room also for stitches, but there were no bears for him to take home. Blake knew how disappointed his little brother was (they stopped on the way home and found one for him at Dollar General) and he felt badly that other children may be disappointed also. He emptied his piggy bank and raised enough money from family and friends to allow him to purchase 60 more bears for the hospital. He plans to raise more "bear money" by selling baked goods at a yard sale over the summer. Blake's efforts have helped many kids find their visit to the emergency room to be more bearable- Great job, Blake!

## *LearningExpress Library*

**Free online resource for job search skills, career preparation, college practice tests, plus more.**

Turn to Hayner Library during the country's troubled economic times where you will find many free resources to help you with job searching, improving your career, plus more. One important tool is Hayner's online resource, **LearningExpress Library**. With just a click of the mouse, you have access to interactive skill-building courses and a broad range of practice tests. **LearningExpress Library** can help you create a better resume and cover letter, get job search and interview tips, and learn how to network.

**LearningExpress Library** is a one-stop source for effective online test preparation and skills-building for students and professionals. By simply logging on through Hayner Library's website, your library card gives you access to over 100 online practice tests, interactive tutorials, and E-books. There are practice tests for the GED, ACT, SAT, GRE, AP, ASVAB, and more. Professional certification tests include Real Estate, Law Enforcement, EMT, Postal Worker, Firefighters, Nursing, and Teaching. Once you have taken a practice test, immediate test scoring is provided with explanations of the answers to all questions, and there is the opportunity to take tests and tutorials multiple times.

Whether you are searching for the right job, trying to improve your career, or preparing for college, **LearningExpress Library** is the resource you will want to put at the top of your list. Access is available in the library, or remotely through Hayner's website at www.haynerlibrary.org. Just click on ***Online Resources*** and then choose **LearningExpress Library**. For more information, please contact your Reference Librarian at the Alton Square Mall location, or by calling 618-462-0677.

## *Men Make School More Fun at Head Start*

Nets were swooshing, bodies were flying, the buzzer was buzzing, and fans were cheering at the first Head Start Dads Basketball Championship this spring. Riverbend Head Start & Family Services created the county-wide basketball tournament to promote positive male involvement in childrens' preschool education.

The Essie Robinson Head Start Center in Alton had so many men sign up to play that they had to have their own tournament at East Elementary School in March to see which of the two teams would represent the center in the county-wide tournament in April at Madison Middle School Over 200 family, friends and folks from the community showed up to watch and cheer

In the end, the Edwardsville Head Start Center and Venice Head Start Center teams faced off in the championship game. Venice took home the traveling trophy by winning 58-32.

More than 60 dads and father figures of Head Start preschoolers in Madison County played basketball for bragging rights this spring. Hundreds of friends, family and community members showed up to cheer for their favorite team, dad or father figure at East Elementary and again at Madison Middle School. At Madison, students ran a concession stand and the school's Coach McFarland served as the referee.

The tournament also give families a chance to socialize with one another at a high spirited event, a rare occasion for many due to low-income, lack of transportation, or an inability to access free, safe family-friendly activities in their communities. Even more rare is for families to travel from the northern end of the county to the southern end for an event.

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services enrolls over 1,300 qualifying babies, toddlers and preschoolers in its child development programs each year. Head Start is one of those programs with over 800 children enrolled Parent Involvement is a cornerstone of the program which strives to teach children and strengthen the whole family in order to prepare kids for success in kindergarten and life.

The Championship game may not have been quite like The Final Four of the NCAA or the NBA Championship Series, but it sure had a positive impact on little kids and their families all over Madison County.

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is a non-profit organization that provides child development and counseling services to thousands of children and families in Madison County Through its programs like Head Start the agency enables children and families to develop positive skills to meet life's challenges Created in 1965, Head Start is the most successful, longest-running, national school readiness program in the United States. It provides comprehensive education, health, nutrition, and parent involvement services to qualifying children and their families. The Hayner Public Library District is proud to partner with Head Start on many of their literacy progams.

## *Ferguson's Career Guidance Center*

**The Essential Career Online Resource Serving Job-Seekers of All Ages.**
*Interested in learning how to prepare for a particular career? Looking for interview tips? Need help with job hunting tips?*

Whether you are changing careers, needing to find a job, or choosing a career for the first time, get the details on today's job market with **Ferguson's Career Guidance Center**. This online resource is the place to start to find up-to-date information on more than 3,300 jobs and 94 industries. Included are web links and information on other resources to help you select, plan and advance your career

**Ferguson's Career Guidance Center** provides information on career descriptions, job duties, salary range employment prospects, education and training requirements, tips for getting the job, and more There are over 250 videos on topics such as preparing for a job interview and job hunting strategies, along with videos on jobs and developing workplace skills.

**Ferguson's Career Guidance Center** is made available through Hayner Public Library. To access, go to www haynerlibrary.org and click on Online Resources Choose **Ferguson's Career Guidance Center** found under the heading Careers and Job Center For further information, please contact your Librarian by calling 618-462 0677, or visiting us at the library. Whatever your career questions may be, **Ferguson's Career Guidance Center** is an online resource you will want to use.

## *Patron Profile: Karen McAtee*

It seems as if everyone knows Karen McAtee and Karen knows everyone! Well, maybe not everyone…it just seems that way.

It is immediately apparent that the warm and outgoing Karen is a people person, and this is reflected in her career success, volunteerism and close family relationships.

Karen, a native of the Alton area, attended East Alton Wood River High School, after which she worked at Germania Savings and Loan. Karen remained at Germania for 16 years, rising from teller to Chief Accountant

While working at Germania, Karen attended industry classes to grow her knowledge. She completed a degree that gained her a teaching position at Lewis and Clark Community College for 11 years. At the college she taught "Savings and Loan Principles" and "Principles of Banking" while simultaneously advancing through the ranks at Germania.

Karen accepted a position at Home Savings and Loan as Vice President and Treasurer. She was at Home Savings and Loan for seven years. After marrying, she moved to Kirksville, Missouri where she lived for one year before returning to the Alton area. At that time, she took a temporary job with Jim Schrempf, Alton City Attorney.

Anxious for full-time employment, Karen hired into MIPCO, First National Bank of Alton's processing center, as a part of their business development group. However, Karen missed the banking business and accepted a position with MidAmerica Bank (now Regions) and became Vice President/Center Manager in 1984. In 2004, Karen accepted a position as Vice President/Center Manager at TheBANK of Edwardsville at their Alton Center. The locally owned bank gave her the opportunity to serve her customers with a more personal touch.

Karen notes that the banking industry has changed dramatically for women since she entered the industry in 1963. There were very few women in banking positions, other than tellers, and Karen recalls multiple instances of discrimination as she was moving forward in her career. Today, however, the banking industry is much more evenly balanced in the workforce and women now have equal career opportunities

Karen says that the banking industry has come full circle in defining industry objectives. When Karen first started at Germania, the number one priority of every bank employee was customer service. Over time, the industry focus changed and volume sales of specific products became the critical performance evaluation criteria. Today, most banks have returned to a customer service focus, tailoring financial products and solutions to the customer's very specific needs.

Karen has always conducted business based on the premise that the bank's bottom line will be fine if you can provide financial proposals that fit the individual customer's specific needs. When Karen first started, a bank's business revenue was based on sales of three components: checking accounts, savings accounts and loans. Today, there is a wide variety of options and services a bank can offer to its customers, facilitating Karen's goal to provide her customers with a truly personal banking experience.

Besides her job, Karen also stays busy with her community involvement. She has been a member of the Riverbend Growth Association for 20 years. She serves on several committees for the Growth Association including the Women's Conference Committee, the Young Adults Committee and acting as a Growth Association Ambassador. She has served previously on the Association's Board of Directors. Karen has found working with the Young Adults Committee to be very satisfying and rewarding. This committee consists of two students from six local high schools who are mentored for community service, learning the value of giving back to their communities. Karen occasionally runs into past students she has mentored and finds that they did retain many of the skills that were practiced when they were on the committee. One student is an attorney, one a banker and one runs a large hotel.

Karen has received several Chairman Awards from the Growth Association. She has been recognized as Volunteer of the Year and Ambassador of the Year by the Growth Association and received several awards for her work with the Young Adults Committee.

Karen volunteers with the Community Hope Center (a crisis help center for people in need.) Her involvement with the Community Hope Center is planning a "Reflections of Style" (a women's fair) on July 30 at the Holiday Inn in Alton. She is involved with SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) and Saints Peter and Paul Church where she is a greeter, Eucharistic minister and Treasurer of the Altar Society.

Karen was recognized as a Women of Distinction by the Soroptimists International in 1996 and recognized again in 2001 by the YWCA as a Woman of Distinction.

Karen loves her volunteer work and plans to continue it even after retirement. Not only is it rewarding and of great value to the community, but Karen says it keeps her young to stay involved with people.

Karen's husband, Frank McAtee, is a real estate appraiser and consultant. She credits him as a constant source of encouragement in the early years of her career, but now he would be happy if she would slow down a little – something she is just not quite ready to do. Married 26 years, Frank and Karen raised a blended family of six children, 12 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Family is most important in Karen's life, and with all the kids living in the area (except one daughter) "family holidays are crazy- and so much fun" she says. Karen's mother still lives in the area and they enjoy vacations at the Lake of the Ozarks and Florida every year.

Karen is an avid reader (and she LOVES the new Hayner Library at the Alton Square Mall) and rarely misses her weekly visits to the library with one or more of her grandchildren.

Thank you, Karen, for your many contributions to our community – the Riverbend is certainly lucky to have you!

## *Jazz in the Park Concert Series*

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with The North Alton Godfrey Business Council and the Village of Godfrey Parks and Recreation Department to present a series of musical entertainment to be enjoyed under the stars. All concerts are free of charge and will start at 7:00 p.m. All three programs will take place at the Whispering Winds Gazebo in Glazebrook Park, Godfrey, IL. In the event of rain, the concerts will take place in the Alton High School Auditorium, 4200 Humbert Rd., Alton, IL. Bring a blanket or your lawn chairs and enjoy a great summer evening. The schedules include the following performances:

- Wednesday, June 17, *"Shades of Blue"* Jazz Ensemble
- July 15, *Gary Dammer Big Band*
- August 12, *Sentimental Journey Big Band*

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## *2009 Adult Summer Reading Program June 6 – July 18*

If reading and eating are two of your favorite things, Hayner's Adult Summer Reading Program is for you! From June 6th to July 18th, for every book or audio book you read or listen to, you earn a chance to win $100.00 in great restaurant gift certificates. Every time you finish a book or audio book, fill out an entry form and drop it off at Hayner's Downtown or Alton Square customer service desk. The more you read, the more chances to win! The rules are so easy: you must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; register at the Downtown or Alton Square Library's customer service desk to participate and pick up additional forms. Grand prize drawing for these wonderful gift certificates will be held on Saturday, July 18th. Come on – it couldn't be easier. Here's an entry form to get you started!

### Hayner Adult Summer Reading Program

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Book Title and Author:

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## *Business Resources at Hayner*

Hayner Staff Reference librarians have compiled titles and call numbers of the hundreds of resources available at the downtown and Alton Square Mall locations to help you find business resources to fit your specific needs. These resources range from print materials to CDs to various websites, electronic databases, software, investment resources, business forms and much more. The information is categorized as:

- Business reference resources
- Starting Specific Types of Small Businesses
- Business materials acquired due to donations made by the Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423
- Business Sources in Circulation
- Job and Career Resources (this list is available in both hardcopy and on our website at www.haynerlibrary.org)

Pick up copies of this information at the Reference Desk at The Hayner Library location in Alton Square Mall.

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Things to Know...
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or if you would like to be added to the mailing list or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Labor Day - September 6 & 7
Veteran's Day - November 11
Thanksgiving Day - November 26

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## *World Class Show*

***Compliments of The Hayner Public Library District***

Earlier in 2009, The Hayner Public Library was awarded a grant by the Illinois States Attorney General. The grant, among other activities, will allow the library to sponsor the Jabali Acrobats for a free public appearance on Thursday, October 29th at Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College. The performance will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Jabali African Acrobats

Originating in Mombasa, Kenya, these talented acrobats/artists have thrilled audiences of all ages with their unique display of athleticism, art, movement, and acrobatic majesty.

This breathtaking performance exemplifies the link between athletics and the arts as incredible acrobatics, contortions, tumbling, human pyramids, and chair balancing turn to dance with the Congo Snake Dance, the Flamingo Limbo Bar Dance and Skip Rope Footwork techniques, as well as comedy all to electrifying music. Audience participation is always included.

These extraordinary athletes provide positive role models as they explain the dedication and discipline needed to develop the skill and excellence they have reached in their careers.

With in-your-face excitement, the Jabali Acrobats guarantee a motivational and high-energy performance accenting youth and positive thinking.

Performances include *"Late Night with David Letterman"*, Toronto Children's Festival, Universoul Circus, numerous NBA and college half-time performances, and a special invitation to perform for President Clinton in the White House. Jabali also tours regularly with the Harlem Globetrotters.

## *Meet a World-Famous Author and Humanitarian*

The Hayner Public Library District, in partnership with The Alton Regional Convention and Visitor's Bureau, ConocoPhillips, Junior League of Greater Alton, Lewis & Clark Community College, Principia College, and the Simmons Law Firm, will sponsor a book signing and author discussion with Greg Mortenson on Friday, October 9, 2009. Mr. Mortenson's book *Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace…One School at a Time*, has been nominated for the 2009 Nobel Peace Prize. This book details Mortenson's journey in Pakistan, beginning with his becoming sick and lost while climbing a mountain and continuing with his building first a school, and then an institute, all with the goals of educating children and paying back the kindness he was shown.

Mortenson is a living hero to rural communities of Afghanistan and Pakistan, where he has gained the trust of Islamic leaders, military commanders, government officials and tribal chiefs from his tireless efforts to champion education, especially for girls. As of 2009, Mortenson has established more than 90 schools in volatile regions of Pakistan and Afghanistan that provide education and promote peace to 34,000 children.

Excerpts of the letter nominating Mortenson to the Norwegian Nobel Committee, written by Congressman Mary Bono Mack (R-Ca.), include "Mr. Mortenson's life work is remarkable. He has overcome great adversity, escaping brutality and death, to continue his commitment to providing educational opportunities to children,

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**MEET A WORLD-FAMOUS AUTHOR AND HUMANITARIAN (Cont.)**

especially girls, living in Pakistan and Afghanistan. As we well know, educating females in these countries remains controversial. Mr. Mortenson understands the tremendous positive, peaceful impacts that educated girls and women have on societies around the world. He advocates girls' education as the key to economic development and peace and he continues to fight to make this possible where it otherwise may not be achieved .He brings with him the courage and compassion few others have to bridge cultural differences and help countries build better societies."

The book's central theme, derived from a Baltistan proverb, rings loud and clear. "The first time you share tea with a Balti, you are a stranger," a villager tells Mortenson. "The second time, you are an honored guest. The third time, you become family." An inspirational story of one man's efforts to address poverty, educate children and overcome cultural divides reveals the enormous obstacles inherent in becoming such "family". The book has been on the *New York Times* best seller list for more than 130 weeks

Participating sponsors of this event will provide copies of *Three Cups of Tea*, Young Readers edition, to all fourth-grade students from Alton public and private schools. On October 9 the students will be bused to the Alton Amphitheatre to be addressed by Mr. Mortenson at 12 45 p.m. At 2:00 p.m., October 9, Mr. Mortenson will address the general public and will be available for book signings. Do not miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to meet a Nobel Prize nominee, best-selling author and world-renowned humanitarian. This program is free to the public.

*Major funding for the Greg Mortenson visit is provided by the Principia College's Annenberg Visiting Scholar Program*

## Welcome to a New Board Member

In June, Dave Schmalbeck joined The Hayner Public Library District Board of Trustees. Dave's current commitment is to complete a two-year term. Dave and his wife, Alice, are Alton residents and have two sons, Will, 12, and Andy, 9. Dave is an employee of the Boeing Corporation in St. Louis, Missouri. He and his wife and sons are all active and enthusiastic library users. Welcome, Dave, and thank you for serving the District!

## Employee of the Month

In May, 2009, **Sharon Schaefer** was recognized as the Hayner Library Employee of the Month. Sharon provides library reference services at the Hayner Library facility at Alton Square Mall. Sharon started working as a reference librarian with Hayner in 2005. She also completed a Master's in Library Science and Information Technology from University of Missouri-Columbia in 2005. Sharon lives in Staunton and has two grown sons.

**Reynae Womack** was recognized as the June 2009 Employee of the Month. Reynae was first employed by the Hayner Library in 1992 and has had a variety of positions. Currently she supports the Hayner Library Adult Programming series and also provides cataloging services. Reynae lives in East Alton, IL. She has two grown sons and is excitedly anticipating the birth of her first grandchild, later this year.

**Mary Cordes** was recognized as the July 2009 Employee of the Month. Mary started working at the library when in high school as a page. She continued working at the library on a full-time basis, and, for several years, she worked as the manager of the former Branch facility in Alton Square Mall. She is now manager of the Hayner Downtown Library.

## Food for Fines

In past years, we have waived current fines on Hayner material if you contributed a nonperishable food item for each fine during a holiday time amnesty period. The past couple of years we have decided to start spreading the holiday spirit a little early, sponsoring the program in October. It was very successful, and we have decided to repeat the October scheduling of the program.

From October 1 through October 31, 2009, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine and Hayner materials only. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community

There are several reasons we decided to move up the fine amnesty program. During the holidays, many different organizations support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but as we get wrapped up in our everyday lives, we sometimes forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are hoping this amnesty calendar change can help people immediately without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity". It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

Perhaps you have some Hayner material that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center, but it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

## Click and Save

**Hang on to more of your cash with the help of three websites:**

- Dealalerter.com tracks prices on tons of items and alerts you when the price drops.
- Mygrocerydeals.com scans store circulars every week in all 50 states; you can search for sales at your local grocery store.
- Retailmenot.com helps you find coupon codes for discounts on online purchases.

## New Procedures for Computer Use Sign-up

With the renovations of the library facility at Alton Square Mall, the library has included several new technologies. One is a CASSIE system to electronically manage sign up and use of the public computers.

CASSIE is an automated system that will manage public computer use and printing throughout the Hayner Public Library District. CASSIE relieves the patron of having to sign up for the computers at the circulation desk and of having to wait for staff to retrieve and collect payment of printed materials.

To use the public computers you need a valid library card and a PIN number. The library card can be issued by any library in the Lewis and Clark library system. If your library is not a member of the Lewis and Clark Library System, you can sign in as a guest to use the computers. This requires showing a driver's license or photo ID to the staff at the circulation desk, and staff will provide you with a guest ID. Select an open computer and sign in with your library card barcode number and PIN number. For first-time users, PIN numbers can be obtained from circulation desk staff. If all the computers are in use, you can reserve the next available computer with your library card. Computer usage will be allotted in one-hour sessions. Your computer will let you know when you are nearing the end of your session so that you can save your work. If there are no reservations from other users, you can continue working.

To print your work, at the public use printer/copier, enter your barcode and PIN number. Printing and copies are $.15 per page for black and white and $.30 per page for color. Library staff at the circulation desk will be happy to help you if you have any questions.

You can also bring in your own laptop (Windows, Mac OS, Linux) or PDA and access the Hayner Library wireless network.

## Teacher Workshop

### Introduction to Hayner Library Databases

Hayner Library offers many subscription databases through our online resources which are useful to teachers/educators and students. To help you learn more about these databases, Hayner Library is pleased to offer a workshop specifically designed for teachers and educators. During the workshop, you will:

- Learn to navigate and search in the databases
- Learn how to find ideas for science fair projects and art projects
- Learn where to find primary source documents for papers
- Explore hot topics in politics and government
- Learn where to find practice tests for skills remediation and academic tests
- Learn where to go for homework help
- Explore curriculum tools and special features of the databases

Sign up now for the first Teacher Workshop. (Teachers, you may want to check with your administrator to get CPDU credits for this workshop.)

**Date: Saturday, October 3**
**Time: 9 to 10 a.m.**
**Location: Multipurpose Room at**
**Hayner Public Library at Alton Square Mall**

Come join us for a light breakfast and a morning of empowering your knowledge base! For reservations and further information, contact Hayner Library Reference Department at 462-0677, ext.2843.

## ARTEAST Behind-the-Scenes Studio Tour Meet Local Artists - See Them At Work

Now in its 12th year, ARTEAST offers unique, behind-the-scenes, one-on-one visits with Madison County artists at work in their studios October 17 and 18, 11 AM-5 PM. Local painters, potters, jewelers, photographers, and others, will be showcasing their diverse works and answering questions about their inspiration and techniques: Small-town friendliness meets talented artists - all the charm of the city art scene, but with a lot less traffic

ARTEAST is hosting 150 artists this year at 50 different sites spanning Madison County, including locations in Alton, Bethalto, Collinsville, Edwardsville, Glen Carbon, Godfrey, Granite City, Highland, and Maryville.

Jacoby Arts Center will host an ARTEAST preview exhibit "Small Works", free of charge and open to the public, which will run from October 9 through November 15. Works will be offered for sale -- it's never too early to start your special-gift holiday shopping! The show will open on Friday evening, October 9, with a reception for the artists from 5-8 PM. The Jacoby is located at 627 E. Broadway in Alton, Illinois.

For additional information go to www.arteasttour.com or call 618-462-5222.

## Bring Us Your Computer Questions

Although the computer classes offered through Hayner Library have already filled for the fall session, we already know that we will be offering classes again, beginning in March of 2010. The topics we are prepared to offer next spring include Microsoft Office applications (Word and Excel 2007); computer maintenance (installing memory; swapping out drives, etc.); and social networking (Internet and email). Throughout the year, we will be offering computer help on a one-on-one basis for beginning users. These sessions will be held the first Friday of every month, from 9 a.m. through noon. A patron can drop by the Mall library at any time between those hours, look for the person wearing a button with a red rose (representing our own House of 'Tutor'), and get answers to almost any question they may have about using computers.

If you already know that you would like to enroll in one of the classes we'll be offering in the spring, please call 462-0677, Ext. 2830 to be put on our waiting list. In the meantime, may I suggest two online sites that are good for self-help with computers and computer programs:

1. www.gcflearnfree.org is a site that offers a variety of classes. It is totally free, and, if you register with them, even more lessons become available to you. Look for the button over on the right that will link you specifically to computers.

2. www.office.microsoft.com did a fairly nice job of putting help out on the Internet for their products. Look at the top of the website for the "Help and How To" tab, click on it, and then, in the next window, type in a keyword for that topic. (That search box is near the top of the website, on the left.)

We look forward to hearing from you and especially to seeing you enrolled in our classes!

## *Homework's Here... So is Help!*

Teachers/Educators, Students, Parents! Explore some of the education-friendly online resources that Hayner Library offers. The following subscription databases are particularly useful for course work in all grade levels.

- **Ferguson's Career Guidance Center.** Useful for career and occupational exploration. Detailed, cited articles created by the Department of Education on more than 3,000 jobs and 94 industries. Also offers information on college planning and financial aid; and job searching and resume writing.
- **Issues & Controversies (Facts On File).** Ideal for papers and debate preparation – Pro/Con cited articles. Great for understanding current events by exploring hot topics in politics, government, business, education, and popular culture. A wealth of information for students working on any research project. Curriculum tools available.
- **World News Digest (Facts On File).** Valuable resource for domestic and international news events/stories from 1940 through today. Covers all major political, social, and economic events since 1940. Offers primary source documents and special research features. Curriculum tools available.
- **Learning Express Library.** Online academic and career practice tests. Practice tests include ACT, SAT, AP, GED, and more. Skill improvement tests in math, reading, writing, and grammar for elementary, middle and high school students. Test score report gives explanations to right and wrong answers.
- **Smarthinking Online Tutoring.** Online tutoring 24 hours a day. Geared for secondary students and up. Qualified E-instructors offer help in math, anatomy, biology, chemistry, physics, economics, accounting, Spanish, and writing.
- **Gale Reference Databases.** Choose from multiple subject databases for full-text articles within a certain topic. Here you will find *General Reference Center; History Resource Center; Science Resource Center; Junior Reference;* and *Student Reference*.
- **NoveList K-8 Plus.** Online reader's advisory service with fiction and nonfiction titles specifically selected to support school curriculum, as well as pleasure reading, for elementary and middle school students. School media specialists, teachers and parents interested in helping kids locate age-appropriate books will appreciate the features and content found in this database.

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## Hayner Downtown Library Events

*The weather is turning cooler but not as cool as the great entertainment made available to you by The Hayner Public Library District. These events are great for all ages and they're all free of charge. Programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otheru ise stated, the following programs are all held at the Hayner Downtown Library, 326 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois.*

**REMINDER**: Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Mall Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL*

**Saturday, September 12**
**Saturday, October 10**
**Saturday, November 14**
**Saturday, December 12**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### George Portz
### *Friends of Bluegrass*

**Tuesday, September 8, 6:30 p.m.**

"George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass" is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun music. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more"...and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mazurka Wojciechowska
### *Ethnic songs/ American Music*

**Tuesday, September 15, 6:30 p.m.**

Mazurka Wojciechowska is one of Chicago's leading experts in Slavic folk music. She has toured Europe and the US extensively, researching and playing music from the various Slavic countries. Today, Mazurka sings and performs in over a dozen languages. Her program "Ethic Songs/American Music" was developed during her research years, incorporating music from both Slavic and non-Slavic countries. Though sometimes titled "For Adults Only," this program is completely family friendly and features ethnic songs which became part of mainstream popular music in America during the 1940s and 1950s, including "The Anniversary Waltz" and the "Beer Barrel Polka". Join us for a great time including a rousing sing-along. Register at 1-800-613-3163

### Barry Cloy
### *Carl Sandburg: Poet of the People*

**Thursday, September 24, 6:30 p.m.**

The brilliant poet and musician Carl Sandburg rose from humble beginnings as the son of an illiterate Swedish blacksmith in Galesburg, Illinois, to become a two-time Pulitzer Prize winner. Sandburg literally defines the essence of American life with his stunning free verse and stories. He was also a serious musicologist. This program weaves together Carl Sandburg's poetry with stories of Lincoln and American folk songs, bringing to life one of America's best-loved poetic giants. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Sally Sheahan
### *Social Security: Benefits Overview*

**Tuesday, September 29, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Multi-*

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*purpose Room in the Hayner Library location at Alton Square Mall.*

This Social Security presentation has been designed to provide an overview of benefits Retirement, Survivor's/Widow's benefits and Medicare benefits will be highlighted in an open forum. Many other facets of retirement benefits will be discussed such as: spouse's benefits, Medicare enrollment periods, Internet tools and the effect of wages on retirement. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Ann Davidson & Barbara Kramer
### *Impressionism in Art and Music*
**Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 p.m.**

***Note:** This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

Immerse yourself in the music and art of the masters of the Impressionist movement that rocked Europe and America in the late 19th century. Live piano music featuring works by Debussy, Delius, Griffes and Ravel will be accompanied by slides of stunning art by Monet, Gauguin, Renoir and Rodin. The program will be presented by Barbara Kramer, a Piano Instructor for the Lewis & Clark Community College (L&C) Music Department, and Ann Davidson, Instructor and Coordinator in the Lewis & Clark Art Department. Register at 1-800-613-3162.

## Greg Mortenson
### *Three Cups of Tea*
Friday, October 9, 2:00 p.m.

Nominated for the Noble Prize for Peace and best-selling author, Greg Mortenson will be discussing his work in Pakistan and Afghanistan, establishing schools for the children of these volatile countries. This event will be held in the Alton Amphitheatre, and Mr. Mortenson will also be available to sign copies of his book (see cover article)

## Visiting Nurse Association
### *Flu Clinic*
Saturday, October 10,
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The VNA of Southern Illinois will be at the Hayner Downtown Library to deliver flu and pneumonia vaccines. Flu shots are $30 and pneumonia shots are $45. Cash or checks are accepted. The following insurance providers are also accepted: Medicare Part B, GHP, Mercy Premier, Essence and Health Alliance. This clinic will be held at the Hayner Downtown Library at 326 Belle St., Alton.

## Serengeti Steve
### *The Reptile Experience*
**Tuesday, October 13, 6:00 p.m.**

**Note: Performance start time is 6:00 p.m.**

Experience the excitement of having a reptile show come to you! This unique and thrilling program lets you meet some of the world's largest and scariest reptiles (in a totally safe environment). With over 20 years of experience, Serengeti Steve has raised and maintained over 50 species of exotic snakes, lizards, monitors, tarantulas and scorpions, all of which have brought about The Reptile Experience. Christ Balish, host of "Show Me St. Louis" on Channel 5 has said "You've heard of Steve Irwin, 'The Crocodile Hunter'...well, Serengeti Steve is St. Louis' version." Steve has also been featured on FOX 2 News. Join us for a program filled with surprises and laughter—for kids of all ages. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Cynthia Campbell
### *Special Ed is Down the Hall*
Saturday, October 17, 1:00-2:00 p.m.

*This book signing will be held at Hayner Library in the Alton Square Mall.*

October 16 is National Disability Day and in recognition of the many accomplishments of people with disabilities, Hayner will sponsor a book signing featuring the poetry of Marlin D. Thomas as compiled by his mother, Cynthia A. Campbell. This volume of poetry, published posthumously, is entitled "Special Ed is Down the Hall." Marlin was a talented and artistic young man who chronicled in poetry his life dealing with disabilities in poetry. Marlin died in October 2005, but not before forging great advancements in national programs and organizations to allow disabled people to live as independently as possible; not to be forced by environmental, economic or governmental constraints to live lives dependent on others. His mother will have copies of the book available for purchase and will be signing the books.

## Genealogy Roundtable
**Wednesday, October 21, 6:30 p.m.**

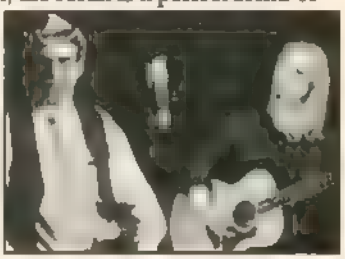
Greg Zelinski, local Civil War reenactor will entertain us with stories of how things really happened in the Civil War. If you have Civil War soldiers in your family history, or if you are simply interested in Civil War history, you will want to be sure and join us. Learn about customs of the day and details of the military uniforms the soldiers wore. Join us on Wednesday, October 21, at 6:30 p.m., in downtown Alton. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## Red Haired Boys
### *An Evening of Blue Grass*
Thursday, October 22, 6:30 p.m.

The Red Haired Boys, a Bluegrass family from Marine, Ill., have been performing publicly for fourteen years throughout the bistate area. The last five years, they have concentrated on Blue Grass Music. Dad, Dan, leads the group on guitar. The three boys are all students. Tim (mandolin) is 25 years old and a Conservatory Theater student at Webster University in St. Louis. Todd (banjo) is 23 and a Vocal Performance/Music Education student, also at Webster University, and Tyler (fiddle), at 19 years, studies Violin Performance/ Music Education at Webster University. Come enjoy an evening of great music by this immensely talented family. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Andina & Rich
### *Because We Can*
Tuesday, October 27, 6:30 p.m.

When the folk/pop/satirical singer and songwriter Sandy Andina gets together with the friendly neighborhood yodeling cowboy Stephen Lee Rich, the result is a perfect blend of the contemporary and the traditional. Their musical diversity ranges from romantic



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standards such as "A Fine Romance" to their co-authored, gospel-influenced tune "You Can't Do It All On Your Own." While each has had their music played on programs as diverse as WFMT's *Midnight Special* and the *Dr. Demento Show*, they have, as a team, also worked on live radio programs like Wisconsin Public Radio's "*Higher Ground*" and "*Acoustic Sounds Café*" on KUAR 89FM in Little Rock, Ark. On stage they add hilarious stories, wild patter, Sandy's mountain dulcimer, and Stephen Lee's yodel. You get a show with something wonderful for every family member, and they have promised to throw in something special to get us in the Halloween mood. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Jabali Acrobats
### *Theatrical African Acrobats*
**Thursday, October 29, 6:30 p.m.**

***Note: This program will be held in Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.***

Direct from Mombasa, Kenya, this explosive troupe bounces, bops and balances to a joyful Benga beat. With in-your-face excitement, the Jabali Acrobats guarantee a motivational and high-energy performance. You will be holding your breath during this unbelievable demonstration of athleticism. Take part in this one-of-a-kind dance demonstration and learn to dance the JABALI way! Funded by a grant from the Office of Illinois Attorney General.

## Ann Bromaghim
### *Mary Todd Lincoln – Recollections of a Life*
**Tuesday, November 3, 6:30 p.m.**

Did you know that November 4th is the anniversary of the marriage of Mary Todd and Abraham Lincoln? To commemorate the event, Ann Bromaghim will bring Mary Todd Lincoln to life.

Beginning with her stay in the Batavia Insane Asylum, and ending with the day she arrived at that place, Mary Lincoln takes a look back at her life. Recollections of her childhood, her courtship by and marriage to Abraham Lincoln, her years in the White House, and the tragedies that continued to follow her even after Lincoln's Presidency, come to life in a first-person narrative. Join Mary's "visitors" in Batavia as she reminisces about her life. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Traveler's Dream
### *A Musical Odyssey*
**Tuesday, November 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Traveler's Dream captivates audiences with its vibrant blend of traditional music from Ireland, England, Quebec, and America. With rich and expressive voices and a wide array of traditional and modern instruments, Michael Lewis and Denise Wilson create a full and textured sound that is rare for a duo. The band's broad appeal owes much to the creative mixing of traditional and contemporary musical styles, the unexpected combinations of melodies and instruments from different cultural traditions, and the popularity of the band's original songs and tunes, which nestle seamlessly alongside their traditional material. Though every concert is different, Traveler's Dream draws from a repertoire that includes Irish jigs and reels, French-Canadian traditional songs, colonial fife tunes, sea chanteys, old-time dance tunes, and folk songs rooted in early America and the British Isles. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Configurations
### *Mozart: Divertimento in E-Flat*
**Tuesday, November 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Many critics feel that this piece of music should be a lot better known than it is. One reviewer wrote, "Even by Mozart's own brilliant standards, his String Trio K.563 is one of his most exalted expressions." Configurations is a trio of professional musicians: Alison Rolf on violin, Chris Banda on viola and James Nacy on cello. Join us for this unique opportunity to participate in a live performance of this beautiful work by master composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*
**Sunday, November 29, 3:00 p.m**

***Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.***

This is one of our favorite events of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. A great way to kick off the Holiday Season — guaranteed to fill you with holiday cheer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
### *A Celtic Christmas*
**Sunday, December 6, 6:30 p.m.**

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. When they performed for us earlier this year, they earned an extended standing ovation. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, popular Celtic requests and favorites from their original songbook— truly a show for the whole family. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material

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## KidsSpace
## FALL 2009 ACTIVITIES

### •STORY TIMES

**Movers and Shakers Story Time –** Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3-5 year olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, September 14th and 28th, October 12th and 26th, November 9th, and December 7th and 21st at 10 a.m. Limited space is available so please register at 462-0677 ext. 2837.

**Mommy and Me Story Time –** This story time is exclusively for little ones, ages birth-2 years old, accompanied by an adult. This 30 minute story time includes themed stories, songs, and finger plays. Meeting dates are Mondays, September 21st, October 5th and 19th, November 2nd, 16th, and 30th, and December 14th at 10 a.m. Limited space is available so please register at 462-0677 ext. 2837.

**Sleepy Head Story Hour –** This story hour for ages 2-5 includes stories, songs, crafts, puppet shows, and a snack. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, September 8th and 22nd, October 6th and 20th, November 3rd and 17th, and December 1st and 15th at 6:30 p.m. Limited space is available so please register at 462-0677 ext. 2837.

### •FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

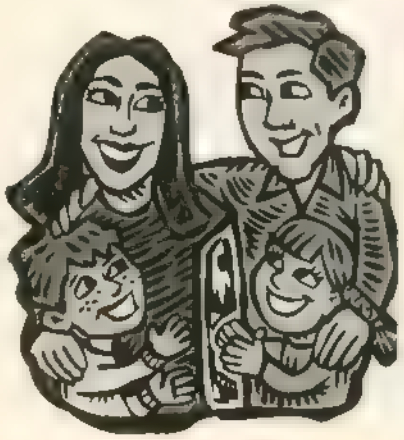
Bring the whole family to see a G-PG rated new release. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, September 9th, October 14th, November 10th, and December 9th at 6 p.m. Snacks are provided. Please register at 462-0766 ext. 2837.

### •FAMILY GAMING NIGHT

Make Hayner Public Library KidsSpace your first stop for your family's gaming fun! Bring the family and play a wide variety of board and video games including PS2 and Wii games. The fun takes place at 6 p.m. on the following dates: Wednesdays, September 2nd, October 7th, November 4th, and December 2nd. To join in on the fun please register at 462-0677 ext. 2837.

### •MOVIE & CRAFT

Elementary-age kids, come join us once a month for after-school fun including a movie, craft and some popcorn. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on the following dates: Thursdays, October 8th, November 12th, and December 10th. Limited space is available so please register at 462-0677 ext. 2837.



### •SPECIAL EVENTS

**"Where the Wild Things Are" Gift Basket Giveaway**
Please come in the first week of October and help us celebrate the upcoming release of the movie "Where the Wild Things Are" and enter to win a gift basket. The gift basket will include movie money, the book "Where the Wild Things Are" and much more!

**Family Reading Night**
Come join us in the KidsSpace on Friday November 20th for a fun evening including puppet shows, snacks, and music and stories with Becky Long. All the fun begins at 6 p.m. Please stop in and register at the KidsSpace information desk or call 462-0677ext. 2837.

**Santa Visits The Hayner Public Library!**
Santa will be visiting the KidsSpace on Saturday, December19th, from 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Bring the little ones in for a treat bag. Parents, don't forget your camera! Please register at 462-0677 ext. 2837.

## *Hayner Library's 2009 Summer Reading Program a Big Success!*

This year's "Read on the Wild Side" Youth Summer Reading Program ended very successfully. The program had over 500 children registered with over 300 children reading at least 25 books in 5 weeks. The program ended with a party at the Lewis and Clark College Commons, to which all readers who completed the reading requirements were invited. Each child received a reading certificate, two complimentary general admission lawn tickets to see a Gateway Grizzlie game, a free book, and a ticket for a chance to win one of many door prizes. The party included inflatables, cookies and punch and a digital picture taken to remember the evening. This year's reading winners were **Max Gorsage** in the 0-5 year-old group, **Jailyn Orvloski** in the 6-8 year-old group, and **Kaliegh DeNardo** in the 9-11 year-old group. This year's school with most participants was Evangelical Elementary School. Congratulations to all participants and we hope to see you for the 2010 Summer Reading Program, "Scare up a good Book".

**Max**

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## TeenSpace
### Fall '09 Activities

- ***Teen Advisory Council***

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in our new TeenSpace located in our facility at Alton Square Mall. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchase ideas, and help make the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are September 16th, October 21st, November 18th, and December 16th. For more information call Shannon at 462-0677 ext. 2872.

- ***Teen Movie Nights***

Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner Library will host a movie night exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza and soda are on the menu! Movie dates are September 30th, October 28th, November 18th, and December 16th. Register at 462-0677 ext. 2872.

- ***Teen Video Gaming***

Calling all gamers! Come hang out with others teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12-18 welcome. These events meet from 1-3 p.m. on the following dates: October 10th, and December 12th. Register at 462-0677 ext. 2872.

- ***Special Events***

#### Teen Read Week October 19-24, 2009
#### (Read Beyond Reality @ Your Library)

- **Reality Trivia Game** – Come take this trivia test and enter your answers to win a $25.00 gift card.
- **Movie Double Feature** – Join us at the Multipurpose Room (located in the KidsSpace) on Thursday, October 22nd, for a scary double feature. The fun begins at 10 a.m. Pizza and soda are on the menu! To register call 462-0677 ext. 2872.
- **New Moon Trivia Contest** – Come in and take this trivia test to enter for movie money to see the movie released on November 20th in theaters.

## *Another Awesome Teen Summer Reading Program Comes to An End!*

This year teens came out in droves to participate in the Hayner Libraries Teen Summer Reading Program, "Read on the Extremely Wild Side". Over 100 kids signed up and 81 completed the reading requirements. To celebrate, the kids were invited to an all-day party at Glazebrook Park. The day included inflatables from 62 Sports Group, a rock climbing wall, games, and lunch. Each participant received a free book and a prize. This year's Teen Summer Reading Program winner is **Maria Gonzales** Way to go, Maria! We hope to see everyone back for next year's reading program, "Scare up a good Book".

## *More American Adults Read Literature According to New NEA Study*

**Literary reading on the rise for first time in history of Arts Endowment survey**

*Washington, D.C.* -- For the first time in more than 25 years, American adults are reading more literature, according to a new study by the National Endowment for the Arts. Reading on the Rise documents a definitive increase in rates and numbers of American adults who read literature, with the biggest increases among young adults, ages 18-24. This new growth reverses two decades of downward trends cited previously in NEA reports such as Reading at Risk and To Read or Not To Read.

"At a time of immense cultural pessimism, the NEA is pleased to announce some important good news. Literary reading has risen in the U.S. for the first time in a quarter century," said NEA Chairman Dana Gioia. "This dramatic turnaround shows that the many programs now focused on reading are working. Cultural decline is not inevitable."

Among the key findings:

**Literary reading increases**

- For the first time in the history of the survey - conducted five times since 1982 - the overall rate at which adults read literature (novels and short stories, plays, or poems) rose by seven percent.
- The absolute number of literary readers has grown significantly. There were 16.6 million more adult readers of literature in 2008. The growth in new readers reflects higher adult reading rates combined with overall population growth.
- The 2008 increases followed significant declines in reading rates for the two most recent ten-year survey periods (1982-1992 and 1992-2002).

**Demographics of literature readers**

- Young adults show the most rapid increases in literary reading. Since 2002, 18-24 year olds have seen the biggest increase (nine percent) in literary reading, and the most rapid rate of increase (21 percent). This jump reversed a 20 percent rate of decline in the 2002 survey, the steepest rate of decline since the NEA survey began.
- Since 2002, reading has increased at the sharpest rate (+20 percent) among Hispanic Americans, Reading rates have increased among African Americans by 15 percent, and among Whites at an eight percent rate of increase.
- For the first time in the survey's history, literary reading has increased among both men and women. Literary reading rates have grown or held steady for adults of all education levels.

**Trends in media and literary preferences**

- Fiction (novels and short stories) accounts for the new growth in adult literary readers.
- Reading poetry and drama continues to decline, especially poetry-reading among women.
- Online readers also report reading books. Eighty-four percent of adults who read literature (fiction, poetry, or drama) on or downloaded from the Internet also read books, whether print or online.
- Nearly 15 percent of all U.S. adults read literature online in 2008.

**A tale of two Americas**

- The U.S. population now breaks into two almost equally sized groups – readers and non-readers.
- A slight majority of American adults now read literature (113 million) or books (119 million) in any format.
- Reading is an important indicator of positive individual and social behavior patterns. Previous NEA research has shown that literary readers volunteer, attend arts and sports events, do outdoor activities, and exercise at higher rates than non-readers.

**NEA literature initiatives**

The issue of declining reading rates has been addressed by a number of public and private initiatives. The Arts Endowment has embraced the challenge with a range of programs to promote reading among young audiences. Obviously, these programs are working. We encourage you to demonstrate your support of National Endowment of the Arts through legislative initiatives, sponsorship opportunities and donations and gifts. For more information, visit www.nea.gov.

# MISSION RECOGNITION

Mission: Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location. The following awards were announced for the contributions of kids recognized during this past summer.

**Whitney White** recently graduated from Alton High School and received a Mission Recognition award in May 2009. She was nominated by her teacher who recognized Whitney as "one of the top students I have worked with in my 21 years of teaching. Whitney is in Honors English and is editor of the student newspaper, *The Red Bird Word*. She brings a fresh approach and an enthusiastic attitude to her work as editor She is one of my all-time best editors." Whitney was selected for the challenging job as editor because her peers recognize her strong leadership skills. Whitney is an active member of the school's student body. She participates in the National Honor Society, Quill and Scroll International Honorary Society for High School Journalists, the French Club, Power of Peers and is a Good Friend Mentor for at-risk students. She is also very involved in her church as a mentor and is active in both Minority Excellence and Educational Talent Search. Whitney constantly sets a great example for her fellow students and peer journalists with her calm and unassuming dedication to her challenging job as editor. She is a talented and caring young woman who also is the primary caretaker of her grandmother with whom she lives. Congratulations, Whitney, and best wishes in all your future endeavors.

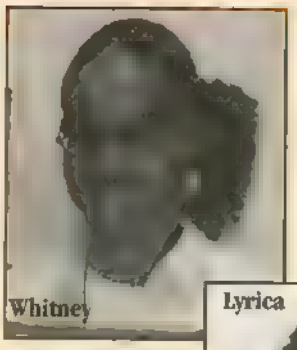
Also recognized in May was fifth grader **Lyrica Williams**. Lyrica attends the STARS After School program at her school, Lewis and Clark Elementary. One day, at the end of the program, Whitney found a purse in the gym where the STARS students meet. The purse contained cash, credit cards and other important items. Lyrica immediately took the purse to the staff office to find the rightful owner. Lyrica is a very good student and has many friends. She is a hard worker and very respectful to others. We are proud to recognize Lyrica for "doing the right thing"!

In June, recognition was awarded to **Daniel Parham** who had just completed his junior year at Alton High School. In May, the school had to be evacuated due to an unfortunate incident. Students and teachers went to a nearby church. The return path to school was on a muddy, rocky incline that was hard to walk on. One of the teachers was having difficulty with the path and Daniel, walking behind her, took her arm to help her back to school. He was very gentle and took his time with her (even with all his peers around) guiding her to campus. This was a notable act of maturity and kindness that was observed by many and set a wonderful example.

**Kaitlyn Braham** and **Alyssa Weidler** both attend Alton High School. Together, they found an envelope filled with cash – money that had been collected to buy a gift for a teacher. They easily could have kept the money for themselves but they turned it into the office. School staff members were extremely grateful and impressed, and both girls are certainly due recognition for their honesty and integrity in making the right choice.

**Thomas (Tommy) Reese** is a fourth-year Spanish student and he is also an extremely gifted computer programmer. Tommy independently designed and installed a program on his Spanish teacher's computer that aids in the study of the formation of frequently used verbs. It is simple to use and an excellent tool for a practicing Spanish student at any level. Tommy used his knowledge of multiple disciplines to help other students, exercising creativity and independent thinking.

**LeEssence Evans** recently completed third grade at North Elementary school. She found an expensive digital camera lost by another student. Rather than keep it, she immediately turned it in to the Assistant Principal. LeEssence demonstrated honesty and good judgment, making her teachers and family proud.


Whitney

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Kaitlyn and Alyssa

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LeEssence

## *Apostrophical Musings*

It was my worst fear while teaching. I actively avoided teaching it for as long as I could, but, inevitably, at some point during the second grade curricula, it had to be taught. I knew that, as soon as I taught it, things would spin inexorably out of control and I would no longer be able to contain its force. It would take on a personality of its own and would soon have a ruinous impact on much of what it touched. What was it, you ask, that caused me such angst? What was it that could wreak havoc and destruction within the context of what was being learned? What single piece of instruction was it that would so often go astray?

You can probably guess. I've used it only once during the course of this essay. In fact, it's been used twice just in these past three sentences. Can you guess what it is? It is probably the most overused article of punctuation in the English language. Yep. You're right! It's the dreaded apostrophe!

Apostrophes (notice that I didn't use one in that word, even though it did end in an "s") are much like single drops of water. By themselves, they don't do much harm and, at times, may even be useful; however, like drops of water that have accumulated, there's always that one drop that will send the rest of the drops that have gathered together tumbling over the dam, rushing over the lip of the cup, spilling down the curbs of the street. Apostrophes unleashed can soon become like those drops of water: ubiquitous marks peppered liberally throughout all kinds of writing, with no purpose behind them whatsoever.

Once discovered, apostrophes start appearing at the end of any word ending in an "s". No matter that the word following that apostrophe-ed word is not owned by that word; no matter that the apostrophe-ed word is not a contraction signifying "something IS" or "something HAS": The apostrophe is there to be used, and the anxious learner begins to use it at will. You begin to see them in every word that ends in an "s". To take it to the extreme, I give you an example: "This' person's ideas' about apostrophes' is' that they all should never be taught in the first place." How horrible it would be to see them used even more than they're used now!

I say it's time to declare war on the apostrophe. It's time to declare war on contractions and ownership. We must start writing in complete sentences along the lines of this: "I say it is time to declare war on the apostrophe. It is time…" Other sentences might have to be longer and more awkwardly constructed, like "The dog of Janet and Jim wore a backpack on his back;" or, "The yard that is so beautifully trimmed belongs to the Scott family;" instead of "Janet and Jim's dog wore a backpack on its back;" or "The Scotts' yard is beautifully trimmed."

It will be difficult to make the adjustment, I'm sure. We'd have to (oops… I mean, We would have to….) eradicate that key on all of our keyboards, remove the mention of its existence from our English instruction books, and be very careful about how we wrote from here on out; but, in the long run, we would not have to suffer through the ill-constructed signs, newspaper articles, flyers, and advertisements that are written by over-eager apostrophe-ed people.

My heart goes out to those who are over-anxious about using this particular piece of punctuation: I know that you are well-meaning and only wanting to make sure that it is getting its due. I understand that you only want to make those cute little flying commas feel needed and appreciated; but will you not feel much more relaxed the next time you write, knowing that you never have to use the apostrophe at all? It will whittle down the number of punctuation marks that you will have to use and life will be much easier in years to come. Who knows what will result from this bold move? Maybe our next step could be the elimination of the word "irregardless" from our vocabulary… but, I digress.

-Ann Bromaghim

## *Books Banned and Challenged in 2008 – 2009*

Banned Books Week 2009 is the twenty-eighth annual celebration of the freedom to read. This freedom, not only to choose what we read, but also to select from a full array of possibilities, is firmly rooted in the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, which guarantees freedom of speech and freedom of the press. Even if well intentioned, censors try to limit the freedom of others to choose what they read, see or hear. Frequently, challenges are motivated by the desire to protect children. Individuals may restrict what they themselves or their children read, but they must not call on government or public agencies to prevent others from reading or seeing material.

Challenging a book represents a request to remove materials from schools or libraries, thus restricting access to them by others. Even when the eventual outcome allows the book to stay on library shelves, the censorship attempt is real. Challenges are as important to document as are actual bannings, in which the material is removed from the shelves of libraries or bookstores. Attempts to censor can lead to voluntary restriction of expression by those who seek to avoid controversy. Due to the commitment of parents, students, librarians, teachers and concerned citizens, more and more challenges are unsuccessful and the material remains available.

Many prohibitions against free speech and expression remain undocumented. Surveys indicate approximately 85 percent of the challenges to library materials receive no media attention and remain unreported. Moreover, the yearly identification of challenged titles documented by the American Library Association is limited to books and does not include challenges to magazines, newspapers, films, broadcasts, plays, performances, electronic publications or exhibits. The ALA recorded 513 challenges in 2008, up from 420 in 2007. Seventy-four books were actually removed from shelves following challenges last year. The top ten most frequently challenged books of 2008 include:

1. And Tango Makes Three, by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell
2. His Dark Materials trilogy, by Philip Pullman
3. TTYL; TTFN; L8R, G8R (series), by Lauren Myracle
4. Scary Stories (series), by Alvin Schwartz
5. Bless Me, Ultima, by Rudolfo Anaya
6. The Perks of Being a Wallflower, by Stephen Chbosky
7. Gossip Girl (series), by Cecily von Ziegesar
8. Uncle Bobby's Wedding, by Sarah S. Brannen
9. The Kite Runner, by Khaled Hosseini
10. Flashcards of My Life, by Charise Mericle Harper

For a complete list of the 100 most challenged titles, by year, go to the American Library Association website at www.ala.org/bbooks/.

# New & Forthcoming Books

## --Nonfiction

**Agassi, Andre.** Open: An Autobiography
**Andersen, Christopher.** Barack and Michelle: Portrait of an American Marriage
**Andrew, Christopher.** Defend the Realm: The Authorized History of MI5
**Beck, Glenn.** Arguing with Idiots: How to Stop Small Minds and Big Government
**Bastianich, Lidia Matticchio.** Lidia Cooks from the Heart of Italy: A Feast of 175 Regional Recipes
**Blagojevich, Rod.** The Governor
**Bolles, Richard Nelson.** The Job-Hunter's Survival Guide
**Burns, Ken.** The National Parks: America's Best Idea
**Callan, Michael Feeney.** Robert Redford: The Biography
**Chabon, Michael.** Manhood for Amateurs: The Pleasures and Regrets of a Husband, Father, and Son
**Chopra, Deepak.** Reinventing the Body, Resurrecting the Soul: How to Create a New You
**Deen, Jamie.** The Deen Bros. Take It Easy: Quick and Affordable Meals the Whole Family Will Love
**Eliot, Marc.** American Rebel: The Life of Clint Eastwood
**Griffin, Kathy.** Official Book Club Selection: A Memoir According to Kathy Griffin
**Hansen, Mark Victor.** Cash in a Flash: Fast Money in Slow Times
**Kennedy, Edward M.** True Compass: A Memoir
**Kidd, Sue Monk.** Traveling with Pomegranates: A Mother-Daughter Story
**Krakauer, Jon.** Where Men Win Glory: The Odyssey of Pat Tillman
**Lee, Matt.** The Lee Bros. Simple, Fresh Southern Knockout Dishes with Down-Home Flavor
**Levitt, Steven D.** SuperFreakonomics
**Mickelson, Phil.** Secrets of the Short Game
**Millan, Cesar.** How to Raise the Perfect Dog: Through Puppyhood and Beyond
**Patterson, James.** The Murder of King Tut: The Plot to Kill the Child King - A Nonfiction Thriller
**Paul, Ron.** End the Fed
**Prochnau, Bill.** Miracle on the Hudson: The Survivors of Flight 1549 Tell Their Extraordinary Stories of Courage, Faith, and Determination
**Ray, Rachael.** Rachael Ray's Book of Ten
**Rooney, Andy.** Andy Rooney: 60 Years of Wisdom and Wit
**Sasson, Jean.** Growing Up bin Laden: Osama's Wife and Son Take Us Inside Their Secret World
**Shaffer, Paul.** We'll Be Here For the Rest of Our Lives
**Shawcross, William.** The Queen Mother: The Official Biography
**Simmons, Bill.** The Book of Basketball: The NBA According to The Sports Guy
**Somers, Suzanne.** Knockout (Interviews with Doctors Who Are Curing Cancer--And How To Prevent Getting It in the First Place)
**Spoto, Donald.** High Society: The Life of Grace Kelly
**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Simple Dinners (Dinner at Home: 52 Quick Meals to Cook for Family and Friends)
**Wilkinson, Bruce.** You Were Born for This: Seven Keys to a Life of Predictable Miracles

## --Fiction

**Atwood, Margaret.** The Year of the Flood
**Baldacci, David.** True Blue
**Barr, Nevada.** 13 ½
**Beaton, M.C.** There Goes the Bride: An Agatha Raisin Mystery
**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** Breaking the Rules
**Brown, Dan.** The Lost Symbol
**Cain, Chelsea.** Evil at Heart
**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Quilters' Holiday
**Connelly, Michael.** Nine Dragons
**Cornwell, Patricia.** The Scarpetta Factor
**Doctorow, E.L.** Homer and Langley
**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Christmas List
**Feehan, Christine.** Dark Slayer
**Flynn, Vince.** Pursuit of Honor
**Gabaldon, Diana.** An Echo in the Bone
**Goudge, Eileen.** Once in a Blue Moon
**Gregory, Philippa.** The White Queen
**Grisham, John.** Ford County
**Harris, Charlaine.** A Touch of Dead
**Howard, Linda.** Ice
**Irving, John.** Last Night in Twisted River
**Johansen, Iris.** Blood Game
**Keillor, Garrison.** Pilgrims: A Wobegon Romance
**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Evidence
**King, Stephen.** Under the Dome
**Koontz, Dean.** Breathless
**Lindsay, Jeff.** Dexter by Design
**Macomber, Debbie.** The Perfect Christmas
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Lost Art of Gratitude: An Isabel Dalhousie Novel
**Mitchard, Jacquelyn.** No Time to Wave Goodbye
**Muller, Marcia.** Locked In
**Niffenegger, Audrey.** Her Fearful Symmetry
**Paretsky, Sara.** Hardball
**Parker, Robert B.** The Professional
**Patterson, James.** I, Alex Cross
**Patterson, Richard North.** The Spire
**Perry, Anne.** The Christmas Promise
**Rendell, Ruth.** The Monster in the Box
**Rice, Anne.** Angel Time
**Robb, J.D.** Kindred in Death
**Rollins, James.** Altar of Eden
**Sandford, John.** Rough Country
**Saul, John.** House of Reckoning
**Shaara, Jeff.** No Less Than Victory
**Shreve, Anita.** A Change in Altitude
**Sparks, Nicholas.** The Last Song
**Steel, Danielle.** Southern Lights
**Tyler, Anne.** Noah's Compass
**Walls, Jeannette.** Half Broke Horses: A True Life Novel
**Wiggs, Susan.** Lakeshore Christmas

# First Night River Bend A Poorly Kept Secret

First Night River Bend rings in 2010 in style on Dec. 31, 2009, 6:30 p.m., at Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey and more than 3,000 people are expected to come out and play. Mark your calendar to attend. Admission buttons go on sale this fall.

Locally, First Night River Bend is in its 15th year of offering the community a safe, family friendly, alcohol-free way to celebrate New Year's Eve.

First Night provides a platform for musicians, poets, storytellers, dancers, actors, puppeteers and visual and media artists to showcase the River Bend's cultural landscape. This is the time to bring the rich variety of arts to all the people in the community. Artists can submit an application to perform at www.fnrblc.com.

For more information call 618-468-7500 or log on to www.fnrblc.com.

# Patron Profile

## Barb Schubert Hinson

Barb Hinson is a delightful person who obviously has a zest for life and a great love and commitment to family, friends and community. Born and raised in Alton, she attended St. Peter and Paul Elementary School. She completed several years at Marquette High School before transferring to St Mary's Catholic Academy for girls in South Bend, Indiana.

As a young girl, Barb remembers taking a bus to her grandmother's house in North Alton every Friday night. The two would head to downtown Alton for dinner and to visit the many shops that stayed open Friday evenings. Barb recalls how busy and active downtown Alton was on Friday evenings. Everyone came down to visit, socialize and shop. She also remembers how proud she was to be the winning Jacks champion for the YWCA Girl's Club, the Junior Susies.

Barb has fond memories of playing with the other kids in her neighborhood and how important it was to keep up with the boys climbing in and around the bluffs and hidden caves. One afternoon the boys took the girls to see Blue Pool, the (supposedly) bottomless pool at the base of the bluffs on the river road. As a joke, the boys "ditched" the girls. The girls weren't sure of their way home and it was getting dark, so they all took out their rosaries and said prayers as they walked down the river road. Barb can't remember why they had rosary beads with them but laughs, thinking of the sight the girls must have provided to passing traffic.

Another memorable afternoon, Barb's brother Bob was actually "buried alive" while playing King of the Hill in a sand pile, also on the River Road. Bob was completely buried in the sand and required artificial respiration to be revived. Barb was at home washing dishes when one of Bob's pals came to the house and handed her a familiar looking shoe. He said to Barb, "Here's Bob's shoe. He's been buried alive." Barb practically fainted!

After high school, Barb attended Marymount College in Tarrytown, New York. Barb remembers the day she left home to fly to New York to attend college. Her flight was booked almost exclusively with men traveling for business—and Barb. It was Barb's first flight and the farthest she had ever been away from home alone. Overwhelmed by homesickness, she cried during the entire flight to NY. When she arrived in NY, she had no plan on how to get to Tarrytown, approximately a 45-minute-drive from the airport. Upon landing, feeling sorry for the poor distraught young woman, every businessman on the flight offered to drive Barb to Tarrytown. Barb, of course, had been raised to never get in a car with a stranger and ended up taking a taxi to her new college. That must have been some cab fare!

Following her education at Marymount, Barb attended Western Illinois University to earn a teaching degree. Barb's parents felt it was extremely important that all their children go to college. Barb's two brothers both attended Brown University for their undergraduate degrees. One received his masters from the University of Chicago and another went on to Harvard Divinity School and the University of Michigan, earning several doctoral degrees.

Barb's father and mother, Ralph and Helen Luken, owned the Luken Insurance Agency, a real estate firm and several other business ventures, so, after college, Barb worked for a short time in the family business until she received a teaching position with Irving Elementary School There, she taught third grade for five years. Barb raised her three children while working in the family business, teaching and finally opening the Strawberry Patch Gift Shop in Mineral Springs Mall

During this period of operating her gift shop, Barb became a single mom and determined that she needed a more consistent income stream Foxes Grove Retirement Community in Wood River had been courting Barb for some time to take a job in marketing and public relations. Finally, her future boss promised Barb two things if she took the position: 1) eventually she would be making over $5 an hour and 2) she would meet her future husband. Barb liked the sound of $5.00/hour but was rather disbelieving (and uninterested) in the idea of finding a husband.

She liked her job immediately and soon was promoted to Director—a job that required that Barb be involved in all facets of operation of the retirement community and on call 24/7.

Barb recalls one time when the chef did not come to work one afternoon and the residents were waiting for their lunch. Barb has many talents, but she freely admits that she does not, under any circumstances, cook. However, the situation left no choice but for Barb to pitch in and prepare lunch. After many tries to turn the oven on, Barb finally called for help from her cousin, Linda. It turned out that Barb did not know how to turn on a gas stove with a pilot light—she had only used an electric stove. During her 16 years of working at Foxes Grove, Barb met many wonderful people and developed a great love of working with seniors.

One of the residents at the retirement community was "a very young" 72-year-old-gentleman. He confessed to Barb that he did not have enough to do, so she offered to introduce him to some of the other ladies in the residence. He declined her offer and said, "No, I'll take you out." They dated quietly for a year and then got married. This November, Barb and her husband Elmo will celebrate 19 very happy years of marriage. Elmo was a musician in the late 1930s and early 1940s, playing trombone with the Orrin Tucker Band. They were the regular band on the CBS radio show for "Your Hit Parade" and also played at such venues as the Palmer House, the Mark Hopkins and Casa Loma Ballroom. The band made many popular recordings and was even featured in a movie. The band broke up right before the war and Elmo went to work for American Steel as a cost accountant.

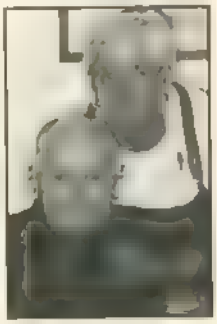
While Barb no longer works at Foxes Grove, she still remains incredibly busy, doing charitable community work and enjoying family and friends. Barb and Elmo raised their family in their home on Bluff Street, a neighborhood that Barb loves. Two of their children live in St. Louis, and they have a son who is earning his doctorate in Primatology from Ohio State University and lives in the jungles of Ghana, studying a specific breed of monkey. Barb and Elmo also have two grandchildren, one who calls visiting Barb and Elmo "going to Grandma Camp."

This past summer, parts of State Street, going into Christian Hill and to 9th Street, were lined with American flags It is lovely, a touch of Americana spearheaded by Barb, Elmo and several of their neighbors, the Novotnys, Nilsons and Hovens. During the holidays, Barb hopes they will accomplish a similar project setting out luminaries on Christmas Eve, lighting Christian Hill from the river to State Street

Barb has been very involved in the Relay for Life. When she was working at Foxes Grove, their relay team raised the most money for the charity in the East Alton/Wood River areas. For years, she served on the board of the Alton YWCA, and the American Cancer Society. She has volunteered with the Junior League of Greater Alton, Alton Community Service League, Alton Children's Theater, Easter Seal Society and the Christian Hill Association. In 2008, she was recognized as one of twelve Women of Distinction by the YWCA. She is currently co-chairing the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Bazaar, raising over $10,000 for the charity, and she continues to participate in the production of Vintage Voices, the Alton City Cemetery tour held in October.

Barb feels very strongly about giving back to the community following the philosophy "it is up to us to make the community what we are and what we want it to be. We each must be responsible in making a difference."

Barb says she doesn't know what she would do without the Hayner Library. As a child, she frequently walked down the State Street hill to use the library. All three of her children, Becky, Andrew and Rob, worked as library pages while they were in high school. She attends many of the special library programs, and she was particularly pleased to take Elmo to a program featuring The Boneheads, a trombone quartet. Barb lunches monthly with her library friends and visits the downtown library almost weekly to check out books. Barb says, "There is no friendlier place to be when you need help finding a book, learning about your family or doing research."



Barb also loves spending time with family, friends and neighbors. She says she still sees friends from kindergarten and her years at Marquette but enjoys making new friends every day possible. As one member of the library staff says, "She has touched so many lives. She is a gem."

## Partners in Education

Reading and learning are two things to which everyone should have access. Riverbend Head Start & Family Services partners with The Hayner Public Library District to ensure that is the case for the community at large. Here are some of the latest activities.

### Parents Are Teachers

It is crucial that children be introduced to reading at an early age. This introduces the idea of education and its importance before a child is even enrolled in school. Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has applied for a grant to expand its Early Head Start Program. If successful, it will serve an additional 100 qualifying infants and toddlers. The goal is to prepare children for success in kindergarten, especially those already at–risk of academic failure, and literacy – for both parent and child is a key part of its efforts. EHS is a home visiting program that helps parents be their child's very best teacher. It uses the nationally acclaimed Parents as Teachers curriculum

### Pre-K Literacy

Preschool is a chance for children to become familiar with the education process and to prepare for kindergarten. For the 10th year in a row Reading Is Fundamental (RIF), a federal literacy program, has granted over $5,000 to Riverbend Head Start & Family Services to help preschoolers learn to love reading. Head Start will put 3,000 free books in the hands of over 900 preschoolers in Madison County. This year, TheBANK of Edwardsville donated $1,784 to RHSFS for the RIF grant's required local match.

Head Start is the most successful, longest-running national school readiness program in the United States. It provides comprehensive education, health, nutrition, and parental involvement services to qualifying children and their families. Hayner Library is pleased to partner with Head Start in many of their literacy activities, and Hayner staff regularly participate in activities at the various Head Start centers.

Literacy is a community concern. Partnerships like this help resolve it.

## Watt Solutions – Plug into Savings

In an effort to help you learn how to spend less on electricity by using less, the Ameren Illinois Utilities announced the WATT Solutions program, a new partnership with downstate Illinois public libraries, Through a grant awarded to the Lewis and Clark Library System, The Hayner Public Library District will be participating in this initiative.

The Ameren Illinois Utilities have donated WATT Solution kits with Kill A Watt EZ power meters to Hayner. Library patrons will be able to borrow the kits from either Hayner Library location at no cost.

"I am pleased to join the Ameren Illinois Utilities in giving Illinois citizens the tools they need to make their home a greener place," said Gov. Quinn. "Making these power meters available at local libraries will empower Illinois families to save money on their electric bill and make their home more energy efficient."

"Using the Kill A Watt EZ power use measuring device, our WATT Solutions initiative shows you how much it costs to operate electrical appliances and devices. You also can learn how much it costs to leave appliances and devices on, such as computers, printers and modems," said Stan Ogden, Ameren Illinois Utilities vice president of Customer Service and Public Relations

With WATT Solutions, a consumer simply plugs in an appliance or device and the meter shows the electric usage by the kilowatt-hour (kWh). With the power use measuring device, you may calculate cumulative electrical expenses which you can project by the day, week, month or even the year.

In many cases, you may be surprised to learn just how much electricity some common electrical appliances use. WATT Solutions allows you to obtain the information you need to make decisions regarding the replacement of older energy hungry appliances with new ENERGY STAR rated appliances. For example, an ENERGY STAR rated refrigerator can save about $70 a year in electricity costs as compared to an older refrigerator

The WATT Solutions kit also contains detailed information on reducing electric usage, covering such categories as heating, cooling, lighting, home entertainment and appliances. There also is a glossary of commonly used electrical terms.

The WATT Solutions kits are available to check out, as you would check out other library materials The kits will be kept at the circulation desks of both the downtown library and the library at Alton Square Mall.

## Why English Teachers Die Young

Every year, English teachers from across the country can submit their collections of actual analogies and metaphors found in high school essays. These excerpts are published each year to the amusement of teachers across the country. Here are some previous winners .

1. She grew on him like she was a colony of E. Coli, and he was room-temperature Canadian beef.
2. She had a deep, throaty, genuine laugh, like that sound a dog makes just before it throws up.
3. Her vocabulary was as bad as, like, whatever.
4. He was as tall as a six-foot, three-inch tree.
5. The little boat gently drifted across the pond exactly the way a bowling ball wouldn't.
6. From the attic came an unearthly howl. The whole scene had an eerie, surreal quality, like when you're on vacation in another city and Jeopardy comes on at 7:00 p.m instead of 7 30.
7. Her hair glistened in the rain like a nose hair after a sneeze.
8. The hailstones leaped from the pavement, just like maggots when you fry them in hot grease
9. Long separated by cruel fate, the star-crossed lovers raced across the grassy field toward each other like two freight trains, one having left Cleveland at 6:36 p.m traveling at 55 mph, the other from Topeka at 4:19 p.m. at a speed of 35 mph.
10. They lived in a typical suburban neighborhood with picket fences that resembled Nancy Kerrigan's teeth.
11. John and Mary had never met. They were like two hummingbirds who had also never met.
12. He fell for her like his heart was a mob informant, and she was the East River.
13. He was as lame as a duck. Not the metaphorical lame duck, either, but a real duck that was actually lame, maybe from stepping on a land mine or something.
14. He was deeply in love. When she spoke, he thought he heard bells, as if she were a garbage truck backing up.
15. She walked into my office like a centipede with 98 missing legs.

## *Is Your Family from GERMAN, IRISH or ITALIAN Descent?*

The Genealogy/Local History Department of The Hayner Public Library District has assembled a large collection of Family Tree Maker CDs for anyone researching their family history. Included in this collection are CDs exclusively for researchers looking for ancestors who may have immigrated from Germany, Ireland, or Italy. These CDs are appropriately titled: Germans to America (1850-1874), Irish Immigrants to North America (1846-1865), and Italians to America (1880-1893). The information found in these Passenger & Immigration Lists include details such as name, age, occupation, town of origin, ship name, date of arrival, port of arrival, and other interesting biographical and geographical information regarding the immigrant.

You can research the different aspects of family history with our growing collection of CDs. We can help you get started. Genealogy can be a fun and interesting way to learn about our families and from whence we came. The Hayner Genealogy/Local History Department can help you get started, or help you get over a brick wall problem regarding your family history. Free appointments with staff members are available to anyone interested in this wonderful hobby. For more information about this collection of CDs or to set up an appointment please call the Genealogy/Local History Department at 618-462-0677 ext. 2859. See the listing of our currently available CDs. We add to this collection often, so be sure to check back with us.

**FAMILY TREE MAKER AND OTHER CDS AVAILABLE FOR YOUR RESEARCH:**

Civil War CD-ROM
Civil War Union Soldiers Roll of Honor
Colonial Families of the United States of America
Complete Book of Emigrants
Early Georgia Settlers
Early Kentucky Settlers
Early Louisiana Settlers
Early New England Settlers
Early North Carolina Settlers
Early Ohio Settlers
Early South Carolina Settlers
Early Tennessee Settlers
Early Texas Settlers
English Origins of New England Families
Everton's Computerized Family File
Family Tree Maker African Americans in the 1870 Census
Family Tree Maker Birth Records
Family Tree Maker Canadian Genealogy Index
Family Tree Maker County and Family Histories. Pennsylvania
Family Tree Maker Genealogical Records Midwest Pioneers
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Family Tree Maker Marriage Index: IL, IN, KY, OH, TN
Family Tree Maker Selected U.S./International Marriage Records
Federal Pensioners' Roll of 1883
Federal Township Plats: Madison, Macoupin, Jersey and St. Clair
Genealogical Records. Virginia Land, Marriage, and Probate Records
German and Swiss Settlers in America
Giant Scrap Book of Western Military Academy
Illinois Public Domain Land Sales
Index of Illinois Marriages: Earliest to 1900
International Land Records
Land Records: AL, AR, FL, LA, MI, MN, OH, WI
Local and Family Histories: New England
Marriage Index. Maryland, North Carolina, and Virginia
Marriage Index: Arkansas, Mississippi, Missouri, Texas, 1766-1981
Marriage Index: AZ, CA, ID, NV
Mid-Atlantic Genealogies
Military Records. Confederate Soldiers, 1861-1865
Military Records. Massachusetts Civil War Soldiers & Sailors
Military Records: U.S. Soldiers
Mortality Index: United States
Naturalization Records: Philadelphia
New Orleans, 1820-1850 Passenger And Immigration Lists
Passenger and Immigration Lists Index
Passenger and Immigration Lists: Boston
Passenger and Immigration Lists: Germans to America
Passenger and Immigration Lists: Irish Immigrants to North America
Passenger And Immigration Lists: Italians to America
Passenger and Immigration Lists: New York
Social Security Death Index
Southern Biographies And Genealogies 1500's-1940's
Tithe Applotment Books
World Family Tree
World Family Tree, European Origins
...and more on the way

## *Genealogy Roundtable*

Greg Zelinski, local Civil War re-enactor, will entertain us with stories of how things really happened in the Civil War. If you have Civil War soldiers in your family history, or if you are simply interested in Civil War history, you will want to be sure and join us. Learn about customs of the day and details of the military uniforms the soldiers wore. Join us on Wednesday, October 21st, at 6:30 p.m., in downtown Alton. Call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your seat.

## *Folding the Flag*

*As an Army and Navy custom, the flag is lowered daily at the last note of retreat. Special care should be taken that no part of the flag touches the ground. The flag is then carefully folded into the shape of a tri-cornered hat, emblematic of the hats worn by colonial soldiers during the war for Independence. In the folding, the red and white stripes are finally wrapped into the blue, as the light of day vanishes into the darkness of night. This custom of special folding is reserved for the United States flag alone.*

1. The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.
2. The second fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life.
3. The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks who gave a portion of life for the defense of our country to attain a peace throughout the world.
4. The fourth fold represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war for His divine guidance.
5. The fifth fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is still our country, right or wrong."
6. The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to

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**FOLDING THE FLAG (Cont.)**

the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

7. The seventh fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.

8. The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mother, for whom it flies on Mother's Day.

9. The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the characters of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.

10. The tenth fold is a tribute to father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.

11. The eleventh fold, in the eyes of a Hebrew citizen, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

12. The twelfth fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost.

When the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God We Trust."

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the Armed Forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges, and freedoms we enjoy today.

## Book Quotes

"When I can't sleep, I read a book by Steve Allen"
*Oscar Levant*

"I was going to buy a copy of "The Power of Positive Thinking" and then I thought: what good would that do?"
*Ronnie Shakes*

"I just got out of the hospital. I was in a speed-reading accident. I hit a bookmark." *Steve Wright*

"I have only ever read one book in my life, and that was White Fang. It's so frightfully good I've never bothered to read another"
*Nancy Milford* (Love in a Cold Climate, 1949)

"I'm trying to read a book on how to relax, but I keep falling asleep" *Jim Loy*

"A bookstore is one of the only pieces of evidence we have that people are still thinking" *Jerry Seinfield*

"A man's got to take a lot of punishment to write a really funny book" *Ernest Hemingway*

"A classic is something that everybody wants to have read but nobody wants to read" *Mark Twain*

"Once you've put one of his books down, you simply can't pick it up again" *Mark Twain* (talking about Henry James)

"A good novel tells us the truth about its hero; but a bad novel tells us the truth about its author" *G. K. Chesterton*

## Youth Activities for Hayner Downtown Library October - December 2009

### Alton Fire Department

**Wednesday, October 7, 2009 – 11:00 am**

Firemen from the Alton Fire Department will read stories and promote safety about fire prevention and safety to children Pre-K. They will bring a fire truck along and all the children will be able to take a tour of the truck.

### Riverwind Storytellers

**Monday, October 26, 2009 – 6:00 pm**

A group of storytellers from the Metro-St. Louis area will entertain all children and adults from Pre-K – 90. Come to the Children's Room located in the Main Library and listen to these wonderful storytellers. There will be refreshments served.

### Family Reading Night

**Monday, November 16, 2009 – 6:00 pm**

Come and listen to our own Stephanie Munson tell some great stories. Stephanie, an employee of the Hayner Public Library is an amazing storyteller and will be telling her stories in the Children's Room located in the Main Library. Since its family reading night, please feel free to bring the whole family to the library and even participate in the storytelling by reading a book or two. Also a special guest from the Gateway Grizzlies, Izzy the Grizzlie will be here for your enjoyment. Refreshments will be served.

### Children's Christmas Party

**Saturday, December 12, 2009 – 2:00 pm**

A special guest will be at the Children's Room located in the Main Library on Saturday, December 12th at 2:00 pm. Come and sit on his lap, get your picture taken and receive a nice goody bag of treats.

## RiverBend Growth Association and SCORE Present...

Get your passports out to cruise around the world at the annual women's seminar, "Passport to Excellence," hosted by the RiverBend Growth Association and SCORE on Wednesday, September 16 from 7:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at Holiday Inn Alton.

The featured speaker, Lori Feldman, "The Database Diva", will navigate the audience through the secrets to online social networking success: how to utilize social networking, how to market your business via social networking and how to protect yourself as a social networker.

Your passport will also permit you to travel to a port where Detective Sgt. David Vucich of Madison County Sheriff's Department will engage guests on the topic of electronic media safety and security.

Your ship will dock for lunch with Damar Travel and Cruise. Cruise Director June Webster, Senior Travel Counselor, will showcase travel tips, affordable travel destinations and safety and security while traveling.

Spotlight your business and employees to more than 150 women by purchasing an admission ticket for $50 or purchasing a table of 6 for $276. For more information, please contact Joell Aguirre at the RiverBend Growth Association by calling 618-467-2280 or emailing jaguirre@growthassociation.com.

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Sunday, 1 pm to 6 pm

Alton Square Mall Library
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Sunday, Noon to 6 pm

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## *Where to Go When Google Doesn't Know*

**Library says tapping into the "Hidden Web" reveals a wealth of answers**

With the help of Web engines such as Google and ask.com, Americans have become savvy online searchers. But even the most agile Internet searchers find that some questions just don't produce the right results, leaving them to feel as if the answer just isn't out there.

The problem may not be that the answer isn't out there, but that the usual search engines just can't get at it. General search engines search what's free on the Web, but often the most accurate (and verified) information resides in what insiders call the "Hidden Web"— expensive password-protected databases typically consulted by professional researchers. More important is that general search engines don't distinguish between sources, so you don't know what you're getting.

Free search engines are great for finding simple answers to simple questions, but when the answers really matter — your child's homework, or business information or health issues — you want to use something more authoritative. When you search the free Web you have no idea whether you're getting accurate information or not.

Consulting more authoritative resources doesn't mean leaving your computer or pulling out your credit card; you just need to add the library's homepage (www.haynerlibrary.org) to your "Favorites" list. The library has dozens of professional researchers' most sought-after Internet resources — information sources that would typically cost thousands — available free to anyone with a Hayner library card. Tapping in through the library's website (just click on Online Resources on the home page) means finding information that can help with homework at any grade level (including college), health issues, and access to leading business sources — the ones where Harvard, Stanford and dozens of other top-tier business schools do their research. These are a few additional online resources Hayner has to help you on your way: Sorkins Directory of Business & Government (in-depth profiles for companies in the St. Louis region); Auto Repair Reference Center (auto repair information on over 31,000 vehicles from 1945 to present); p4A Antiques Reference (pictures and values for antiques); LearningExpress Library (academic and career practice tests); Issues & Controversies (current events, ideal for papers and debate preparation); and Smarthinking Online Tutoring (homework help 24/7 from qualified E-instructors).

A good way to get started is to add the home page (www.haynerlibrary.org) to your "Favorites" and tape your library card number to the edge of your computer screen so you have it handy when you need to do some research. Once on the home page, click on Online Resources and then follow the directions to log in. Each of the resources will be listed and will have a brief description of what you can do there. Short tutorials are also available if you want some guidance, or contact a Hayner librarian for further assistance.

While used by professional researchers, these Internet sources are easy to use, but it may take a visit or two to learn the ropes. One librarian says, "It's like going to a grocery store if you've only shopped at the gas station's food mart. It might take a few minutes to understand the layout, but once you do, you find the selection and quality knock the socks off gas station's convenience. You wouldn't entrust the gas station with your dinner party, so don't entrust your child's homework to the free Web."

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## Changes in Store for the Original Hayner Library Building

The original Hayner Library building on the corner of 4th Street and State Street in Alton was built by Alton entrepreneur John E. Hayner as a memorial to his late wife, Jane Clark Drury Hayner (Jennie). Hayner hired a leading St. Louis architect, Theodore C. Link, to design the building. Link, born in Hanover, Germany, was a distant cousin of prominent Alton architect Lucas Pfeiffenberger. Among numerous other outstanding commissions awarded Link was the design of the Union Station Railroad Depot in St. Louis, Mo., for which he was the unanimous choice of judges. His "Grand Hall" has been meticulously restored and today is the showpiece of the Hyatt Regency Hotel in the revitalized Union Station.

For the Hayner Memorial Library, Link designed a building in the "Old English" Gothic style. It was constructed of dark red brick and Alton limestone, with trimmings of Alton and Bedford stone. There was a deep porch under a stone archway at the entrance and a small turret at the corner, off the room designated as the librarian's office. The arches were repeated in the window treatment throughout the building. The interior woodwork, including a soaring timbered vaulted roof in the best English Gothic style, was oak and natural pine. There were two fireplaces with beautiful wooden mantelpieces and tiled facing. All of the materials and the workmen for the project were obtained locally. The Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library opened for business on June 1, 1891.

In the mid-1960s the library had outgrown its building and badly needed more space. To that end, the library board voted to rent the Tri-City Grocery building on Belle Street to house the adult services division of the library. The facility at 326 Belle Street was to become known as the Main Library, housing adult services and the Illinois Room local history collection. The children's room in the original library building was moved upstairs from its cramped quarters on the lower level. Thus, the original library on State Street became the Hayner Children's Library.

In January 1972, Alton voters approved a referendum to establish the independent Hayner Public Library District. The Alton Square Branch Library opened in November 1985 in Alton Square Mall. It was one of the very first full-service branch libraries to operate in a shopping mall in the entire United States and proved to be a huge success from the first day it opened. In the elections of 1986, voters passed by a whopping 79% a referendum on Godfrey and Foster-burg township joining in the library district.

Many of you attended the grand opening of the new Hayner Library facility at 132 Alton Square Mall in February 2009. This 18,000-square-foot space now houses a print collection of fiction/nonfiction, large print items, magazines and newspapers, as well as DVDs, CDs, reference services, multiple banks of public computers, a beautiful children's library, a teen space collection and services, study rooms and a Multipurpose Room. The Downtown Library on Belle Street still offers adult lending collections (including DVDs and CDs), youth library services and public computers.

And what is to become of the original library on State Street? The board and library staff are very excited to announce that this facility will become a local history and genealogy library with display facilities for local history artifacts and artwork. This building will also provide working space for the cataloging staff and administrative services. The Illinois Room collections will all be housed here with rare and/or fragile items housed securely, yet available for public use. Genealogy staff and services will be working from this facility.

The firm Lefferson and Associates, Inc., based in Alton, Ill., has been chosen to design the interior of the 401 State Street library facility. Mike Lefferson, president, and his team have developed a plan that showcases the beauty of the original building while incorporating modern design concepts, technology and functionality.

The concept will include lighting that supports the functional needs of a library and enhances the interior architectural beauty of the building. Large, glass-enclosed, internally lit displays will be designed and constructed to showcase the library's collections of local historical artifacts. The main library hall will include study tables with computer access and period

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas - Dec. 24, 25 & 26
New Year's - Dec. 31, Jan. 1
Dr. Martin Luther King Day - Jan. 18
President's Day - Feb. 15


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lamps to light the tables. The tables will be movable to allow a large space for additional displays, lectures, programs, and fund-raising events. The dramatic lighting will support many types of activities.

The color scheme is derived from two beautiful stained glass windows, which will be relocated to a prominent location in the main hall. The copper, aqua, gold and green colors of the windows will be used to develop the color palette for the entire building.

The technical and administrative offices will be replanned to utilize vertical space and create more work areas for future staff needs. This new plan will be functional and aesthetically pleasing, creating a flexible and usable workplace.

## Save Illinois Libraries!

**In the latest Illinois state budget, the General Assembly cut general revenue funding for all state library and literacy grants by 50%!**

**THE LIBRARY COMMUNITY THANKS SECRETARY OF STATE JESSE WHITE**, who was able to restore much of the cut funding by re-deploying the competitive grant portion of the federal Library Services and Technology (LSTA) grant money. But the fight is far from over.

At a time when library usage is at its highest ever, **ILLINOIS LIBRARIES ARE BEING ASKED TO FACE TOMORROW'S NEEDS WITH YESTERDAY'S RESOURCES!** Grant funding is vital to help libraries throughout the state keep up with the public's information needs and provide 21st century service to the community. Grant cuts ultimately mean fewer new programs and initiatives and a decrease in technological advancement.

**LIBRARY SYSTEM FUNDING IS AT ITS LOWEST LEVEL SINCE 1993.** Systems provide invaluable service to libraries across the state, returning $10 in service for every dollar they receive in state funding. System budget cuts mean higher costs for services, fewer professional training opportunities, and less support for your library.

**PUBLIC LIBRARY PER CAPITA GRANTS ARE AT THEIR LOWEST LEVEL SINCE 1993 and PUBLIC SCHOOL PER CAPITA GRANTS ARE AT THEIR LOWEST LEVEL SINCE 1997.** Public institutions use per capita grants to support a range of programs, from day-to-day operations at their library to special projects. Per capita grant cuts mean fewer materials available to library users, less assistance to patrons even as usage increases, reduction in staff and hours, and fewer learning opportunities for students.

Libraries are instrumental in teaching Illinois's children and preparing Illinois's citizens for the jobs of tomorrow. Let members of the Illinois General Assembly know that without their assistance, libraries in Illinois can't survive. The state's future is at stake!

### Take Action!

**Go to SaveIllinoisLibraries.com and write your legislators - tell them you want them to support libraries now and in the future!**

## Interlibrary Loan Business Is Booming!

*L to R: Juliana, Sue, Julie, Tammy*

The Interlibrary Loan Department for the Hayner Public Library District helps many of you every day and you don't even know it! This department consists of two full- time employees—Julie Belk, Department Manager and Sue McConnell, and two part-time employees—Tammy Dykeman and Juliana Harrison. They are responsible for routing in and out of all Hayner locations, literally hundreds of books every day.

The Hayner Public Library District is a member of the Lewis and Clark Library System—an interconnected system of 134 independently governed and administered academic and public libraries, approximately half of which participate in the Local Library System Automation Project. This project supports a shared integrated library system such that all member libraries may share circulating material. Thus, if you request a copy of a book that is not on the shelf in a Hayner library location, we have over 60 other libraries that we have online access to and from which we can immediately request your material. Often, your request should arrive for your pickup in 2–3 days. Library staff can make a request for you, or you can make these requests yourself through our online catalogue at www.haynerlibrary.org.

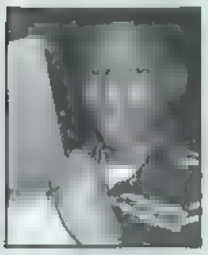
Julie and her staff start their morning at the Hayner library in the mall. They run the daily requests list, which details material requested by other libraries throughout the system. They pull the material from our shelves, mark them in route on the computer and label for the requesting library. These items get put into large tubs that are picked up by a Lewis and Clark courier, taken to a central distribution site and sorted to arrive via courier at the current requesting location. Each day approximately 150 items are routed from the Hayner Alton Square Library to other library locations. About mid-morning a courier delivery arrives at the mall library. These are the materials that Hayner patrons have requested from non–Hayner Library locations. These materials need to be electronically routed-in and labeled, and the requesting patrons then are notified by phone that their material is ready for pickup. The mall library averages about 250 requests per day. In the afternoon, this process is repeated in the library downtown. The Hayner Downtown location averages 100 items routed out each day and 125 items routed in to fill requests, daily.

There is also a function called "paper requests." If there are no libraries in the LCLS that hold the item you need, we can check libraries throughout the country to fill your requests. These requests require a hardcopy request order as entered by specific members of the library staff. The requests are routed to Julie's department and these items are sent/received through the U.S. mail. This process takes one dedicated person half a day to complete, each day.

***Young Hayner patrons learn about fire safety from the friendly firefighters of the Alton Fire Department.***

# MISSION RECOGNITION

Mission: Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location. The following awards were announced for the contributions of kids recognized during this past summer:



**Bradley Cox** is a student at Alton High School who has been very active in sports and school programs since elementary school. He is passionate about school and willingly supports his fellow classmates whenever he can. He serves as sophomore class student council president for the 2009–2010 term. He willingly assumed the role of mentor for a student in East Elementary school—a wonderful experience for both Bradley and the student. Bradley is a member of the college prep program Upward Bound and serves as an ambassador for the Principal of Alton High. He also has been chosen to address new students attending the Minority Excellence program.

**Josh Gaither**, also a student at Alton High School, found a graphics calculator in his class. As it was the last class of the day, he made sure to turn it in to the Assistant Principal first thing next morning. The owning student was greatly relieved to have his calculator returned. He thought it was lost for good.

A staff member of Alton Middle School had lost his wallet, in which he had his Social Security card, credit/debit cards, insurance cards—everything critically important. **Maurice Gray**, a student at the school, found the wallet and returned it intact to the owner.

**Natalie and Caroline Lauschke** attend the sixth grade at Alton Middle School. The twins are always volunteering and making the extra effort, whether it's assisting with the school store or helping their teachers with special projects and activities. This fall, the girls found $15 in a ziplock bag in the gym and promptly took the money to the Assistant Principal, who found the appreciative owner. Several months later, a fellow student injured her foot. The girls immediately volunteered to assist her with her books and help her get to classes. They gave up their lunchtime in the cafeteria with their friends and stayed upstairs to eat with the injured student so she wouldn't have to eat by herself

**Sophie Smith** is a student at Evangelical Elementary School. Sophie is eight years old This past May Sophie started her own business, selling handmade jewelry involving recycled Scrabble® tiles. From her jewelry sales over the summer, she has donated more than $100 to Alton's Five A's Humane Society. Sophie has continued to sell her jewelry and donates 10 percent of her sales to the nonprofit organization to help animals find a home.

**Emily Selby**, 9, attends St. Ambrose Catholic School and **Caleigh Bryan**, 11, attends Meadowbrook Intermediate School. Together, the friends cut and hand-tied 45 blankets, which they donated to the OASIS Women's Center in Alton. The girls worked on the blankets together while they sat in the stands watching their brothers' hockey games. Tying the finished blankets with a ribbon, the girls presented them to the OASIS Center so that, when children visit there, they receive a warm gift with which they can snuggle.

**Katelin Richie** attends the eighth grade in Alton Middle School. In class she has proven herself to be a wonderful student whom teachers know they can depend on. One of her teachers had to be out of town for three days. The teacher was concerned that a substitute teacher might not know how to set up the computer class, so he showed Katelin how to do it. For three days during the teacher's absence, Katelin set up everything to prepare the classroom and ensure that the substitute teacher and students would have a good, productive day. Without Katelin's help, the classes would have been a shambles.

**Christopher Runion** is a first grader at East Middle School. He found an expensive pair of glasses on his school bus and determinedly sought out the school principal to make sure they were returned to the child who owned them.

**Tamera Caruthers**, a fifth grader at West Elementary School, regularly attends the Boys and Girls Club in Alton after school. Often while at the club, the kids get time to work on their homework. A friend told Tamera that she was upset because she forgot her spelling packet that was to be completed and turned in the next day. Tamera had already completed her spelling work. Tamera erased all the answers on her homework and copied the sheet so her friend could use a blank sheet to complete the homework assignment. Tamera then redid her own assignment. They both turned in the assignment the next day and learned their words well, too!

Congratulations to each one of these kids for choosing to "do the right thing," going the extra distance to help others and unselfishly making a difference in another person's life.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Free Public Computer Classes

Hayner Library is once again pleased to be offering computer classes for the public throughout the months of February and March. Beginning on **January 29** (a Friday) every Friday for four weeks (ending **February 19**) from 9 – 11 a.m., participants will learn the basics of computers. Questions you've always wondered about, but didn't know who to ask will be explored, like "Just what is a thumb drive, anyway?," or, "What the heck is an operating system?"

We'll start the first week with just learning how to set up a computer, turning it on/off, and looking at the control panel. The next three weeks will largely be dictated by answering the questions of the participants, but will generally focus on where to store files, how to retrieve them, and how to access the Internet. This class is an overview, designed for the raw beginner.

The second class, held on every Wednesday (with one exception) throughout March from 6–8 p.m., is one in which the participant will learn how to install RAM; switch out a hard drive or CD drive; install a printer, scanner, or any other kind of peripheral; and, even learn how to type using the touch key method. The first class will begin on **Wednesday, March 3rd**, the second class on **Thursday, March 11th** and the last two classes on **Wednesdays, March 17th** and **March 24th.**

**Call 462-0677, Ext. 2830, if you're interested in either of these classes to get enrolled or to be put on the waiting list. Classes will be held at Hayner Library in the Alton Square Mall in the Multipurpose Room.**

## Hayner Downtown Library Events

*The snow is blowing outside but at 132 Alton Square Mall, things are hot! Our program series is being temporarily housed at the mall while rehab work is being completed in the Hayner downtown facilities. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. Programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. All programs will be held unless otherwise stated in the Alton Square Mall at the top of the escalators next to Champs.*

**REMINDER**
Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Mall Library*

**Saturday, December 12**
**Saturday, January 9**
**Saturday, February 13**
**Saturday, March 13**
**10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall where your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Ellebracht
### *Let's Talk*

**Tuesday, December 22, 10:00-11:00 a.m.**

Join Mark Ellebracht of WBGZ radio (1570 AM) for a live broadcast of his popular morning radio show, *Let's Talk*. Mark will discuss coming library events and programs for the New Year. This will be a great opportunity to observe a live radio show. If you show your Hayner Library card or sign up for a library card, you will receive a stocking stuffer to keep or to share. And remember, a Hayner Library card is the gift of a lifetime for your kids or grandchildren. Library cards are free of charge to residents of Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township. Just show a picture ID and fill out a short application and you can be an instant cardholder! Library applications for children under 18 require a parent's or guardian's signature.

### Serengeti Steve
### *The Reptile Experience*

**Tuesday, January 12, 6:00 p.m.**

***Note:** Performance start time is 6:00 p.m. This program is rescheduled from October 2009. If you were registered for the October program, you will need to register again for the January 12 performance. Registrations were not carried over.*

Experience the excitement of having a reptile show come to you! This unique and thrilling program lets you meet some of the world's largest and scariest reptiles (in a totally safe environment). With more than 20 years of experience, Serengeti Steve has raised and maintained over 50 species of exotic snakes, lizards, monitors, tarantulas and scorpions, all of which have brought about The Reptile Experience. Chris Balish, host of *Show Me St. Louis* on Channel 5 has said, "You've heard of Steve Irwin 'The Crocodile Hunter'…well, Serengeti Steve is St. Louis' version." Steve has also been featured on FOX 2 News. Join us for a program filled with surprises and laughter— for kids of all ages. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Steve Davis
### *Elvis Performs for Hayner Library!*

**Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Elvis (yes, THE ELVIS) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas–style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis will sing, take requests, answer questions and reminisce about his career. Don't miss this great opportunity to see "The King" perform. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Miles Station
### *Country and More*
**Tuesday, January 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Miles Station is a popular local band that is quickly growing in popularity. The six-member band performs throughout the Riverbend and St. Louis communities, receiving rave reviews. Their repertoire consists of classic country favorites as well as country rock. Join us for a rollicking good time! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Zydeco Crawdaddys
### *Zydeco Music and New Orleans Style Jazz to Celebrate Mardi Gras*
**Tuesday, February 9, 6:30 p.m.**

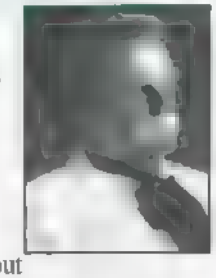
St. Louis' first zydeco band, the Zydeco Crawdaddys, treats you to a wide variety of traditional as well as contemporary zydeco music from the French Creole region of southern Louisiana. The infectious rhythms of traditional zydeco instruments are guaranteed to make you smile. Audience participation with rub boards and shaker cans is always permitted, if not actively encouraged. And during the show the Daddys heat things up with their own renditions of traditional New Orleans–style jazz numbers, interspersed with some of their original compositions. Using traditional zydeco instruments such as the accordion and washboard, the Zydeco Crawdaddys evoke endless fun and are bound to get the crowd rolling. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Spook Handy
### *The Works of Pete Seeger*
**Tuesday, February 16, 6:30 p.m.**

Spook Handy graduated from college a Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in math and business. Upon graduation, he turned down several lucrative job offers in the actuarial field and bought his first guitar. Now, after 23 years in music, he has performed more than 3,000 concerts, written hundreds of songs, recorded four CDs and had many of his original compositions performed by more than a dozen other musicians. For his appearance at Hayner, Scoop will perform "The Works of Pete Seeger." This original performance is a heartwarming, fun and educational program that looks at the legacy, struggles, songs and stories of one of America's most beloved folk singers—the man who gave us "If I Had a Hammer," "Turn, Turn, Turn," and "Waist Deep in the Big Muddy." The program includes songs from the Almanac Singers (Pete, Woody Guthrie and others), the Weavers, the 1960s and the past few years. It traces the songs Pete has made famous, songs he wrote himself and songs he sings that have not become famous. It also includes a few of Spook's own compositions—songs that Pete has sung or that have been influenced by Pete's writing. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

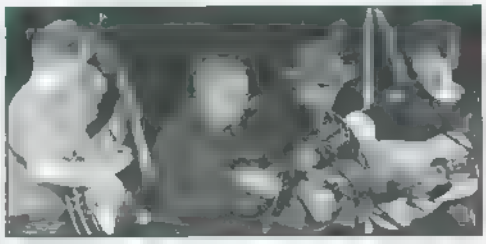
## Warren Brown
### *The History of Science According to Mark Twain*
**Tuesday, February 23, 6:30 p.m.**

This presentation is a first-person Chautauqua-style program by Warren Brown as Mark Twain. You will journey on water, land and air sharing insights from the "Diaries of Adam and Eve" to friendships with inventors and thoughts about Galileo and Newton. "I have found out there ain't no surer way to find out whether you like people or hate them than to travel with them." —*Mark Twain*



Warren Brown, a Mark Twain scholar, received the Studs Terkel Humanities Service Award in 2000 for his Chautauqua-style portrayal of Samuel Clemens. He has delivered more than 900 presentations portraying Mark Twain promoting literacy, independent thinking and decisive action. This program is funded in part by a grant from the Illinois Humanities Council. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

See page 6 of this newsletter for a sampling of the wit and wisdom of Mark Twain.



## Wayne Schell
### *The Lodge Brothers Band*
**Tuesday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.**

The popular Lodge Brothers Band will present a program of traditional string music. This is the music that predated Blue Grass and from which Blue Grass evolved. Playing a combination of guitar, mandolin, banjo, bass and fiddle, this group will have you rocking in your seats! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Maureen Christine
### *You Raise Me Up: Songs That Inspire Us*
**Tuesday, March 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Maureen Christine is a celebrated concert vocalist and national recording artist. The demand for Maureen's captivating stage presence and crystal clear voice has produced invitations for her to perform with numerous symphony orchestras, concert bands and 16-piece big bands, including the Count Basie Orchestra. Maureen was pre-nominated for a 2002 Grammy Award alongside Harry Connick, Jr., and Rosemary Clooney. Hear her beautiful voice as she sings songs that most inspire us. The program includes newer hits such as "You Raise Me Up" and "Wind Beneath my Wings," and classic gems such as "The Impossible Dream" and "What a Wonderful World." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.**

# Special Events at Hayner

## KidsSpace
### Winter 2010 Activities

**• STORY TIMES**

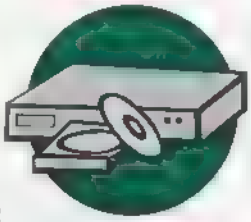
▸ **Movers and Shakers Story Time –** Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are January 4th; February 1st; March 1st, 15th and 29th; April 12th and 26th Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677 ext. 2837.

▸ **Mommy and Me Story Time –** This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are January 11th and 25th; February 8th and 22nd; March 8th and 22nd; April 5th and 19th. Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2837.

▸ **Saturday Morning Story Time –** Come join us for this drop-in story time. Stories, puppets, and songs will be available for kids 3–7 years old. The fun begins at 11 a.m. No registration is required! Meeting dates are Saturday, January 2nd; Saturday, February 6th; Saturday, March 6th; and Saturday, April 3rd.

**• FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

Bring the whole family to this G-PG rated new release. Meeting dates are Wednesday, January 13th, Wednesday, February 10th, Wednesday, March 10th, and Wednesday, April 14th, at 6 p.m. Snacks are provided. Movie titles will be available one week prior to show date. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2837.



**• MOVIE & CRAFT**

Elementary-age kids, come join us once a month for some after-school fun including a movie, craft, and popcorn. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on the following dates: Thursday, January 14th, Thursday, February 11th, Thursday, March 11th, and Thursday, April 15th. Limited space is available, so please register at 462-0677, ext. 2837.

**• SPECIAL EVENTS**

▸ **Frilly and Miller Show –** Since 1996, The Frilly and Miller Show has entertained, motivated, and inspired audiences across the Midwest with their highly interactive and upbeat presentations through music, skits, and dialogue. This is a must-see program! Frilly and Miller will be visiting KidsSpace on **Monday, January 11, 2010, at 10 a.m.** Limited space available. To register call 462-0677, ext. 2837 or come by the KidsSpace information desk.

▸ **Cookie Decorating with the Cookie Factory –** Bring the kids in for some cookie stories and decorating fun. The fun takes place **Monday, February 1st at 10 a.m. during Movers and Shakers Story Time.** Limited space is available. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2837.

▸ **Performer Robin Shuda as Shellene –** Shellene the mermaid will visit the KidsSpace and tell interactive stories of the sea. Shellene will perform on **Monday, February 8th, during Mommy and Me Story Time at 10 a.m.** Limited space available. To register call 462-0677, ext. 2837 or come by the KidsSpace information desk.

▸ **KidsSpace Easter Celebration –** Hayner KidsSpace will be hosting its annual Easter Egg Hunt on **Saturday, March 20th, 1–3 p.m.** Registration is required by Monday, March 15th for this event. To register call 462-0677, ext. 2837 or stop by the KidsSpace information desk. Parents, don't forget your cameras!

## *Mark Twain Quotes*

Mark Twain is widely recognized as one of America's greatest writers and humorists. The following is just a small sample of Mr. Twain's bon mots. Be sure to join us on February 23, when Mr. Twain will discuss the "History of Science" *(see "Special Events at Hayner," this newsletter).*

Clothes make the man. Naked people have little or no influence on society.

If you tell the truth you don't have to remember anything.

I don't give a damn for a man that can only spell a word one way.

I have never let my schooling interfere with my education. —*Attributed*

I have never taken any exercise except sleeping & resting.

There are several good protections against temptations, but the surest is cowardice.

It is easier to stay out than get out.

The report of my death was an exaggeration.

It is noble to teach oneself; it is nobler to teach others - and less trouble.

It is better to keep your mouth shut and look like a fool, than to open it and remove all doubt. —*Attributed*

Few things are harder to put up with than the annoyance of a good example.

A lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes.

Familiarity breeds contempt —and children.

Get your facts first; then you can distort them as much as you please.

You cannot depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus.

Under certain circumstances, profanity provides a relief denied even to prayer.

Water taken in moderation cannot hurt anybody.

It usually takes more than three weeks to prepare an impromptu speech.

The man who doesn't read good books has no advantage over the man who can't read them. —*Attributed*

When you cannot get a compliment any other way, pay yourself one.

Don't go around saying the world owes you a living; the world owes you nothing. It was here first.

Truth is more of a stranger than fiction.

Never put off until tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow.

Often it does seem a pity that Noah and his party did not miss the boat.

Man is the only animal that blushes, or needs to.

I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying that I approved of it.

Let us so live that when we die even the undertaker will be sorry.

Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint.

# Special Events at Hayner

## TeenSpace
### Winter 2010 Activities

- ***Teen Advisory Council***

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in our new TeenSpace located at Alton Square Mall Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and assist in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 20, February 17, March 17, and April 21 at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

- ***Teen Movie Nights***

Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner Library will host a movie night exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza and soda are on the menu! Movie dates are Wednesdays, January 27, February 24, March 31, and April 28. Movies start at 6 p.m.

- ***Teen Video Gaming***

Calling all gamers! Come hang out with other teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12–18 welcome. These events meet from 1–3 p.m. on the following dates: Saturday, February 13, and Saturday April 10.

- ***Teen Book Club***

Hey Teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. For more information call Shannon at 433-2872.

## Special Events

- ***Teen Tech Week***

"Learn, Create, Share @ your library"
March 8–13, 2010
Come join us for an evening of Technology Talk with guest speakers from local businesses. These guests will have the latest knowledge about what is hot in the technology world. For more information about this event call 433-2872.

- ***A-Town Steppers***

In honor of Black History Month, we have invited the Alton High School "A-Town Steppers" to perform at the Alton Square location on Saturday, February 20th at 1 p.m. This energetic group will give a 20-minute performance in the J.C. Penney Court (directly in front of the library). The performance will consist of a routine including dance, call and response, and monologues set to music. This is a must-see performance!

- ***Project Next Generation***

It's coming. It will be here soon. Before you know it, in just a couple of years, you will be the one people will seek when looking for that one person whom they can trust to get the job done. Are you ready? Have you started thinking about what you'll need to be able to do to convince them that they've found the right person? And that experience part: How can you get some of that if you have to have it first before they'll hire you?

You've found the right place. In today's world, nearly anything that's done is touched, in some way, by technology; specifically, computers and computer-assisted technology. You want to have that cutting edge; the one that gives your profile the kind of attention it needs to land you wherever it is that you want to be: in a great job that you love, with lots of potential; at the top of the list of people that the college you want to attend is considering for admission; or, in a position to start your own business, where you'll be in charge. The Hayner Public Library District has resources available to give you experience, skills in using current cutting-edge technology, and the poise and presence to be able to sell your talents to others.

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its third year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer this twice-a-week, after-school program to emerging sixth graders through exiting eighth graders to give them a special opportunity to learn new skills while having fun. Meeting on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30–4:45 in the multi-purpose room at our Mall location, the program has room for 10-12 teenagers. They will learn about using current computer applications like Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher; research diverse topics like the life of Abraham Lincoln or world-renowned explorers; learn how to make a presentation with digital photography or videography, and discover the fun of using SMART Boards to make those presentations. In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for one of our six-week sessions! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information, or to sign up for our next session!

## *Keep Healthy this Winter*

The Hayner Public Library District provides you many resources to stay healthy this winter and all year long. New issues of magazines such as *Prevention, Body & Soul, Health* and more are available to you each month. The library also carries subscriptions to fitness periodicals for all exercise interests. In our circulating collection, find information on topics including nutrition and diet, healthy cooking, stress relief, exercise, homeopathy, disease, healthy lifestyles, smoking cessation, addiction, psychology and self-help, therapy techniques, medicine and drug guides and much more. Computers are available for your Internet research and of course, the best search engine of all, your reference librarians are ready to help you find the information you need.

Of course, one of the easiest and most important ways to beat a winter bug is to wash your hands frequently. All library locations now have hand sanitizers installed throughout the Downtown and Alton Square libraries. So, no more sick days—just work, work, work...(I think I feel a headache coming on).

## *Introducing: USA.gov*

The government wears many hats when it comes to services and benefits. Trying to find information on the complex network of government agencies can certainly be daunting. The Federal Citizen Information Center (part of the U.S. General Services Administration) has provided us with a wonderful resource to find the information you need: USA.gov. USA.gov is the official portal for all federal, state and local government information. From Social Security benefits to government jobs to tips on stretching your dollars, it's government made easy. And remember, the best search engine of all is the Reference Services staff of the Hayner Public Library—reference personnel is available on site at the Hayner mall location or by phone, 433-2864 or e-mail: reference@haynerlibrary.org

## *News From the Genealogy Department*

Are your file cabinets bulging with old documents of the history of your organization? Do those papers tell the story of how your group began and how it has progressed through the years? As an ongoing project of the Genealogy/Local History Department of The Hayner Public Library District, we are hard at work developing an archival collection of service organizations, educational institutions, social organizations, local utilities, and local industry, as well as theatrical and musical groups well known to the local area. We have also extended the collection to healthcare organizations, environmental policy groups, land preservationist groups, public park advocates, and professional membership groups, e.g., Madison County Bar Association, Madison County Dentistry Group, Alton Education Association, etc. We have many such groups and organizations that will be important assets to our archival collection. Many thanks to those of you who have already donated your organization's history to our Illinois Room collection.

We are certain that there are many more such organizations that qualify and would like at this time to invite any group or organization that holds this type of historical information and would like to see it included in our archival collection to contact the Genealogy/Local History Department at The Hayner Public Library District at 462-0677, or you can contact us by e-mail at genealogy@haynerlibrary.org

### NEW ITEMS IN THE ILLINOIS ROOM –Come see what we have!

Highlights of the History of Jersey County (patron donation) IR 977.3855 SEA

Index to Volunteer Soldiers in Indian Wars IR 929.373 WHI

Fayette County, Illinois Cemetery Inscription Vol 1 (patron donation) IR 929.3773797 FAY

Cape Girardeau County, Missouri 1880 Census (patron donation) IR 929.377896 EIG

Missouri 100 Years Ago (patron donation) IR 977.8 WHI

Perry County, Missouri 1850 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 EIG

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Perry County, Missouri 1876 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 GEE

Perry County, Missouri 1880 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 PER

History of DeWitt County, Illinois (Vol. 1, 2) IR 977.3585 HIS

1850 Federal Census of Johnson County, Illinois IR 929.3773996 EIG

United States Census 1850 Effingham County, Illinois IR 929.3773796 DAN

Washington County, Illinois 1850 Census IR 929.377388 WOR

A New Geography of Illinois by Larry Underwood (patron donation) IR 917.386 UND

Alton-Godfrey-Foster Township Topographic Map IR MAPTABLE 912 GEO

High and Mighty: The Flood of '93 (patron donation) IR 977.033 HIG

History of Douglas County, Illinois IR 977.386 HIS

Donnellson, Illinois Centennial 1897-1997 IR 977.382 DON

On the Trail of the Buffalo Soldier II IR 355.0092 ONT

Ignatz Bruch, Alton's Stone Cutter (patron donation) IR 977 386 SHA

Guide to the National Road IR 388 10977 GUI

## Are you a little afraid of the Internet, but want to work on your family history?

Don't let the computer age leave you behind. Discover what a great tool it is.

Join us on **Wednesday, Jauary 20, 2010** for an evening with Mr. Tom Pearson of the St. Louis Public Library. We will discuss Internet link guides, finding aids, indexes, databases, and photo galleries that contain information about Prairie State ancestors. Meet us in the Children's/Reading Room of the Hayner Library Belle Street location.

## The Elusive Ancestor

I went searching for an ancestor.
I cannot find him still
He moved around from place to place
and did not leave a will.
He married where a courthouse burned.
He mended all his fences.
He avoided any man who came
to take the U.S. Census.
He always kept his luggage packed,
this man who had no fame.
And every 20 years or so, this rascal
changed his name.

No one else in this world
is searching for this man.
So, I play geneasolitaire to find him if I can.
I'm told he's buried in a plot,
with tombstone he was blessed,
but the weather took engraving,
and some vandals took the rest.
He died before the county clerks
decided to keep records.
No Family Bible has emerged,
in spite of all my efforts.
To top it off this ancestor,
who caused me many groans,
Just to give me one more pain,
betrothed a girl named JONES.

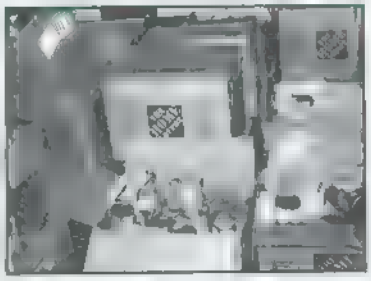
*by Merrell Kenworthy*

## *Genealogy Department Welcomes New Staff Member*

Beth Phillips has been doing genealogical research for 29 years. She is joining Hayner's Genealogy/Local History Department and will be available for appointments in the Illinois Room. She will be working on preparing materials for inclusion in our Illinois Room collection and will also work with library patrons on their research

## *Food for Fines – Huge Success*

This past October the Hayner Public Library District held its annual Food for Fines program. During the month of October, late fines were waived for a contribution of non-perishable food goods. Food items were contributed to the Alton Crisis Center



Your contributions reached a record mark this year! Over fifteen hundred items (21 boxes) were donated to the Crisis Center in time for the beginning of the holiday season. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

## *The Bald Eagle*

Ole friend,
Who sits so far above
With head so white
and ne're a feather move
The beauty and serenity
Yet fiercely to behold
A steady gleam from serious eyes

To watch and wait with grace
And power
I seem to feel this anxious bird
With passion and desire,
Admiring his ability
To live a glorious life.

O watch and watch and watch,
And then

He spreads his wings, amazingly so wide
And peers into the wild blue sky.
He moves and looks – then he is off
And finds the current of the wind.

He sets his wings with energy
And flows along the ancient bluffs
With eagle eyes he scans the mighty channel
To see a ripple, for his hungry tongue.

He soars and tips
And glides along, Oh faithful one, whom I admire.

All winter he will grace my mind
And when the time is right, he goes
Beyond my wildest dreams, I cannot follow
But when the snow again begins,
He will return
To feed and build his eager life
With others of his clan.

My winter now
Is quite fulfilled

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*Library Patron Mrs. Ed (Genie) Keller*

## *Hayner Sponsors Successful "Operation Soldiers"*

Operation Paperback is a national movement that was started in 1999 by the family of Chief Master Sergeant Rick Honeywell. Sergeant Honeywell was deployed on a four-month stint to Kuwait and while there was dismayed that the soldiers were not provided any means of recreation – no gym, no movies, and no library. Sgt. Honeywell's family and other Air Force families started sending books overseas, specifically to Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. This effort quickly grew, joined by volunteers around the nation. Individual citizens, American families and community groups have sent more than 950,000 books since this grassroots movement was initiated by the Honeywells. Today, Operation Paperback has shipped books to more than 30 countries in addition to providing books to wounded troops and veterans here at home.

In October 2009, The Hayner Public Library District developed its own effort to support the Operation Paperback initiative. Hayner's program is titled "Operation Soldiers" and has been a great success. Hayner Library volunteers boxed up library books that are no longer in public circulation to be mailed to our service people overseas. There is a minimal shipping cost per box of $9.79. We hoped that the community would adopt this program by adopting boxes. A contribution to mailing costs constituted the adoption fee. Once we mailed the Hayner boxes of books, Operation Paperback would ensure the books got routed to the many "tent" libraries established in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The October mailing effort was enthusiastically supported by individual community members. An extremely generous corporate donation was received from Simmons Law Firm, which sent 100 boxes of books overseas. At Bethalto West Intermediate School, all eight grades participated in a competition to raise money for the cause, resulting in a shipment of 25 boxes. At Eunice Smith Grade School, all 15 classes worked to raise enough money to send 2 boxes per class. Eunice Smith students handily achieved their objective and shipped off 30 boxes of books. Thank you to everyone who participated in Operation Soldier—a special thanks to our wonderful Hayner Library volunteers who did so much work, packing up the boxes of books. We couldn't have done it without you!

For information about this program and other volunteer opportunities at Hayner Library, call Stephanie Munson, Volunteer Services Coordinator, at 618-462-0677 or check our website at www.haynerlibrary.org.

## *SCORE Provides Generous Support to The Hayner Public Library District*

SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business, is a volunteer organization of business people that offers free confidential counseling to small business entrepreneurs. The Alton/Godfrey SCORE chapter serves seven counties and is made up of over 40 counselors with a large variety of skills and experience.

The Hayner Public Library District and SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business, have partnered through the years to develop resources and programs supporting the small business entrepreneur.

SCORE has also provided funding to The Hayner Public Library District, contributing to the development of a premier small-business reference collection. You can find the collection in the Reference Department of the library at the Alton Square Mall.

This fall, SCORE again contributed to Hayner's small business reference collections. The contributions were made on behalf of SCORE, Southwestern Illinois, Chapter 423, Alton-Godfrey. The following titles have been added to the collection (some of these titles are updated copies of existing offerings):

Credit Repair (R. Leonard), eBay Business Start-up Kit (R. Stim), Get the Job You Want, Even When No One's Hiring (F. Myers), Guerrilla Marketing for Job Hunters 2.0 (J. Levinson), How to Form a Nonprofit Corporation (A. Mancuso), How to Write a Business Plan (M. McKeever), Incorporate Your Business (A. Mancuso), JK Lasser's Small Business Taxes 2010 (B. Weltman), Knock 'em Dead Cover Letters (M. Yate), Knock em Dead Resumes (M. Yate), Legal Guide for Starting and Running a Small Business (F. Steingold), Marketing for Dummies (A. Hiam), Nolo's Crash Course in Small Business Basics, audiobook (R. Stim), Personal Finance for Dummies (E. Tyson), Solve Your Money Troubles – Get Debt Collectors off Your Back (R. Leonard,) Teach Yourself Visually Windows 7 (P. McFedries), Trump University Entrepreneurship 101 (M. Gordon), Windows 7 for Dummies (A. Rathbone), Yours for the Asking: An Indispensable Guide to Fund-raising (R. Levy).

Thank you, SCORE, for your generous support of the Hayner Public Library District as well as the entire Riverbend community

## New & Forthcoming Books

### --Nonfiction

**Amen, Daniel.** Change Your Brain, Change Your Body: Use Your Brain to Get and Keep the Body You Have Always Wanted
**Anderson, Lars.** The First Star: Red Grange and the Barnstorming Tour That Launched the NFL
**Bach, David.** Start Over, Finish Rich
**Burstein, Daniel.** Secrets of the Symbols: An Unauthorized Guide to the DaVinci Code Sequel
**Cruise, Jorge.** The Belly Fat Cure: No Dieting With the New Sugar/Carb Approved Foods
**Dispirito, Rocco.** Rocco's Great American Meal Makeovers: 150 of America's Most Popular Dishes Transformed to Reduce Your Waistline
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## Employees of the Month

**Kate Rose** received the August Employee of the Month. Kate is Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director. She has worked for the Library District for 5 years. Kate has three grown children (2 girls and a boy) and 8 grandchildren.

**Stephanie Munson** was the September Employee of the Month. Stephanie is the library district's Volunteer Coordinator and has been with the library for 24 years. Many of you know Stephanie in her previous library role as Homebound Coordinator, a position she held for 20 years and a program she initiated. Stephanie has two grown sons and two grandchildren.

**Twila Liley** was recognized as the October Employee of the Month. Twila is a Library Assistant who works predominantly in the Downtown Library. Twila has worked for the library for nine years. A native of Hartford, Ill., she currently lives in Bethalto. She has four grown children, a daughter and three sons (which includes one set of twins). Twila also has 5 grandchildren, all girls.

## Best Wishes to Retiring Employees

In October 2009, Midge Hallett retired from The Hayner Public Library District. Midge worked in the Genealogy Department when she retired and had been employed with the library for 13 years.

Also retiring in October 2009 was Gloria Mitchell. Gloria had been employed by the library district for 32 years and retired from her position as Hayner Downtown Library Youth Services Manager.

Best wishes to both Midge and Gloria from all the library staff and the Hayner Library Board of Trustees. You will be greatly missed by your colleagues and the many library patrons whose lives you have touched.

# *Patron Profile*
# *Midge Hallett*

Midge Hallett has touched a multitude of lives in our community through her 34-year teaching career at Alton High School and her subsequent activities. Midge also performed volunteer work with a number of local service organizations and, upon retirement from teaching, was employed by The Hayner Public Library District for 13 years. Understandably, Midge finds it hard to go anywhere without meeting someone she knows.

Midge was born and raised in Alton. Her father, Kenneth Thomasson, was the founder and owner of Alton Memorial Sales on Henry Street. Her grandfather was Director of the Bauer & Hoehn Funeral Home on Langdon. Bauer & Hoehn was the funeral home that provided an "intermediate" resting place for Deaf Bill for so many years. (If you don't know the story of Deaf Bill, see page 8 of this newsletter.) Midge remembers, growing up, she and her family would have dinner at her grandfather's house every Sunday. Without fail, as soon as they sat down to eat, a bell would ring signaling the arrival of "incoming guest" (as in the supine kind). Midge also attended many of her grandfather's funeral events and to this day cannot stand the smell of cigars or the sight of pink carnations (both integral to funerals at the time).

Midge and her late sister, Jean, had many wonderful memories of growing up in Alton. In the summertime, on hot summer nights Midge and her sister, along with many of the neighborhood kids, would pack blankets and pillows and sleep in Rock Spring Park or Riverview Park to beat the heat. Dad and Mother would join them, after work, for the night.

Luer Brothers Meat Packing was a well-known business that operated out of downtown. One day, as a result of a traffic accident, a Luer truck let loose a bull that it was transporting. Midge and a friend, June, were riding bikes in the area of the accident. All of a sudden Midge and June were staring wide-eyed at a bull charging down the street, straight for them. Pumping their little legs for all they were worth, they barely kept ahead of the incensed beast. They dropped their bikes and catapulted onto the porch of a house, the bull following as far as the first porch steps! Ultimately, animal rescue workers retrieved the animal, but Midge and June remained ever-vigilant thereafter for charging wildlife while biking the seemingly quiet streets of Alton.

Upon graduation from Alton High School, Midge obtained her B.A. degree from Shurtleff College. She continued her studies at SIUE, obtaining a master's degree in Behavioral Sciences. She also completed postgraduate work at the University of North Carolina and Washington University. Her graduate thesis, "Measuring Cognitive Dissonance by Computer," was utilized by her advisor, Dr. Glaser, in teaching his graduate students at the University of Taiwan. Upon graduation, Midge was employed at Alton High, teaching College Prep English and Honors American Literature. She remarks that as a 21-year-old new teacher, many of her students, at 16 and 17, were barely younger than she; and later many became friends and associates. Midge also coached the Optimist Speech Team. This team included junior and senior high school students who competed locally in proficiency of writing and presenting a speech on an arbitrarily assigned topic. Under Midge's coaching, five students of Alton High went on to compete at state levels

Midge married Hillary H. Hallett shortly after college graduation. She and Hillary had three sons: Mark, now residing in Alton; Matthew, a Brighton resident; and Hugh, who lives and works for the federal government in Springfield, Illinois

Though Midge was working full-time, pursuing her graduate degree during nights and weekends, and raising three sons as a single mother, she also found time to support various community organizations. She worked with Alton Junior League in Public Relations, the Alton League of Women Voters (for which she conducted a weekly radio show), Alton Children's Theater (president), Alton Children's Home and Aid, Illinois Women's Political Coalition, the Women's Volunteer League, The United Way, the Anna D. Sparks Alliance (president for four years and Board of Trustees for four years) and was on the board of the Hayner Public Library District (four years). She has always been extremely active in her church, the First Unitarian Church, and for ten years served as the church historical archivist.

Occasionally, Midge weathered a few bumps in the road of her volunteer work. She remembers as the chairman for a Nixon/Lodge campaign effort, she agreed to organize a style show and benefit. Midge organized the whole event without any funding. She did prevail on her fellow Junior Leaguers to bring refreshments. Someone brought peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, which caused Midge to comment, "What schlemiel brought these kinds of sandwiches?" It turned out that schlemiel was standing right next to Midge and proceeded to make herself known. Midge later found out she was the wife of an executive in the upper echelons of Olin Corporation. Midge did not get over her embarrassment until she heard that the couple had been transferred to the East Coast

Upon retiring from teaching, Midge took employment with The Hayner Public Library District working on *The Telegraph* Indexing Project. This project required reading all the preserved copies of *The Telegraph*, dating from 1836 to the present, and encapsulating the daily articles into indexed versions by topic (government, birth, death, social news, and so forth). These handwritten indexes were printed and bound and used by patrons researching various topics or names that had been reported on by *The Telegraph* over the many years. Time-consuming and exacting, the project employed a staff of five women who spent hour upon hour poring over issues of the paper, hand-writing and proofing indexed entries, after which the *Telegraph* issue would be microfilmed. The indexes would identify where, on a specific microfilm reel, one would find the replica of the news item the person was researching.

In 2007, Hayner staff entered a project using Heritage Microfilm to digitize the individual issues of *The Telegraph*, from 1836 to the present. This allowed one to access news items online–research no longer required the use of cumbersome indexes or microfilm. Today, historical researchers, authors, genealogists and interested patrons love this service. It has made research fast, accurate and simple. Hayner is one of the few libraries in Southern Illinois to offer digitized copies of the community's local paper. Due to copyright considerations, this service is available in the Hayner library facilities only.

Following the completion of the digitization project, Midge devoted herself to patron genealogy research and historical archive work.

Midge is a voracious reader and a great patron of the arts. She is an active supporter of the Alton Symphony, the Alton Concert Series, and the Jacoby Center for the Arts. She developed her love and knowledge of music in her childhood home and has nurtured her passion for the arts all her life. We will greatly miss seeing Midge at work at the Library. She is an amazing woman with a ready smile who came to work singing in the morning. (How many of you can say that!) Midge is a true Renaissance woman, possessing a passion for knowledge, culture, people and the world around her.

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www.haynerlibrary.org

## *The Mummy of "Deaf Bill" Lee*

***Excerpted from Troy Taylor,* Weird Illinois, *New York: Sterling Publishing, 2005, p. 104.***

One of the greatest odd characters in the history of Alton was a figure known as "Deaf Bill" Lee, a man who spent more than eight decades as a mummy in a local funeral home.

Bill Lee, or Deaf Bill as he was nicknamed since he was hard of hearing, was born in 1863 and made his living fishing the Mississippi River. … Bill got to know a man named Bill Bauer, owner of Bauer Funeral Home . … Bill died on [a] farm in November 1915. … There were rumors that Bill might have relatives . … Bauer decided to hold on to Bill's body until he could find them.

While Bauer was searching for Deaf Bill's relatives he was also experimenting with an embalming procedure that he had devised to see how long a person's body would remain preserved. Deaf Bill was embalmed with the new fluid, but the plan was to keep him only as long as it took for his family to come forward. Unfortunately, no one ever came.

As the years passed, Bill remained unclaimed and new owners took over the funeral home …. They realized they could get all kinds of free publicity by exhibiting (Bill) in the funeral home, so they (the owners) put him on display. … Eventually the body was moved to a closet. … [finally] Bill was buried … on June 25, 1996 (in Immaculate Conception Cemetery in West Alton).

Now, read the complete story of "Deaf Bill" and other local oddities in *Weird Illinois*, library call number: 133.129773TAY.

## *British Murder Mystery*

Some of the most popular items checked out at Hayner Library are British Murder Mysteries. Check out these movies/series (for the first time or rediscover your favorites!) and see if you can figure out "whodunit"! (DVD and/or VHS)

- Midsomer Murders (series)
- Lovejoy (series)
- Gosford Park
- Inspector Lewis (series)
- Inspector Morse (series)
- Inspector Lynley (series)
- Miss Marple (series)
- Hamish Macbeth (series)
- Poirot (series)
- Prime Suspect (series)
- Rebus (series)
- Unsuitable Job for a Woman (series)
- Seven Dials Mystery
- Cadfael (series)
- Foyle's War (series)
- Death in Holy Orders
- Cater Street Hangman
- Death of an Expert Witness
- Hetty Wainthrop Investigates(series)
- The Last Detective (series)
- Rosemary and Thyme (series)
- Into the Blue (series)
- Mrs. Bradley Mysteries
- Touch of Frost (series)
- Scoop
- Matchpoint
- Murder City (series)
- Murder Room
- Ruby in the Smoke (series)
- Wire in the Blood (series)
- Perfect Spy
- Smiley's People
- Tinker,Tailor, Soldier, Spy
- Ice House
- Kavanagh, CQ (series)
- Rumpole of the Bailey (series)
- Ruth Rendell Mysteries
- Blue Murder (series)
- DNA (series)
- Taggart (series)
- Murder in Suburbia (series)
- Inspector Alleyn Mysteries (series)
- Why Didn't They Ask Evans
- Lord Peter Wimsey (series)
- The Murdoch Mysteries
- Helen West Casebook
- The Black Tower
- Cover Her Face
- Shroud for a Nightingale
- Mind for Murder
- Original Sin

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## From Yesterday to Today…

In our last issue of the newsletter (Winter 2010, Vol. XVII, No. 4) we reported on the changes planned for the Hayner Youth Library at 401 State Street. Most currently, the building served as the Youth Library for the District. Since the renovation of the library in Alton Square Mall, the Youth Library collections have found their home in a beautiful, bright and contemporary setting in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

The exciting future of the Hayner Library on State Street will be to serve as a local history and genealogy library. We thought you might enjoy a short pictorial tour of our library's history … past to present.
*(See related photos on Pg. 2.)*

***Hayner Youth Library, 2009***

***Hayner Youth Library — Interior 9/09***

## Happy 1-Year Anniversary

This March marks the first anniversary of the opening of the expanded Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. There have been many indications that the new mall library has been a great success. It was a featured library in the February 2010 volume of the *ILA Reporter*, the bi-monthly periodical of the Illinois Library Association. The introduction to the article, which is titled "New Library Buildings," reads, "This is the thirteenth in a series of articles highlighting new library buildings or additions. Each year we feature noteworthy academic, school, special, or public libraries whose innovative concepts merit attention." (*ILA Reporter*, February 2010, p. 11.) A copy of the article can be accessed online at www.ila.org/pub/reporter/vol28no1.pdf.

The library also has been wonderfully received by the community. Since March 2009, the mall library has shown an increase in circulation of materials of 46 percent. The number of patrons walking through the door has increased by 17 percent, and new library card registrations are up by 50 percent.

Don't forget that the library is a great money saver. Borrow books, magazines, newspapers, DVDs, CDs, great age-specific materials for kids and teens, games, audiobooks, and large-print materials; access reference materials, employment information, and our small business reference collection; and take advantage of study rooms, public computers, Wi Fi café, educational programs and entertainment events for all ages—all free—and we're open seven days a week.

Headed to downtown Alton? Visit the Hayner Downtown Library at 326 Belle Street, and watch for the reopening of the original Hayner Public Library at 401 State Street. For more information, visit our website at www.haynerlibrary.org.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 4
Memorial Day, May 30 & 31

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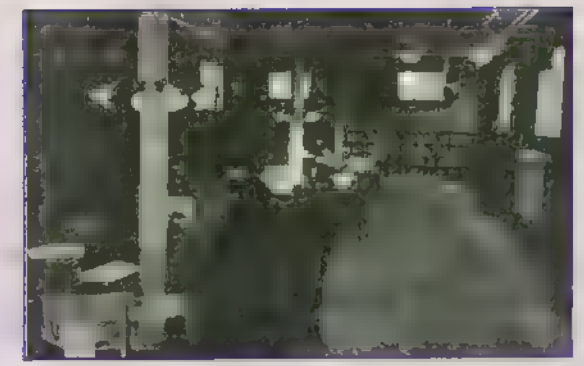
*The first library in Alton (the Alton Library Association) was housed in rented rooms on the second floor of the Alton City Hall. Library hours were Saturdays, from noon to 4:00 p.m.*

*The Hayner Memorial Library as it was built for John E. Hayner in 1891, before the annex was added by his grandson, John A. Haskell.*

*A view of the Hayner Memorial Library, after the addition of the Annex on the northeast end of the original building in 1906.*

*The main level room of the Hayner Memorial Library in 1908.*



*The first children's library was located on the lower level of the Hayner Memorial Library (note the support columns in center of the room.)*

*Interior 1/10 – Main Level – Public Area*

*Lower Level – Administrative Staff*

*This was a surprise—uncovering one of the original support columns.*

## *Mike and Cindy Lefferson to Be Honored for Community Building*

Mike and Cindy Lefferson will receive the community's 2010 Circle of Care award at a dinner held in their honor on May 6, 2010.

The Leffersons have made a positive and permanent impact on families and communities through their professions, volunteerism and philanthropy, earning them a prestigious honor from Riverbend Head Start & Family Services, the Circle of Care award. The family name is perhaps best recognized from the Alton-based architecture and interior design firm Lefferson & Associates LLC, founded in 1993. The firm is currently redesigning the original Hayner Library building at 401 State Street in Alton.

The Leffersons raised their three children in Alton after moving to the community of St. Louis. They immersed themselves in work and caring for those in need in myriad ways. Cindy Lefferson is a well-respected teacher of children with very special needs at the local William Bedell Achievement & Resource Center, an organization dedicated to improving the lives of people with developmental disabilities. Her work helps children and families develop skills that improve their quality of life.

By contrast, Mike Lefferson's work as President of Lefferson & Associates LLC has had an immediate impact on the landscape of communities. The firm has a wealth of public, residential, commercial, financial institution and healthcare facility experience.

Their latest achievement is the Greek Revival Parethenon-style house in Alton built in 1838 by steamboat captain William Post. Breathing new life into this historic home that was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1980 was a labor of love.

"We considered this renovation to be a commitment to the long-term history of Alton," Lefferson told a *Telegraph* newspaper reporter. "It's a very important piece of that heritage."

Mike and Cindy Lefferson are active members of the United Methodist Church, which led to their key role in the development of the United Methodist Village retirement community in Godfrey, as well as a contribution to the building of the Lefferson Memorial Chapel at the Village. It also led to their longtime sponsorship of Encounter, the young Christian performance group, and an impact on ethnic churches through United Methodist Conference committee service.

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services, McKendree University, Alton Marketplace, and the United Way of Greater St. Louis, Alton Marketplace, and Alton Appearance Review Board are other benefactors of the Leffersons' wisdom and business acumen.

This annual tribute by Riverbend Head Start & Family Services places them on a short but prestigious list of leaders who have received the award for community building.

For an invitation or more information about the Circle of Care award dinner for the Leffersons, call 463-5946 or e-mail info@riverbendfamilies.org, or visit www.riverbendfamilies.org.

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is a non-profit organization that provides unduplicated child development and counseling services to families in Madison County. Riverbend Head Start and The Hayner Public Library District partner in many activities supporting literacy in our community, enabling children and families to develop positive skills in meeting life's challenges.

## *Check Out a New Website from ALA*

Atyourlibrary.org is the public website for the American Library Association's public awareness campaign—The Campaign for America's Libraries, which promotes the value of libraries and librarians. The goal of www.atyourlibrary.org is to encourage the public to visit libraries by providing information and recommended resources that everyone can take advantage of at their local library.

New articles, written by librarians and other experts, are uploaded every two weeks for you to learn about the latest trends including how-tos and tips for parents, job seekers, teenagers and kids. Also, you can subscribe to the ALA blog, to discuss the value, importance and all-around cool things that different libraries are offering. Join in the conversation!

Browse the site to learn about all sorts of interesting topics. Resources that are recommended by the website can be ordered through Hayner Library by using the Hayner online catalog www.haynerlibrary.org or by calling the library at 466-0677.

Happy browsing! The site www.atyourlibrary.org is underwritten by the Carnegie Corporation of New York and the Disney Book Group.

## *Annual Punsters' Dinner to be held on April Fool's Day!*

*From www.ironfrog.com*

It's that thyme again. The fennel date has been set. The Sixteenth Annual Dinner of the International Save the Pun Foundation will take plates on April 1st in Chicago.

Lettuce just say that if you carrot all for wordplay, you should turnip. (If you've bean before, you know it's a gas!) Where else can you find tables set with spoonerisms and knaves? Forks from all over the country will be letting the good tines roll.

Come laugh all the way to the Bankwit. We trust it will be an evening of fund endgames that you will always treasure. (And if you don't, it's not our vault.) Save the date–don't spend the evening a loan. Come check it out. It's clear you'll be bouncing off the walls. We're accounting on you to be there. Bring your relatives–especially your finance. (If you're considering not coming, we hope you will coin a flip and change your mind.)

Following tradition, chairwoman Joy Ann Peas promises to dress in visual puns. (And in all these years, she's never broker promise.) The reigning Pun-Up Queen challenges other attendees to top her achievements, which include a Bible Belt and Bear Feet. (Come invest, if you like.)

Tickets are $40 per person. But chew butter make your reservations soon. People are dine to get tickets to this event. Baste a pan pasta eggs pear rhea hens, tickets usury go quickly, so reserve yours today. Water you waiting for? Stop pudding it off! Spice is limited!

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## Hayner Special Library Events

*Spring is around the corner –time to come out of your winter hibernation. Join us for a great semester of programs, guaranteed to entertain the whole family. Our program series is being temporarily presented in the Alton Square Mall while rehab work is being completed in the Hayner downtown facilities. All programs will be held, unless otherwise stated, in the Alton Square Mall at the top of the escalators, next to Champs.*

*These events are all free of charge. Programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

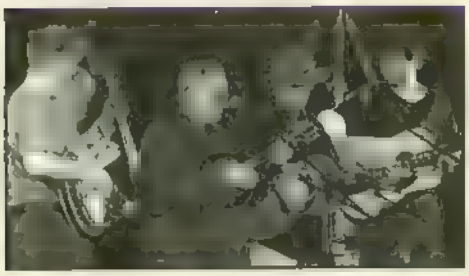
**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Computer Classes*

Currently, all computer classes are fully enrolled through May 2010. Additional classes will be scheduled and announced in the summer newsletter, available June 2010.

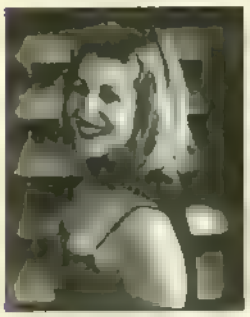
### Wayne Schell
***The Lodge Brothers Band***
**Tuesday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.**



The popular Lodge Brothers Band will present a program of traditional string music. This is the music that predated Blue Grass and from which Blue Grass evolved. Playing a combination of guitar, mandolin, banjo, bass and fiddle, this group will have you rocking in your seats! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Maureen Christine
***You Raise Me Up: Songs That Inspire Us***
**Tuesday, March 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Maureen Christine is a celebrated concert vocalist and national recording artist. The demand for Maureen's captivating stage presence and crystal clear voice has produced invitations for her to perform with numerous symphony orchestras, concert bands and 16-piece big bands, including the Count Basie Orchestra. Maureen was pre-nominated for a 2002 Grammy Award alongside Harry Connick, Jr., and Rosemary Clooney. Hear her beautiful voice as she sings songs that most inspire us. The program includes newer hits such as "You Raise Me Up" and "Wind Beneath My Wings," and classic gems such as "The Impossible Dream" and "What a Wonderful World." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

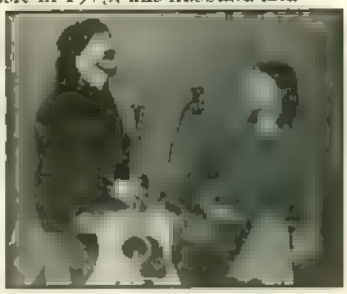


### Bill Staines
***Just Play One Tune More***
**Tuesday, March 30, 6:30 p.m.**

Singing mostly his own songs, Bill Staines has become one of the most popular and durable singers on the folk scene today, performing nearly 200 concerts a year and driving more than 65,000 miles annually. He weaves a magical blend of wit and gentle humor into his performances, and one reviewer wrote, "He has a sense of timing to match the best standup comic." Bill's music is a slice of Americana, reflecting with the same ease his feelings about prairie people of the Midwest or the adventurers of the Yukon, the on-the-road truckers, or the everyday workers that make up this land. Bill has recorded 26 albums, and his songs have been recorded by Peter, Paul & Mary, The Highwaymen, Mason Williams, Jerry Jeff Walker, Nanci Griffith, Glen Yarborough and more. Dubbed a "modern-day Steven Foster," Bill delivers a performance you don't want to miss. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### The Gordons
***Our Time***
**Tuesday, April 13, 6:30 p.m.**

Gary and Roberta Gordon have been influenced by the great music of their era. Baptized by Bluegrass Music in 1973, this husband and wife team have made wonderful folk music ever since. Harmony singing is their signature as they accompany themselves on guitar, Dobro and Appalachian autoharp. The Gordons have toured the U.S. and Europe extensively since the 1970s. Their latest CD, "Our Time," was one of the top 10 folk records of 2008 on folk radio charts. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



### Ralph Butler, Gigi Darr and Jim Stevens
***Welcome to the Cabaret***
**Tuesday, April 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Ralph Butler (vocalist), Gigi Darr (pianist), and Jim Stevens (saxophonist) will perform an intimate cabaret of contemporary music. Come hear this trio as they entertain you with music spanning several decades. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Genealogy Round Table
***Changing Funeral and Burial Customs***
**Wednesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Children's Reading Room in the Hayner downtown location at 326 Belle Street.*

The Genealogy/Local History Department presents Mr. Ralph Bowles of Gent Funeral Home in Alton for a discussion on changes in funeral and burial customs over the last fifty years. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Janet Riehl & Erwin A. Thompson
### *Family Stories in Prose and Poetry*
**Sunday, April 25, 2010, 1:00 p.m.**
***Note:** This program will be held in the Multi-purpose Room at the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall, 132 Alton Square.*

Family stories shape our lives. On April 25, 1–4 p.m., father-daughter team Erwin A. Thompson and Janet Grace Riehl reflect on the power of memory and lead a free workshop, "Family Stories in Prose and Poetry." Janet and Erwin discuss: (1) tools to research past generations; (2) contrasting views of history and genealogy research applied to family stories; (3) tools for spotting stories and turning oral history into writing; (4) how to create a legacy for the future. You can go home with the start of your own memory book. Learn more about Janet and Erwin at www.riehlife.com. This program is free of charge but requires registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Forest Bevineau
### *The Singing Sheriff*
**Tuesday, April 27, 6:30 p.m.**
Well-known Deputy Forest Bevineau (a.k.a. The Singing Sheriff) has a huge following throughout the area. His incomparable singing voice and incredible repertoire of all types of music has brought him fans of all ages. Also a king of karaoke (he has won first prize on three different cruise vacations), his performances are often a mix of musical styles and can run the gamut from gospel to country western, popular to R & B and more. He says sometimes he just looks at the audience to decide what to sing. He loves to have the audience sing along. Join us for what promises to be a great evening of song and surprises. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Peter Fletcher
### *Classical Guitar*
**Tuesday, May 4, 6:30 p.m.**
Classical guitarist Peter Fletcher made his New York City Carnegie Hall debut in 2007 and has returned to perform in the great Hall each year since, while also touring nationally and internationally. *Fanfare* magazine reported, "Fletcher plays it all with a gracious virtuosity that makes for a very pleasing [performance] of unaffected musical poetry." Fletcher's concert for Hayner Library will feature selections from his 2008 CD release on Tower Hill Records, *Music of the Baroque*. Other repertoire will include *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* from Cantata No. 147 as well as the *E minor Lute Suite* of J. S. Bach. The program will conclude with *Koyunbaba*, by composer/guitarist Carlo Domeniconi. This is one of the most exciting works in the classical guitar repertoire.

This is the program Fletcher will also be performing at his 2010 Carnegie Hall recital on March 27. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
### *American Roots/Celtic Soul*
**Sunday, May 9, 2:00 p.m.**
Looking for an exceptional way to treat Mom on her special day? Bring her to hear Switchback, truly two of our favorite artists on the circuit.

"A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian Fitzgerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive and it's coming at you a little harder because we're coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dana and Sue Robinson
### *A Sense of Place*
**Thursday, May 20, 6:30 p.m.**
From Asheville, North Carolina, Dana and Sue Robinson bring to the stage an electrifying blend of mountain music, stories and songs of the American landscape. They integrate styles from the Appalachian, Celtic and African traditions to create a fresh and contemporary sound that is uniquely their own. Recently returned from a smash tour in the U.K., they are garnering awards and accolades with their latest CD. "Many songwriters have been heralded as modern day Woody Guthrie's or keepers of the American rural spirit, but that mantle might be better entrusted to musicians like Dana Robinson who embody both the heart and soul of folk music." —*Dirty Linen Magazine*. Learn more about Dana and Sue at http://www.robinsongs.com. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Detective Mike Bazzell
### *Staying Safe on the Internet*
**Monday, May 24, 9:00 a.m.**
***Note:** This program will be held in the Multi-purpose Room in the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*
Detective Mike Bazzell, an expert on computer espionage, working for both the F.B.I. and the Alton Police Department, will present an important program on Internet safety including information on social networks. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

## Stanley Chytil & Jerry Lavick
### *Stan & Jerry Dynamic Music Duo*
**Tuesday, June 1, 6:30 p.m.**
Stanley Chytil and Jerry Lavick, two popular local musicians, will play a dynamic trumpet and piano duet in a variety of musical songs from the '50s through current times. Chytil presently conducts the New Horizons Band, plays in several local bands, and has an internationally recognized musical pedigree that began in the Czech Republic.

Lavick, also known by many as "Alton's Piano Man," plays solo and with several local groups. The duo will feature a variety of songs ranging from pop ballads through country, Beatles and Dixieland. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mike Anderson
### *The Dulcimer Guy*
**Tuesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.**
The combination of music, storytelling and humor has made Mike Anderson a sought-after performer from the Atlantic coast to Canada to the Gulf and all points in between.

Jaw harps from around the world, mountain dulcimer, nose flute songs, and singing all blend together for a performance you will love. Join us for an evening of musical storytelling and laugh your cares away. 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz Quartet
### *Celebrate Patriotism*
**Tuesday, June 29, 6:30 p.m.**
The Bud Shultz Quartet brings us a program of clarinet jazz and patriotic selections that will have you waving the red, white and blue! Celebrate July 4 early with one of Alton's favorite jazz ensembles. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## KidsSpace – Spring 2010 Activities

### Alton Square

#### • Story Times

▸ **Movers and Shakers Story Time** – Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, March 1, 15, and 29; April 12 and 26; and May 10 and 24, 2010. Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2837.

▸ **Mommy and Me Story Time** – This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Mondays, March 8 and 22; April 5 and 19; and May 3 and 17, 2010. Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677 ext. 2837.

▸ **Saturday Morning Story Time** – Come join us for this drop-in story time. Stories, puppets, and songs will be available for kids 3–7 years old. The fun begins at 11 a.m. No registration is required! Meeting dates are Saturdays, March 6, April 3, and May 1, 2010.

#### • Family Movie Night

Bring the whole family to this G-PG rated new release. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, March 10 and May 12, 2010, at 6 p.m. Snacks are provided. Movie titles will be available one week prior to show date. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2837.

#### • Movie & Craft

Elementary-age kids, come join us once a month for some after-school fun including a movie, craft, and popcorn. The fun begins at 5:30 p.m. on the following dates: Tuesdays, March 9, April 13, and May 11, 2010. Limited space is available, so please register at 462-0677, ext. 2837.

#### • Bow-wow Pow-wow

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library Multipurpose Room where your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. This program is the second Saturday of every month: March 13, April 10, May 8. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Employees of the Month*

**Abby Bagwill** was recognized as the November 2009 Employee of the Month. Abby is employed as a part-time Library Assistant and has worked for The Hayner Public Library District since October 2003. Abby is married and has a two-year-old daughter, Brianne.

Recognized in December 2009 as Employee of the Month was **Jim DeCourcy**. Jim has worked for The Hayner Public Library District since June 2009 as a Maintenance Engineer. Jim is married with two grown children, twin girls. Jim also has four grandchildren.

Congratulations to Abby and Jim—we appreciate all your great work.

### Downtown

#### • After-School Craft

Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 8, 2010. To register for this program call 462-0677, ext. 2837.

#### • Stories with Steph!

Storyteller Stephanie Munson will entertain children with stories and songs at our downtown location on Thursday, May 6, 2010, at 10 a.m. To register call 462-0677, ext. 2837. Don't forget to put this one on your calendar!

### Special Events

▸ **KidsSpace Easter Party** – Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at the Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 1 p.m. on March 20, 2010. All children will receive an Easter bag and have a chance to sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents, don't forget your cameras!

▸ **Spanish Story Times** – Come join us in the KidsSpace at the Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from the Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute story time is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. This special story time will be held at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: March 29, April 26 and May 24, 2010. To register call 462-0677, ext. 2837.

▸ **Bringing in the Arts Interactive Traveling Exhibit** – Bringing in the Arts is a fun set of portable and interactive exhibits designed to broaden children's understanding and excite their appreciation of the arts. The Hayner Public Library KidsSpace at Alton Square will borrow two exhibits, "Music and Dance" and "Arts and Crafts" from the Glen Carbon Public Library, March 1–15. The exhibits will be on display during story times and at specific times during the week. The Glen Carbon Public Library was awarded a grant for this exhibit by the Illinois State Library, Division of the Office of Secretary of State, using federal LSTA funding.

▸ **2010 Summer Reading Program – "Scare Up A Good Book"**

Come join the Hayner Library Summer Reading Program, "Scare Up A Good Book." This year's reading program is packed full of fun for kids ages birth through 11. Register and enjoy performers, story times, craft times, movies, gaming and much more! Watch for more information in our Summer 2010 newsletter. If you have questions, please call 433-2861.

## *Best Wishes to Barb Ulffers on her Retirement!*

Barbara (Barb) Ulffers retired from her position as Assistant Director of Acquisitions, Cataloging and Processing for The Hayner Public Library District in December 2009. Barb started her employment with Hayner in April 1974. She took a short sabbatical from September 1979 until March of 1980. She continued her employment from 1980 until retiring this past December. Best wishes, Barb, from the staff and Board of Trustees of The Hayner Public Library District.

# Special Events at Hayner

# TeenSpace
## Spring 2010 Activities

### • *Teen Advisory Council*

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in our new TeenSpace located at Alton Square Mall. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, March 17, April 21, and May 19, 2010, at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • *Teen Movie Nights*

Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner Library will host a movie night exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza and soda are on the menu! Movie dates are Wednesdays, March 31, April 28, and May 26, 2010. Movies start at 6 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • *Teen Video Gaming*

Calling all gamers! Come hang out with other teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12–18 welcome. This event is scheduled from 1–3 p.m. on Saturday, April 10, 2010. Don't forget to bring a friend!

### • *Teen Book Club*

Hey, Teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meeting dates are Saturdays, March 13, April 10, and May 8, 2010. For more information call Shannon at 433-2872.

## Special Events

### • *Project Next Generation*

It's coming. It will be here soon. Before you know it, in just a couple of years, you will be the one people will seek when looking for that person they can trust to get the job done. Are you ready? Have you started thinking about what you'll need to be able to do to convince them that they've found the right person? And that experience part: How can you get some of that if you have to have it first before they'll hire you?

You've found the right place. In today's world, nearly anything that's done is touched, in some way, by technology; specifically, computers and computer-assisted technology. You want to have that cutting edge, the one that gives your profile the kind of attention it needs to land you wherever you want to be: in a great job that you love, with lots of potential; at the top of the list of people that the college you want to attend is considering for admission; or in a position to start your own business, where you'll be in charge.

The Hayner Public Library District has resources available to give you experience, skills in using current cutting-edge technology, and the poise and presence to be able to sell your talents to others.

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its third year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer this twice-a-week, after-school program to emerging sixth graders through exiting eighth graders to give them a special opportunity to learn new skills while having fun. Scheduled on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30–4:45 in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program has room for 10–12 teenagers. You will learn about using current computer applications like Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher; research diverse topics like the life of Abraham Lincoln or world-renowned explorers; learn how to make a presentation with digital photography or videography; and discover the fun of using SMART Boards to make those presentations. In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for one of our six-week sessions! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information, or to sign up for our spring session

### • *Teen Tech Week*

**"Learn, Create, Share @ your library"**
**March 8–13, 2010**

Come join us for an evening of Technology Talk with guest speakers from local businesses. These guests will have the latest knowledge about what is hot in the technology world. For more information or to register for this event call 433-2872.

### • *Teen 2010 Summer Reading Program*

**"SCARE UP A GOOD BOOK"**

This year teens will be invited to explore the scary side of reading. All participants will have the opportunity to read for some great prizes and attend some awesome events at our Alton Square facility. Registration will kick off in early June for this four-week program. Dates and times coming soon! For more information please call 433-2872.

# MISSION RECOGNITION

Mission:Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location. The following awards were announced for the contributions of kids recognized at the start of 2010

**Shane Reese** is a first grader at North Elementary School. Shane was visiting with his great-grandmother, who is on oxygen, when she started having trouble breathing. Shane kept calling her name to keep her alert. Suddenly, Shane noticed she had passed out, and he quickly summoned his stepfather for help. Paramedics arrived shortly thereafter and, thanks to Shane's quick thinking, his great-grandmother was immediately revived and on her way to the hospital for medical care. Shane's quick thinking may very well have saved his great-grandmother's life. Shane's actions have made him a hero in the eyes of his family and friends.

**Angelina Dailey** is in second grade in West Elementary School. Due to bad weather, Angelina was home from school being cared for by her grandfather. Deciding to make a short trip to the market, Angelina and her grandfather went to the garage and got in their car. Her grandfather decided to make a last-minute adjustment to the car vents and jumped out of the running car. However, the parking brake was not on and the car started to slide, which resulted in the grandfather's being pinned between the car door and the garage doorframe. He was able to apply the emergency brake with one foot but otherwise was unable to move a leg or his head, and the pressure exerted by the car was becoming progressively more painful. Understandably, Angelina was scared and upset, but she composed herself and ran across the street to a neighbor's house to get help. A young boy was asleep in the house, but Angelina persisted in knocking until she woke him up. Together Angelina and the boy ran to yet another neighbor's house and found an adult to come help. The neighbor was able to free Angelina's grandfather, and everyone was fine. Thanks to Angela's brave actions and persistence, she was able to bring help to her grandfather's frightening situation, avoiding more serious injuries.

This past January, a luncheon was held to recognize 2009 Mission:Recognition honorees. Honorees, their parents and community guests attended the luncheon, which was hosted by motivational speaker Victor Pacini. Also recognizing the children for their contributions to their community was Godfrey Mayor Mike McCormick and Alton School District Supervisor David Elson.

The following kids were recognized for making good decisions and taking actions that positively affected friends, family and/or community. For more information on Mission:Recognition, go to our website at www.haynerlibrary.org.

A'Kya Adams
Suzanne Allen
Grant Bowden
Kaitlyn Braham
Lydia Brandon
Geneva Brumfield
Caleigh Bryan
Cameron Carroll
Tamera Caruthers
Nick Cauley
Dereaun Clay
Bradley Cox
Isaiah Cross
Latarkus Cutler
LeEssence Evans
Jasmyan Gaither
Josh Gaither
Jake Gallup
Nick Gehrs
Maurice Gray
Thomas Grindstaff
Brianna Hatfield
Harrison Henderson
Caroline Lauschke
Natalie Lauschke
Brandy Leggett
Seth Marcum
Simon Nguyen
Daniel Parham
Allienna Pierson
Thomas Reese
Dustin Richards
Katelin Richie
Brittany Roady
Hayden Roady
Christopher Runion
Jaquesz Sanders
Grace Sawyer
Hayden Sebol
Emily Selby
Sophie Smith
Blake Unterbrink
Gordon Voumard
Alyssa Weidler
Whitney White
Bianca Williams
Lyrica Williams

## *Brooklynn and Martha Luther the King*

Brooklynn is 4 years old and goes to pre-school. The day after Martin Luther King's birthday, her daddy picked her up at school. They were riding along quietly, when Brooklynn asked her daddy did he ever hear of Martha Luther the King? He said that yes, he thought he had heard of him. She asked her daddy if he knew about the laws Martha Luther the King changed. He said that he knew some of them. He asked Brooklynn what laws she was talking about. She said, "Why, the Play Law." Her daddy said, "I don't think I know that law. What kind of law is that?" Excitedly, she told him that before Martha Luther the King's new Play Law, she could play with Cindy, Tommy and Tad, but not Clayton. Her daddy said, "But why couldn't you play with Clayton?" She said, "Because, Daddy, Clayton has dark skin. But I don't have to worry about that anymore, because Martha Luther the King changed that Play Law and now I can play with everybody! Isn't that wonderful, Daddy?"

# *New & Forthcoming Books*

## --Nonfiction

**Agatston, Arthur S.** The South Beach Diet Super Quick Cookbook: 200 Easy Solutions for Everyday Meals

**Barry, Dave.** I'll Mature When I'm Dead: Dave Barry's Amazing Tales of Adulthood

**Burnett, Carol.** This Time Together: Laughter and Reflections

**Bush, Laura.** Spoken from the Heart

**Davis, Kenneth C.** A Nation Rising: Untold Tales of Flawed Founders, Fallen Heroes, and Forgotten Fighters from America's Hidden History

**De Laurentiis, Giada.** Giada at Home: Family Recipes from Italy and California

**Deen, Paula.** Paula Deen's Savannah Style

**Fisher, Carrie.** Shockaholic

**Golic, Mike.** Mike and Mike's Rules for Sports and Life

**Hastings, Max.** Winston's War· Churchill, 1940-1945

**Jessop, Carolyn.** Triumph: Life After the Cult—A Survivor's Lessons

**Leonard, Annie.** The Story of Stuff: How Our Obsession with Stuff is Trashing the Planet, Our Communities, and Our Health—And a Vision for Change

**Lewis, Michael.** The Big Short: Inside the Doomsday Machine

**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl 1-2-3: The Easiest, Most Delicious, Guilt-Free Recipes on the Planet

**McDonough, Jimmy.** Tammy Wynette: Tragic Country Queen

**Michaels, Jillian.** The Master Your Metabolism Cookbook

**Michaels, Jillian.** Unlimited: How to Build an Exceptional Life

**Morris, Dick.** 2010: Take Back America: A Battle Plan

**Morrison, Stacy.** Falling Apart in One Piece: An Optimist's Journey Through the Hell of Divorce

**Moulton, Sara.** Sara Moulton's Everyday Family Dinners

**Okrent, Daniel.** Last Call: The Rise and Fall of Prohibition

**Philbrick, Nathaniel.** The Last Stand. Custer, Sitting Bull, and the Battle of the Little Bighorn

**Queen Latifah.** Put on Your Crown: Life-Changing Moments on the Path to Queendom

**Romney, Mitt.** No Apology: A Case for American Greatness

**Roubini, Nouriel.** Crisis Economics: A Crash Course in the Future of Finance

**Rove, Karl.** Courage and Consequence

**Rule, Ann.** In the Still of the Night: The Strange Death of Ronda Reynolds

**Sheehy, Gail.** Passages in Caregiving: Turning Chaos into Confidence

**Sides, Hampton.** Hellhound on His Trail: The Stalking of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the International Hunt for His Assassin

**Swanson, James.** Bloody Crimes: The Chase for Jefferson Davis and the Death Pageant for Lincoln's Corpse

**Tack, Karen.** What's New, Cupcake? Ingeniously Simple Designs for Every Occasion

**Westman, Dr. Eric C.** New Atkins for a New You: The Ultimate Diet for Shedding Weight Fast and Feeling Great Forever

**Yearwood, Trisha.** Home Cooking with Trisha Yearwood: Stories and Recipes to Share with Family and Friends

## --Fiction

**Allende, Isabel.** Island Beneath the Sea

**Baldacci, David.** Deliver Us from Evil

**Berg, Elizabeth.** The Last Time I Saw You

**Brown, Dale.** Executive Intent

**Bushnell, Candace.** The Carrie Diaries

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Aloha Quilt: An Elm Street Quilts Novel

**Child, Lee.** 61 Hours: A Reacher Novel

**Clark, Carol Higgins.** Wrecked

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** The Shadow of Your Smile

**Cleage, Pearl.** Till You Hear from Me

**Coben, Harlan.** Caught

**Crusie, Jennifer.** Wild Ride

**Dallas, Sandra.** Whiter Than Snow

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Burning Wire: A Lincoln Rhyme Novel

**DeMille, Nelson.** The Lion

**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Walk

**Fielding, Joy.** The Wild Zone

**Garlock, Dorothy.** Stay a Little Longer

**George, Elizabeth.** This Body of Death: An Inspector Lynley Novel

**Giffin, Emily.** Heart of the Matter

**Grimes, Martha.** The Black Cat: A Richard Jury Mystery

**Gross, Andrew.** Reckless

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Bullet

**Harris, Charlaine.** Crimes by Moonlight

**Jackson, Lisa.** Without Mercy

**Johansen, Iris.** Eight Days to Live

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Deception

**Larsson, Stieg.** The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest

**Martini, Steve.** The Rule of Nine

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Double Comfort Safari Club

**Michaels, Fern.** Game Over

**Michaels, Fern.** Return to Sender

**Miller, Linda Lael.** McKettricks of Texas: Garrett

**Miller, Sue.** The Lake Shore Limited

**Parker, Robert B.** Blue-Eyed Devil

**Patterson, James.** The 9th Judgment

**Patterson, Richard North.** In the Name of Honor

**Perry, Anne.** The Sheen on the Silk

**Peters, Elizabeth.** A River in the Sky

**Pickard, Nancy.** The Scent of Rain and Lightning

**Preston, Douglas.** Fever Dream

**Quick, Amanda.** Burning Lamp

**Quindlen, Anna.** Every Last One

**Robards, Karen.** Shattered

**Roberts, Nora.** Savor the Moment

**Sandford, John.** Storm Prey

**Scottoline, Lisa.** Think Twice

**Smiley, Jane.** Private Life

**Smith, Martin Cruz.** Golden Mile

**Spindler, Erica.** Blood Vines

**Turow, Scott.** Innocent

**Weisberger, Lauren.** Last Night at Chateau Marmont

**White, Kate.** Hush

**Woods, Stuart.** Lucid Intervals

**Lescroart, John.** Treasure Hunt

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Last Snow

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Unbearable Lightness of Scones

**Michaels, Fern.** Deadly Deals

**Palmer, Michael.** The Last Surgeon

**Parker, Robert B.** Split Image

**Patterson, James.** Worst Case: A Novel

**Picoult, Jodi.** House Rules

**Preston, Douglas.** Impact

**Robb, J. D.** Fantasy in Death

# Patron Profile
## Erwin A. Thompson

Over the weekend I spent two luxurious days reading several of the wonderful novels and volumes of verse by the very prolific author and poet Erwin A. Thompson.

In 2005, Erwin Thompson was named a "Folk Treasure" by *Arts Across Illinois* (a prime-time art magazine TV series produced by WTTW11 in Chicago) and in 2009, his 94th year, he won a Gold Medal literary award for his book *Worth Remembering: The Poetry of Our Heritage*. He certainly is recognized as a Riverbend Treasure by the many people whose lives he has touched. Mr. Thompson is a historian, poet, novelist, philosopher, whittler and fiddler. He resides at Evergreen Heights, the family homestead originally founded by his grandfather, E. A. Riehl. Except for several years when he was in the service, Mr. Thompson has lived in the house his grandfather built in 1864 since he was 9 months old. Here he and his wife, Ruth Johnston Thompson, raised three children: Julia, Gary and Janet.

Erwin Thompson's great-grandfather, Nicholas Riehl, emigrated to the United States from the Alsace-Lorrain region in early 1800. Nicholas was a naturalist, specializing in ornithology and botany. He settled in Carondelette, Missouri, where he started a floral and horticultural nursery. Nicholas had five children, one of whom was a son, Emile (known most of his life only by his initials, E. A.)

Family legend has it that Riehl was working as a steamboat pilot when he discovered and fell in love with the bluffs along the Mississippi near Alton. He bought 140 acres of land a mile above Clifton Terrace and established the Riehl family homestead, Evergreen Heights. E. A. Riehl spent several years clearing the land and cultivating marketable crops to support his family. Mr. Riehl also had an avid interest in horticulture and was responsible for developing new enhanced varieties of fruits and vegetables. He also perfected a process of grafting nut trees that revolutionized the science of grafting. Riehl was recognized as one of the eight most important horticulturalists in the country. His work is well known at the Department of Agriculture in Washington and leading agricultural universities in America.

E. A. Riehl married Mathilde Roesch in 1866, and they had nine children: Frank, Edwin, Helen, Julia, Emma, Alice, Amelia (Mim), Anna, and Walter. Anna married J. Arthur Thompson, and they had five children, including a son, Erwin Arthur Thompson. At birth both mother and baby were weak. Their doctor thought both would die if the mother had the strain of caring for her infant. He thought she had a greater chance of surviving if Erwin were sent down to the Riehl farm. He was not expected to live—but he did! Because of the Great Depression and the demands on the Thompson family, Erwin was raised by his grandparents and three aunts: Emma, Judy, and Amelia (Mim).

Erwin graduated from Alton High School with honors and as a charter member of the school's Creative Writing Club. Erwin met his future wife, Ruth Johnston, when he sat behind her in study hall (Room 217) and pulled her hair to get her attention. They married 10 years later in June 1942. Their union would last 64 years until Ruth's passing in 2006. Erwin says, "It was the most intelligent thing I ever did when I married that particular girl at that particular time."

Drafted into the army in 1942, Erwin did his basic training in Camp Robinson, Arkansas. He then became part of the training cadre in the same company. In June 1943 the unit was transferred to Camp Fannin, Texas.

In July 1944, Erwin, now Sergeant Thompson, was shipped overseas, leaving Ruth and their one-year-old daughter, Julia, behind. That November of '44, Erwin and two comrades were sent on a reconnaissance mission near Stolberg, Germany. Their job actually was to act as bait to draw out enemy troops. One man was killed, and Erwin and his other comrade were severely wounded, barely escaping with their lives.

Due to the severity of his injuries, Erwin subsequently spent three months recovering in a British hospital. Confined to a wheelchair during his recovery in England, Erwin read voraciously to fill his time. The more he read, the more he started to hear his internal muse encouraging him to put his own stories to paper. He soon found that writing his own stories was preferable to reading many of the printed ones available.

He wrote of the adventures, challenges, joys and sorrows of the world he knew—eking out a living on a Midwest farm during the Depression. This world became the stage for his stories. Erwin let the other hospitalized servicemen read each new story as it was completed. The more he wrote, the more the men hounded him to complete additional chapters. He remembers a point at which eight servicemen were in line waiting to read pages as fast as he could write. During his involvement in the European Theater of Operations, Erwin says, his writing helped him keep his sanity. This work would be compiled into two manuscripts titled *The Lean Years* Book I and Book II.

Erwin was awarded a Purple Heart for injuries sustained from enemy action and a Silver Star for "gallantry above the call of duty" and discharged in 1945 to return to the United States. He and Ruth resumed living at Evergreen Heights, and Erwin took employment with Union Electric in Alton. His writing, both poetry and prose, continued to be a passion in his life. He wrote many poems reflecting his daily life at home as well as at work.

In the preface to his poetry anthology, *Worth Remembering*, he writes, "When I worked for Union Electric, I saw and experienced many things that ranged from the funny to the aggravating. To express my feelings on the matter, I often wrote a poem about the incident and gave it to one of the girls who worked in the back office. One Christmas, the girls all got together and typed them all up. They presented the collection of the poems—they had saved every one—in a notebook titled 'The Whittlin' Poet.'" On the cover Bill Price had painted a cartoon of Erwin sitting under a tree whittling one of his small critters.

This collection is included in Erwin's book *Worth Remembering: The Poetry of Our Heritage—A Family and Friends Poetry Anthology…and Some of the History* (Erwin A. Thompson, iUniverse, Inc., New York, 2009). *Worth Remembering* also includes many of the songs Erwin, also a musician and songwriter, wrote.

Erwin's Aunt Mim encouraged his musical talent when he was young. She had been on track to be a concert violinist; however, her father had discouraged her pursuit of a musical career because of her "nervous disposition." She agreed to teach Erwin how to play the violin based on two conditions: (1) He had to hold the instrument's bow correctly as a violinist would (at the base or frog of the bow) and not "choke the bow" as a fiddler would; and (2) He must "go to play somewhere we are not."

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**PATRON PROFILE (cont.)**
As a young man Erwin played music at many of the local dance halls and community events, performing popular tunes, waltzes and his own original compositions. He played mostly by ear and enjoyed collaborating with both local and visiting musicians, including Gabriel Smith, grandson of a founder of The Grand Ole Opry.

Erwin still plays his fiddle today. You can hear Erwin's musical group play clips from forty songs (including seven of his original compositions) on the audiobook *Sightlines, A Family Story in Poetry and Music*. Erwin's music interweaves with 90 poems from *Sightlines: A Poet's Diary*, written by his daughter, Janet Riehl, which tells stories of six generations of the family.

Erwin experienced years of great joy married to Ruth and raising their family. Their oldest daughter, Julia, a world-class physicist, worked in scientific laboratories and universities around the world, including Siberia at the Russian Headquarters for science research. Tragically, Julia was killed in a car accident on August 16, 2004.

Son Gary became an Eagle Scout early on; in his adult life he keeps on earning those merit badges. Trained in Industrial Arts, he headed the department at Jacksonville High School. He and his older sister Julia were named Teacher of the Year at the same time. Now retired, he remains a family anchor who can put a cherry pie in the oven, go out to the barn to repair the tractor, and come back in to take the pie out of the oven and put a hearty meal on the table.

Their youngest, Janet, lived in Africa for five years. In the Peace Corps she taught English as a Second Language and literature in secondary schools. Afterwards, as an independent volunteer funded by British Quakers, she founded a village sewing center that became a vocational technical school with sites in several villages. Today, Janet is an artist and poet living in St. Louis. "Riehl Life: Village Wisdom for the 21st Century" (www.riehlife.com) is a blog-magazine dedicated to creating connections through the arts and across cultures. Her father is often featured in the Family Matters category.

At 94, Erwin continues to compose and play music, whittle a collection of critters, document family and local history, and write new novels. As ever, his creative life blends with daily life as he manages the land he so dearly loves. Erwin's door is always open to family and friends. He hosts local musicians playing the old-time music of his youth. Writing his books has been a labor of love and an offering to our community. "History belongs to everybody," he says.

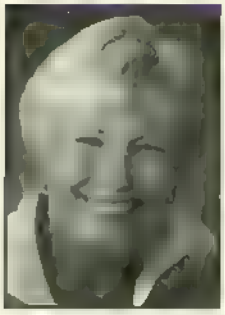
Copies of Erwin's and Janet's books are available at the Hayner libraries. You will find copies in the Illinois Room as well as in the circulating collections. Reading his work will transport you to a different time and into the lives of people and fictional characters you'll want to know.

Would you like to meet Mr. Thompson and Janet? Join us on April 25, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. for an afternoon of poetry, music, and Riehl family stories. This program is free of charge, but does require registration at 1-800-613-3163.

*NOTE: This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

**Ed. Note:** The University of Illinois maintains a Riehl-Thompson archive featuring the letters of Erwin's mother, Anna Riehl, and Erwin's father, J. Arthur Thompson. These letters were written when they were students at the University of Illinois and during the years they served as missionaries in Korea. Additional transcribed letters, original documents, and books published by Erwin Thompson and Janet Riehl complete the collection.

## *Welcome to a New Board Member*



In November 2009, Karen McAtee joined the Hayner Public Library Board of Trustees. Karen's current commitment is to fulfill the remainder of Susan Huber's six-year term that ends in 2011. Karen and her husband, Frank, live in Godfrey and enjoy a blended family of six children, twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Karen has enjoyed a career in the banking industry and is currently working as vice president/center manager at The-BANK of Edwardsville at the Alton Center. Karen has been a lifetime library user and rarely misses her weekly library visits with children and/or grandchildren in tow. Welcome, Karen, and thank you for your service to the District!

**Susan Huber** served on the Hayner Board of Trustees from 1999 to 2009. During her term of service she served six years as president of the board. Susan resigned from the board in 2009 due to a residential move outside the library district.

## *A Response to "Operation Soldiers"*

In a previous newsletter (Winter 2010, Vol. XVII, No. 4) we told you of the Hayner Library–sponsored initiative "Operation Soldiers." Hayner Library staff and volunteers collected and boxed books that had been taken out of library circulation. The boxes were mailed to "tent" libraries established in Iraq and Afghanistan for use by American troops. The postage for mailing the boxes was donated by organizations and schools that included Simmons Law Firm, Bethalto West Intermediate School, Eunice Smith Grade School, and many generous local individuals In total, 170 boxes of books were shipped overseas. In December 2009 Stephanie Munson, Hayner Library Volunteer Coordinator, received the following letter:

*Thanksgiving Day, 2009*

*Dear Ms. Munson and the Good Citizens of Alton, Illinois,*

*Greetings from the USS BONHOMME RICHARD, an amphibious assault ship currently operating in the Central Command area of operations I was pleasantly surprised to receive a parcel of books for our ship's library along with your words of appreciation and encouragement On behalf of the Sailors and Marines who will be enjoying the books, thank you for your thoughtfulness and generosity.*

*God's blessing,*
*Sincerely,*
*Chaplain John Shimotsu*
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## *Come See What's New in Our Illinois Room*

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## *Food For Fido*

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month, and in commemoration of this, all locations of The Hayner Public Library District will collect pet food and cleaning supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation for each fine.

Please remember that 5 A's also has a thrift shop at 632 Wood River Ave., Wood River, Ill. It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. They have a large collection of used books, puzzles, clothes, collectibles, household goods, furniture, toys and seasonal items. Donations are accepted during regular store hours. For questions regarding the shop, call 254-0635 (shop) or 466-3702 (shelter).

Please help our friends at the 5 A's – they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected or abused animals brought to the shelter. The shelter is located at 4530 N. Alby Rd., Godfrey. Stop by and visit this wonderful facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever). And, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

# The Hayner Public Library District

## *Genealogical Research Is the Stepping-Stone to a Reunion*

Everyone loves a mystery, especially the Genealogy staff of the Hayner Public Library District. Cathie Lamere, Genealogy and Local History Manager, and her staff, Pam Bierman and Beth Phillips, employ all sorts of creative sleuthing techniques as part of their daily jobs.

In March of 2010, Edwardsville businessman John Mclean was salvaging materials from a house that was being torn down in Edwardsville. One of the items he salvaged was a stepping-stone that led from the steps at the back door of the house. He moved the stone to the back of his truck, where it remained for a couple of weeks. It was only when he was unloading the truck that he turned the stone over and discovered writing engraved on the other side. Carved on top of the stone was a small lamb, below which was the inscripuon "In memory of little Sarah, Infant daughter of A. & E. Bull, aged 28 days." John was shocked to discover that the "stepping-stone" he had unearthed was actually a tombstone!

John remembered from an article in the *Edwardsville Intelligencer* that Dave Roper of East Alton had previously "re-homed" another tombstone found in the Edwardsville area. John got in touch with Dave and asked him if he would help identify the resting place of little Sarah Bull. Dave, a historian experienced in genealogy research, started researching Sarah's family, using the powerful database tool Ancestry.com. Mary Westerhold of the Madison County Historical Library helped Dave identify Sarah's parents as Alonzo and Eleanor Bull, who resided in Alton. Mary put Dave in touch with Cathie Lamere and Pam Bierman.

Cathie and Pam used Hayner's online database of the *(Alton) Telegraph*, which can access *Telegraph* issues back to 1836, and began researching obituaries that would connect Sarah to other family members. Cathie suddenly had a startling thought. She remembered two oil paintings framed in shadow boxes that were hanging in the administrative office space of the Hayner Public Library District. These pictures each had a nameplate, identifying one painting as Alonzo Bull, 1893, and the other as Eleanor Bull. Some months previously, Cathie had researched these portraits and discovered that Alonzo was a dentist and Eleanor was his wife. Dr Bull maintained his dental office on 113 W. Third Street in Alton.

Further research by Cathie and Pam into the *Alton Telegraph* archives confirmed that Alonzo and his wife lived in Alton for a period of time and raised six children. They were also great supporters of the Alton Library (precursor of the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library). Alonzo's obituary stated that he died in 1893. Cathie and Pam also confirmed that Alonzo and Eleanor (d. 1903) were both buried in the Alton City Cemetery. Sarah Bull was their infant daughter. Pam and Cathie determined the date of Sarah's death as March 1868. There is conflicting information as to Sarah's age at the time of her death. The tombstone engraving indicates that she was only 28 days old; however, in the *Telegraph* obituary for Sarah, her age is recorded as nine months.

Dave Roper and John Mclean met with Cathie and Pam in March 2010, bringing the tombstone to Alton. They were excited to see the portraits of Alonzo and Eleanor, having the rare opportunity to see the faces of the people whose names research had uncovered. With the help of local historian and president of the Alton Cemetery Board Don Huber, Dave and John were able to visit the precise spot of the gravesites of the Bull family in the Alton Cemetery.

The stone will be reset this summer, and Sarah will finally be at rest with her parents.

Things to Know...

About The Hayner

Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 5 & 6

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## *Odd Happenings in the Illinois Room*

The historic Illinois Room is full of old books and materials. There are some amazing old photographs there that make you pause to reflect on life at the time of the photograph. There have been times when we have completed research on something to find that someone has come in needing the very thing we have just completed. Sometimes things happen for which we can find no explanation. Not terribly weird things, just things that make you wonder.
For example:

- On occasion we have had two separate families working on genealogy research in the Illinois Room at the same time. One family will overhear the second family talking about a family name that they have in their ancestry, and this usually gets them talking. They soon realize they are researching the same family line, or they discover they are distant relatives, all this just by overhearing a familiar family name.

- At one time we were updating the Property Research Files, and we had added some history and a photo for a very old Alton grocery store that was in business in the early 1900s. That same afternoon a couple came in from out of state asking for help. They were looking for information on a grocery store that had been in the husband's family in the early 1900s. Turns out, it was the very same store that we had just researched and added to the Research Property Files just that morning.

- Charlotte Stetson, Alton historian, was in the Illinois Room one afternoon researching a nurse who had volunteered her time helping wounded soldiers during the Civil War. Charlotte was having a hard time finding information on this nurse since it was so early in Alton history. We just so happened to hear her talking about this to someone else, and it sounded very familiar. We then realized that we had just recently come across an article about this nurse, and luckily we could remember where we had read her story and were able to share this with Charlotte. Her local history article for *The Telegraph* concerning this nurse made it on time, because we just happened to be at the same place at the right time!

These are just some examples of the timely things that happen in our historic Illinois Room. Stop in and learn more about this wonderful collection.

*– Cathie Lamere*
*Genealogy/Local History Manager*

## *Hayner Receives Generous Bequest*

The Hayner Public Library District received a very generous bequest from the estate of John William Ulmrich and Doris Ann "Annie" Ulmrich, to be used to improve literacy rates in the Alton/Godfrey area. Devoted library patrons throughout their lives, both John and Annie could be seen almost daily at the Alton Square branch.

John and Annie were longtime residents of the Alton/Godfrey area and had two daughters, Dr. Katherine S. Virgo and Holly A. Lee. Both John and Annie were always ardent supporters of education. Annie volunteered as a librarian at St. Kevin's parochial school in East Alton for many years. She was an avid reader and instilled the excitement of reading in her children at a very early age. John was a machinist who retired from Olin Corporation at the age of 65. In retirement, he indulged his passion for learning by taking courses at Lewis & Clark Community College, increasing his proficiency in computer use and repair. The advanced education of his children was one of John's major priorities.

In accordance with the family's wishes, the bequest to The Hayner Public Library District has been used to cover construction and furniture costs for a study room at the Alton Square Mall library location. This room will be used to facilitate study and literacy activities, including one-on-one literacy training. Additionally, the bequests will be used to train library staff as volunteers for literacy tutoring programs. The funds also will provide for the purchase of low literacy (high interest) books and materials

This generous bequest will touch the lives of many people in the library's district and provide a much-needed service to the community.

## Would a cemetery listing solve the puzzle of where your great-grandparents lived?

## Do you need to know their birth dates?

**Your answer may be in the cemetery records in the Illinois Room.**

**Most cemeteries in Madison County and many of nearby counties are included.**

**Hayner Downtown Library may have the information you need!**

## *The Magic of Oz*

Early this year, Hayner Alton Square Library had a wonderful display of *Wizard of Oz* memorabilia. The items on display were just a partial representation of the extensive collection of Grace Daubman, Hayner Library patron and a member of Friends of the Library.

The timeless story of Oz, written by Frank Baum in 1900, continues to capture children's hearts and imaginations. What little girl hasn't dreamed of owning a pair of shimmering ruby-red slippers, and what little boy hasn't dreamed of discovering his own yellow brick road?

*A Child's Wonder*

*Grace and Toto*

Two-and-a-half-year-old Grace Schwegel fell under the Oz spell when she saw the movie for the first time on Thanksgiving of 2009. Her parents bought a copy of the movie and Grace watched it every day. Her mom found a "Dorothy dress" on eBay and Grace was thrilled, insisting on wearing the dress almost every day. Grace, accompanied by her very own Toto, was delighted to discover the Oz window display in the library at Alton Square Mall.

Grace's parents are David and Kelly Schwegel of Godfrey, and Grace has a six-year-old brother, Luke. Grace has assigned Oz roles to each of her family members. Mom is the wicked witch, her brother is the lion and Dad is the scarecrow.

We look forward to seeing Grace and her family visit the library often, discovering more of the magic of great stories.

## *Techno Sports – Coming Soon!*

It's not too early to think about making plans for after-school activities in the coming year! At Hayner, we have a program, offered for the past three years, for fifth through eighth graders called "Project Next Generation." The participants get a chance to learn, enhance, and share technology skills in a small-group setting.

In the past, each session has been developed around a central topic, ranging from a study of Abraham Lincoln to learning how to geocache. (Geocaching is a rapidly-growing sport that combines the technological skills of reading a handheld GPS device with the fun of seeking treasures whose coordinates are posted on the website www.geocaching.com.) Although plans are still in the works, some of the themes being discussed for the 2010–2011 school year include cooking, exploring the fine arts, and continued work with geocaching.

The program is limited to ten participants per session, so get your application in early to reserve your spot! Applications are available at all Hayner Library locations.

Look for further information in the next newsletter. Fliers will be distributed to the schools in our area as well and will be available at both library locations. If you have any questions, please call 433-2861!

## *Book-A-Librarian*

Did you know that in addition to borrowing books you can borrow a librarian?

Hayner Library has recently launched the **Book-A-Librarian** service. **Book-A-Librarian** is a service that offers personalized, one-on-one reference help. Patrons can make a free, 30-minute appointment with a reference librarian who can aid them in their research.

**Book-A-Librarian** is a good way to get personalized help at your convenience. It allows the librarian to prepare specifically for your information needs. Whether it is developing pathfinders for students doing research papers, or sorting through information on your topic of interest, your librarian can guide you in the right direction.

If you need: research assistance for homework assignments; aid in locating community resources and agencies; in-depth help on how to search the library's databases; or instruction on using the library's online catalog, **Book-A-Librarian** is a way to get help. Let us be your personal guide to sorting through all the information that is out there.

If you want to book a librarian, give us a call at 433-2864 or stop by the Reference Desk at the Alton Square Mall location, and we will set up an appointment for you. Book-a-Librarian appointment request forms are available at all customer service desks

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Special Library Events

*No money for a fancy vacation? Well, get away for fun and entertainment by joining us for our summer semester of FREE programs, guaranteed to entertain the whole family. Our program series is being temporarily housed at the mall while rehab work is being completed in the Hayner downtown facilities. All programs will be held, unless otherwise stated, in the Alton Square Mall at the top of the escalators, next to Vitamin World (in the former Wellness Center).*

*These events are all free of charge. Programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are signed up, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, June 12**
**Saturday, July 10**
**Saturday, August 14**
**Saturday, September 11**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Alton Square Library, where your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Stanley Chytil & Jerry Lavick
### *Stan & Jerry Dynamic Music Duo*

**Tuesday, June 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Stanley Chytil and Jerry Lavick, two popular local musicians, will play a dynamic trumpet and piano duet in a variety of musical songs from the '50s through current times. Chytil presently conducts the New Horizons Band, plays in several local bands, and has an internationally recognized musical pedigree that began in the Czech Republic. Lavick, also known by many as "Alton's Piano Man," plays solo and with several local groups. The duo will feature a variety of songs ranging from pop ballads through Country, Beatles and Dixieland. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mike Anderson
### *The Dulcimer Guy*

**Tuesday, June 22, 6:30 p.m.**

The combination of music, storytelling and humor has made Mike Anderson a sought-after performer from the Atlantic coast to Canada to the Gulf and all points in between. Jaw harps from around the world, mountain dulcimer, nose flute songs, and singing all blend together for a performance you will love. Join us for an evening of musical storytelling and laugh your cares away. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bud Shultz Quartet
### *Celebrate Patriotism*

**Tuesday, June 29, 6:30 p.m.**

The Bud Shultz Quartet brings us a program of clarinet jazz and patriotic selections that will have you waving the red, white and blue! Celebrate July 4th early with one of Alton's favorite jazz ensembles. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mark Dvorak
### *Old Songs and New People*

**Tuesday, July 13, 6:30 p.m.**

Folk singer Mark Dvorak presents an intergenerational program of American folk songs—many recognizable, some new. Mark uses humor and anecdotes to familiarize the audience with his music. Mark is an instructor at the famed Chicago Old Town School of Music and has released multiple award-winning CDs. The *Chicago Tribune* has identified Mark as "a commanding vocalist and masterful banjo player." Mark also has been distinguished as "one of today's most important folk artists." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Randy Erwin
### *Yodelin' & Trick Ropin'*

**Tuesday, July 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Award-winning performer and yodeler Randy Erwin has been described by the *Los Angeles Times* as "one of the most versatile, far-ranging voices this side of Bobby McFerrin." He has performed at Carnegie Hall, London's Queen Elizabeth Hall, the Library of Congress, and all over the U.S., Canada and Great Britain. He has four critically acclaimed CDs and provided the yodeling score for the Walt Disney animated film *Home on the Range*. Randy discusses the origins of cowboy culture: how they lived, worked and spun tall tales. You'll hear the music that has made the cowboy such a special part of American history and learn the physics of trick roping. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Genealogy Roundtable
### *Preserving Memories*

**Wednesday, July 21, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Reading Room/Children's area at Hayner Downtown Library at 326 Belle Street.*

If you have a box full of photographs lying around and you are unsure of the correct way to store them for preservation, you will not want to miss this program. Mr. Ken Link of Picture This & More Custom Framing and Gallery in Alton will be the guest speaker during this Genealogy Department program. Mr. Link will discuss the most effective and economical way of saving and preserving our photographs for future generations to enjoy. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Double Play
### *Water Music*

**Tuesday, August 3, 6:30 p.m.**

From Handel to Joplin to John Phillip Sousa, musicians have traveled the world by way of rivers, lakes and oceans. Join the flute and tuba duo Double Play as they present "Water Music," featuring unique arrangements of some of the world's most popular music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Barry Cloyd
### *American Songbag*
**Sunday, August 8, 2:00 p.m.**

Barry Cloyd is a Midwestern-based, full-time touring singer/songwriter/multi-instrumentalist and educator who has spent a lifetime creating a performance style that brings history alive through story and song. Based on Carl Sandburg's collected volume of American folk songs, the American Songbag takes you on a journey through time, revisiting American history, from sod-busting pioneer days to the westward migration, the steamboat era, the Civil War, and up to the Great Depression. Join us for this wonderful event touring American history through our great folk music. Register at 1-800-613-3163. Note: This program will last approximately 1½ hours.

## Bonnie Vega
### *American History—Colonization*
**August 5, 10, 26, and September 2, 6:00–8:00 p.m.**

This four-part lecture series will be held in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Alton Square Library. The 4-week semester will cover the following topics, one each week: Before 1607 (8/5), Jamestown and Plymouth (8/10), Founding of the Colonies (8/26), Americanization of the British Colonies (9/2.) Classes will be taught by Bonnie Vega. Each two-hour class can be attended as a "stand-alone" or as part of the four-session series. Please register for each class individually at 1-800-613-3163

## The Gordons
### *Our Time*
**Tuesday, August 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Gary and Roberta Gordon have been influenced by the great music of their era. Baptized by Bluegrass Music in 1973, this husband and wife team have made wonderful folk music ever since. Harmony singing is their signature as they accompany themselves on guitar, Dobro and Appalachian autoharp. The Gordons have toured the U.S. and Europe extensively since the 1970s. Their latest CD, "Our Time," was one of the top 10 folk records of 2008 on folk radio charts. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## George Portz
### *Friends of Bluegrass*
**Tuesday, September 7, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun music. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two Presidents and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more"… and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Janet Burnett
### *Fall Planting*
**Thursday, September 16, 6:00 p.m.**

Janet Burnett, a Master Gardener from the University of Illinois Extension, will present a program on fall gardening, specifically, fall planting and preparing your garden and yard for winter. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bobby Norfolk
### *Satchel Paige*
**Tuesday, September 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Joe DiMaggio called Satchel Paige "the best and fastest pitcher I've ever faced." His pitching was amazing, and his showboating was legendary. His career highlights span five decades. Pronounced the greatest pitcher in the history of the Negro Leagues, Paige compiled such feats as 64 consecutive scoreless innings, a stretch of 21 straight wins, and a 31–4 record in 1933. In 1971, Satchel Paige received the ultimate honor when he was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. Emmy award–winning storyteller Bobby Norfolk brings us a brand-new program celebrating the life and achievements of this great icon of American sports. Just in time to heighten World Series excitement! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## *Bopping About*

Hayner is exploring the idea of creating a group that would enjoy combining arts, entertainment, culture, and learning. The thought is to gather people together, identify three or four events (plays, concerts, ballet) or institutions (maybe a history museum, unusual movie theater, art museum, or planetarium) that they'd like to visit over the course of a year, and then spend the months prior to that excursion studying related materials. For example, if the group decided that they'd like to visit the St. Louis Museum of History in May because a traveling exhibit on King Tut was going to be on display, in the months prior to the visit, they'd meet to watch a National Geographic video on how pyramids were made; or read and discuss books about Egypt; or learn how to cook a Middle-Eastern dish. The event itself might include a trip to a restaurant that specializes in Middle-Eastern cuisine; or a tour of the facility (for example, Fox Theatre) prior to the show.

If you think you'd be interested in participating in something like this, would you please call 800-613-3163 and leave a message. If we see that enough people are interested, we will proceed with making arrangements.

## *Hayner Library Co-sponsors Jazz in the Park*

The Hayner Public Library District is pleased to partner with the North Alton–Godfrey Business Council and the Village of Godfrey Parks and Recreation Department to sponsor the Jazz in the Park concert series, 2010.

Previously held under the stars in Glazebrook Park in Godfrey, the series has changed venues due to weather considerations. Join us in the air-conditioned comfort of the Alton High School Performance Auditorium, for performances in June, July and August. Alton High School is located at 4200 Humbert Road in Alton, Illinois.

***The summer schedule includes:***

**Thursday, June 3**
"Shades of Blue" Jazz Ensemble—U.S. Air Force Band of Mid-America

**Thursday, June 24**
Dean Christopher Trio

**Wednesday, July 14**
Sentimental Journey Dance Band

**Wednesday, August 18**
Gary Dammer Big Band

# Special Events at Hayner

## KidsSpace – Summer 2010 Activities

### Summer Reading 2010

### "Scare Up a Good Book"

**Come join the Hayner Summer Reading Program, "Scare Up a Good Book!" This year's reading program is packed full of fun for kids ages birth through 11. Register and enjoy performers, story times, and much more! Summer kickoff and registration start Saturday, June 12th. Babaloo will be here at 1 p.m. to kick off the fun!!!!**

### Performers and Events

**Saturday, June 12** — Summer Reading Program Kickoff
**Monday, June 14** — Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, June 15** — Stories in the Park (Downtown) 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, June 15** — Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
**Wednesday, June 16** — Magician Richard Landry 10 a.m.
**Thursday, June 17** — Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
**Monday, June 21** — Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, June 22** — Stories in the Park (Downtown) 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, June 22** — Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
**Wednesday, June 23** — Storyteller Becky Long 10 a.m.
**Thursday, June 24** — Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
**Monday, June 28** — Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, June 29** — Stories in the Park (Downtown) 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, June 29** — Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
**Wednesday, June 30** — St. Louis Zoo "Nothing to Fear" 10 a.m.
**Thursday, July 1** — Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
**Saturday, July 3** — Saturday Story Time 11 a.m.
**Monday, July 5** — Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, July 6** — Stories in the Park (Downtown) 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, July 6** — Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
**Wednesday, July 7** — Chris Egelston "Reading Is Magic" 10 a.m.
**Thursday, July 8** — Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
**Monday, July 12** — Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, July 13** — Stories in the Park (Downtown) 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, July 13** — Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
**Wednesday, July 14** — Wizard of Oz 10 a.m.
**Thursday, July 15** — Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
**Monday, July 19** — Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, July 20th** — Stories in the Park (Downtown) 10 a.m.
**Tuesday, July 20** — Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
**Thursday, July 22** — End of the Summer Party at LCCC 5–8 p.m.

### Bow wow Pow-wow

*Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, June 12**
**Saturday, July 10**
**Saturday, August 14**
**Saturday, September 11**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Alton Square Library, where your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### August-September 2010 Activities

**Monday, August 2** — Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 yrs .
**Saturday, August 7** — Saturday Morning Story Time 11 a.m. Ages 3–7
**Monday, August 9** — Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 2–5
**Tuesday, August 10** — After-School Fun (Downtown) 3:30 p.m. Ages 5–11
**Wednesday, August 11** — Family Movie Night 6 p.m.
**Monday, August 16** — Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 yrs.
**Monday, August 23** — Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 2–5
**Monday, August 30** — Spanish Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 2–5
**Tuesday, September 7** — After-School Fun 3:30 p.m. Ages 5–11
**Wednesday, September 8** — Family Movie Night 6 p.m.
**Monday, September 13**— Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 yrs.
**Monday, September 20** — Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 2–5
**Monday, September 27** — Spanish Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 2–5

# Special Events at Hayner

## TeenSpace

### Summer 2010 Activities

**This year teens will be invited to explore the scary side of reading! All participants will have the opportunity to read for some great prizes and attend some awesome events in our new facility. Registration will kick off Saturday, June 12th. The program will run approximately 4 weeks. Ages 12–18 welcome to join. Please register for all events at 433-2872.**

#### EVENTS

- Saturday, June 12th, Summer Reading Kickoff. Come register and have a chance to win a $50 gift card. Starts at 10 a.m.
- Wednesday, June 16th — Video Game Day, 1–3 p.m.
- Thursday, June 17th — Movie Night (*Gremlins* 1 & 2), starts at 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, June 22nd — Mike Anderson, the Dulcimer Guy, at 1 p.m.
- Thursday, June 24th — Movie Night (*Poltergeist*), starts at 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, June 30th — Reptile Experience. Come meet Steve and some of the most extreme reptiles you have ever seen! 1 p.m.
- Thursday, July 1st — Movie Night (*Fourth Kind*), starts at 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 7th — Nitro Joe's Science Show at 1 p.m.
- Thursday, July 8th — Scary Alton
- Thursday, July 15th — Teen End of the Summer Party

### *August – September 2010*

#### TEEN ACTIVITIES

- Saturday, August 14th – Teen Book Club at 12 p.m.
- Saturday, August 14th – Teen Gaming at 1 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 18th – Teen Advisory Council Meeting 4 p.m.
- Wednesday, August 25th – Teen Movie Night 6 p.m.
- Saturday, September 11th – Teen Book Club at 12 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 15th – Teen Advisory Council Meeting 4 p.m.
- Wednesday, September 29th – Teen Movie Night 6 p.m.

## *Bring a Book—Buy a Box! Operation Paperback*

**Bring a Book—Buy a Box** is about sending gently used or new children's books to soldiers overseas.

The soldiers are taped reading these books aloud. The tape and the book are then sent home to their little ones. It provides a great bonding experience for the deployed parents and their children. It also promotes reading and its importance even under difficult circumstances.

We are honored to be able to support this program through books and donations. It costs approximately $12.50 to send a box. If anyone is interested, please contact Stephanie Munson at 462-0677, Ext. 2844.

## *Insect Aside*

One of the few downsides of summer is the proliferation of bugs—creatures with many legs, creatures with no legs, multiple hearts, and many other equally charming physical and behavioral traits. Here are some interesting seasonal facts.

### *Did you know…*

The average caterpillar has 248 muscles in its head.

The mayfly lives only six hours, but its eggs take three years to hatch

Only two animal species wage war on their own kind—ants and humans.

An estimated 80% of animals on Earth have six legs

Termites eat through wood twice as fast when they are listening to rock music.

A bumblebee beats its wings 160 times a second.

The only insect that can turn its head is the praying mantis.

The common garden worm has five pairs of hearts.

A male emperor moth can smell a female up to seven miles away.

Slugs travel at a top speed of .007 miles per hour, can stretch to 11 times their length and have 27,000 teeth to help eat their food.

A female bed bug has survived 565 days without food.

A snail can sleep for three years.

Moths hear through the hairs on their bodies.

Some ribbon worms will eat themselves if they cannot find food.

Most spiders have eight eyes.

Honeybees have hair on their eyes.

Bees must visit 5,000 flowers to make a single spoonful of honey.

In his book The Insect, naturalist Url N. Lanham reports that the aphid reproduction cycle is so rapid that the females are born pregnant.

*—The Ultimate Book of Useless Information, Noel Botham, Penguin Group, 2007*
*Call number: 31.02 BOT*

## *Six Powerful Words*

According to legend, Ernest Hemingway created the shortest short story ever told. While having lunch at New York City's famous Algonquin Round Table, Hemingway bragged that he could write a captivating tale—complete with beginning, middle and end—in only six words. His fellow writers refused to believe it, each betting $10 that he couldn't do it. Hemmingway quickly scribbled six words on a napkin and passed it around. As each writer read the napkin, each conceded he'd won. Those six words? "For sale. Baby shoes Never worn "

*—Mental Floss, March–April 2010, Volume 9, Issue 2*

# MISSION RECOGNITION

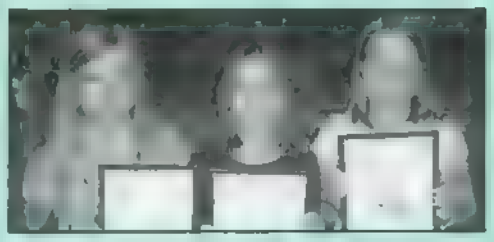
Mission: Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location. The following awards were announced for the contributions of kids recognized during this past spring.

**Ryan Boyd** *(no picture)*, **Ryan Kohler** *(top)*, and **Rose Eller** are all fifth-grade students at East Elementary. They decided they wanted to earn money for the Arthritis Foundation. They gave up their recess time to make and hang posters, solicit contributions and count money. All three kids participated in the St. Anthony's Jingle Bell Run/Walk for Arthritis. Their goal was to raise $100, and they actually collected $432.

**Isabella Hall** is not yet in kindergarten but demonstrated that she is a very responsible little girl. She was visiting the KidsSpace for some play time, and she found some money on the floor. She promptly turned it in to the information desk for the owner to collect.

**Makayla Brown** is a fifth grader at North Elementary. She knew a fellow student was feeling unhappy because of private reasons. Makayla gave the student a gift to make her feel special and brighten the student's day.

**James Charles** is a tenth grader at Alton High School. There was an altercation at the school between two students that involved security. James found the watch that was lost by one of the security men during the altercation and turned it in to the office staff



**Lydia Brandon** *(middle)*, **Emma Ernst** *(right)* and **Julia-May Campbell** *(left)* all attend fifth grade at West Elementary. When the three girls heard about the earthquake and subsequent devastation in Haiti, they decided to work through their school to raise money to help the Haitian victims. After getting approval from their teacher and the school principal, the girls contacted the American Red Cross to come to their school and talk to the student body about the situation in Haiti and how everyone could help. The girls raised $800 through a change drive among the school's student body.

**Sarah Harnetiaux** is a fourth grader at Evangelical Elementary. In January, she held a sock hop for her tenth birthday and, instead of gifts, she asked her guests to make a donation to the

Make a Wish Foundation in memory of her best friend's little brother, who passed away from cancer two years ago. Sarah raised $553 for the organization, of which $32 was part of her own money she received for Christmas. She also donated some of her own money to the Red Cross for the Haiti earthquake victims.

**Nick Weigler**, an eighth grader in the Alton Middle School, organized a "Hearts for Huntington's" fundraiser at his school. Nick made it a personal goal to raise awareness of the disease from which his mother suffers. Nick encouraged his whole class to participate in selling paper hearts and Blow Pops. He also inspired his classmates to write letters to celebrities, including Oprah, Will Smith, and President Obama, to help make Americans aware of the disease. The class raised more than $400 to donate to the Huntington's Disease Society of America, to be used to fund research for a cure.

## 2010 Hayner Adult Summer Reading Program June 12–July 24

Win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates just for reading this summer! Sounds easy? It is! Just sign up for Hayner Library's Adult Summer Reading Program. From June 12 through July 24, for every book or audiobook you read or listen to, you can enter a drawing to win $100 in area restaurant gift certificates. Two $100 sets of certificates will be awarded, one from Hayner Downtown Library and one from Hayner Alton Square Library. Every time you finish a book or audiobook, fill out an entry form and drop it in an entry box. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! The rules are easy: You must be a Hayner cardholder at least 18 years of age; all reading and listening materials must be checked out from Hayner and should match each reader's skills; you must register at Hayner's Downtown or Alton Square customer service desk to participate and pick up additional entry forms. Drawings for these sets of restaurant gift certificates will be held on Saturday, July 24. Good luck!

2010 Hayner Adult Summer Reading Program June 12–July 24

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

Book Title and Author:

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# New & ForthcomingBooks

*—Nonfiction*

**Ariely, Dan.** The Upside of Irrationality: The Unexpected Benefits of Defying Logic at Work and at Home

**Bacevich, Andrew.** Washington Rules: America's Path to Permanent War

**Barr, Chris.** The Yahoo! Style Guide: The Ultimate Sourcebook for Writing, Editing, and Creating Content for the Digital World

**Better Homes & Gardens Editors.** Better Homes and Gardens New Cook Book, 15th Edition

**Bloch, Phillip.** The Shopping Diet: Spend Less and Get More

**Brown, Pat.** The Profiler: My Life Hunting Serial Killers and Psychopaths

**Browne, Sylvia.** Psychic: My Life in Two Worlds

**Cash, Roseanne.** Composed: A Memoir

**Chafets, Zev.** Rush Limbaugh: An Army of One

**Garcia, Nina.** Nina Garcia's Look Book: What to Wear for Every Occasion

**Geller, Pamela.** The Post-American Presidency: The Obama Administration's War on America

**Greenblatt, Joel.** The Little Book That Still Beats the Market. Your Safe Haven in Good Times or Bad

**Greenlaw, Linda.** Seaworthy: A Swordboat Captain Returns to the Sea

**Johnson, Chalmers.** Dismantling the Empire: America's Last Best Hope

**Kabane, David.** Rules for Radical Conservatives: Beating the Left at Its Own Game to Take Back America

**Kashner, Sam.** Furious Love: Elizabeth Taylor, Richard Burton, and the Marriage of the Century

**Leavy, Jane.** The Last Boy: Mickey Mantle and the End of America's Childhood

**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl Happy Hour: 75 Recipes for Amazingly Fantastic Guilt-Free Cocktails and Party Foods

**Ling, Laura and Ling, Lisa.** Somewhere Inside: One Sister's Captivity in North Korea and the Other's Fight to Bring Her Home

**Marrs, Jim.** The Trillion-Dollar Conspiracy: How the New World Order, Man-Made Diseases, and Zombie Banks are Destroying America

**McCain, Meghan.** Dirty Sexy Politics: A True Story

**McMurtry, Larry.** Hollywood: A Third Memoir

**Morton, Andrew.** Angelina: The Unauthorized Biography

**O'Donnell, Norah.** Baby Love: Healthy, Easy, Delicious Meals for Your Baby and Toddler

**Roach, Mary.** Packing for Mars: The Curious Science of Life in the Void

**Robinson, Ray Charles, Jr.** You Don't Know Me: Reflections of My Father, Ray Charles

**Sandler, Lori.** The Divvies Bakery Cookbook. No Nuts. No Eggs. No Dairy. Just Delicious!

**Spelling, Tori.** uncharted terriTORI

**Thernstrom, Melanie.** The Pain Chronicles. Cures, Myths, Mysteries, Prayers, Diaries, Brain Scans, Healing, and the Science of Suffering

**Tuohy, Leigh Ann and Sean.** In a Heartbeat: How Cheerful Giving Changed Our Lives

**Wittman, Robert K.** Priceless: How I Went Undercover to Rescue the World's Stolen Treasures

*—Fiction*

**Bagshawe, Tilly.** Sidney Sheldon's After the Darkness

**Barr, Nevada.** Burn

**Beck, Glenn.** The Overton Window

**Brown, Sandra.** Tough Customer

**Burke, James Lee.** The Glass Rainbow: A Dave Robicheaux Novel

**Cook, Robin.** Cure

**Coulter, Catherine.** Whiplash

**Cussler, Clive.** Lost Empire: A Fargo Adventure

**Cussler, Clive.** The Spy

**Davidson, MaryJanice.** Undead and Unfinished

**DeMille, Nelson.** The Lion

**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** Tempted by Trouble

**Eisler, Barry.** Inside Out

**Evanovich, Janet.** Sizzling Sixteen

**Finder, Joseph.** Buried Secrets

**Forsyth, Frederick.** The Cobra

**Francis, Dick.** Crossfire

**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** Lowcountry Summer

**Furst, Alan.** Spies of the Balkans

**Gardiner, Meg.** The Liar's Lullaby

**Gardner, Lisa.** Live to Tell: A Detective D. D. Warren Novel

**Gerritsen, Tess.** Ice Cold

**Gregory, Philippa.** The Red Queen

**Griffin, W.E.B.** The Vigilantes: A Badge of Honor Novel

**Howard, Linda.** Veil of Night

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** They're Watching

**Isaacs, Susan.** As Husbands Go

**Jance, J. A.** Queen of the Night

**Johansen, Iris.** Shadow Zone

**Kava, Alex.** Damaged: A Maggie O'Dell Novel

**Kellerman, Faye.** Hangman

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Infinity: Chronicles of Nick

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** No Mercy: A Dark-Hunter Novel

**Koontz, Dean.** Frankenstein. Lost Souls

**Lindsay, Jeff.** Dexter Is Delicious

**Lindsey, Johanna.** That Perfect Someone

**Lowell, Elizabeth.** Death Echo

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Objective

**Margolin, Phillip.** Supreme Justice

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** Corduroy Mansions

**McCrumb, Sharyn.** The Devil Amongst the Lawyers: A Ballad Novel

**Palmer, Diana.** Dangerous

**Patterson, James.** Private

**Pearson, Ridley.** In Harm's Way

**Reich, Christopher.** Rules of Betrayal

**Roberts, Nora.** The Search

**Rollins, James.** The Devil Colony

**Silva, Daniel.** The Rembrandt Affair

**Slaughter, Karin.** Broken

**Steel, Danielle.** Family Ties

**Tanenbaum, Robert K.** Betrayed

**Thor, Brad.** Foreign Influence

**White, Stephen.** The Last Lie

# Planning for Your Computer Classes

During the summer months of 2010, the public computer classes at Hayner will be temporarily suspended so all can enjoy the warm, sunny days of this area.

In this past year, classes have been offered in the following categories: Microsoft Office Applications (Word, Excel, and PowerPoint); Introduction to Computers; Keyboarding Skills; Installing or Removing Memory Cards and Hard Drives; Photography and Creative Computing; and Using the Internet and E-mail/Social Networking.

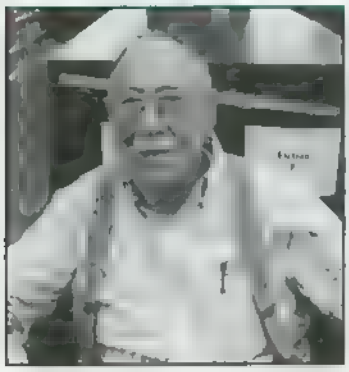
We are trying to determine what kinds of computer and technology classes our patrons would like us to offer between September 2010 and May 2011. If you would take a moment and select the top five topics of interest to you, we will use this survey to prepare a schedule. If you are interested in something that doesn't appear in this list, please add it at the bottom. When finished, hand this to one of our staff, or mail it to Ann Bromaghim, The Hayner Public Library District, 401 State St., Alton, IL 62002. Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey!

- ☐ Writing a letter
- ☐ Creating a résumé
- ☐ Posting an online résumé
- ☐ Job-searching sites
- ☐ Setting up an e-mail account
- ☐ Computer boot camp: How do you turn on this thing, anyway?
- ☐ Creating an address book
- ☐ Creating a budget
- ☐ Tracking expenses
- ☐ Creating a sign or flyer
- ☐ Taking digital pictures
- ☐ Uploading photos from a digital camera
- ☐ Scanning
- ☐ Using the public computers at Hayner
- ☐ Reserving or renewing a book from home
- ☐ Building a computer from scratch
- ☐ Installing or upgrading memory cards
- ☐ Installing a new hard drive
- ☐ Using the Internet to research information
- ☐ Staying safe on the Internet: Tips and Tricks
- ☐ Doing taxes with the computer
- ☐ Creating a slide show
- ☐ Using Facebook, Twitter, and other social sites: How to set up a safe account and navigate the site
- ☐ Blogging
- ☐ Creating a website
- ☐ Using mail merge
- ☐ Using a cell phone or smart phone
- ☐ Using an MP3 player (like an iPod)

Ann's contact information is:
(Phone) 462-0677, Ext. 2830
(e-mail) ann.bromaghim@haynerlibrary.org.

Once a schedule has been prepared, it will be published in the next Hayner newsletter. Thank you!

# *Patron Profile*
# *John O'Shea*



Godfrey patron John O'Shea has married two of his great loves, art and nature, to produce a remarkable collection of paintings that Hayner Alton Square Library will display through June of this year. The library has been a steady source of reference material for John when researching subject matter for his compositions. John strives for precision and accuracy in his depictions of nature and finds within Hayner's collections the resources to help him achieve authenticity in his artwork.

John was born in Springfield, Illinois, where he lived until he joined the Navy in August 1943. He served three years of active duty, the last 21 months stationed on board the USS LST 703 in the South Pacific. John was in Wakyama Harbor when the Instrument of Surrender was signed in Tokyo Bay, Japan, in 1945, ending World War II.

Upon returning to the states, John enrolled in Woodbury College, a commercial art school in Los Angeles. He greatly enjoyed his experience at Woodbury and received not just artistic training but also training in business skills that pertained to the world of advertising and commercial art.

Not far from the art school was the Broadcaster's Network Studio near Hollywood and Vine. John was intrigued by the opportunities in broadcasting and enrolled for the course. He recalls that the broadcasting students were invited to the NBC, CBS and other top network studios to witness live programming in progress. Scripts were available for students to pick up for practice in announcing John's instructors were network announcers.

In 1950, John applied for and got a job as a radio announcer on WTAX-FM. His primary duties were to deliver the station identification during radio broadcasts of the Cardinals baseball games. When Cardinals baseball moved to station WMAY, so did John. WMAY was a 1000-watt regional station. John was initially an announcer for the station but was soon sales manager, responsible for all sales and commercial operations. He eventually became general manager at WMAY.

From WMAY, John took a job with the S.P. Wright Advertising Agency. This agency primarily served 1,400 funeral directors nationwide, creating all the ad campaigns for both print and radio. John served as agency president over a staff of twenty-five and also provided the voice-overs for the company's radio commercials. During this period, he also served as Executive Director of the Illinois Broadcasters Association.

John found himself drawn back to radio and began hosting his own morning radio show on WVEM-FM. The show aired Monday through Saturday from 6 a.m. until 10 a.m. and featured popular music, well-known big band dance tunes and jazz. Every Saturday, John shared the microphone with a local celebrity guest.
As time went on, John gave up his weekly show and took a position with Horace Mann Insurance, the national insurance company serving America's educational community. John worked as corporate public relations director for 12 years, from 1980 until 1992. Additionally, during this time he still hosted his radio program on Saturdays and Sundays.

While at Horace Mann, John was integral to the establishment of "Educator of the Year" and other teacher recognition programs to salute teachers and their major contributions to society.

Over the course of his professional career, John also provided many hours of volunteer service. He served as a board member of the Illinois Heart Association, president of the Sangamon County Heart Association, and chairman of the public relations committee and the education committee for the Springfield Chamber of Commerce. He also served on the Illinois Community Education Board and as vice president for resource development for Lincolnland Community College.

John married his wife, Cricket, in 1949. They were married 58 years and raised five children. Sadly, Cricket passed away in 2007. Today, John lives in Godfrey with his daughter, son-in-law, and two of his twelve grandchildren and has avidly returned to his painting.

John had put his artistic avocation aside for some years while busy with his career and raising a family. Then, one night just prior to hosting a family reunion, John found himself inspired by the warmth and comfort of all the family gathering together. He picked up a paint brush to convey his feelings onto canvas. He became so immersed in his painting that he found himself using two brushes at a time. He painted through the night, oblivious to the phone and other interruptions.

When you are truly inspired, John says, you get so far into your painting you don't even think about what comes next—it just naturally happens. The painting he finished in that one night normally should have taken 50 hours to complete. It is a winter scene with the full moon casting shadows onto snow from towering pines. Among the pines is a cabin. The cabin is well lit from within and exudes a yellow glow of warmth and peace into the cold, lonely night.

John waits to get in front of an easel until he feels a light of inspiration. More often than not, his inspiration comes from nature. Some of his favorite subjects are polar bears, wolves, eagles, ravens, crows, water fowl and Indian motifs. John strives for accuracy in his painting and often relies on a camera to capture the exact details he wants to recreate, such as the feather configurations and flight formations of birds. He also uses print resources from Hayner Library in researching and studying the animals he wishes to paint.

To convey the depth and texture of furred animals, John employs hundreds of strokes. He also studies light and shadows to most accurately reproduce the beauty and strength of his subject. Both as boy and man, he has used the library to develop a vast knowledge of nature. He knows the strict distinction between species' physical characteristics, habitats, and migration patterns and employs this knowledge to achieve authenticity in the representation of his subjects.

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# *Thompson Riehl Documentation*

*In April, Erwin Thompson and his daughter, Janet Riehl, presented a wonderful workshop, "Family Stories in Prose and Poetry," at Hayner Alton Square Library. Erwin, who was featured in the Patron Profile of the last Hayner Library Newsletter (Spring 2010, Vol. XVIII, No. 1) is a historian, poet, novelist, philosopher, whittler and fiddler. Janet is an artist and poet.*

**Thompson/Riehl Family History, Writings & Photos**
The following items are cataloged and available in the Illinois Room, The Hayner Public Library District, donated by Erwin Thompson. Annotations are provided by Mr. Thompson.

**Day Books of E. A. Riehl, 1863–1925**
Day-by-day entries by E. A. Riehl, horticulturist, from 1863 for about ten years. Account books until his death in 1925.

**The Old Bluffline** The story of the Bluffline Railroad from the dream stage until the deeding of the right-of-way to the State of Illinois for the extension of the Great River Road.

**E. A. Riehl Family History** A wide collection of old letters and newspaper articles concerning the Riehl family. Completely factual and often quite personal.Worth Remembering This is the collection of family stories that started me on the task of hunting and preserving family history.

**Gladacres** The story of Gladacres, Inc., the small manufacturing unit that my parents started to manufacture the tools that my father devised to simplify the mechanical work on the Model T Ford cars.

**Riehl Album** Pictures and history of the E. A. Riehl family, friends and farm.

**Ruth and Erwin Thompson Family Album**
Pictures of the Erwin and Ruth Thompson family and some of the "older generation, from whence we came."

**Once-and-a Half** by Emma Amalia Bruun
This is the story of my stepmother, Emma Amalia Bruun Reed Thompson. She spent many years of her life in missionary work. This is how she met my parents. After the deaths of my mother and Emma's husband, my father married her.

**A Man to Remember – George W. Gibbens**
Minister, farmer, horticulturist, woodsman, and husband to Emma Riehl. He lived by his own firm principles. Truly "A Man to Remember."

**Thompson Family History** The history of the James Thompson family, the W. J. Thompson family, blended in with Margaret Jeanette Arthur, the wife of W. J.

**A Woman Before Her Time** Amelia Riehl, the daughter who carried on her father's work. To accomplish this almost impossible task she bobbed her hair and dressed for work in a pair of Army surplus cavalry pants from World War One, a shirt, and a pair of laced leather boots. We called them "hicuts."

**Letters from Anna Riehl from U. of I., 1900–1904**
A very personal look at the private life and thoughts of "The modern girl of 1901."

**Erwin Thompson, Author**
*The following items are catalogued and available through the circulating collections of The Hayner Public Library District.*

**Cattle Country and Back Trail: Two Tales from the Thompson Western Series**
Fiction
My wife and our three children helped me write these two books. We are still talking about the pleasure that we had with this project!

**The Home Place: The Long Rows** Fiction
Fiction? Some of it is. An accurate description of the times, the methods, the social conditions and values of that era. My nephew told me that he had learned more about the Depression from these books than in his whole life just listening to people talk about it.

**The Lean Years, I & II** Fiction
I wrote these in the European Theater of Operations during World War II. Much of it was written in a hospital bed. I cannot say that this writing saved my life, but it saved my sanity

**The Second Mile** Fiction
Part One and the little story in the middle ("Lady of Quality") contain personal experiences, adapted to fiction. Part Two is fiction, but with the Army background and addressing the difficult and sometimes almost impossible task of readjusting to civilian life.

**Worth Remembering: The Poetry of Our Heritage. A family and friends poetry anthology and some of the history**
Nonfiction, 811 WOR
A collection of poetry and songs by myself, my family and my friends. I never considered myself to be a poet. I just wrote down my thoughts and sometimes they came out in rhyme.

**Janet Riehl, Author**
**Sightlines: A Poet's Diary**
Nonfiction, 811.6 RIE
A down-home love story beyond death. Memoir told in 90 story poems. Loss, caretaking, memory, time, and the power of place form the sightlines of this collection.

**Sightlines: A Family Love Story in Poetry & Music** Audiobook
Ninety story poems and forty songs stitch together the lives of six generations. It's a poetic-musical duet capturing the humor, joy and sorrow that create the weft of any family.

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**PATRON PROFILE (Cont.)**
John also strives for realism in his portrait work. He lived in Springfield while the Myers Brothers Building was being remodeled. A high protection fence was erected around the construction site, and area artists were invited to compete in providing works of historical subjects to be mounted on the fence. John's charcoal depiction of Abraham Lincoln won third prize in the contest and was noted for its "breathtaking realism."

On another occasion, John was asked to provide artwork to be displayed in the ballroom of a Springfield hotel that was hosting the annual Symphony Ball. The ball's theme was "New Orleans." John obtained a cardboard box that had been used for transporting a new mattress. The side of the box provided a 4′ x 6′ "canvas." Using a combination of tempera, carbon pencil and chalk, John composed a montage of cotton bales, seagulls, and a riverboat on the Mississippi with Louis Armstrong and his trumpet in the foreground. He completed the oversized work in only a couple of nights without the use of any preliminary sketches. His work was a huge hit the night of the ball. After the festivities, the painting was moved to the radio station where John was employed and today hangs at his home.

John continues to enjoy painting in his spare time, as well as spending time with his children and grandchildren (and visiting Hayner Library). He has learned that regardless of your artistic outlet, whether poetry, prose or painting, if you listen to your internal voice, the inspiration to create will come in "overwhelming waves of emotional reality."

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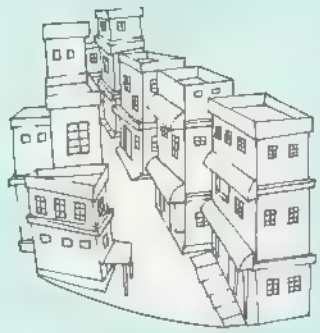
## What did your Grandparents' house look like?



## Where did they shop?

**Find pictures of Alton homes and businesses in the Historic Properties File.***

**Visit the Illinois Room of the Hayner Downtown Library in Alton, Ill.**

**This file is a joint effort in conjunction with the Alton Area Landmarks Association.*

# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Labor Day – September 5 & 6
Veteran's Day- November 11
Thanksgiving – November 25


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## *Sound Back*

Over the summer months, Hayner Library received some attention in the anonymous citizen voice column of our local newspaper regarding seemingly low usage of the library at the mall. Some of these comments have been posted by individuals who, by their own admission, don't even enter the library facility—they are just making observations as they walk by the library's doors. We decided if these persons are operating under such a misconception, others also may be. Well, to echo a popular movie phrase, we're mad and we're not taking it anymore!

The Hayner Public Library District operates on a fiscal year that runs from July 1 to June 30. During the fiscal year 2009–2010, the libraries, downtown and in the mall, circulated more than 511,000 items. The previous fiscal year, 2008–2009, 404,000 items were circulated Thus, in fiscal year 2009–2010, circulation increased 21.02 percent.

During the single month of June 2010, the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall (the library singled out in the citizens' comments), a total of 40,921 patrons visited the library in the mall. This equates to an average of 1,333 patrons per day.

Daily usage activity reports identified the least busy day of the month of June 2010 as Sunday, June 6, during which the library was visited by 502 patrons. The busiest day of June 2010 was Monday, June 28, during which the library served 1,715 patrons.

Patron usage continues to grow as Hayner Library adds the new products and services that meet your needs and interests. New items are added to the library's inventory on a daily basis—including books, CDs, DVDs, magazines, databases and more. This summer, in addition to the fifteen databases to which we already subscribed for your use, we added three new ones: a general reference database, a literature database, and the World Book online *(see "Three New Databases: Free for Your Use", pg. 3)*. We also are now offering you the capability to download ebooks to your portable media player free of charge. Youth, teen and adult programs are refreshed every quarter, so there is always a great choice of new and different activities and programs to be enjoyed by all ages.

Come visit and see for yourself how "not-so-busy" we are!

## *Check Out This Exciting New Offering!*

### *Download Audiobooks and eBooks Anytime, Anywhere*
### *Enjoy Popular Titles from the Comfort of Home*

The Hayner Public Library District is announcing expanded services available today. We proudly offer you best-selling and classic audiobooks and eBooks available 24/7 linked from the library's website, http://www.haynerlibrary.org.

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## Watch for Our Grand Opening

This fall, the Hayner Library at 401 State Street will reopen as the Hayner Library of Local History and Genealogy.

The interior of the beautiful Hayner Building, built in 1891, has had a long-overdue refurbishment. The library will be the home to our local history collection, previously housed in the Illinois Room in the Hayner Library on 326 Belle Street.

Rare and delicate materials will be kept in locked stacks, and a large local history and civil war reference collection will be accessible in open shelving. Genealogical research materials will be available in print and electronic format, and Hayner staff will be available to help you with your research. Museum quality display cases will showcase the rich heritage of the Riverbend area as well as feature the work of local artists and craftsmen.

The beautiful new interior of the building was designed by Lefferson and Associates Inc., based in Alton, Ill. It preserves the integrity and elegance of the original building designed by the renowned architect Theodore Link.

We look forward to seeing you at the opening this fall!

## Food for Fines

In past years, we have waived current fines on Hayner material if you contributed a nonperishable food item for each fine during a holiday time amnesty period. The past couple of years we have decided to start spreading the holiday spirit a little early, sponsoring the program in October. It was very successful and we have decided to repeat the October scheduling of the program.

From October 1 through October 31, 2010, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned goods food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine and Hayner materials only. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

There are several reasons we decided to move up fine amnesty program. During the holidays, many different organizations support centers such as the Crisis Food Center but as we get wrapped up in our everyday lives, we sometimes forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are hoping this amnesty calendar change can help people immediately without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity". It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

Perhaps you have some Hayner material that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center but it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation.

Thank you for your support.

## An Exciting Partnership!

In the spring of this year, the Alton School District and The Hayner Public Library District partnered to explore the possibility of opening a charter school in Alton. School district officials approached Jeff Owen, Hayner Library Executive Director, to broach an educational partnership between the two organizations that would yield a new charter school for the Alton area at the inception of the 2011–2012 school year.

According to Alton School District Superintendent David Elson, a potential partnership between Hayner and the school district seemed to be a perfect fit. "As we moved towards formally planning a charter school in Alton, we immediately wanted to partner with the library district, since our missions to increase literacy-based initiatives for youth directly coincide with one another," noted Elson.

Hayner received an $84,550 grant from the Illinois State Board of Education to underwrite the costs of a twelve-month planning period and activities in further exploring a charter school start-up. Beginning in August 2010, a committee comprising Alton School District, Hayner Library and community representatives will meet over the next year to plan all facets of a potential charter school.

Components for planning include the selection of the school's curriculum, site location, staffing, management, operational needs, budget development and others. The committee hopes to present their plans for the opening of Alton Charter School to the boards of both the Alton School District and Hayner Library in July 2011.

Public charter schools provide students with an alternative choice in instructional techniques that focus heavily on the student's learning style. All of the same core subjects are taught within charter schools, but the delivery of such can range from inquiry and project-based learning to technology-infused learning. Students are also able to receive instruction in a non-traditional, smaller classroom setting.

The proposed plan for Alton Charter School is to initially serve up to 100 students entering 8th and 9th grades.

## Lucky Winners!

Congratulations to **Pat Collier** *(right)* and **Lucy Droste** *(below)*, grand prize winners in Hayner Library's 2010 Adult Summer Reading Program. The program, which ran from June 12 to July 24, drew hundreds of entries for the reading prizes. Pat Collier was the winner at Hayner Downtown Library, and Lucy Droste won at the Alton Square library. Each winner received a total of $100 in gift certificates to Alfie's and to Josephine's Tea Room & Gifts. These gift prizes were provided through the generosity of private funding. Congratulations again to the lucky winners!

## *Three New Databases: Free for Your Use*

Hayner Library has added three new databases to its free Online Resources for patrons. You can use these databases to research topics of interest, for research papers and reports for school, and more. Hayner has added a general reference online database, a literature database, and World Book Online.

**Credo Reference** is a database of 100 reference books including encyclopedias, dictionaries, bilingual dictionaries, biographies, and quotations that cover subjects in art, history, literature, medicine, religion, science, and more. A sample of what you will find are art images, medical diagrams, the Holy Bible, quotations, and atlases, all fully cited. These resources provide context and vocabulary for your topic or question. All articles found here are acceptable reference sources, which makes this a good place to start your research for a school paper, or for a topic of general interest.

**Bloom's Literary Reference Online** is a critically-acclaimed literature database that offers essays and criticism on the lives and works of great writers throughout history. An especially helpful feature is Bloom's *How to Write About*. Here specific advice is given on how to write about selected major authors. Students and teachers will find this database very useful for English assignments.

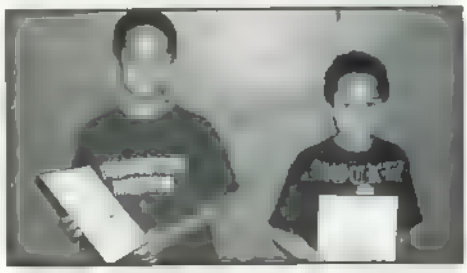
**World Book Online** is a premier reference database developed for elementary and middle-school students. In **World Book Kids**, you will find easy-to-read articles, science projects, interactive games and activities, outlines of maps and flags, and biographies for early elementary school students. In **Info Finder**, there are more than 40,000 encyclopedia articles for elementary and middle-school students. Also included are interactive Earth maps, links to world newspapers, research tools, and teacher resources. This is a great place to go for homework assignments and projects.

These databases can be accessed from the library and from home with your Hayner Library card. To learn more about the databases and how to use them, contact us in the Reference Department at reference@haynerlibrary.org, or phone us at 462-0677, Ext. 2864.

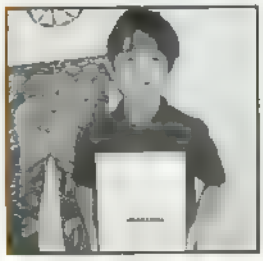
# MISSION RECOGNITION

Mission. Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location. The following awards were announced for the contributions of kids recognized during this past summer:

**Zion Haynes** is four years old and attends preschool at the Godfrey Early Childhood Center. Zion was getting ready for school one morning when his mother had a seizure. Zion recognized that his mother needed help and immediately called 911. He gave the authorities his name, age and address. He told them his mother was having a seizure and needed their help. The ambulance was immediately dispatched and arrived in minutes to provide the necessary medical attention for Zion's mom. Once Zion determined that everything was "under control," he informed the medical people, "I have to go now to get on the bus to go to school."



**Noah and Kaleb Singleton** are fourth graders at East Elementary School. A scooter was stolen from the school's bike rack, and the theft was reported to the students over the school's PA system. Noah and Kaleb stepped forward and identified the boy who had stolen the bike. Thanks to Noah and Kaleb, the police recovered the scooter, and it was returned to the owner.



**Will Schuenke** is a third grader in Evangelical Elementary school. For a class trip to the Arch in St. Louis, Will's parents gave him $10 to spend in the gift shop. When he returned home, he had only some change left, though all he had purchased was an item costing $5. His mother inquired about the rest of his money. Will told his mom that he had bought an item for a classmate. The other little boy was the only one in the class who did not bring any money to spend in the gift shop, and Will did not want him to feel left out. Will shared his money so that the boy could enjoy a treat from the gift shop along with all the other kids.

**Allieanna Pierson** is 11 years old and attends West Elementary School. Her aunt manages a Casey's General Store, and every October the store participates in fund-raising for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Allieanna has helped her aunt hold these events for the past four years but this year decided she wanted to do something on her own. She decided that not only would she raise funds for St. Jude Hospital, but she would also collect coloring books and supplies that would be directly distributed to the kids who were in the hospital. Allieanna set a goal for herself to collect $500. From May through June 15, Allieanna collected more than $600, as well as 131 coloring books and 84 Beanie Babies. She also collected construction paper, markers, colored pencils, crayons and pre-K reading books. Additionally, Allieanna made $60 in a June yard sale, which she also added to her donations. At the end of June, Allieanna went to Memphis to personally deliver the money and other items to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

We certainly can be optimistic about the future of our community.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Library Events

*Join us for our fall semester of FREE programs, guaranteed to entertain the whole family. Our program series is being temporarily housed at the Alton Square Mall while rehab work is being completed in the Hayner downtown facilities. All programs will be held, unless otherwise stated, in the mall at the top of the escalators, next to Vitamin World (in the former Wellness Center). These events are all free of charge. Programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER**

**Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are signed up, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.**

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton.*

**Saturday, September 11**
**Saturday, October 9**
**Saturday, November 13**
**Saturday, December 11**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Alton Square Library where your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills—and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### George Portz
### *Friends of Bluegrass*

**Tuesday, September 7, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & the Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun music. Their "CajunSet" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two Presidents and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more" . . . and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Janet Burnett
### *Fall Planting*

**Thursday, September 16, 6:00 p.m.**
**Note: Performance start time is 6:00 p.m.**

Janet Burnett, a Master Gardener from the University of Illinois Extension, will present a program on fall gardening, specifically, fall planting and preparing your garden and yard for winter. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bobby Norfolk
### *Satchel Paige*

**Tuesday, September 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Joe DiMaggio called Satchel Paige "the best and fastest pitcher I've ever faced." His pitching was amazing, and his showboating was legendary. His career highlights span five decades. Pronounced the greatest pitcher in the history of the Negro Leagues, Paige compiled such feats as 64 consecutive scoreless innings, a stretch of 21 straight wins, and a 31–4 record in 1933. In 1971, Satchel Paige received the ultimate honor when he was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. Emmy award-winning storyteller Bobby Norfolk brings us a brand-new program celebrating the life and achievements of this great icon of American sports. Just in time to heighten World Series excitement! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Serengeti Steve
### *The Reptile Experience*

**Tuesday, October 5, 6:00 p.m.**
**Note: Performance start time is 6:00 p.m.**

Experience the excitement of having a reptile show come to you! This unique and thrilling program lets you meet some of the world's largest and scariest reptiles (in a totally safe environment). With more than 20 years of experience, Serengeti Steve has raised and maintained over 50 species of exotic snakes, lizards, monitors, tarantulas and scorpions, all of which have brought about The Reptile Experience. Christ Balish, host of "Show Me St. Louis" on Channel 5, has said, "You've heard of Steve Irwin, 'The Crocodile Hunter' . . . well, Serengeti Steve is St. Louis' version." Steve also has been featured on FOX 2 News. Join us for a program filled with surprises and laughter—for kids of all ages. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Irish Xiles
### *Irish Humor and Song*

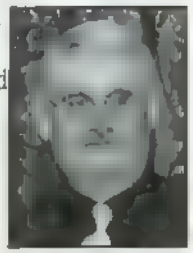
**Tuesday, October 12, 6:30 p.m.**

The ever-popular Irish Xiles return to Hayner Downtown Library to perform the best songs from their vast repertoire. Come and join the Duffy clan as they showcase tender ballads mixed with rousing battle songs and a jig thrown in for good measure! Full of humor and high energy, this program is not to be missed. The band is open to requests, and you can contact them in advance at dec@xiles.biz or by phone at 314-359-0590. Register for this program at 1-800-613-3163.

### Wayne Hensley
### *Spirits Among Us!*

**Tuesday, October 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Wayne Hensley is in his sixth year as a Professional Ghost & History Tour Guide in the old Mineral Springs Hotel, where he also operates the In-Zone Barber Shop. His Toastmaster work has won him local and national awards, and he has written for and been featured in newspapers and national magazines. He has appeared in films and local and national TV shows. Wayne's 30 years at Mineral Springs makes him the longest LIVING resident in that world-famous building. He knows the ghosts in Mineral Springs and they know him. Come hear more about the history of Alton and the Mineral Springs Mall and residents, past and present! Register at 1-800-613-3163.



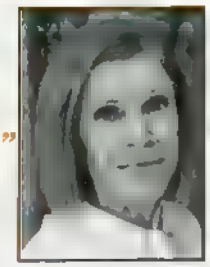
# Special Events at Hayner

## Genealogy Roundtable
### *Hoe, Hoe, Hoe: Researching Farmers and Other Rural Ancestors*
**Wednesday, October 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Were some of your ancestors farmers? Did they live outside the city limits and thus were not covered by the city directories? If you have questions about finding your agrarian family members, we can help you. Tom Pearson from the St. Louis Public Library will show you clues to locate rural family members. Researchers of all skill levels are welcome. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Note: This program will be held in the Reading Room/Children's area at the Hayner Downtown Library, 326 Belle Street.

## Shirley Perry
### *Book Signing "After Many Days"*
**Thursday, November 4, 6:00 p.m.**



Shirley Perry is the author of the book After Many Days. Her book details her years of service with the CIA during the cold war, living in Vienna, life behind the Iron Curtain, and her extensive travels throughout the Middle East. She also details her life after the CIA years, during which she founded the American School of Luxembourg, traveled with a theater group to Russia and returned to Vienna. Shirley will discuss her book and sign personal copies. The book will be for sale during her presentation.

Note: This program will be held in the Multi-purpose Room of the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

## Broadway on the Driveway
### *Swing St. Louis*
**Tuesday, November 9, 6:30 p.m.**

The performing troupe "Broadway on the Driveway" takes you on a sentimental journey that reunites you with some of Broadway's greatest hits as well as those of the Andrews Sisters, Judy Garland, Fred Astaire, Doris Day, Frank Sinatra, Bing Crosby and more. Featuring a collection of song and dance routines, this is a celebration of the Big Band era. Enjoy lively choreography, tight harmonies and retro costuming as sisters Emily and Lacy Miller perform some of the best music of the 20th century. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Judy Hoffman
### *Hallowed Ground*
**Tuesday, November 16, 6:30 p.m.**

Godfrey's riverfront is a hub of local, state, and even national history. It has been inhabited and fought over by ancients, Native Americans, French, British, and Euro-Americans. It's been written about by poets, painted by artists, visited by dignitaries, and owned by noted explorers, inventors, war heroes, renowned horticulturists, and millionaire industrialists and philanthropists. It was the setting of one of the most important pioneer Mississippi River crossings and the scene of river piracy, gambling, moonshining, treasure hunting, and even murders. But perhaps most importantly, it was for many years the secret entry point for an extensive underground railroad operation. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Note: This program will be held in the Multi-purpose Room of the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

## Barry Cloyd
### *Life on the Prairie*
**Sunday, November 21, 2:00 p.m.**

Barry Cloyd, singer, songwriter, musician and historian, presents a historical tour de force of our fascinating past. Discover the rich history, in story and song, of the Midwest's tall-grass prairies. This program focuses on several eras of prairie history. Barry takes you behind the scenes of the pre-historic periods, the glacial episodes and the era of the Native Americans. In addition, the heroes and rascals of riverboat times, our rugged pioneer ancestors, and that most Midwestern of icons, Abraham Lincoln, the young man and the Civil War President, are brought to life. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Note: This program will last approximately 1½ hours and will be held in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library Alton Square Mall

## Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*
**Sunday, November 28, 3:00 p.m.**

Note: This program will be held at the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel at Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill

This is one of our favorite events of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. A great way to kick off the Holiday Season—guaranteed to fill you with holiday cheer. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
### *A Celtic Christmas*
**Sunday, December 5, 2:00 p.m.**

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. When they performed for us earlier this year, they earned an extended standing ovation. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, popular Celtic requests and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Friends to Sell Books Year Round*

The Friends of the Library is a wonderful group of volunteers that coordinates biannual book sales to benefit The Hayner Public Library District. This fall the Friends will begin offering books for sale year round at the downtown library and the library at Alton Square Mall. They will stock a selection of fiction and nonfiction and hard and soft covers for you to purchase. All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Library organization.

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. **Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.**

# Special Events at Hayner

## KidsSpace – Fall 2010 Activities

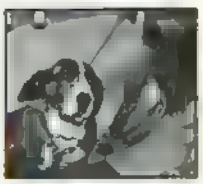
## ALTON SQUARE

### • *Story Times*

- **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, September 20, October 11, November 1 and 15, and December 6, 2010, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.
- **Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old, accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Mondays, September 13, October 4 and 18, November 8, and December 13, 2010, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.
- **Saturday Morning Story Time** — Come join us for this drop-in story time. Stories, puppets and songs will be available for kids 3–7 years old. The fun begins at 11 a.m. No registration is required! Meeting dates are Saturdays, September 4, October 2, November 6, and December 4, 2010.
- **Spanish Story Times**
  Come join us in the KidsSpace at the Hayner Alton Square Library for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Downtown Library, will be assisting us for this special 45-minute story time. A lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish, it is especially for preschool children ages 3–5. The next event will be held at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: September 27, October 25, November 29, and December 20, 2010. Please register at 433-2881.

### • *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.



**Saturday, September 11**
**Saturday, October 9**
**Saturday, November 13**
**Saturday, December 11**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Alton Square Library, where your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills—and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### • *Family Movie Night*

Bring the whole family to this G-PG–rated new release. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, September 8, October 13, November 10, and December 8, 2010, at 6 p.m. Snacks are provided. Movie titles will be available one week prior to show date. Please register at 433-2881.

### ❖OCTOBER EVENTS

### • *Storyteller Performs in KidsSpace*

Storyteller Karen Young will perform on Monday, October 11. The program, called "Halloween Howlers," will take place during Movers and Shakers Story Time. The program starts at 10 a.m. and will run approximately 40 minutes. All ages welcome. Please register at 433-2881.

### ❖NOVEMBER EVENTS

### • *Family Reading Event*

Come join us on Saturday, November 13, for our annual "Family Reading Event." Kids will enjoy a craft, puppet show, and storyteller Becky Long. The fun begins at 2 p.m. Please register at 433-2881.

### ❖DECEMBER EVENTS

### • *Stories with Santa*

Bring the kids and join us for Stories with Santa. Each child will hear a few stories, sit on Santa's lap, receive a goody bag and have a cookie or two. The fun begins at noon on Saturday, December 4. Please register at 433-2881.

## DOWNTOWN

### • *After-School Craft*

Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Downtown Library KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, September 14, October 12, November 9, and December 14, 2010. Please register at 433-2881.

## *Youth Summer Reading Program 2010*

The 2010 Summer Reading Program, "Scare Up a Good Book," was frightfully successful! Kids were asked to read 25 books over the summer to receive some great prizes. Prizes ranged from scary (removable) tattoos to glow-in-the dark Frisbees. After five weeks of reading, kids were invited to a party at Lewis and Clark College. The party, held Thursday, July 22, included an inflatable bounce house, an inflatable slide, airbrush tattoos, and wax hands. Each child received a "Scare Up a Good Book" certificate, an Olga's Kids' Meal certificate, two free tickets to a Gateway Grizzlies game and a free book of their choice. Top readers were awarded in three age categories. Top reader for the 0–5-year-old category was won by **Will Davits** *(top)*. Will read 162 books this summer. Top reader for the 6–8-year-old category went to **Abbie Gorsage** *(middle)*. Abbie read 181 books. Top reader for the 9–11-year-old category went to **Mary Curvey** *(bottom)*. Mary read 210 books. Thanks to everyone who participated, and we hope to see you at next year's Summer Reading Program, "Midsummer Night's Read."

# TeenSpace
## Fall 2010 Activities

### • Teen Advisory Council
Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in our new TeenSpace located at Alton Square Mall. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, September 15, October 20, November 17, and December 15, 2010, at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Movie Nights
Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner Library will host a movie night exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza and soda are on the menu! Movie dates are Wednesdays, September 29, October 27, and December 22nd, 2010. Movies start at 6 p.m. To register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Video Gaming
Calling all gamers! Come hang out with other teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12–18 welcome. This event is scheduled from 1–3 p.m. on Saturdays, October 9 and December 11, 2010. Don't forget to bring a friend! To register, call 433-2872.

### • Teen Book Club
Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meeting dates are Saturdays, September 11, October 9, November 13, and December 11, 2010. For more information, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Project Next Generation
It's coming. It will be here soon. Before you know it, in just a couple of years, you will be the one people will seek when looking for that person they can trust to get the job done. Are you ready? Have you started thinking about what you'll need to be able to do to convince them that they've found the right person? And that experience part: How can you get some of that if you have to have it first before they'll hire you?

You've found the right place. In today's world, nearly anything that's done is touched, in some way, by technology; specifically, computers and computer-assisted technology. You want to have that cutting edge, the one that gives your profile the kind of attention it needs to land you wherever you want to be: in a great job that you love, with lots of potential; at the top of the list of people that the college you want to attend is considering for admission; or in a position to start your own business, where you'll be in charge. The Hayner Public Library District has resources available to give you experience, skills in using current cutting-edge technology, and the poise and presence to be able to sell your talents to others.

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its fourth year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer this twice-a-week, after-school program to emerging sixth graders through exiting eighth graders to give them a special opportunity to learn new skills while having fun. Scheduled on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30–4:45 in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program has room for 10–12 teenagers. You will learn about using current computer applications like Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher; research diverse topics like the life of Abraham Lincoln or world-renowned explorers; learn how to make a presentation with digital photography or videography; and discover the fun of using SMART Boards to make those presentations. In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for one of our six-week sessions! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information, or to sign up for our fall 2010 session.

### • Teen Read Week Event
***"Books with Beat @ Your Library"***
***October 17–23, 2010***

Teens come join in the fun as we celebrate Teen Read Week! This year's theme is "Books with Beat @ Your Library®," which encourages teens to read poetry, audiobooks, books about music, and more. The celebration runs from October 17 to 23. Hayner TeenSpace will host a music-themed movie on Thursday, October 21, at 6 p.m. We also have a trivia contest that will run all week. To register for the movie, call 433-2872. Limited space available.

## Project Next Generation Enters 11th Year of Operation

The Hayner Public Library District is pleased to announce that Project Next Generation (PNG), a program underwritten by a grant received through the Illinois State Library and strongly supported by Alton's own Jesse White, Secretary of State, will once again be funded through fiscal year 2010/11. It is a program designed specifically for middle school children and meets after school and on weekends.

In the past, the Hayner PNG program has met twice weekly for six-to-eight consecutive weeks, with one session being held in the fall and the other, in the spring. We're trying to shake things up a bit this year; so our schedule is being changed rather dramatically. We hope that these changes will allow more teens to participate in more of the activities. To that end, we have divided up the year, not by date, but by themes.

**The Performing Arts** will be explored throughout the school year, beginning in October and ending in March. Participants in this program will meet after school, once a month, on Tuesdays, to learn about how computers are used to create special effects and backdrops for live performances and to study reviews of current stage performances being offered in the area. Two productions will be attended, one at our own Alton Little Theater, an award-winning community theater; and the other, at The Fox Theater in downtown St. Louis. The first production will be attended on a Sunday afternoon and the second, on a Saturday.

**Nutrition and Cooking 101** will be held on two consecutive Saturday mornings in November, from 9 a.m.– noon. On the first Saturday, a menu will be planned and recipes will be downloaded from the Internet. A shopping list will be created, as well as a list of what cooking items will be needed in order to prepare the meal. Place card menus will also be created this week to use when setting the next week's table.

On the second Saturday, the group will meet at the Riverbender.com Community Center, where we will use their kitchen to prepare and serve the meal. The participants will have a chance to invite their parents to this meal, which will be served and eaten in a formal setting.

The second half of the school year will continue an investigation of the performing arts. In addition, workshops on creative photography will be offered on Saturday mornings, and geocaching trips will be taken on two different occasions. Look for more information about these programs in our winter newsletter!

In the meantime, if you are interested in having your child(ren) participate in Project Next Generation, please call 433-2861 to get his/her name on a waiting list. The number of participants is limited to 10, so call early to reserve a place!

Contact: 433-2861 or e-mail sharon.windham@haynerlibrary.org

## New & Forthcoming Books

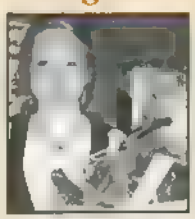
### —Nonfiction

**Barnouin, Kim.** Skinny Bitch: Ultimate Everyday Cookbook: Crazy Delicious Recipes that Are Good to the Earth and Great for Your Bod
**Boyle, Susan.** The Woman I Was Born to Be: My Story
**Brinker, Nancy.** Promise Me: How a Sister's Love Launched the Global Movement to End Breast Cancer
**Bryson, Bill.** At Home: A Short History of Domestic Life
**Bush, George W.** Decision Points
**Chivers, C. J.** The Gun: The AK-47 and the Evolution of War
**De Rossi, Portia.** Unbearable Lightness: A Story of Loss and Gain
**Economides, Steve.** Cut Your Grocery Bill in Half with America's Cheapest Family
**Flay, Bobby.** Bobby Flay's Throwdown!
**Helfgot, Susan Whitman.** The Match: Complete Strangers, a Miracle Face Transplant, Two Lives Transformed
**Hillenbrand, Laura.** Unbroken: A World War II Airman's Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption
**Huffington, Arianna.** Third World America: How Our Politicians Are Abandoning the Middle Class and Betraying the American Dream
**Goldberg, Whoopi.** Is It Just Me? Or Is It Nuts Out There?
**Korda, Michael.** Hero: The Life and Legend of Lawrence of Arabia
**Lambert, Stephen.** Undercover Boss: Inside the TV Phenomenon That Is Changing Bosses and Employees Everywhere
**Leavy, Jane.** The Last Boy: Mickey Mantle and the End of America's Childhood
**Lee, Sandra.** Semi-Homemade: The Complete Cookbook
**Lucado, Max.** Outlive Your Life: You Were Made to Make a Difference
**MacIntosh, Julie.** Dethroning the King: The Hostile Takeover of Anheuser-Busch, an American Icon
**Millan, Cesar.** Cesar's Rules: Your Way to Train a Well-Behaved Dog
**Morris, Edmund.** Colonel Roosevelt
**Myron, Vicki.** Dewey's Nine Lives: The Legacy of the Small-Town Library Cat Who Inspired Millions
**O'Reilly, Bill.** Pinheads and Patriots: Where You Stand in the Age of Obama
**Osteen, Joel.** The Christmas Spirit: Memories of Family, Friends, and Faith
**Oz, Mehmet C.** YOU: Raising Your Child: The Owner's Manual from First Breath to First Grade
**Ray, Rachael.** Rachael Ray's Look & Cook
**Reno, Tosca.** Your Best Body Now: Look and Feel Fabulous at Any Age
**Richards, Keith.** Life
**Rule, Ann.** In the Still of the Night: The Strange Death of Ronda Reynolds
**Savage, Michael.** Trickle Up Poverty: Reject Obama's Assault on America
Scottoline, Lisa. My Nest Isn't Empty, It Just Has More Closet Space: The Amazing Adventures of an Ordinary Woman
**Sedaris, Amy.** Simple Times: Crafts for Poor People
**Sedaris, David.** Squirrel Seeks Chipmunk: A Modest Bestiary
**Seinfeld, Jessica.** Double Delicious
**Stewart, Jon.** The Daily Show with Jon Stewart Presents Earth (The Book): A Visitor's Guide to the Human Race
**Streisand, Barbra.** My Passion for Design: A Private Tour
**Swanson, James.** Bloody Crimes: The Chase for Jefferson Davis and the Death Pageant for Lincoln's Corpse
**Thomas, Marlo.** Growing Up Laughing: My Story and the Story of Funny
**Wilbur, Todd.** Top Secret Restaurant Recipes 3: The Secret Formulas for Duplicating Your Favorite Restaurant Dishes at Home
**Winchester, Simon.** Atlantic: The Biography of an Ocean
**Woodward, Bob.** Untitled on Obama Administration

### —Fiction

**Baldacci, David.** Hell's Corner
**Beaton, M. C.** Busy Body: An Agatha Raisin Mystery
**Berry, Steve.** The Emperor's Tomb: A Novel
**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** Playing the Game
**Brown, Rita Mae.** A Nose for Justice
**Cannell, Stephen J.** The Prostitutes' Ball
**Child, Lee.** Worth Dying For
**Childs, Laura.** Fiber & Brimstone
**Coben, Harlan.** Back Spin
**Connelly, Michael.** The Reversal
**Cornwell, Patricia.** Port Mortuary: A Scarpetta Novel
**Coulter, Catherine.** The Valcourt Heiress
**Crusie, Jennifer.** Maybe This Time
**Cussler, Clive.** Crescent Dawn: A Dirk Pitt Novel
**Daheim, Mary.** Loco Motive: A Bed-and-Breakfast Mystery
**Deaver, Jeffery.** Edge: A Novel
**Evanovich, Janet.** Wicked Appetite
**Evans, Nicholas.** The Brave
**Evans, Richard Paul.** Promise Me
**Flagg, Fannie.** I Still Dream About You
**Fluke, Joanne.** Gingerbread Cookie Murder
**Flynn, Vince.** American Assassin
**Follett, Ken.** Fall of Giants: First in the Century Trilogy
**Gingrich, Newt.** Valley Forge
**Grisham, John.** The Confession
**Gruen, Sara.** Ape House: A Novel
**Hart, Carolyn.** Ghost in Trouble: A Mystery
**Johansen, Iris.** Chasing the Night
**Karon, Jan.** In the Company of Others: A Father Tim Novel
**King, Stephen.** Full Dark, No Stars
**Kingsbury, Karen.** Unlocked: A Love Story
**Kinsella, Sophie.** Mini-Shopaholic
**Kleypas, Lisa.** Christmas Eve at Friday Harbor
**Koontz, Dean.** What the Night Knows
**Le Carré, John.** Our Kind of Traitor
**Lehane, Dennis.** Moonlight Mile
**Lewis, Beverly.** The Thorn
**Lippman, Laura.** I'd Know You Anywhere
**Macomber, Debbie.** Call Me Mrs. Miracle
**Martin, Steve.** An Object of Beauty
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Charming Quirks of Others: An Isabel Dalhousie Novel
**McMillan, Terry.** Getting to Happy
**Muller, Marcia.** Coming Back (Sharon McCone)
**Palmer, Diana.** Magnolia
**Paretsky, Sara.** Body Work
**Parker, Robert B.** Painted Ladies
**Patterson, James.** Cross Fire
**Patterson, James.** Don't Blink
**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Odyssey
**Rendell, Ruth.** Portobello
**Rice, Anne.** Of Love and Evil (The Songs of the Seraphim)
**Robb, J. D.** Indulgence in Death
**Roberts, Nora.** Happy Ever After
**Rosnay, Tatiana de.** A Secret Kept
**Roth, Philip.** Nemesis
**Sandford, John.** Bad Blood
**Shreve, Anita.** Rescue: A Novel
**Sparks, Nicholas.** Safe Haven
**Thor, Brad.** The Athena Project
**Steel, Danielle.** Legacy: A Novel
**Woods, Stuart.** Santa Fe Edge

## • Teen Summer Reading Program 2010



The 2010 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Scare Up a Good Book," was a big success! Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a variety of performances and events, such as Nitro Joe's Science Show, Serengeti Steve's Reptile Experience, and scary movie nights. To wrap up the summer, each participant was invited to a party at the new Riverbender Community Center. The teens enjoyed pizza, door prizes, video gaming, a movie, pool tables, ping pong tables, and much more. This year's top reader, Ashlea Doersam, received a gift basket full of books, gift cards, a shirt, and other scary-themed items. Congratulations to all our readers, and we hope to see you next year!

# Fall Computer Class Schedule
## The Hayner Public Library at Alton Square Mall

### Beginning Computers
This class is an introductory class for raw beginners. It will cover such topics as what to look for when purchasing a computer; the differences between operating systems; the differences between desktops and laptops; vocabulary peculiar to computer users; the proper way to shut down a computer; and how to change the appearance of a computer to suit the user's needs. Because this class is one of our most-requested classes, it will be offered every other month, on the first Tuesday evenings and first Friday mornings. It will be a two-hour class, meeting from 6:30–8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, and from 9–11 a.m. on Fridays. The schedule through December is as follows:

***Tuesdays (6:30–8:30 p.m.):***
*October 5*
*December 7*

***Fridays (9–11 a.m.):***
*October 1*
*December 3*

### Using the Internet
Using the Internet is a broad topic, and another one of our most-requested classes. It will also be a two-hour class, and will discuss how to conduct Internet searches, save favorite URLs (the address of the website is called a "URL"), clear the user's history, enlarge the viewing pane, and set up a free e-mail account. Another topic of discussion will be how to connect to the Internet in the first place, via dial-up, DSL, or cable hook-up. This is a two-hour class. Its schedule is as follows:

***Tuesday (6:30–8:30 p.m.):***
*November 2*

***Friday (9–11 a.m.):***
*November 5*

### E-mail Basics
Although e-mail will be briefly discussed in the Internet class, specifics about how to create an e-mail, organize messages that are received, send an attachment, and open an attachment will not be; therefore, this class will cover more of the particulars about using e-mail. A prerequisite to this class is having an established e-mail account and knowing how to access that account from a computer other than your home computer. (Knowing your user name and password is a MUST!!) This is a one-hour class.

***Tuesday (6:30–7:30 p.m.):***
*October 12*

***Friday (9–10 a.m.):***
*October 8*

### Staying Safe on the Internet
Back by popular demand, a presentation on how to stay safe while using the Internet will be offered at this time. This is a must for anyone who uses the Internet on a regular basis. Two hours.

***Friday (1-3 p.m.):***
*October 22*

### Taking Pictures with a Digital Camera
Bring your digital camera with you to this class and learn more about all it has to offer. The built-in features of typical digital point-and-shoot cameras will be introduced. This is a one-hour class.

***Tuesday (6:30–7:30 p.m.):***
*November 16*

***Friday (9–10 a.m.):***
*November 12*

### Uploading Photos from a Digital Camera into Your Computer
If you already have pictures stored on your camera, but want some help in transferring them from your camera to a computer, this is the class you need. Bring your camera, complete with memory card and USB cable, and join us for an hour of instruction on getting the pictures from your camera, creating a folder where they'll be saved, and giving each a name. This is a one-hour class.

***Tuesday (6:30–7:30 p.m.):***
*November 30*

***Friday (1-3 p.m.):***
*November 19*

### Creating a Budget with Excel
Setting up a spreadsheet that will automatically calculate income and expenses is not only a fiscal tool that's useful to know, but it also creates a document that can be "shared" by other computer applications when doing taxes. This class introduces the parts of a spreadsheet, basic formulas that can be used, and formatting tips and tricks. It is a one-hour class.

***Tuesday (6:30–7:30 p.m.):***
*December 21*

***Friday (9–10 a.m.):***
*December 17*

Call or e-mail Ann at 462-0677, Ext. 2830/ ann.bromaghim@haynerlibrary.org to reserve your place in the class or classes of your choice. These classes fill up quickly, so don't hesitate to make your reservation now. If you learn later that you will not be able to attend, you may call and cancel, which will allow another to take your place.

Limited to 15 students per class, unless the participant has an IBM-compatible laptop that he/she can bring and use in the class. (We use the Windows 7 operating system, and our Word and Excel software is Microsoft Office 2007. Make sure your laptop has Microsoft Word and/or Excel installed.

## *Nancy DeGrand Memorial*

Nancy H. DeGrand served The Hayner Public Library District for 32 years, primarily as the library's Chief Financial Officer. After her retirement in 1996, Nancy continued contributing to the district by serving on the library board until her death in 2006.

Nancy was a great friend to the library as well as to the entire community. Her contributions to Hayner were innumerable, and she was a great positive influence and role model to those fortunate enough to work with her.

In July 2010, a memorial statue was dedicated in Nancy's memory. The statue is a young girl with her palm raised, holding a small songbird. She stands at the base of the flagpole on the corner of 4th Street and Belle Street, across from the downtown library and behind the original Hayner Building.

Surrounded by greenery and flowering plants, the statue has an expression of wonder and delight. What better testament to Nancy's legacy of wonder and delight in books, libraries, family and friends.

## *Patron Profile*
## *Marcie Nagle*

One would think that there are few similarities to be found between southeastern Minnesota and Alton. However, Alton's bluffs and hilly landscape reminded Marcie Nagle so much of her family home in Minnesota that, when her husband was transferred to St. Louis, they knew Alton would become their new home.

Marcie grew up on her family's Minnesota dairy farm. She and her mother were responsible for milking the cows, and her brother and father did the field work. It was at the tender age of 4 that Marcie was first put to work. Not yet old enough to do the actual milking, she was given the job of bottle feeding the calves. Marcie loved growing up on the farm, and it certainly contributed to her deep love of animals

Marcie attended the University of Wisconsin—Stout as an undergrad and earned her Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from Argosy University. Her first job was working in a halfway house, after which she spent 10 years with a social service agency giving support and aid to people with mental illness.

Marcie's interest in correctional psychology led her to work in the federal prison system of Minnesota. In 1990 Marcie moved to Rochester, North Carolina, where she worked as a clinical psychologist in the Federal Medical Center in Butner, North Carolina. This is also where she met her husband, Dennie. Marcie and Dennie moved to Kentucky in 2003. There, Marcie maintained a clinical practice in a high- security prison that housed prisoners with a significant history of violence, many of whom were serving life sentences.

In 2007 Marcie and Dennie relocated their home to Alton when Dennie's job was transferred to St. Louis. Marcie currently works with patients in the Federal Correction Institution (F.C.I.) in Greenville, Ill. This facility is a medium-security prison for men and a minimum-security facility for women. Marcie handles a full caseload and also runs a trauma program for women who have been sexually or physically abused.

Marcie counsels patients on a wide range of issues, from anger management to substance abuse. Many of Marcie's patients are facing an "existential crisis" . . . how does one find meaning in life when it is spent behind bars? Marcie says that the answer to this question often requires helping her patients find a personal spiritual connection in their lives. Marcie also helps her patients reestablish healthy family relationships, teaching patients how to be emotionally present in family life even when they cannot be physically present.

The F.C.I. Greenville participates in a vocational training program and community service project called P.A.W.S. (Prisoners Assisting With Support.) This program, under the guidance and training of Support Dogs, Inc., helps the female inmates raise and train service dogs for placement with people with physical disabilities. Selected inmates are educated in service dog training skills by staff members of SDI. The inmates are paired into teams of two, each team given 24-hour responsibility for their "student" dog for eight to twelve weeks. At the end of the training period, the graduated dogs are placed as service dogs, and a new group of student dogs is rotated in.

The inmate trainers hold graduation ceremonies to show off the trainers' and dogs' accomplishments. These ceremonies are attended by inmate trainers, inmates' families, SDI staff and visitors. An example of the skills demonstrated at a recent graduation included a dog that opened a lock on a locker and removed a bottle of water and a medicine pill bottle. The dog then gave these items to the trainer, locked the locker door and waited for another task!

Each inmate-trainer receives a college credit, dog grooming and training skills, a renewed sense of self-worth and the opportunity to give back to society. SDI places the dog-graduates with physically impaired clients.

Marcie often takes one of the dog trainees home with her over the weekend. The dogs (just like us) need a break from their Monday-through-Friday work routine. Home visits allow the animal a chance to practice its new skills in a "real-life" environment. Marcie ensures the dog has an opportunity to interact with men, children and people in street clothes. The dogs experience domestic life, general public exposure and socializing with other animals. Marcie's own dogs are highly trained and thus serve as great doggie-hosts.

Marcie has a basset hound-pit bull mix, Susie-Q, who is a certified therapy dog. Susie Q and Marcie visit hospitals, nursing homes and libraries (including Hayner Library) to spread smiles and good cheer.

Marcie is a member of Touched by a Canine, an organization started by the late June Walker. Touched by a Canine participants are the owners of dogs that have been trained and tested to meet the certification requirements of Therapy Dogs International. Upon certification, owners and dogs volunteer their time to provide company and therapeutic visits to people throughout our community.

Marcie is also a volunteer for the Treehouse Wildlife Center in Godfrey, Ill. The Treehouse Wildlife Center is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the care of orphaned and injured wildlife.

Marcie's vocation and avocations are a testament to her love and concern for both people and animals. Besides their dogs, Marcie and her husband and stepson share their home with a cat, a bird, a rabbit and a tree frog named James (who, Marcie says, is very cute and has lots of personality.)

Marcie's boundless energy and generosity of spirit seem to have no limit—and for that, many of us (of both the two- and four-legged variety) are extremely grateful!

## New in Our Illinois Room

Following the Paper Trail IR 929 SHE
State Summary of War Casualties (Illinois) IR 940.546773 UNI
Cities of the Heartland IR 307.7609 TEA
Voices on the River (patron donation) IR 386.224 HAV
Edwardsville Intelligencer, Industrial Issue IR 977.386 EDW
Advice and Consent IR 347.7314 SIM
History of the Standard Oil Company (donation) IR 665.5 TAR
Montgomery County Illinois Marriage Records 1821–1880 IR 929.377382 MON
Montgomery County Illinois Cemeteries IR 929.377382 MON
Prairie Farmers Reliable Directory, Montgomery County Illinois 1918 IR 929.377382 PRA
1830–40 Montgomery County Illinois Census IR 929.377382 MON
1860 Census and Mortality Schedule Montgomery County Illinois IR 929.377382 MON
1910 Federal Census Montgomery County Illinois IR 929.377382 MON
Black Slaveowners, South Carolina 1790–1860 IR 975.7 KOG
Black History: a Guide to Civilian Records in the National Archives IR 929.108996073 BLA
Fanning's Illustrated Gazetteer of the United States IR 973 FAN
In Lincoln's Shadow: The 1908 Race Riot in Springfield, Illinois IR 977.356 SEN

## Know Your Local History

One of Alton's most charitable women, Sophia "Ma" Demuth, lived in Alton and gave more than 40 years of selfless service to working with the city's poor and downtrodden. She was said to have a sharp temper, along with a huge, warm heart. Sophia was the mother of eight children, and after her children were old enough to care for themselves, she began her career. Ma Demuth was a charter member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union and very active in the Alton Humane Society. Despite being forwardly outspoken and shameless in her opinions, she was highly esteemed by the men and women within her community. She was the first police matron in Alton history. Many believe she paved the way for the opening of this career to women in Illinois. Never one to shy away from a job other people refused to tackle, she quickly became revered and respected around the county. She was known to frequently open her own home to the less fortunate and worked tirelessly on behalf of many charitable causes. In 1900 she was appointed to the position of Madison County Probation Officer and held that position until her death at the age of 82. Ironically, her death occurred on Mother's Day, May 29, 1929. Her funeral was well attended, and her pallbearers were some of the most prominent and influential men in Madison County at that time. Read more about this remarkable woman, and others like her, in the digital archives of the Alton Telegraph newspaper, available at all Hayner Library locations.

## Browse National Geographic Magazines Back to 1888

View 120 years of National Geographic magazines from the public computers at Hayner Library. Every issue from 1888 to 2008 is available for browsing or for searching. Just check at the Customer Service desk to get the disks, and then click on the National Geographic icon on the computer desktop. Once you choose what you wish to view, you will put in the disk the computer asks for. Flip through the pages of National Geographic to explore amazing discoveries and beautiful photography one page at a time, or search by subject to get to your favorite topic. All pages are printable.

## *"Survivor Island"*

Join the RiverBend Growth Association and SCORE for their annual "For Women By Women" half day training seminar, "Survivor Island." This half day training seminar targets more than 150 women in the Riverbend community. Attendees will be pampered through attendance gifts, door prizes, educational/motivational speakers and networking opportunities to enhance careers.

Keynote speaker, Donna Eye, Sales Development Advertising Manager for the Suburban Journals of Greater St. Louis, will challenge attendees on the survival topics of: Excelling through educational opportunities for yourself & your staff, Employee motivation and morale, Intensifying your customer service standards and expectations and Ways to strengthen your marketing strategies to thrive. Ms. Eye is a member of the National Association of Professional Women, President of Eye Immaculate Janitorial Cleaning Excellence, Inc and Dream Consulting.

Guest speaking is Riverbend native, Ginger Woodman, co-owner of Woodman's Collision Center, Alton Public School fifth grade teacher and cancer survivor. Ms. Woodman will challenge attendees to "survive whatever life throws your way" and to be the sole survivor in each of your life's endeavors.

Also guest speaking is Shane Callahan, Coordinator/Assistant Professor in Exercise Science at Lewis & Clark Community College in Godfrey. Mr. Callahan will share survival tips on the importance of staying fit, which ultimately provides more rest and relaxation in your life.

Survivor Island is Wednesday, September 15, 2010, from 7:30am-1pm at Holiday Inn Alton. Admission is $50 per person or $275 for a table of six.

To register for this event or for more information, contact Joell at 618-467-2280, send an email to Joell at jaguirre@growthassociaton.com or visit www.growthassociation.com and click on the "Survivor Island" box.

**Don't forget First Night River Bend—a family New Year's Eve Party at Lewis & Clark Community College.**

**Look for more info in our next newsletter.**

## *Operation Soldier*

Hayner Public Library will once again be participating in sending books to our troops overseas. We will be asking for donations of gently used or new adult books. We will also accept donations of $12.50 to pay for the mailing of the books.

Mark your calendars for November 1, 2010. We will be accepting donations through January 10, 2011.

We had a great response from the soldiers last year. They were very grateful for books and notes sent by the community.

Please call Stephanie Munson at 462-0677, Ext. 2844 for information about this project.

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## *Saturday Morning Sessions:*

### *Secret Weapons for Students and Educators All*

Join us for a **Saturday Morning Session** at Hayner Library to learn about Hayner's exciting new resources We have user-friendly library databases to help you with school assignments, school papers and projects, test preparation, and increasing your knowledge on a multitude of topics. All articles in the databases are authoritative and fully cited Come learn how these databases can help you
This is a **must-attend** event for students, parents and teachers, alike.
Here is just a sample of what you will discover:

- Practice tests for the ACT, SAT, AP, Firefighter's exam, Civil Service exam, ASVAB, and more
- Information on literary characters and authors
- Primary source documents for history
- Pro and Con articles for a speech or debate
- Science Fair projects
- General research on a topic

Sign up for the workshop on library database instruction:

- **Location: Hayner Library, Alton Square, Multipurpose Room**
- **Date: Saturday, September 18, from 9 to 10 a.m.**

Come early and join us for cinnamon rolls and coffee while we explore the power of library databases.
**CPDU credits given for this workshop!**
For reservations and further information, contact the Reference Department at Hayner Library, Alton Square, by calling 433-2864, or e-mail us at reference@haynerlibrary.org.

Please fill out this registration form and drop off at Hayner Library,
or e-mail registration to reference@haynerlibrary org

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## *Announcement!!*

We've received a literacy grant from Dollar General! This will be used to offer sign language classes to children in two different age groups: 3-6 year-olds, and 7-10 year-olds. Call 433-2861 for more information!!

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## Hayner Offers Outstanding Free Educational and Career Tools for All Ages

### Tutor.com: Live, Online Tutoring for Students

The Hayner Public Library District now offers Tutor.com from the Hayner Library website, www.haynerlibrary.org. Tutor.com offers students K–12 one-to-one help from certified tutors live, online. Anyone with a Hayner Library card can access the new online services from the library or from home. The K–12 Student Center on Tutor.com includes live, one-to-one tutoring, a real-time writing center, and 24/7 access to worksheets, videos, and tutorials in just about any subject. Tutor.com has a network of over 2,000 certified tutors who are ready to help.

The live, online tutoring is available seven days a week from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. The service is completely free. To access the service, please visit the library's website at www.haynerlibrary.org and click on "Get Live Homework Help." Students can get help with homework, test preparation, skills and concepts they are learning in class, standardized test preparation, and college entrance exams. Subjects include math, science, social studies, and English.

Tutor.com also offers a Skills Center Resource Library, available 24/7. The Skills Center has amazing resources for **all ages**. There you will find videos, study guides, sample tests including GED, GRE, nursing, ASVAB, citizenship, civil service, and state standardized tests, GED resources, resume and cover letter guidelines, tips and resources, **job listings (including locally!)**, and much more. You can simply check out the categories and subtopics in the Skills Center to see the full list. More than 6,000 resources are available and extremely easy to access and use.

### Learning Express Library: Career Resources and Test Prep for Adult Learners

Learning Express Library is an innovative, online database that provides patrons with instant access to a comprehensive collection of test preparation tools, skill-building materials, and career resources. Over 770 online practice tests and interactive skill-building tutorials, developed by expert academic and industry professionals, are available.

The Learning Express Library database allows patrons to take practice tests such as the ACT, SAT, ASVAB, GED, professional/career licensing exams, and more.

Parents and students from elementary school through college will appreciate the skills-building tests and courses available from Learning Express Library.

Job hunters will appreciate the "Job Search & Workplace Skills" section of the database, which contains practice tests for grammar, vocabulary, and spelling as well as courses on business writing, interviewing skills, resume and cover letter creation, and networking skills.

The database even contains a U.S. citizenship practice test and tests in Spanish.

Patrons may access either database from the library or from home. To access the databases, click on the "Online Resources" link at the top of the library's web page. From there, click on the Learning Express Library link or the Tutor.com link. You can access all our databases from any Hayner Library computer. In order to access a database from home, you must have a Hayner Library card and a PIN.

For more information on the Learning Express Library database and/or Tutor.com, please call the Reference Department at 433-2864.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Christmas – Dec. 24, 25 & 26
New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1
Dr. Martin Luther King Day – Jan.17
President's Day – February 21

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## *Hayner Library Partners with Riverbender.com Community Center*

The Riverbender.com Community Center is a 20,000 square foot facility on three levels offering a safe place for kids to hang out with their friends or make new ones, where kids can be themselves without bullying or intimidation from others. The focus of the center is to provide our youth a chance to experiment with new ideas, games, and activities like art and music, NOT sex, drugs, and alcohol.

The center features a dance floor and main stage, movie theater, Internet cafe, pool tables, foosball, darts, air hockey, pinball, table tennis, pop-a-shot, Xbox, Wii and PS3, PC games, board games, art studio, snack bar and concessions, teen library, and much more.

This fall, the Riverbender com Community Center opened to members, grades 6 through 12, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

During these hours the Community Center will offer a variety of services and entertainment options ranging from homework help, reading programs, and free online tutoring offered in partnership with Hayner Library, to group study, music and art lessons, video games, movies, contests, and much more. The goal of the Riverbender.com Community Center is to inspire, encourage, and provide our youth with an abundance of educational and entertainment opportunities in a safe and affordable environment.

On the second floor of the center is a satellite Hayner Library for teens. Available at this site is a fiction and nonfiction book collection, magazines, games, and study aids, all geared for middle school and high school interests and study. Computers, connected to the Hayner Library network, provide a myriad of databases and search engines for research, study aid, or test prep. One of the most exciting tools available to students through The Hayner Public Library District network is Tutor.com. This extremely powerful product offers online tutoring, allowing students to work with live tutors. Students can interact with a private tutor for help in all major subjects of their curriculum . . . completely free of charge! (See the cover article of this newsletter.) A Hayner Library card is required to access Tutor.com and to check out items. Library cards may be obtained at all Hayner locations, free for residents of Alton, Godfrey, and Foster townships. For kids under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian must sign the library card application and show a current picture ID.

For more information regarding the Community Center, please visit the center's website at www.riverbender.com/communitycenter or call the center at (618) 465-9850, Ext. 212. For more information regarding Hayner Library card applications or Tutor.com, contact Hayner Library at 462-0677.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

It has been seven years since we first started holding our Bow-wow Pow-wow sessions. On the second Saturday of every month a wonderful team of therapy dog owners bring their dogs to the library. Children come to read to the dogs or just play and visit. Studies have shown that interacting with therapy dogs as they read, can dramatically improve a child's reading skills, as well as their self confidence. In addition, the program makes coming to the library a fun time for the kids. Children also learn to socialize with the animals. They learn that showing kindness and respect to the dogs generates the animals' love and trust, which can be a great joy in life. Come join us at the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall every second Saturday of the month from 10–11:00 a.m. All ages welcome. Bring your camera! Enjoy these great pictures from past Bow-wow sessions.

## *Welcome New Employees!*

Two new employees joined the staff of The Hayner Public Library District this past summer. In June, **Sue Hardin** joined us as the assistant director of business operations. Sue was previously employed as the executive director of Pride, Inc., a position she held for 11 years Prior to her work at Pride, Sue was executive assistant to the president of Liberty Bank. Sue attended Illinois State University, graduating with a major in speech communications and a minor in public relations and immediately upon graduation from college worked for McDonnell Douglas. Sue has three grown children and lives in Alton.

In July 2010, **Marilyn Stewart** joined the Hayner staff as business operations and human resources assistant. Prior to employment with Hayner, Marilyn worked at St. Anthony's Hospital for 13 and one-half years as manager of human resources and operations and earlier, at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center (now Gateway Regional Medical Center) in Granite City as assistant director of human resources for 19 years. Marilyn holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from McKendree University. She and her husband, Tom, are Alton residents.

# MISSION RECOGNITION

Mission: Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character, and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location. The following children were recognized during this past fall for their outstanding actions:

**Jocelyn Carrington** attends Pre-K school sponsored by Head Start. Jocelyn was on her bus heading to school when the little boy sitting next to her started to have a seizure. As the bus driver pulled over to call 911, the school bus monitor tried to calm the kids, some of whom were panicking. Jocelyn remained calm and placed one hand on the boy's head as she held his hand with the other and comforted him while waiting for the ambulance. The bus driver was so proud of Jocelyn that he walked her to class and told her teacher and classmates of Jocelyn's great help during a very scary situation.

**Dylan Asbury** attends Eunice Smith Elementary School and is in the second grade. One of Dylan's classmates is, unfortunately, confined to a wheelchair. Without ever having been asked, every day Dylan pushes his friend's wheelchair around the playground. This allows his friend to join in with the other kids instead of sitting "on the sidelines," in one place. Dylan gives up his own playground time to help his friend get involved in recess and enjoy a better day.

**Mary Curvey**, a fourth grader at North Elementary School, does not approve of bullies. On her own initiative, she started a poster campaign against bullying, requesting from her teacher permission to display the posters in the halls of North Elementary. Since Mary's posters have gone up, Mary's teacher has observed a noticeable improvement of behavior both within her classroom and throughout the school.

**Christian Sandberg**, a first grader at East Elementary School, had received some money from the tooth fairy. His school was holding a fund-raiser, "Autism Speaks," and Christian decided to forgo buying a Popsicle® at recess and to donate his tooth fairy money to the autism fund. Christian felt the fund-raiser was more important than spending the money on himself.

**Makyra Jeter** is a sixth grader in Alton Middle School. One of the teachers at the school was selling bracelets to raise funds to help a friend who was critically ill. With a $5 bill, Makyra bought one of the $2 bracelets. She refused her change, however, asking that it be used to help the sick woman.

Each of these great kids has displayed compassion and a caring for others way beyond their years. How many adults do you know who would act so unselfishly?

## *The Medieval Patron*

In 1345, the few students of library management who lived on the European continent were just beginning to hear about a new book by Richard De Bury (1287–1345) titled *Philobiblon* (1344), one of the first textbooks for the education of librarians. At the time, the library as an institution was mostly a collection of books. Although those charged with responsibility for managing this institution had to worry mostly about book collections, they had no program of education in place to prepare them for that responsibility. *Philobiblon* provided a bit of guidance, some of which still applies at the beginning of the 21st century...in our much more varied information marketplace.

For example, De Bury advises all managers of information-resource collections to watch out for the "stiff-necked youth sluggishly seating himself for study and while the frost is sharp in winter time, his nose, all watery with the biting cold, begins to drip. Nor does he deign to wipe it with his cloth until he has wet the books spread out before him with the vile dew."

And that same person, warns De Bury, is capable of other transgressions involving body fluids. "With endless chattering, he ceases not to rail against his companions and, while adducing a multitude of reasons void of all sensible meaning, wets the books spread out in his lap with the sputtering of his spittle."

But not all sins by library users against the physical properties of information resources are moisture based. "Soon doubling his elbows," De Bury further describes this patron, "he reclines upon the book and by his short study invites a long sleep and, by spreading out the wrinkles, bends the margins of the leaves, doing no small harm to the volumes." Source: Wayne Wiegand, "This Month, 656 Years Ago," American Libraries 32 (April 2001): 104, quoted by George M. Eberhart (ed.), The Whole Library Handbook, American Library Association, 2006, p. 491.

**Editor's Note:** I gave quite some thought to whether I should share this excerpt with you, dear patron, and finally decided you would forgive me for any potential insult to your sensibilities. Isn't it amazing that the above was written more than 660 years ago? For good or bad, it certainly demonstrates the consistency of human nature!

Interested in reading *Philobiblon* for yourself? You can access an English-language version by going to books.google.com and keying in "Philobiblon" in the Search Books field. The complete manuscript will be downloaded to you, free of charge.

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# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Library Events

*Join us for our winter semester of FREE programs, guaranteed to entertain the whole family. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 222 Alton Square Mall, upper level. These events are all free of charge. Programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163*

**REMINDER**
**Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are signed up, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.**

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.**

Saturday, December 11
Saturday, January 8
Saturday, February 12
Saturday, March 12
10:00–11:00 a.m.

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Alton Square Library, where your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills—and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bonnie Vega
### *American History – The Founding Era*

Thursdays, January 13, 20, 27; February 10, 17; March 3 and 10
10:00 a.m.–12:00 noon

**Note: This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room of the library at Alton Square Mall.**

This eight-week series will begin with a review of the previous seminar, *The Colonial Era*, on Jan. 13 and then continue, covering the following topics: Jan. 20, *The Road to Independence*; Jan. 27, *The Founding Era*; Feb. 10, *The Constitution*; Feb. 17, *Washington's Presidency*; March 3, *Adams and Jefferson*; March 10, *Madison and Monroe*. Bonnie Vega's popular American History lecture series is structured so you can select individual topics for attendance, but you will find the series so interesting you will want to sign up for the whole semester. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bud Summers
### *A Little Bit Jazzy*

Tuesday, January 11, 6:30 p.m.

Guitarist/vocalist/songwriter Bud Summers will perform original music from his first two solo CDs along with a few favorites from various artists. His style has been described as a little bluesy and a little jazzy but not too far from rock. He uses a digital looper on his guitar, which allows him to create multiple guitar parts live. Come out to hear some smooth sounds. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Genealogy Roundtable
### *English Family History Research*

Wednesday, January 19, at 6:30 p.m.

**This program will be held in the Reading Room/Children's area of the Hayner Downtown Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton.**

Are you looking for your ancestors in England? Come to the next library genealogy roundtable. Donald Clements will update us on the newest available English research tips and information. A retired professor, Mr. Clements was born in England and, with his mother, lived through the blitz of London. Now deeply involved with family history research on this side of the ocean, Mr. Clements has located thousands of his family members in England. Register for the Roundtable at 1-800-613-3163.

### Jared Hennings
### *A Little Romance*

Tuesday, January 25, 6:30 p.m.

Set an early mood for Valentine's Day by attending this performance by Jared Hennings, one of our favorite local crooners. Jared will serenade you with romantic ballads, jazz standards, and some favorite Broadway show tunes. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Everett Thomas
### *Visions of the Sea*

Tuesday, February 8, 6:30 p.m.

Alton-bred/Wisconsin-based troubadour Everett Thomas has quickly become one of the Midwest's most authentic and accomplished tunesmiths. He's already opened for the likes of Nickel Creek's Sean and Sara Watkins, G. Love & Special Sauce, Over the Rhine, Lifehouse, The Wood Brothers, and Matt Nathanson

A wonderful entertainer, Everett seamlessly weaves aggressive folk, Americana, and alternative country with an underlying soulfulness and grit accentuated by a lifetime of blues appreciation. Come hear a program of contemporary favorites and original compositions. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Curtis and Loretta
### *Our Heritage in Song*

Thursday, February 24, 6:30 p.m.

Curtis and Loretta make history come alive with songs from their latest CD, *Our Heritage in Song*. This CD grew out of a project created for the Minnesota Sesquicentennial in 2008 and celebrates the history of our 32nd state. Along with harmonies, they use period instruments, including banjo, celeste (a charming antique keyboard that plays bells), folk harp, mandocello, harmonica, and guitar. The program includes Lincoln's campaign song, a children's circle game, immigrants' songs, and a rollicking voyageur song, along with songs of lumberjacks, farmers, homesteaders, and Civil War soldiers. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events

## Serengeti Steve

### *The Reptile Experience*

**Tuesday, March 15, 6:00 p.m.**

**Note: Performance time is 6:00 p.m.**

Experience the excitement of having a reptile show come to you! This unique and thrilling program lets you meet some of the world's largest and scariest reptiles (in a totally safe environment). With more than 20 years of experience, Serengeti Steve has raised and maintained over 50 species of exotic snakes, lizards, monitors, tarantulas, and scorpions, all of which have brought about The Reptile Experience. Christ Balish, host of *Show Me St. Louis* on Channel 5, has said, "You've heard of Steve Irwin, 'The Crocodile Hunter' . . . well, Serengeti Steve is St. Louis' version." Steve also has been featured on FOX 2 News. Join us for a program filled with surprises and laughter—for kids of all ages. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Maureen Christine

### *As Time Goes By...*
### *Top Movie Songs of All Time*

**Tuesday, March 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Celebrated concert vocalist and national recording artist Maureen Christine has delighted Hayner audiences with her romantic ballads and award-winning original compositions. Her singing has been hailed by reviewers as "crystal clear" and "a lovely, sweet voice with a beautiful way with ballads." This return performance will feature the hit songs from your favorite movies. Chart-topping songs from today's biggest Hollywood movies along with memorable moments from your favorite classics. Enjoy Grammy winners such as "My Heart Will Go On" (*Titanic*) and "The Way We Were," Disney hits, timeless classics, including "People" (*Funny Girl*), "Cheek To Cheek" (*Top Hat*) and much more. Maureen will be accompanied by pianist Theresa Crane. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Choo Choo Hu

**Sunday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.**

**NOTE: This program will take place in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 3800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.**

Choo Choo Hu first performed for Hayner in 2005 following her win in 2004 of the St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition. In 2006, then 16 years old, she performed again for Hayner audiences before leaving to study piano at the Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Maryland. Choo Choo has now graduated from the Peabody Conservatory with a Bachelor of Music degree and is currently working on a Graduate Performance Diploma at Peabody with Maestro Leon Fleisher. Recently she participated in a day-long, marathon performance of all 32 sonatas of Ludwig van Beethoven, which took just under fourteen hours to complete. Choo Choo's performance will include compositions by Mozart, Chopin, Intermezzo, Op. 119 by Brahms, and Four Vignettes composed by Thomas Kotcheff, the Midwest premiere of Kotcheff's work commissioned by and written for Choo Choo. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# TeenSpace
## Winter 2011 Activities

### ❄ Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in our new TeenSpace located at Alton Square Mall. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 19, February 16, and March 16, 2011, at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### ❄ Teen Movie Nights

Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner Library will host a movie night exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza and soda are on the menu! Movie dates are Wednesdays, January 26, February 23, and March 30, 2011. Movies start at 6 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### ❄ Teen Video Gaming

Calling all gamers! Come hang out with other teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12–18 welcome. This event is scheduled from 1–3 p.m. on Saturday, February 12, 2011. Don't forget to bring a friend! To register call 433-2872.

### ❄ Project Next Generation

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its fourth year of implementation at Hayner.

We are excited to be able to offer programs to emerging sixth graders through exiting eighth graders to give them a special opportunity to learn new skills while having fun. Scheduled in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program has room for 10–12 teenagers. You will learn about using current computer applications like Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher; research diverse topics like the life of Abraham Lincoln or world-renowned explorers; learn how to make a presentation with digital photography or videography; and discover the fun of using SMART Boards to make those presentations.

In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for one of our upcoming workshops! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information, or to sign up for our Winter 2011 sessions.

### ❄ Teen Tech Week Event

**"Mix and Mash @ your library"**

**March 6–12, 2011**

Teen Tech Week is a national initiative sponsored by the Young Adult Library Services Association and is aimed at teens, their parents, educators, and other concerned adults. The purpose of the initiative is to ensure that teens are competent and ethical users of technologies, especially those that are offered through libraries, such as DVDs, databases, audiobooks, and video games. Teen Tech Week encourages teens to use libraries' nonprint resources for education and recreation and to recognize that librarians are qualified, trusted professionals in the field of information technology. Hayner TeenSpace will be celebrating "Mix and Mash @ your library" by hosting a variety of teen-related events. For more information about these events, please call Shannon at 433-2872.

# Special Events at Hayner

## KidsSpace — Winter 2011 Activities

### ALTON SQUARE

#### • *Story Times*

➢**Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 3rd, January 10th, January 24th; February 7th, February 14th; March 7th, March 14th, and March 21st, 2011, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢**Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 5th, January 12th, January 19th, January 26th; February 2nd, February 9th, February 16th, February 23rd; March 2nd, March 9th, March 16th, March 23rd, and March 30th, 2011, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢**Spanish Story Times** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Alton Square Library for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: January 31st, February 28th, and March 28th, 2011. Please register at 433-2881.

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

### *Heed These Words!*

"I received the fundamentals of my education in school, but that was not enough. My real education, the superstructure, the details, the true architecture, I got out of the public library. For an impoverished child whose family could not afford to buy books, the library was the open door to wonder and achievement, and I can never be sufficiently grateful that I had the wit to charge through that door and make the most of it. Now, when I read constantly about the way in which library funds are being cut and cut, I can only thunk that the door is closing and that American society has found one more way to destroy itself."

*— Isaac Asimov (I, Asimov: A Memoir)*

#### • *Family Movie Night*

Bring the whole family to this G-PG rated new release. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 12th, February 9th, and March 9th, 2010, at 6 p.m. Snacks are provided. Movie titles will be available one week prior to show date. Please register at 433-2881.

### • *Special February Event!*

#### • *MADCAP PUPPETS*

**Annie Oakley's Wild West Show** — Giddyup! The Wild West is back! Annie Oakley, the most famous woman in the world, stars in her own Wild West Show, Madcap-style! Hilarious characters, tall tales, and spine-tingling stunts bring American history to life as never before! In this production the only thing taller than these tales are the giant puppets! Stories include: Johnny Appleseed, Paul Bunyan, Tailypo, and Sally Ann Thunder Whirlwind. This show will be held in the J.C. Penney Court directly in front of the library at 1 p.m. on Saturday, February 12, 2011. Registration is required! You can register at 433-2861.

### DOWNTOWN

#### • *After-School Craft*

Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Downtown Library KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 11th, February 8th, and March 8th, 2010. Please register at 433-2881.

**Liza Moors, of Alton, finds a great way to relax on a Saturday afternoon. Liza, a teacher, says, "The library is a haven for me."**

I have a spelling checker,
It came with my PC
It plainly marks four my revue
Mistakes I cannot see

I've run this poem threw it,
I'm sure your please too no,
Its letter perfect in it's Weigh,
My checker tolled me sew.

## *Strange Things You Probably Didn't Know*

The following facts were taken from the website www.robinsweb.com. A small sampling of other sites to explore includes www.strangefacts.com, www.mythsfacts.com, www.amusingfacts.com. There are many, many such sites but, warning—they all can be very addictive

1.Money isn't made out of paper. It's made out of cotton.
2. The dot over the letter "i" is called a "tittle."
3. A raisin dropped in a glass of fresh champagne will bounce up and down continuously from the bottom of the glass to the top.
4. Forty percent of McDonald's profits come from the sales of Happy Meals.
5. Of all the entries in Webster's 1996 Dictionary, 315 were misspelled.
6. On average, 12 newborns will be given to the wrong parents daily.
7. Orcas (killer whales) kill sharks by torpedoing up into the shark's stomach from underneath, causing the shark to explode.
8. Most lipstick contains fish scales (eewww).
9. Ketchup was sold in the 1830's as medicine.
10. Uppercase and lowercase letters are named "upper" and "lower" because in the time when all original print had to be set in individual letters, the "upper case" letters were stored in the case on top of the case that stored the smaller, "lower case" letters.
11. Leonardo Da Vinci could write with one hand and draw with the other at the same time; thus multitasking was invented.
12. Because metal was scarce, the Oscars given out during World War II were made of wood.
13. There are no clocks in Las Vegas gambling casinos.
14. The name Wendy was made up for the book *Peter Pan*; there was never a recorded Wendy before!
15. There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with: orange, purple, and silver!
16. Leonardo DaVinci invented scissors. Also, it took him 10 years to paint Mona Lisa's lips.
17. A tiny amount of liquor on a scorpion will make it instantly go mad and sting itself to death.
18. The mask used by Michael Myers in the original *Halloween* was a Captain Kirk's mask painted white.
19. If you have three quarters, four dimes, and four pennies, you have $1.19. You also have the largest possible amount of money in coins without being able to make change for a dollar. (Good to know.)
20. By raising your legs slowly and lying on your back, you can't sink in quicksand. (And you thought this list was completely useless.)
21. The phrase "rule of thumb" is derived from an old English law, which stated that you couldn't beat your wife with anything wider than your thumb.
22. The first product Motorola started to develop was a record player for automobiles. At that time, the best-known player on the market was the Victrola, so they called themselves Motorola.
23. Chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying!
24. The glue on Israeli postage stamps is certified kosher.
25. *Guinness World Records* holds the record for being the book most often stolen from public libraries.

## *"Music is the universal language of mankind."—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow*

What kind of music do you like? Rock, opera, jazz, classical? Or do you enjoy an eclectic mix? No matter what your tastes, Hayner Library has access to thousands of music CDs for you to choose from. We've compiled a list of some of Hayner Library staff members' favorite albums. We recommend you give these albums/artists a try! *Denotes that we do not own a specific CD, but we have music by the artist. If you are looking for a CD that Hayner does not own, we will order it for you from another library.

**Mary C.**
Crash by The Dave Matthews Band
Joshua Tree by U2
Chicago by Chicago
Kind of Blue by Miles Davis
Born to Run by Bruce Springsteen
Best of Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong on Verve by Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong
Very Best of The Smiths by The Smiths
Sky Blue Sky by Wilco
White Ladder by David Gray
Music from the Television Series Northern Exposure

**Janet A.**
Josh Groban
One Light, One Sun by Raffi
Abbey Road by The Beatles
Bitches Brew by Miles Davis
Close to You by The Carpenters *

**Miriam L.**
The Phantom of the Opera by Andrew Lloyd Webber
In Concert by Julio Iglesias
Gold. Greatest Hits by ABBA
For Him by The Basics of Life
The Wonder Years (The First Decade) by Michael W. Smith

**Shannon B.**
Dark Horse by Nickelback
Round Room by Phish
Past Present and Future by Rob Zombie*
Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band by The Beatles
Across the Universe: The Soundtrack
The Very Best of the Grateful Dead by The Grateful Dead*

**Cathie L.**
Rubber Soul by The Beatles
Abbey Road by The Beatles
The Very Best of Frank Sinatra by Frank Sinatra
The Golden Years 1938–1942 by Glenn Miller *
Kohuept by Billy Joel *

**Jim D.**
Eagles Live by Eagles *
Yellow Brick Road by Elton John
2112 by Rush
Metallica
The Sky Is Crying by Stevie Ray Vaughn and Double Trouble

**Janet S.**
Luck of the Draw by Bonnie Raitt
X&Y by Coldplay
Bridget Jones's Diary· Music from the Motion Picture
Something/Anything by Todd Rundgren *
Fearless by Taylor Swift

**Theresa M.**
Before These Crowded Streets by The Dave Matthews Band
Mad Season by Matchbox 20
Extraordinary Machine by Fiona Apple
I Still Have a Pony by Steven Wright
Wonderfulness by Bill Cosby

**Kristina S.**
Some Mad Hope by Matt Nathanson
Unstoppable by Rascal Flatts
Lifehouse by Lifehouse
I'm About to Come Alive by David Nail
Learn to Live by Darius Rucker

**Mary Kay S.**
No Easy Walk to Freedom by Peter Paul and Mary *
Forever by Judy Collins
The Best of Pete Seeger by Pete Seeger
Back Home Again by John Denver
Diana Ross and The Supremes

**Stephanie M.**
John Denver's Greatest Hits by John Denver
Closer by Josh Groban
3 Tenors in Concert by The Three Tenors
Eden by Sarah Brightman
Il Divo by Il Divo
Duets by Barbra Streisand
Grease: The Original Motion Picture Soundtrack
Hair: The Original Soundtrack Recording
Wildflowers by Judy Collins
Paint the Sky with Stars by Enya

**Michele K.**
Love, Pain, and the Whole Crazy Thing by Keith Urban
Carolina by Eric Church*
See If I Care by Gary Allan
All That You Can't Leave Behind by U2
Mad Season by Matchbox 20

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

*—Nonfiction*

**Bach, David.** Debt Free for Life: The Finish Rich Plan for Financial Independence
**Ban Breathnach, Sarah.** Peace and Plenty: Finding Your Path to Financial Serenity
**Beattie, Melody.** Make Miracles in Forty Days: Turning What You Have into What You Want
**Beck, Glenn.** The 7: Seven Wonders That Will Change Your Life
**Brinkley, Douglas.** The Quiet World: Saving Alaska's Wilderness Kingdom, 1910–1960
**Brown, Scott.** Long Shot: A Life of Beating the Odds
**Chopra, Sanjiv.** Doctor Chopra Says: Medical Facts and Myths Everyone Should Know
**Cockburn, Patrick.** Henry's Demons: Living with Schizophrenia: A Father and Son's Story
**Drummond, Ree.** The Pioneer Woman. Black Heels to Tractor Wheels—A Love Story
**Friedman, George.** The Next Decade: Where We've Been . . . and Where We're Going
**Greene, Bob.** The Life You Want! Get Motivated, Lose Weight, and Be Happy
**Harvey, Steve.** Straight Talk, No Chaser: How to Find, Keep, and Understand a Man
**Hornfischer, James D.** Neptune's Inferno: The U.S. Navy at Guadalcanal
**Horton, Tony.** Bring It! The Revolutionary Fitness Plan for All Levels That Burns Fat, Builds Muscle, and Shreds Inches
**Kanfer, Stefan.** Tough Without a Gun: The Life and Extraordinary Afterlife of Humphrey Bogart
**Needham, Hal.** Stuntman: My Car-Crashing, Plane-Jumping, Bone-Breaking, Death-Defying Hollywood Life
**Nugent, Kevin.** Your Baby Is Speaking to You: A Visual Guide to the Amazing Behaviors of Your Newborn and Growing Baby
**Orman, Suze.** The Money Class
**Proulx, Annie.** Bird Cloud
**Reagan, Michael.** The New Reagan Revolution: How Ronald Reagan's Principles Can Restore America's Greatness
**Reagan, Ron.** My Father at 100
**Sass, Cynthia.** Cinch! Conquer Cravings, Drop Pounds, Lose Inches
**Schlessinger, Laura.** Surviving a Shark Attack (On Land): Overcoming Betrayal and Dealing with Revenge
**Sharp, John R., M.D.** The Emotional Calendar: Understanding Seasonal Influences and Milestones to Become Happier, More Fulfilled, and in Control of Your Life
**Simmons, Russell.** Super Rich: A Guide to Having It All
**Somers, Suzanne.** Sexy Forever: How to Fight Fat after Forty
**Szuchman, Paula.** Spousonomics: Using Economics to Master Love, Marriage, and Dirty Dishes
**Weight Watchers.** Weight Watchers New Complete Cookbook
**Wiggs, Susan.** How I Planned Your Wedding
**Zinczenko, David.** New Abs Diet

*—Fiction*

**Ahern, Cecelia.** The Book of Tomorrow: A Novel
**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Family Tree
**Beaton, M. C.** Death of a Chimney Sweep: A Hamish MacBeth Mystery
**Berenson, Alex.** The Secret Soldier
**Binchy, Maeve.** Minding Frankie
**Bradley, Alan.** A Red Herring Without Mustard: A Flavia De Luce Mystery
**Cain, Chelsea.** The Night Season
**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Union Quilters: An Elm Street Quilts Novel
**Childs, Laura.** Bedeviled Eggs
**Clancy, Tom.** Dead or Alive
**Clark, Mary Jane.** To Have and to Kill: A Wedding Cake Mystery
**Coonts, Stephen.** Deep Black: Death Wave
**Crais, Robert.** The Sentry
**D'Amato, Barbara.** Other Eyes
**Deveraux, Jude.** The Scent of Jasmine
**Dorsey, Tim.** Electric Barracuda
**Edwards, Kim.** The Lake of Dreams
**Fielding, Joy.** Now You See Her: A Novel
**Fluke, Joanne.** Devil's Food Cake Murder
**Griffin, W. E. B.** The Outlaws: A Presidential Agent Novel
**Grimes, Martha.** Fadeaway Girl: A Novel
**Harris, Charlaine.** The Sookie Stackhouse Companion: A Sookie Stackhouse Novel
**Higgins, Jack.** The Judas Gate
**Hoag, Tami.** Secrets to the Grave
**Hoffman, Alice.** The Red Garden
**Hooper, Kay.** Rafferty's Wife
**Hunter, Stephen.** Dead Zero: A Bob Lee Swagger Novel
**Iles, Greg.** Unwritten Laws
**Jackson, Lisa.** Wicked Lies
**Jance, J. A.** Fatal Error
**Johnstone, William W.** Shootout of the Mountain Man
**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** In Too Deep
**Lescroart, John.** Damage
**Lippman, Laura.** The Girl in the Green Raincoat
**Macomber, Debbie.** Family Affair
**McCullough, Colleen.** Naked Cruelty: A Carmine Delmonico Novel
**McKevett, G. A.** A Decadent Way to Die
**Meltzer, Brad.** The Inner Circle
**Michaels, Fern.** Home Free
**Moning, Karen Marie.** Shadowfever
**Mosse, Kate.** The Winter Ghosts
**Murphy, Shirley Rousseau.** Cat Coming Home: A Joe Grey Mystery
**Palmer, Diana.** Will of Steel
**Palmer, Michael.** A Heartbeat Away
**Parker, T. Jefferson.** The Border Lords
**Patterson, James.** Tick Tock
**Phillips, Susan Elizabeth.** Call Me Irresistible
**Plain, Belva.** Heartwood. A Novel
**Preston, Douglas.** Gideon's Sword
**Robb, J. D.** Treachery in Death
**Stabenow, Dana.** Though Not Dead: A Kate Shugak Novel
**Vreeland, Susan.** Clara and Mr. Tiffany: A Novel
**Walsh, Jill Paton.** The Attenbury Emeralds
**White, Randy Wayne.** Night Vision
**Woods, Stuart.** Strategic Moves

## *Hemingway Said What?!*

It's both a fault and a virtue of great literature that we seldom have a chance to hear the unfiltered voice of the author. But with the recent launching of *The Paris Review*'s free online archive of interviews with many literary giants, that's no longer entirely true.

The preeminent literary quarterly not only published the work of many of the previous century's most influential English language authors; it also interviewed them about, among other subjects, living, writing, and their works. In an amazing turn, these interviews—annotated and meaty -are now available to anyone with Internet access and a few hours to themselves. The collection spans six decades, starting in the 1950s, and includes the greats from that time to this, including, among many others, Faulkner, Capote, Hemingway, Nabokov, McCarthy, Didion and Morrison. We so often read these writers' works without knowing much about the people who wrote them—here's your chance to meet those mysterious dwellers behind the pen.

Go to www.parisreview.org and click on Interviews. You are in for a fascinating read.

*— The Very Short List (www.veryshortlist.com, October 1, 2010)*

## Do you need some extra room in the attic, basement, or closets in your home?

We may be able to help with that! The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library would like to take all of those old, dusty, elementary school yearbooks off your hands and out of your way. We would appreciate donations of elementary school yearbooks to add to our limited collection.

Yearbooks are often overlooked in the compiling of family history, when in reality they are a wonderful source for this type of research. In the mind of the family genealogist, finding a picture of Grandpa in his football jersey is like finding a little gold nugget.

At this time, we are particularly interested in elementary school yearbooks, but if you have other yearbooks from any of the local schools, we would be happy to consider those as well. So, donate those old yearbooks that are only taking up valuable closet space, and think of it as an early start to your spring cleaning! To donate, please contact the Genealogy & Local History Library at 462-0677, Ext. 2859.

## COME SEE OUR NEW ILLINOIS ROOM ITEMS

Highlights of the History of Jersey County (patron donation) IR 977.3855 SEA
Index to Volunteer Soldiers in Indian Wars IR 929.373 WHI
Fayette County, Illinois, Cemetery Inscription Vol. 1 (patron donation) IR 929.3773797 FAY
Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, 1880 Census (patron donation) IR 929.377896 EIG
Missouri 100 Years Ago (patron donation) IR 977.8 WHI
Perry County, Missouri, 1850 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 EIG
Perry County, Missouri, 1860 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 EIG
Perry County, Missouri, 1870 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 GEE
Perry County, Missouri, 1876 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 GEE
Perry County, Missouri, 1880 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 PER
History of DeWitt County, Illinois (Vols. 1, 2) IR 977.3585 HIS
1850 Federal Census of Johnson County, Illinois IR 929.3773996 EIG
United States Census 1850, Effingham County, Illinois IR 929.3773796 DAN
Washington County, Illinois, 1850 Census IR 929.377388 WOR
A New Geography of Illinois by Larry Underwood (patron donation) IR 917.386 UND
Alton-Godfrey-Foster Township Topographic Map IR MAPTABLE 912 GEO
High and Mighty: The Flood of '93 (patron donation) IR 977.033 HIG
History of Douglas County, Illinois IR 977.386 HIS
Donnellson, Illinois, Centennial 1897–1997 IR 977.382 DON
On the Trail of the Buffalo Soldier II IR 355.0092 ONT
Ignatz Bruch, Alton's Stone Cutter (patron donation) IR 977.386 SHA
Guide to the National Road IR 388.10977 GUI

**Rudolf and Peter Mohr from Germany with Hayner Public Library Genealogy Assistant Pam Bierman**

In the 1800s a branch of the Mohr family from Germany immigrated to the United States and then settled in the Madison County, Illinois, area by planting their German roots in Alton soil. They became prominent in business and respected in the community. A stonemason by trade, Mr. Mohr was instrumental in the construction of some of Alton's finest buildings, such as the Masonic Temple and the YMCA.

Nearly 150 years later, on September 1, 2010, Rudolf and Peter Mohr, descendants of the Mohr family of Alton, travelled from their German homeland and walked into Hayner Public Library hoping to connect their roots to this early Alton family. I had the honor of assisting Peter and Rudolf in finding that connection. My name is Pam Bierman, and I am a Library Assistant in Hayner Library's Genealogy & Local History Library. After three days of searching newspaper articles, walking through cemeteries, and exploring Alton history, Peter and Rudolf said goodbye. They returned to Germany with a folder chock-full of newspaper clippings, cemetery records, and photographs that will be used to graft the Alton, Illinois, Mohrs into their German-rooted family tree.

My encounter with Peter and Rudolf taught me that genealogy is more than locating family connections and documenting memories. It is also about learning, listening, and experiencing other cultures. And maybe even being fortunate enough to make a few new friends along the way.

If you would like assistance in locating family connections, please contact Hayner's Genealogy & Local History Library. We will be happy to help you with your family research!

## The Story of an Alton Hero . . . William "Scotch" Johnston

*by Pam Bierman*

We have all heard the story of the Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy, who was murdered as he defended the right to freedom of speech, while taking an unwavering stand against slavery. No one disagrees that he was a hero. He will forever be a key person in Alton's early history. But Elijah P. Lovejoy was not the only hero in that chapter of Alton history, or in the Lovejoy story.

William "Scotch" Johnston was a freed black stonemason from Aberdeen, Scotland, who was living in Alton when Elijah P. Lovejoy was murdered on the evening of Nov. 7, 1837. Unknowingly, he made himself a hero in Alton's history that night when he removed Lovejoy's body from the Godfrey-Gilman Warehouse and secretly buried it in an undisclosed area. It has been reported that Johnston also built a wooden casket and painted it red by using pokeberry juice, in order to make it more presentable for the honorable man who would lie within its walls. With respect, he laid the body of Lovejoy in the homemade casket and cried as he gently lowered it into the ground. He took this task upon himself without compensation or reward.

Fearing what that angry mob of murderers would do if they knew the location of Lovejoy's grave, Johnston kept the location a secret for many years, proving that his devotion to Lovejoy did not die with the slain martyr on that fateful November night. These selfless acts of respect show that William "Scotch" Johnston was a man of conviction, with strong moral values, and a courageous heart. He was a man who put action to his convictions, with no regard for his own personal safety.

Johnston died at his home on the evening of July 11, 1885. His funeral was well attended, and his body was laid to rest in the Alton City Cemetery. His obituary in the *Alton Evening Telegraph* stated that the venerable Mr. William Johnston was about 80 years of age and left several children to mourn his death.

Prior to Johnston's death, the remains of Elijah P. Lovejoy were exhumed and reburied in a marked grave in the Alton City Cemetery, ironically with Scotch Johnston again acting as one of the overseers. Since the reburial, Lovejoy's grave has been maintained continuously by several dedicated persons and organizations within the community. These continued acts of honor show that there are still those who believe in keeping Lovejoy's spirit of freedom alive, more than 170 years after his death. And it began with Lovejoy's faithful friend, William "Scotch" Johnston.

## *Patron Profile*
## *Mike Montgomery*

Mike Montgomery has all the characteristics and skills necessary to a great radio talk show host. Upbeat, informed, multitalented and maybe just a little crazy—who better to host *Matinee Madness*, which airs Monday through Friday on WBGZ (1570 AM) from 3:00–6:00 p.m. Mike, a well-known voice and personality in the Riverbend, brightens the afternoon for many of us while keeping us informed about events and personalities of interest in our community.

Mike, a St. Louis native, has had a colorful career that certainly has contributed to his skills as a raconteur. He attended Parks College of St. Louis University with the intention of studying to become an aeronautical engineer. While in school, Mike worked part time as a copyboy at the now-defunct *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* newspaper. Mike's boss directed him to the St. Louis Public Library to learn how to write a newspaper story, and that is just what he did. Martin Duggan, famed television host of Donnybrook on KETC, was working at the *Globe* at the time and was the one who said, "Hire the kid"—and Mike was on his way as a reporter for the *Globe*.

Having gone through ROTC while in college, Mike had to interrupt his newspaper career for a four-and-a-half-year stint in the Army. He served overseas in both Vietnam and Germany As a second lieutenant, Mike was offered the opportunity to attend one of the Army's language schools, studying in either Monterey, California, or Washington, D.C. He jumped at the opportunity, studied in Washington, and after attaining fluency in German, was stationed in Germany for two years, before a tour in Vietnam.

Mike returned to civilian life and his job as a reporter for the *Globe-Democrat*, where he would work for the next 20 years, with a few detours into public relations. As an investigative reporter, Mike spent many hours, he remembers, in the St. Louis Public Library, his head buried in the microfilm viewer for hours at a time to research a story's background. He covered organized crime and political corruption and "made a lot of people mad"—but Mike loved the job. He says that he never met a greater cast of characters than those working at the *Globe*, and though he often worked 12–15 hours a day, it was a terrific, exciting time.

Mike rose to city editor and had 35 reporters working for him—and testifies that the newsroom was a high-stress, high-energy nerve center but was always wonderfully invigorating. However, as can happen in such a furiously paced environment, everything was business as usual one day, and the next day Mike and all his colleagues were informed that the newspaper had folded. The *Globe-Democrat* closed its doors permanently in October 1986, having operated as the Greater St. Louis Area morning newspaper since 1852.

Mike was not long without employment, however, and the calls he was getting from California sounded particularly attractive. Relocating to the West Coast, Mike worked as a city editor in northern San Diego County, for a wire service in Los Angeles, and as executive editor for a newspaper group based in the suburbs of Los Angeles and owned by Ralph Ingersoll Publications International. At the time, Ingersoll also owned the *Telegraph*, our Alton newspaper. In 1989 Mike was transferred back to the Riverbend as editor of the *Telegraph*, a position he held until 1994.

After leaving the *Telegraph*, Mike decided to attend graduate school at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. He completed a master's degree in mass communications while also teaching part time at both SIUE and Lewis & Clark Community College. Additionally, he produced a weekly radio commentary show for WBGZ. By 1997 he was teaching full time at SIUE and acting as faculty adviser to the student newspaper, the *Alestle*. Mike loved working with the students, helping them to hone their skills and define their career objectives in the news media. Many of Mike's former students have stayed in touch with him. Some even insisted that Mike finally set up a Facebook page so they could access real-time updates of Mike's latest adventures.

In 2006 Mike retired from teaching but was now on the radio five days a week entertaining the Riverbend audience with *Matinee Madness*. Mike interviews guests, discusses current events, and provides commentary, often on the many absurdities of life. Employing his natural optimism and humor, Mike keeps his show upbeat and fun, avoiding the "doom and gloom" so prevalent in many of today's media outlets.

Mike and his wife, Barbara, live in Godfrey. Barbara is finishing her associate's degree in applied science and works at the William Bedell Achievement Resource Center in Wood River. Mike met Barbara when he was working at the *Telegraph* and she was dropping off press releases for publication . . . and that was the end of that story!

Mike and Barbara love to spend free time exploring the country, traveling on Mike's Harley-Davidson motorcycle. This past summer, they took a 12-day road trip, hitting 15 states and covering over 5,000 miles. To celebrate Mike's first retirement in 2006, they rode through Canada and into Alaska, covering 7,800 miles in three weeks. Mike has been a motorcycle enthusiast since his college days and fondly remembers his first bike, a Honda 450. Today they ride a Harley Heritage Softail, 2002. Mike says Barbara is a "darn good traveler" and that they both love just getting on the bike and riding as the spirit moves them.

The Montgomerys are strong patrons of the local arts, enjoying the Alton Symphony, Alton Little Theater, and events at the Jacoby Arts Center. They also have fun supporting "canine special events" (Bark in the Park, Yappy Hour, etc.) with their Super Dog, Obie.

Mike and Barbara are faithful fans of Hayner Library's performance series and rarely miss an event. We look forward to seeing them at our next performance!

## Viva Volunteers!

If you frequent Hayner Library, particularly the downtown library location, you have undoubtedly experienced the phenomenon that is Stephanie Munson, Hayner Library Volunteer Coordinator. Stephanie is a little blonde person with an infectious laugh and a thousand stories to tell.

On December 9th Stephanie will celebrate 25 years of employment with The Hayner Public Library District. She started working for the library part time as a Library Assistant and shortly was asked to manage the library's bookmobile service. The bookmobile was a huge success in the community, but the vehicle became exorbitantly expensive to maintain, and the program went through a transformation into the Homebound Program.

Headed by Stephanie, this program provided library materials to Hayner patrons who were confined to their homes. Stephanie and her volunteers took books and friendship to these homebound individuals. Under Stephanie's guidance, the Homebound Program became more than a book delivery service—it provided a community outreach function of neighbors caring for neighbors.

Under Stephanie's supervision, the Homebound Program grew both in patrons and volunteers. Stephanie has a core group of volunteers who have worked with her since the inception of the program. Over twenty years later, out of the original seven volunteers who started in Homebound, four are still contributing their time to the library district. They include: Dr. Ned DuVivier, Dave Allen, June Weinrich, and Spiv Woeffel. Today, the Homebound Program, renamed Hayner Delivery Service, provides service to approximately 200 patrons in our library community and is managed by Esther Gillespie.

In 2008, Stephanie assumed the responsibilities of Volunteer Services Coordinator, district-wide. Stephanie's volunteers are of two categories: those who work at library tasks on a regular (weekly) schedule and those who work, as needed, on special projects. One of the biggest special projects to date was the Branch and Youth Libraries' relocation to a new facility in Alton Square Mall in 2009. A team of Hayner volunteers were invaluable in shelving and organizing our collection materials in the new facility. We could never have met the Grand Opening date without volunteer support.

Ongoing volunteer tasks include "Adopt-a-Shelf," "Readers to Go," Delivery Service, "Operation Soldier," and more. There are also special projects for which Stephanie would warmly welcome you even if you have only a limited amount of time. This spring, Stephanie will be hoping for volunteers who might like to help with gardening activities around the downtown library buildings.

Currently, Stephanie has 23 active volunteers and another 29 project volunteers. Many of the volunteers have become fast friends, and at least once a year Stephanie hosts a volunteer get-together that is "like a big family gathering." To volunteer your time or just to find out more about volunteer opportunities, call Stephanie Munson at 433-2844.

## Operation Shoebox

Operation Shoebox was founded in 2003 to send support to our men and women deployed outside of the USA and to help raise their morale and let them know they are cared about. The Hayner Public Library District is participating in the program and has adopted a soldier, SPC Shane Michie. Specialist Michie will be in charge of accepting Hayner Library patrons' donations and dispersing them throughout his army troop. Donation wish lists are kept at the circulation desks of library locations and include items such as snacks, personal hygiene products and stationery. The troops especially love receiving hand-written notes and letters. We also are accepting donations to cover the mailing costs of the donated items ($12.50/box). We will box the items and ship care packages to Specialist Michie and his troop through May of 2011, which is the end of Specialist Michie's deployment. Please help support Operation Shoebox. Even the smallest item could help brighten a soldier's day. A quick note will remind our men and women overseas that we are thinking of them and support the great service they are performing in our behalf.

*The Hayner Public Library District now has a Facebook page. Be sure to become a fan of Hayner Library on Facebook and get all the latest library news, programming, and events. The library's Facebook page will keep you informed on new additions to the library's collection, reminders of upcoming library programs, community programs, new library displays, and more!*

## Declaration of Reader Independence

The thousands of books landing in libraries and stores every year have been known to precipitate severe levels of anxiety and panic in those of us who live by the credo "So many books, so little time." Those of us who grew up with the teaching "You must finish every book you start" become extremely susceptible to nervous collapse.

Well, help has arrived. We found the following "Declaration of Reader Independence" in a copy of *O*, Oprah's magazine (*O, The Oprah Magazine*, July 2010, 111).

Since Oprah is Empress, Queen of the World, if not the universe, feel free to incorporate all or part of the following declaration into your philosophy of life Free yourself, dear reader, march forward and declare that you hold as self-evident your right to:

1. Not finish a book, whether you've read to page 10, 50 or 250. (But if it's *Ulysses*, you get points just for getting past page 1.)
2. See the movie first—especially if you've heard the book is kind of lousy; the movie just has to be better.
3. Read two books at once—and occasionally get the plots mixed up.
4. Reread a childhood favorite. But be forewarned: Charlotte still dies.
5. Judge a book by its cover. Or its title. We defy you, for example, not to pick up Mary Roach's *Bonk*, which, um, scores on both counts.
6. Wish that Cormac McCarthy would use a little punctuation now and then.
7. Be miffed if your friend doesn't like a book you recommend. On the other hand, you have our permission to be miffed if she gets miffed when you don't like the one she recommends to you.
8. Ignore memoirs by people who have barely cracked their 30s.
9. Declare yourself unmoved by the existential struggles of vampires, zombies (even those in league with Jane Austin), talking dogs, or what we worry is the next trend: scary-smart monkeys.
10. Believe that books can be magic carpets to enchanted lands, even while realizing that they're inanimate objects made of ink and paper. (Unless they're e-books. And it's okay to love those, too.)

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## *SCORE makes Generous Donation to The Hayner Public Library District*

SCORE—Counselors to America's Small Business is a volunteer organization of business people that offers free confidential counseling to small business entrepreneurs. The Alton/Godfrey SCORE chapter serves seven counties and is made up of over 40 counselors with a great variety of skills and experience.

The Hayner Public Library District and SCORE have partnered through the years to develop resources and programs supporting our communities' small business development.

SCORE also has provided generous funding to The Hayner Public Library District, contributing to the development of a premier small-business reference collection. You can find the collection in the Reference Department of the library at the Alton Square Mall.

This fall, SCORE again made a significant contribution to Hayner's small-business reference collection. On behalf of SCORE, Southwestern Illinois, Chapter 423, Alton-Godfrey, the following titles have been added to the small-business collection of The Hayner Public Library District.

**Books**

*250 Best-Paying Jobs*, 2nd ed. (M. Farr), *27 Powers of Persuasion* (C. St. Hilaire), *Boring to Bravo: Proven Presentation Techniques to Engage, Involve and Inspire* (K. Arnold), *Bury My Heart at Conference Room B* (S. Slap), *Business Loans from Family & Friends* (A. Advanti), *Comebacks at Work: Mastering Confrontation and Taking Control of How People Treat You* (K. Reardon), *Contracts: The Essential Business Desk Reference* (R. Stim), *Cover Letter Magic*, 4th ed. (W. Enelow), *Eliminated! Now What?* (J. Baur), *Finding a Job Through Social Networking* (D. Crompton), *The Girl's Guide to Starting Your Own Business*, Rev. ed. (C. Friedman & K. Yorio), *Guerrilla Social Media Marketing* (J. Levinson), *How to Write a Business Plan*, 10th ed. (M. McKeever), *KaChing: How to Run an Online Business That Pays and Pays* (J. Comm & M. Hansen), *Real-Time Marketing & PR: How to Instantly Engage Your Market* (D. Scott), *Start Your Own Business*, 5th ed. (Entrepreneur Press), *Step-by-Step Resumes*, 2nd ed. (E. Salvador), *Successful Business Plan: Secrets & Strategies* (R. Abrams), *The One Minute Negotiator: Simple Steps to Reach Better Agreements* (D. Hutson et al.), *The SRA Loan Book: The Complete Guide to Getting Financial Help* (C. Green), *Wall Street Journal Essential Guide to Management* (A. Murray).

**Audiobooks**

*Building a Fortune in Business: Entrepreneurial Success by Trump University* (D. Trump et al.), *Buy-In: Saving Your Good Idea from Getting Shot Down* (J. Kotter), *Get Your Dream Job!* (Made for Success), *Leading Change! Leadership Skills to Master Rapid Change* (Made for Success), *The Now Habit at Work* (N. Fiore), *Rework* (J. Fried), *Switch: How to Change Things When Change Is Hard* (C. Heath & D. Heath), *Tuesday Morning Coaching: 8 Simple Truths to Boost Your Career* (D. Cottrell), *Work from Home Handbook* (D. Fitzpatrick).

Thank you, SCORE, for your unstinting support of The Hayner Public Library District as well as the entire Riverbend community.

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## Change Is Good!

Technology seems to change our lives every day. Some of us like it; some don't. New technology can be intimidating until we use it and clear away the mystery. Once you use the new technology, you wonder how you did without it.

Some of us have been hesitant to try the new self-check at grocery stores, service stations and . . . yes, libraries! The Hayner Public Library District installed self-checkout machines in 2009. They were immediately embraced by many of our patrons and today facilitate approximately one-half of all our patrons' check-out transactions.

Self-checkers allow you to check out any of the materials you borrow from the library without the intervention of library staff. You simply wave your library card and your library material under a scanner, and you are on your way. For CD and DVD cases, which are locked, the unlocking device at the station takes just a quick swipe of the case to release the security lock. First-time user? No fear. The display will lead you through a few simple steps to complete your transaction. You are given the option to receive a printed receipt that identifies each individual item and its due date. The system notifies you if a transaction has not been processed and tells you how to proceed correctly. The system doesn't care if you are checking out material owned by another library. The checkout process is seamless and transparent. Users who are non-Hayner patrons can use their owning library's card to check out Hayner material to their accounts. Even if you have a fine on your card (less than $5), you will not be prohibited from checking out at the self-checkout. The system also is multilingual.

Self-checkout has been enthusiastically accepted by patrons and staff alike. The staff now has more time to spend on customer service requests. Freed to a great extent from discharge duties, they are more available for your questions and one-on-one support. Offloading mechanical responsibilities from the staff's duties is critically important. The poor fiscal condition of the Illinois state budget is a significant concern regarding the availability of state funding for library operation. The recently identified decline in our community's population (2010 Federal Census) will negatively affect Hayner Library District's annual per capita income funding. The library district must find creative ways to facilitate the increasing volume of user activity without increasing operating costs. The implementation of self-check technology is a critical component of maintaining library service standards.

If you are not familiar with the self-checkout process, library staff members will be happy to help you with your transaction. Many patrons also appreciate the privacy provided by self-checkout along with the speed and ease of the system. Young kids love being able to use the system for Mom or Dad. It becomes another fun aspect of visiting the library. Yes, change is good.

## Food For Fido

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month and in commemoration of this, all three locations of The Hayner Library District will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5A's Animal Shelter. This non-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you can pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner material only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation for each fine. Please help our friends at the 5A's – they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected, or abused animals brought to the shelter.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 24
Memorial Day, May 29 & 30

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## Promote Your Library

First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. This year, National Library Week is recognized April 10–16.

In the mid-1950s, research showed that Americans were spending less on books and more on radios, televisions, and musical instruments. Concerned that Americans were reading less, the ALA and the American Book Publishers formed a nonprofit citizens' organization called the National Book Committee in 1954. The committee's goals were ambitious. They ranged from "encouraging people to read in their increasing leisure time" to "improving incomes and health" and "developing strong and happy family life." These goals are as pertinent and valuable today as they were fifty years ago.

A statement by the American Library Association is clearly applicable to The Hayner Public Library District. "Today's libraries can help you discover a new and exciting world. Take advantage of the free access to books and computers, homework help, online assistance with resumes and job searches, accurate financial information, free programs for education and entertainment, CDs, DVDs and much more. Don't forget, your librarian is information smart and can help you find the right answer @ your library.... Libraries have always provided useful services to their communities and free access to a wide range of media. But it's usually during tough economic times that we recognize the true value of those resources. As Americans today struggle to stretch every dollar, they're returning to libraries in droves."

The books, audiobooks, CDs and DVDs purchased by just one individual can cost thousands of dollars every year. These days, however, Americans are spending less and less on entertainment. A 2009 Zogby poll shows that 70 percent of Americans are cutting back on luxuries like movies, including 76 percent of young adults. Instead, Americans are looking for affordable entertainment options at their local libraries.

While many people thought the Internet boom would make libraries obsolete, the opposite is true. The information age has made libraries more vital than ever. The cost for Internet connection is still higher than many families can afford, though it's an essential tool for both job seekers and students. Many libraries remain the only place in their communities offering free Internet access to the public.

Libraries do more than help Americans save money; they also spur economic growth. People without home computers or Internet access rely on library computers to find and apply for jobs, create resumes, or file for unemployment. Beyond that, libraries offer programs aimed at employment and small-business development.

In good times or bad, libraries provide the kind of economic stimulus that benefits everyone. Take a look at how much Hayner Library can save you each year:

| Resources | Used in One Year | Average Cost Item | You Save |
|---|---|---|---|
| Books | 12 | $25 | $300 |
| DVD purchases | 15 | $20 | $300 |
| DVD rentals | 50 | $4 | $200 |
| CDs | 20 | $15 | $300 |
| MP3 albums | 20 | $12 | $240 |
| Internet access | 12 months | $60/mo | $720 |

Additionally, research shows that $1 invested in a library yields a return of more than $4 for the average community.

Libraries also build relationships. People are connecting at their libraries, whether it's with media, technology, or one another. Libraries are fertile grounds for learning and relationship building. Everyone from tots and teens to seniors and volunteers can use their local library as a springboard for enriching relationships. You can network and build new friendships at Hayner Library by participating in volunteer activities, the Friends of the Library, teen and adult book clubs, group study, the Homebound program, teen councils, adult, teen and youth cultural programs, and much more. Now more than ever, libraries have become a major resource for the unemployed. Patrons can take advantage of the technology services available at libraries, whether filing online for unemployment benefits, doing job searches, or preparing resumes.

Libraries are not just buildings full of books. Oftentimes, they help people discover their passion, their family roots, or even a sense of community. Libraries enrich people's lives. You can share that enrichment. Of the 60,000-plus people residing within Hayner's district, approximately 20,000 are currently Hayner library card holders. Encourage your family, friends, and coworkers to join the library. Encourage them to become a card-holding member and volunteer, attend library events—and bring the whole family. Supporting your library benefits you intellectually and financially and offers personal growth. Supporting the library supports and strengthens our whole community.

Celebrate National Library Week! Promote your library!

## Volunteers Recognized

For every 25 hours they work, Hayner Library volunteers get a bookplate in a new library book recognizing their 25-hour achievement. They earn their hours by doing many volunteer projects throughout the library. Some volunteers have adopted sections of books to keep in order each week. Others deliver books to the homebound. We have community service volunteers who work cleaning shelves and dusting books. We have volunteers who help with Genealogy and our Illinois Room. There is a group of volunteers that we can call on for short projects in the library. This group was responsible for helping with the move to the Alton Square Library and with the project "Operation Soldiers."

We would like to congratulate the following volunteers for achieving their 25-hour recognition in the month of January.
Bill Ackerman—Delivery Service
Bev Ambrosi—Adopt-a-Shelf
Connie Clayton— Illinois Room
Alex Droste—Adopt-a-Shelf
John Gibbons—Genealogy
Jan Harnetiaux—Senior Service, Delivery Service, and Adopt-a-Shelf
Richard Zahn—Community Service
Andy Allen—Adopt-a-Shelf
Virginia Fohrman—Adopt-a-Shelf

## MISSION RECOGNITION

Mission Recognition is an initiative sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District to reinforce positive behavior in the young people of our community. The program recognizes kids up to 18 years of age for acts of good value judgment, a high standard of character, and positive community impact. Kids can be nominated by anyone (family and nonfamily) and will be recognized on a monthly basis. Nomination forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any library location.

Members of the fifth grade of Lovejoy Elementary School were recognized this winter for their successful participation in a peer tutor program. The volunteer tutors met every morning with a primary class student with the goal of helping improve the students' academic skills. Every student who received tutoring showed improvements, both academically and socially. The tutors showed patience and kindness as they helped to motivate their students to work hard while enjoying the learning process. Recognized for their wonderful tutoring support are (pictured below, left to right): Aiynjel Dobbins, Alexandra Bergin, Ashley Ingle, Cameron Campbell, Carl Crumer, Chloe Butler, Kami Douglas, Max Stewart, and Sydney Stutz.

Annually, Alton High School Interact Club sponsors the St. Baldrick's Events, open to voluntary student participation. Volunteers for this event raise money by offering to have their heads shaved in support of children who suffer from childhood cancer. The money raised is donated to cancer research to eliminate childhood cancer. Megan Van Hoy (pictured, left)was the first girl ever to participate in the event and was individually responsible for raising $2500 of the total $6100 in contributions to the event. Megan's courageous act paved the way for future student participation and set a standard that will be hard to beat!

## COME SEE WHAT'S NEW IN OUR ILLINOIS ROOM

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Father Mississippi IR 917.7 SAX
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Slaves, Salt, Sex & Mr. Crenshaw IR 977.39700496 MUS
History of Mercer and Henderson Counties (Parts 1 and 2) IR 977.3395 HIS
History of Ford County (Vols. 1 and 2) IR 977.362 GAR

## *"A Blast from the Past"*

Are you old enough to remember the ALTON DRAGWAY that was located on Fosterburg Road, one mile north of Route 140? This drag strip was opened in 1958 and quickly became the most exciting place to be on Saturday nights. The strip was one-half mile long with one-quarter mile for racing and the remainder for slowing down. Cars raced according to a classification system that grouped them by horsepower, engine displacement, and body type. This drag strip was not just for the local boys and their high-powered toys. The Alton Dragway made a mark in the world of drag racing when Chris Karamesines of Chicago and Don "Big Daddy" Garlits of Florida made speed history at the Alton track during the 1960s.

The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library would like to preserve the history of the Alton Dragway, but we can do it only through the public's help. If you have pictures, maybe an old, dusty trophy sitting in the garage, or any other memorabilia from this nostalgic era, we may be interested in preserving its historic value by adding it to our growing collection of local history artifacts. If you would like to learn more about this preservation project and have an item you would like to donate, please call us at: 618-462-0677, Ext. 2865.

*—Submitted by the Genealogy & Local History Department*

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Library Events

*Join us for our spring semester of FREE programs, guaranteed to entertain the whole family. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 222 Alton Square Mall, upper level. These events are all free of charge. Programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER**

***Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are signed up, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.***

### Choo Choo Hu

**Sunday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.**

**NOTE: This program will take place in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 3800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.**

Choo Choo Hu first performed for Hayner in 2005 following her win in 2004 of the St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra Concerto Competition. In 2006, then 16 years old, she performed again for Hayner audiences before leaving to study at the prestigious Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Maryland. Choo Choo has now graduated from the Peabody Conservatory with a Bachelor of Music degree and is currently working on a Graduate Performance Diploma at Peabody with Maestro Leon Fleisher. Recently she participated in a day-long, studio-wide marathon performance of all 32 sonatas of Ludwig van Beethoven, which took just under fourteen hours to complete. In the summer of 2010 she attended the Gijon International Piano Festival in Gijon, Spain, where she performed in recitals and master classes throughout the region. Choo Choo's performance will include compositions by Mozart and Chopin; Intermezzo, Op. 119 by Brahms; and Four Vignettes, composed by Thomas Kotcheff, the Midwest premiere of Kotcheff's work commissioned by and written for Choo Choo. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bonnie Vega

***American History – The Antebellum Age Through the Civil War***

**Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21; May 5, 12, 19; June 2, 16, 23, 30**
**10:00 a.m.–12:00 Noon**

**Note: This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room of the library at Alton Square Mall.**

April 7 – The Antebellum Age: 1815–1850 (Part I)
April 14 – The Antebellum Age (Part II)
April 21 – The Antebellum Age (Part III)
May 5 – John Q. Adams & Andrew Jackson
May 12 – Martin Van Buren & John Polk
May 19 – The Coming of the Civil War (Part I)
June 2 – The Coming of the Civil War (Part II)
June 16 – The Civil War (Part I)
June 23 –The Civil War (Part II)
June 30 – War & Society

Bonnie Vega continues her popular American History lecture series. The series is structured so you can select individual topics for attendance, but you will find each lecture so compelling, you will want to sign up for the entire semester. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Tom Crammond Ensemble

***Swing Music***

**Tuesday, April 12, 6:30 p.m.**

This three-man string ensemble presents hits from the 1930s and '40s. Come enjoy this wonderful group of local musicians as they take us back to a wondrous musical era. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### John Dunphy

***The History of Shurtleff College***

**Tuesday, April 26, 6:30 p.m.**

**This program will be held in the Reading Room/Children's area of the Hayner Downtown Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton.** Did your grandmother attend Shurtleff College? Maybe you are a student of the dental school, or an avid Alton history buff? This program is sure to give enjoyable insights into one of the area's oldest landmarks. Alton historian and author John Dunphy will be talking about the history of Upper Alton's Shurtleff College, which is now home to the SIU Dental School of Medicine. Shurtleff College is considered by many the jewel of Upper Alton. Opening its doors in the early 1800s, and graduating its last class in 1957, this prestigious school accrued a great deal of fascinating history during its approximately 125 years of service. Mr. Dunphy will tell this story in a style that is all his own. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dr. Dee Evans

***Healthy Lifestyles***

**Part 1, Wednesday, April 20, 6:30 p.m.**
**Part 2, Wednesday, April 27, 6:30 p.m.**

**Note: This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room of the library at Alton Square Mall.**

Dr. Dee Evans is a Clinical Psychologist from the Alton Mental Health and Forensic Center. She will present a two-part program on Healthy Lifestyles that will benefit everyone, regardless of age or current physical condition. You may sign up for one or both sessions. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Part 1:** What does meditation have to do with a healthy lifestyle? Learn what the latest research shows about the benefits of meditation in your everyday life. Learn how it leads to stress reduction and a different way of facing life. No special equipment is needed (no cushions) and no background in meditation is needed to participate in this class. Participants will practice at least two techniques that they will be able to use anywhere.

**Part 2:** Money doesn't buy happiness. Or does it? It is no longer a secret about what it takes to be happy. Learn what research tells us about happiness and how happiness leads to healthy lifestyles well into our senior years. The best part is that small changes can mean a happier, healthier life.

### Brian Ellis

***John James Audubon***

**Monday, May 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Actor, scholar, and historian Brian Ellis performs as John James Audubon, one of America's greatest naturalists and wildlife artists. As Audubon, Brian will enchant you with stories of travels and travails in the wildest places on the planet. He will celebrate the natural history of North America as it existed in the early 1800s. Join us in this thrilling step back in time. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

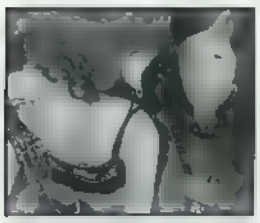
# Special Events at Hayner

## Claudia Schmidt
### *Folk/Jazz*
**Tuesday, May 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Michigan native Claudia Schmidt has covered a lot of musical ground. More than three decades as a touring professional have found her traversing North America as well as Europe in venues ranging from intimate clubs to 4,000-seat theaters. Claudia's audiences have learned to expect anything at a Schmidt concert: hymn, poem, bawdy verse, torch song, satire, and the gamut of emotions. Her live performances are not to be missed! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Leela and Ellie Grace
### *Sparkling Sisters*
**Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Leela and Ellie Grace are singers, multi-instrumentalists, songwriters, and percussive dancers who grew up traveling across North America performing with their parents as The Grace Family. Now, performing as a duo, the Grace sisters have created a soaring sound and bright presence all their own. Leela (banjo, guitar) and Ellie (mandolin, guitar, fiddle) have been acclaimed by audiences and fellow musicians alike for their powerful voices, close sisterly harmonies, warm stage presence, and driving, old-time instrumentals. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## Kim & Reggie
### *Sing & Celebrate*
**Wednesday, June 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Consummate musicians and storytellers Kim and Reggie Harris combine a strong folk and gospel legacy with a solid background in classical, rock, jazz, and pop music. Creative curiosity, years of road and stage experience, and interactions with performers such as Pete Seeger, Ysaye Barnwell, Jay Leno, Tom Paxton, Bernice Johnson Reagon, Harry Belafonte, and others has led them to produce music that entertains and inspires. They have performed at venues such as The Kennedy Center, the Brooklyn Academy of Music, the Smithsonian Institution, Reunion Arena in Texas and the Psalm Festival in Graz, Austria, to name a few. Join us for an evening of laughter and music. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Chris McBrian
### *Handwriting Analysis*
**Wednesday, June 15, 6:30 p.m.**

What does your handwriting say about you? What can you learn about others from their penmanship? Chris McBrian will amaze and entertain you as he delves into the secrets of handwriting analysis. If you are a nonbeliever, you have to join us for this program that will have you "reading between the lines." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dorian Michael
### *Fingerstyle Acoustic Instrumental Guitar*
**Tuesday, June 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Dorian Michael performs fingerstyle acoustic guitar for audiences across the U.S. and Canada. A guitarist for 40 years, he considers his music "contemporary traditional." His program includes a combination of instrumentals and vocals, mixing jazz, blues, Brazilian rhythms, and original and traditional tunes Dorian also has published several instructional books and CDs on fingerstyle and blues improvisation, as well as his own music CDs. Come hear and learn from a master. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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## *Circle of Care Award*

The mural in Hayner's downtown mini-park helped spark the idea for the Alton-Godfrey Rotary Club steamboat mural Dr. Bob Hamilton was inspired by the Hayner project to spearhead the Rotary project. The colorful scene welcomes visitors to Alton from the facade of Riverbend Head Start and Family Services headquarters on Landmarks Blvd.

This achievement and years of service to the community led the Riverbend Head Start to award its 18th annual Circle of Care Award to Dr. Robert Hamilton and his wife, Charlene. They will be honored on May 12 for exemplifying the spirit of caring through their profession, volunteerism and philanthropy. During his career and post-retirement, Dr. Hamilton has focused on improving medical care and effective health care reform as well as working extensively with local service organizations. Charlene Hamilton has also served with many organizations and is particularly dedicated to the local chapter of the American Cancer Society. The pair are avid music lovers and founding members of the Great Rivers Choral Society.

The RHSFS award dinner supports the agency and its efforts to help preschool children living in poverty in Madison County. Head Start begins with parents, infants and toddlers in their homes. Children aged 3-5 attend preschool in six centers. Along with academic programs, children get health and dental care. Enrollment is voluntary, and parents are counseled to reach their own goals. The multifaceted efforts help break the cycle of poverty for the whole family.

For more information about the Circle of Care award dinner,
contact Debby Edelman at RHSFS at (618) 463-8913 or visit www.riverbendfamilies.org.

# TeenSpace
## Spring 2011 Activities

### Teen Advisory Council
Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the TeenSpace located at Alton Square Mall. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, April 20, and May 18, 2011 at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Movie Nights
Come join the fun at Hayner's Teen Movie Nights! Each month Hayner Library will host a movie night exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Snacks and soda are on the menu! Movie dates are Wednesdays, March 30, April 27, and May 25, 2011. Movies start at 6 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Video Gaming
Calling all gamers! Come hang out with other teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12–18 welcome. This event is scheduled from 1–3 p.m. on Saturday, May 14, 2011. Don't forget to bring a friend! To register call 433-2872.

### Project Next Generation
It's coming. It will be here soon. Before you know it, in just a couple of years, you will be the one people will seek when looking for that person they can trust to get the job done. Are you ready? Have you started thinking about what you'll need to be able to do to convince them that they've found the right person? And that experience part: How can you get some of that if you have to have it first before they'll hire you?

You've found the right place. In today's world, nearly anything that's done is touched, in some way, by technology; specifically, computers and computer-assisted technology. You want to have that cutting edge, the one that gives your profile the kind of attention it needs to land you wherever you want to be: in a great job that you love, with lots of potential; at the top of the list of people that the college you want to attend is considering for admission; or in a position to start your own business, where you'll be in charge. The Hayner Public Library District has resources available to give you experience, skills in using current cutting-edge technology, and the poise and presence to be able to sell your talents to others.

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its fourth year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer programs to emerging sixth graders through exiting eighth graders to give them a special opportunity to learn new skills while having fun. Scheduled in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program has room for 10–12 teenagers. You will learn about using current computer applications like Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher; research diverse topics like the life of Abraham Lincoln or world-renowned explorers; learn how to make a presentation with digital photography or videography; and discover the fun of using SMART Boards to make those presentations. In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for one of our upcoming workshops! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information, or to sign up for our spring 2011 sessions.

# KidsSpace
## Spring 2011 Activities

### ALTON SQUARE

#### • *Story Times*
➢**Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, April 4th, 11th, and 18th; May 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd, 2011, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢**Mommy and Me Story Time** This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old, accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, March 30th; April 6th, 20th, 27th; May 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th, 2011, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢**Spanish Story Times** Come join us in the KidsSpace at the Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from the Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute story time is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. This special story time will be held at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: March 28th and April 25th, 2011. Please register at 433-2881.

#### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is now held the second Saturday of each month in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

Saturday, April 9
Saturday, May 14
Saturday, June 11
10:00–11:00 a.m.

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Alton Square Library, where your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills—and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

#### • *Special Events*
**KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt**
Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at the Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 2 p.m. on April 16th. All children will receive an Easter bag and have a chance to sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents, don't forget your cameras!

**Say Hello to Signing Fun!**
Come join us on Saturdays for our Kids Love to Sign Class. Two classes are available. High Five Class is for children 3–5 years old. This class meets on the following Saturdays: April 2nd, April 16th, April 23rd, April 30th, May 7th, and May 14th, 2011, at 10 a.m. The level 1 class is for children 6–9 years old. Meeting dates for this class are April 2nd, April 16th, April 23rd, April 30th, May 7th, and May 14th, 2011, at 11 a.m. To register or for more information call 433-2861.

### DOWNTOWN
• **After-School Craft**
Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays March 8th, April 12th, and May 10th, 2011. Please register at 433-2881.

## *ALTON HERO ..."Kid Irish"*

Alton native Thomas "Kid Irish" Chiolero made a living as a professional boxer for over 20 years. He boxed with the Golden Gloves organization from 1920–1930, achieving the rank of an International Golden Gloves Champion. In 1926, he won the Illinois State Golden Gloves championship title. His boxing career took him around the world twice and into numerous U. S. cities for competitions against many well-known and respected contenders.

Classified as a "featherweight," Chiolero had a self-taught, flashy boxing style and was reported to punch with lightning speed, a talent that helped him to defeat opponents quickly in early-round knockouts. He was a man with a gift. But "Kid Irish" was also a gentleman. There is no doubt he loved to box, but he also loved to teach and share his skill. His many years of dedicated community service are what ultimately made him a real hero in the eyes of Alton residents.

After a long and successful career in boxing, and a stint in the military during World War II, "Kid Irish" returned home to Alton and began his most rewarding career, as a mentor. As a boxing instructor at the YMCA for 20 years, he touched the lives of many Alton area youths; but his generosity did not end with the YMCA. He also coached students from St. Mary's School, the Catholic Children's Home, and Western Military Academy. When his calling was complete, it was reported that Chiolero had taught boxing to more than 10,000 boys through his community programs. But juveniles were not the only beneficiaries of his boxing expertise. During his teaching career "Kid Irish" also taught boxing to the Alton Police Department.

Retirement from the ring did not stop or even slow Chiolero from doing what he did best, which was making a positive change in the lives of others. In 1974, over 30 years after his boxing career ended, he offered his services, free of charge, to the youth of Alton. The proposition was welcomed by the community, and "Kid Irish" was once again teaching boxing and physical fitness, at the Salvation Army building at Sixth & Alby Streets.

In 1981, at the golden age of 72, "Kid Irish" decided that he still had a lot to give his community. Concerned over devious activities of the area youth, he again offered to organize a program to train boxing and self-defense techniques that he hoped would boost self-esteem and support kids through tough situations. Chiolero was a man who never quit giving of himself. He was a modern-day hero who enjoyed sharing his talent, taking an active part in his community, and living his life in service to others. Indisputably, "Kid Irish" was a first-class champion, but not only in the boxing ring. His personal devotion and positive influence in the lives of so many individuals made him a first-class champion within this community as well.

Thomas Chiolero passed away on June 29, 1987, at the age of 77. He had left indelible footprints on the hearts of hundreds of grateful supporters who had found a friend, a mentor, and a hero. While doing research for this article, I spoke to a few people who had known Mr. Chiolero in their younger days All had the same thing to say about his character. "A very fine man" was a familiar phrase I heard. Thomas "Kid Irish" Chiolero was known by many as a hero in the truest sense of the word.

*—Submitted by Pam Bierman, Genealogy & Local History Assistant*

## HAPPY APRIL FOOLS!

**What it is:**
An observance which takes place in many western countries every April 1, traditionally known as April Fools' Day or All Fools' Day (aka Poisson d'Avril — "April Fish" — in France). It's a day when humor reigns and harmless pranks, practical jokes, and hoaxes are sanctioned. Customary practices range from simple tricks played on friends, family, and coworkers to elaborate media hoaxes concocted for mass consumption.

**Theories of origin:**
The origins of April Fools' Day are obscure. The most commonly cited theory holds that it dates from 1582, the year France adopted the Gregorian Calendar, which shifted the observance of New Year's Day from the end of March (around the time of the vernal equinox) to the first of January.

According to popular lore some folks, out of ignorance, stubbornness, or both, continued to ring in the New Year on April 1 and were made the butt of jokes and pranks on account of their foolishness. This became an annual tradition, according to this version of events, which ultimately spread throughout Europe.

A major weakness of the calendar-change theory is that it fails to account for an historical record replete with traditions linking this time of year to merriment and tomfoolery dating all the way back to antiquity.

The Romans, for example, celebrated a festival on March 25 called Hilaria, marking the occasion with masquerades and "general good cheer."

Holi, the Hindu "festival of colors" observed in early March with "general merrymaking" and the "loosening of social norms," is at least as old.

It seems reasonable to speculate that the calendrical changes of the 16th and 17th centuries served more as an excuse to codify the general spirit of frivolity already associated with the advent of spring than as a direct inspiration.

**Notable April Fools' Day pranks and hoaxes:**
One of the great media hoaxes of all time was perpetrated on April 1, 1957 by the BBC, which reported on its news program Panorama that Switzerland was experiencing a bumper spaghetti harvest that year thanks to favorable weather and the elimination of the dread "spaghetti weevil." Staged video footage showing happy peasants plucking strands of pasta from tall trees was so convincing that many viewers actually called the network to ask how they could grow their own.

Some of the best-known pranks in recent years were mounted by advertising agencies. In 1996, Taco Bell ran a full-page ad in the New York Times announcing it had purchased the Liberty Bell and would rename it the "Taco Liberty Bell." Burger King pulled off a similar prank in 1998, announcing the rollout of its "Left-Handed Whopper" supposedly designed so that condiments would drip from the right side of the burger rather than the left.

On the Internet hoaxes have become such standard fare that April Fools' Day is barely distinguishable from any other, though a few notable pranks stand out and tend to be reposted year after year -- e.g., the 1996 announcement that every computer connected to the World Wide Web must be turned off for Internet Cleaning Day, a 24-hour period during which useless "flotsam and jetsam" are flushed from the system.

–David Emery, About.com Guide

## New & Forthcoming Books

### —Nonfiction

**Barry, Dan.** Bottom of the 33rd: Hope and Redemption in Baseball's Longest Game
**Blum, Howard.** The Floor of Heaven: A True Tale of the Last Frontier and the Yukon Gold Rush
**Callan, Michael Feeney.** Robert Redford: The Biography
**Carr, Howie.** Hitman: The Untold Story of Johnny Martorano, Whitey Bulger's Enforcer and the Most Feared Gangster in the Underworld
**Conant, Jennet.** A Covert Affair: Julia Child and Paul Child in the OSS
**DiSpirito, Rocco.** Now Eat This! Diet: Lose Up to 10 Pounds in Just 2 Weeks Eating 6 Meals a Day!
**Fey, Tina.** Bossypants
**Food Network Magazine.** Food Network Magazine Great Easy Meals
**Frankel, Bethenny.** A Place of Yes: 10 Rules for Getting Everything You Want Out of Life
**Galarraga, Armando.** Nobody's Perfect: Two Men, One Call, and a Game for Baseball History
**Guinn, Jeff.** The Last Gunfight: The Real Story of the Shootout at the O.K. Corral—and How It Changed the American West
**Handler, Chelsea.** Lies That Chelsea Handler Told Me
**Judd, Ashley.** All That Is Bitter and Sweet: A Memoir
**King, Larry.** Truth Be Told
**Larson, Erik.** In the Garden of Beasts: Love, Terror, and an American Family in Hitler's Berlin
**Leerhsen, Charles.** Blood and Smoke: The Unsolved Mystery of the First Indy 500
**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl 300 Under 300: 300 Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner Dishes Under 300 Calories
**Longoria, Eva.** Eva's Kitchen: Cooking with Love for Family and Friends
**Lowe, Rob.** Stories I Only Tell My Friends: An Autobiography
**Lucci, Susan.** All My Life: A Memoir
**Masino, Susan.** Family Tradition: Three Generations of Hank Williams
**Michaels, Jillian.** Unlimited: How to Build an Exceptional Life
**Morris, Dick.** Revolt! How to Defeat Obama and Repeal His Socialist Programs
**Paul, Ron.** Liberty Defined: 50 Essential Issues That Affect Our Freedom
**Piper, Don.** Getting to Heaven: Departing Instructions for Your Life Now
**Reiser, Paul.** Familyhood
**Scott, Janny.** A Singular Woman: The Untold Story of Barack Obama's Mother
**Sixx, Nikki.** This Is Gonna Hurt: Music, Photography and Life Through the Distorted Lens of Nikki Sixx
**Standiford, Les.** Bringing Adam Home: The Abduction That Changed America
**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's New Pies and Tarts: 150 Recipes for Old-Fashioned and Modern Favorites
**Tebow, Tim.** Through My Eyes
**Twain, Shania.** From This Moment On
**Tyler, Steven.** Does the Noise in My Head Bother You?
**Vecsey, George.** Stan Musial: An American Life
**Wallis, Michael.** David Crockett: The Lion of the West
**Wells, Patricia.** Salad as a Meal: Healthy Main-Dish Salads for Every Season
**White, Betty.** If You Ask Me: (And of Course You Won't)
**Zinczenko, David.** The New Abs Diet for Women: The 6-Week Plan to Flatten Your Belly and Firm Up Your Body for Life
**Zuckoff, Mitchell.** Lost in Shangri-la: The Epic True Story of a World War II Plane Crash into the Stone Age

### —Fiction

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Mourning Gloria
**Auel, Jean M.** The Land of Painted Caves
**Baldacci, David.** The Sixth Man
**Berg, Elizabeth.** Once Upon a Time There Was YouBoo
**Block, Lawrence.** A Drop of the Hard Stuff: A Matthew Scudder Novel
**Box, C. J.** Cold Wind
**Brockmann, Suzanne.** Breaking the Rules
**Brooks, Geraldine.** Caleb's Crossing
**Brown, Dale.** A Time for Patriots
**Brown, Rita Mae.** Hiss of Death: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery
**Brown, Sandra, et al.** No Rest for the Dead
**Clark, Carol Higgins.** Mobbed: A Regan Reilly Mystery
**Clark, Mary Higgins.** I'll Walk Alone
**Coben, Harlan.** Live Wire
**Collins, Jackie.** Goddess of Vengeance
**Connelly, Michael.** The Fifth Witness
**Cussler, Clive.** The Jungle
**Dallas, Sandra.** The Bride's House
**Davidson, Diane Mott.** Crunch Time
**Evans, Richard Paul.** Miles to Go
**Fowler, Earlene.** Spider Web (Benni Harper Mystery)
**Garlock, Dorothy.** Keep a Little Secret
**Grippando, James.** Afraid of the Dark
**Haigh, Jennifer.** Faith: A Novel
**Hannah, Kristin.** Night Road
**Harris, Charlaine.** Dead Reckoning: A Sookie Stackhouse Novel
**Hart, Carolyn G.** Dead by Midnight: A Death on Demand Mystery
**Johansen, Iris.** Eve
**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Mystery: An Alex Delaware Novel
**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Blood Trust
**Macomber, Debbie.** A Turn in the Road
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Saturday Big Tent Wedding Party: The New No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency Novel
**Michaels, Fern.** Late Edition
**Michaels, Fern.** Southern Comfort
**Nesbo, Jo.** The Snowman
**Page, Katherine Hall.** The Body in the Gazebo: A Faith Fairchild Mystery
**Parker, Robert B.** Sixkill
**Patterson, James.** 10th Anniversary
**Patterson, James.** Toys
**Patterson, Richard North.** The Devil's Light
**Perry, Anne.** Treason at Lisson Grove: A Charlotte and Thomas Pitt Novel
**Picoult, Jodi.** Sing You Home
**Quick, Amanda.** Quicksilver: An Arcane Society Novel
**Rice, Luanne.** The Silver Boat
**Roberts, Nora.** Chasing Fire
**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Rocks the Cradle
**Russell, Mary Doria.** Doc
**Sandford, John.** Buried Prey
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Save Me
**See, Lisa.** Dreams of Joy
**Shaara, Jeff.** The Final Storm: A Novel of World War II in the Pacific
**Slaughter, Karin.** Fallen
**Spindler, Erica.** Watch Me Die
**Steel, Danielle.** 44 Charles Street
**Woods, Stuart.** Bel-Air Dead: A Stone Barrington Novel

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# Just for Fun

A celebrity is a person who works hard all his life to become well known, then wears dark glasses to avoid being recognized.
~Fred Allen

Say what you will about the Ten Commandments, you must always come back to the pleasant fact that there are only ten of them.
~H. L. Mencken

A compromise is an agreement whereby both parties get what neither of them wanted.
~Author Unknown

A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
~Attributed to Arthur McBride Bloch

A gentleman is a man who can play the accordion but doesn't.
~Author Unknown

If all else fails, immortality can always be assured by spectacular error
~John Kenneth Galbraith, *Money: Whence It Came, Where It Went*

Don't worry about the world coming to an end today. It is already tomorrow in Australia.
~Charles Schulz

All generalizations are bad.
~R. H. Grenier

All my life, I always wanted to be somebody. Now I see that I should have been more specific.
~Jane Wagner, ***The Search For Intelligent Life in the Universe***, performed by Lily Tomlin

The large print giveth, but the small print taketh away.
~Tom Waits, *Small Change*

Eagles may soar in the clouds, but weasels never get sucked into jet engines.
~Attributed to both Jason Hutchison and John Benfield

After all, what is your host's purpose in having a party? Surely not for you to enjoy yourself; if that were their sole purpose, they'd have simply sent champagne and women over to your place by taxi.
~P. J. O'Rourke

How come there's only one Monopolies Commission?
~Nigel Rees

I have six locks on my door all in a row. When I go out, I lock every other one. I figure no matter how long somebody stands there picking the locks, they are always locking three. ~Elayne Boosler

Anybody can win, unless there happens to be a second entry.
~George Ade

An expert is a man who tells you a simple thing in a confused way in such a fashion as to make you think the confusion is your own fault. ~William Castle

If The Phone Doesn't Ring, It's Me.
~Song title by Jimmy Buffet

Man was predestined to have free will. ~Hal Lee Luyah

Maybe this world is another planet's hell. ~Aldous Huxley

Murphy was an optimist.
~*O'Toole's Commentary*

The remarkable thing about Shakespeare is that he really is very good, in spite of all the people who say he is very good.
~Robert Graves

The surest sign that intelligent life exists elsewhere in the universe is that it has never tried to contact us.
~Bill Watterson, "Calvin and Hobbes"

Today is the last day of some of your life. ~Author Unknown

Without geography, you're nowhere. ~Author Unknown

It's always darkest before the dawn. So if you're going to steal your neighbor's newspaper, that's the time to do it.
~Author Unknown

You can't have everything.. where would you put it? ~Steven Wright

He who believes that the past cannot be changed has not yet written his memoirs. ~Torvald Gahlin

I plan on living forever. So far, so good. ~Author Unknown

Ability is what will get you to the top if the boss has no daughter.
~Author Unknown

As to the Seven Deadly Sins, I deplore Pride, Wrath, Lust, Envy and Greed. Gluttony and Sloth I pretty much plan my day around.
~Robert Brault, www.robertbrault.com

There's no such thing as fun for the whole family. ~Jerry Seinfeld

The universe is merely a fleeting idea in God's mind—a pretty uncomfortable thought, particularly if you've just made a down payment on a house. ~Woody Allen

My doctor says that I have a malformed public-duty gland and a natural deficiency in moral fiber, and that I am therefore excused from saving Universes
~Douglas Adams

And on the eighth day God said, "Okay, Murphy, you're in charge!"
~Author Unknown

May those who love us love us,
and those who do not love us,
may God turn their hearts,
and if He cannot turn their hearts
may He turn their ankles
that we may know them by their limping.
~Irish Prayer

When somebody tells you nothing is impossible, ask him to dribble a football. ~Author Unknown

The chicken came first—God would look silly sitting on an egg
~Author Unknown

Lead me not into temptation; I can find the way myself.
~Rita Mae Brown

Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile way and you have their shoes. ~Author Unknown

Duct tape is like the force. It has a light side, a dark side, and it holds the universe together.
~Carl Zwanzig

A signature always looks like character—and sometimes even his name.
~Evan Esar

There are truths of which I have an inkling, but of most I have only a penciling.
~Robert Brault, www.robertbrault.com

Resolve is never stronger than in the morning after the night it was never weaker.
~From the movie *Naked*

Just because you're not paranoid doesn't mean they're not out to get you. ~Colin Sautar

Who says nothing is impossible I've been doing nothing for years.
~Author Unknown

I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes.
~Author Unknown

She's the kind of girl who climbed the ladder of success wrong by wrong
~Mae West

If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?
~Author Unknown

She was what we used to call a suicide blond —dyed by her own hand
~Saul Bellow

It used to take me all vacation to grow a new hide in place of the one they flogged off me during school term.
~Mark Twain

Protect me from knowing what I don t need to know. Protect me from even knowing that there are things to know that I don't know Protect me from knowing that I decided not to know about the things that I decided not to know about. Amen.
~Douglas Adams, *Mostly Harmless*

Lord, lord, lord. Protect me from the consequences of the above prayer.
~Douglas Adams, *Mostly Harmless*

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### Maya Angelou

Maya Angelou (b. 1928) is an autobiographer, poet, playwright, director, producer, performance artist, educator, and winner of the Horatio Alger Award. A prolific author with a successful career as a singer, actress, and dancer, Maya Angelou became one of America's most famous poets when she stood before the nation to deliver her poem "On the Pulse of Morning" at President Bill Clinton's inauguration on January 20, 1993. At sixty-four years old, she was the first black woman to be asked to compose such a piece, and the second poet to be so recognized after the pairing of Robert Frost and John F. Kennedy in 1961. Born Marguerite Johnson in St. Louis, but raised in Arkansas, Angelou was a natural choice for the forty-second president and fellow Arkansan. The poem reflects a theme that is common to all of Angelou's published works, namely, that human beings are more alike than different, and that a message of hope and inclusion is a most inspiring dream and ideal, something to be savored at such a moment of political change. She writes of the triumph of the human spirit over hardship and adversity. Her voice speaks of healing and reconciliation, and she is a fitting symbol for the American nation on the eve of the twenty-first century.

The great-granddaughter of a slave-born Arkansas woman, Angelou has had a rich and varied life, and her serial autobiography intertwines in a harmonious way her individual experiences with the collective social history of African Americans. As she recounts in the first volume of that autobiography, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* (1970), Angelou spent her first three years in California. Her father, Bailey Johnson, was a Navy cook and her mother, Vivian Baxter, a glamorous and dynamic woman, was a sometime nightclub performer and owner of a large rooming house in San Francisco in the 1940s. When Angelou's parents divorced in the early 1930s, her father sent her and her brother Bailey by train, with name tags on their wrists, to live with his mother, Momma Henderson, who ran the only black-owned general store in Stamps, Arkansas. Angelou writes eloquently of the customs and harsh circumstances of life in the segregated pre–civil rights South, and of the dignity and mutual support that rural blacks extended to one another during the Depression.

After a period in Stamps came time in St. Louis with her mother's family, the discovery of urban greed and alienation, and her rape at age eight, a trauma that left her mute for several years. Upon her return to the South, she buried herself in the cocoon of her grandmother's store and in her imagination and read widely. Books became her lifeline and prepared the terrain for her artistic and literary career. She moved back to California as a teenager, graduated from high school, and gave birth to her only child, Guy Johnson, himself a poet. In the 1960s, Angelou was active in the civil rights movement in the United States and abroad and became briefly involved with African activist Vusumzi Make. She has been married and divorced.

By the time she was in her early twenties, Angelou had worked at a variety of odd jobs, as a waitress, a cook, and a streetcar conductor, taking a brief detour into prostitution and drug addiction. She then worked as a stage performer, establishing a reputation among the avant-garde of the early 1950s and appearing in *Porgy and Bess* on a twenty-two-nation tour sponsored by the U.S. State Department in 1954–1955. She studied dance with Martha Graham. Off-Broadway, she acted in Jean Genet's *The Blacks* in 1960. She worked as an associate editor for the *Arab Observer* in Cairo, Egypt, in 1961–1962 and as a writer for the Ghanaian *Times* and the Ghanaian Broadcasting Corporation in 1964–1966. She appeared in *Mother Courage* at the University of Ghana in 1964 and made her Broadway debut in *Look Away* in 1973. She directed her own play, *And Still I Rise*, in California in 1976. In 1977, she had a part in the television adaptation of Alex Haley's *Roots* and received an Emmy Award nomination for best supporting actress. She has lectured on campuses, been a guest on many talk shows, and continues to be an extremely popular speaker. She is currently the Reynolds Professor of American Studies at Wake Forest University in North Carolina.

Angelou's autobiographical fictions include *Gather Together in My Name* (1974) and *Singin' and Swingin' and Gettin' Merry Like Christmas* (1976), which received moderate critical praise; and *The Heart of a Woman* (1981) and *All God's Children Need Traveling Shoes* (1986), which were acclaimed as important works covering exciting periods in African American and African history, the civil rights marches, and the era of decolonization. These narratives survey the difficulties and personal triumphs of a remarkable woman with a keen understanding of the power of language to effect change, and of the role of "image making" in the self-representation of groups who have been historically oppressed.

In her interview with Claudia Tate, Angelou acknowledged her debt to the black women writers who were her predecessors, Frances Ellen Watkins Harper and Zora Neale Hurston in particular, and to her friend James Baldwin, who encouraged her to write after hearing her childhood stories. Angelou's personal experiences typify the changes that have occurred in America in the course of her lifetime. She consciously strives to be the kind of writer who brings people and traditions together and who appeals to the nobler sentiments of her readers. She is a humanist and a protean personality who has, against all odds, made her own life into the great American success story. Her works have a profound resonance with a long tradition that begins with the eighteenth- and nineteenth-century slave narratives. Her style captures the cadences and aspirations of African American women, whose strength she celebrates. She has been instrumental in helping refocus attention on black women's voices.
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### Stan Musial

Accommodating to fans and the media both during and after his playing career, Stan Musial was considered one of the game's most gentlemanly and down-to-earth ambassadors. He came from rural Pennsylvania, never graduated from high school, and sometimes stammered in public. His love for

baseball overcame all obstacles, however, and he became known nationwide as a symbol of batting excellence. "I was a poor boy who struck it rich in many ways through the wonders of baseball," Musial said in his autobiography.

The Cardinals' greatest player was born Stanislaus Musial in Donora, a mill town in southwestern Pennsylvania's Monongahela Valley on December 21, 1920. His father, Lukasz Musial, was a shy Polish immigrant who worked in the shipping department of a local mill. The parents of his mother, Mary Lancos, had migrated from Czechoslovakia, and her father was a coal miner. Mary and Lukasz Musial had four girls before their son, Stanislaus, was born in 1920. Stan also had a younger brother, who played minor league baseball after World War II.

Musial, a bashful boy, became interested in baseball because he had a neighbor who played semi-pro ball. "I could always hit," Musial told the *Sporting News*. "I learned to hit with a broomstick and a ball of tape and I could always get that bat on the ball." Musial, who batted and threw left-handed, acquired the habit of hitting to the opposite field while playing for the Donora Zinc Works team in 1937. At the hometown field, trolley tracks shortened the distance to the left-field fence, so Musial tried to aim that way. The ability to go the opposite way became one of his greatest weapons.

Musial was 16 and a flame-throwing but erratic pitcher when he signed his first professional contract, with the St. Louis Cardinals.

After the 1939 season, Musial married his high school sweetheart, Lillian Labash. They would have an enduring marriage and four children: son Dick and daughters Gerry, Janet, and Jeanie.

The next season, Musial was installed in left field for the Cardinals. At 21, he was the youngest player on a youthful, carefree squad. "There were more small-town and farm boys then and fewer college men," Musial recalled in his autobiography, *Stan Musial: "The Man's" Own Story*. "They horsed around more, cut up with hillbilly songs and musical instruments...

"I never had the courage to try my harmonica outside my hotel room, but I could make my share of noise with that slide whistle and coat hanger. I always thought it helped to laugh it up before a game, not to become too tense."

Led by Musial's hot bat, the loose, inexperienced Cardinals surprised everyone by winning 106 games to claim the National League pennant. Then St. Louis beat the favored Yankees in the World Series, and Musial was on a world championship team in his first full season.

Musial was disliked by Brooklyn Dodgers fans, who bestowed his nickname. Groaning when he came up to bat in key situations, they would yell, "Oh no. Here comes that Man again." From then on, he was always "Stan the Man." Musial didn't find out until after he retired that Dodgers shortstop Pee Wee Reese often used to steal his bat before games.

The Cardinals had been a decent team, but with Musial batting third in the lineup they became a perennial powerhouse. The Cardinals won two more pennants during years when baseball's player ranks were being depleted by World War II. The Cardinals lost the World Series to the Yankees in 1943 and to their cross-town rivals, the St. Louis Browns, in 1944.

Musial was drafted in 1945, joined the Navy, and served on a ship repair unit in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. He played baseball every afternoon on a base team to entertain service personnel. Musial returned to civilian life and the Cardinals in 1946 and resumed his incredible hitting, taking St. Louis to the World Series.

Playing outside a major media market throughout the 1950s and into the 1960s, Musial symbolized the workaday ballplayer who loved baseball and delighted loyal fans with his steady play. He became an institution in St. Louis, opening a restaurant in 1949 and remaining in the public eye throughout his career and after his retirement.

After he failed to hit .300 in 1959, Musial considered retirement. However, to the surprise of many, he played four more seasons, getting frequent rests to nurse a myriad of injuries. "I was having too much fun hitting to want to quit," Musial recalled.

After his retirement in 1963, "Stan the Man" remained a popular figure in St. Louis, running his restaurant and speaking frequently. When the Cardinals opened a new stadium, local baseball writers staged a testimonial dinner and raised $40,000 to erect a statue of Musial at the ballpark. In 1969, he was elected to the Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility. His career had spanned the era from before World War II to the 1960s. "I believe I played in the most exciting era of baseball," Musial recalled in his autobiography. "I saw the game change from day to night, from regional to national, from long train trips to short plane flights, from cabbage leaves under the cap in hot weather to air-conditioned dugouts....

"I say baseball was a great game, is a great game, and will be a great game. I'm extremely grateful for what it has given me in recognition and records, thrills and satisfaction, money and memories. I hope I've given nearly as much as I've gotten from it."

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The following titles are currently held by Hayner Library. If the title you are looking for is not listed, we will be happy to order it for you.

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*Musial. From Stash to Stan the Man*, James N Giglio, B MUSIAL, Downtown Library
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*Stan "The Man" Musial. Born to Be a Ballplayer*. Jerry Lansche, B MUSIAL, Alton Square Library
*Stan Musial*, John Grabowski, JB MUSIAL, Alton Square Library
*October 1964*, David Halberstam, 796.3576 HAL, Both locations
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*Sportsman's Park: The Players, the Fans, & the Game 1940–1965*, Dan O'Neill, Oversize 796.35764 ONE, Alton Square Library
*The Spirit of St. Louis: A History of the St. Louis Cardinals and Browns*, Peter Golenbock, 796.357 GOL, Both locations
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*The Heart of a Woman*, Maya Angelou, B ANGELOU, Both locations
*I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, Maya Angelou, B ANGELOU, Alton Square Library
*Letter to My Daughter*, Maya Angelou, B ANGELOU, Both locations
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*A Song Flung Up to Heaven*, Maya Angelou, B ANGELOU, Both locations
*Singin' and Swingin' and Gettin' Merry Like Christmas*, Maya Angelou, B ANGELOU, Alton Square Library
*Amazing Peace: A Christmas Poem*, Maya Angelou, 811 ANG, Both locations
*Poems*, Maya Angelou, 811 ANG, Downtown Library
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*Life Doesn't Frighten Me*, Maya Angelou, J811.54 ANG, Alton Square Library
*Mother: A Cradle to Hold Me*, Maya Angelou, 811.54 ANG, Downtown Library
*Now Sheba Sings the Song*, Maya Angelou, 811 5 ANG, Alton Square Library
*And Still I Rise*, Maya Angelou, 811.54 ANG, Alton Square Library
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## YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT FOOLS...

- It's better to keep your mouth shut and be thought a fool than to open it and leave no doubt. -- Mark Twain
- However big the fool, there is always a bigger fool to admire him. -- Nicolas Boileau-Despréaux
- [Politicians] never open their mouths without subtracting from the sum of human knowledge. -- Thomas Reed
- He who lives without folly isn't so wise as he thinks. -- François, Duc de La Rochefoucauld
- The ultimate result of shielding men from the effects of folly, is to fill the world with fools. -- Herbert Spencer
- Sometimes one likes foolish people for their folly, better than wise people for their wisdom. -- Elizabeth Gaskell
- Looking foolish does the spirit good. -- John Updike
- Let us be thankful for the fools. But for them the rest of us could not succeed. -- Mark Twain
- A fool sees not the same tree that a wise man sees. -- William Blake
- A fool must now and then be right by chance. -- Cowper
- It is better to be a fool than to be dead. -- Stevenson
- The first of April is the day we remember what we are the other 364 days of the year. -- Mark Twain

## *Operation Shoe Box*

In October 2010, Hayner Library and the community adopted Sgt. Shane Michie and his troop, who are stationed in Afghanistan. Sgt. Michie will be there through April 2011. So far, through the generosity of the community, we have sent 23 boxes. I received word from Sgt. Michie in January that the books, toiletries, and candy have been arriving just fine. In his letter he told me that they couldn't be doing what they do without the support from our community and home. He said it always puts a smile on everyone's face when a package arrives. Sometimes, he said, they have gotten so much that they have shared it with other units who aren't as fortunate to have someone from home sending packages. He also said that it means a lot to them to know that the people back home haven't forgotten them.

So to all of Alton and the surrounding communities, thank you for your support to our "Operation Shoe Box" project.

*—Stephanie Munson*

## *The Library History Buff*

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http://www.libraryhistorybuff.org/index.htm
Promoting the appreciation, enjoyment,
and preservation of library history

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## A Grand, Grand Opening!!

On Saturday, May 21, 2011, the staff and Board of Trustees of The Hayner Public Library District welcomed the public to the Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening of the newly renovated Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street in Alton, Ill.

Cliff Davenport portrays John E. Hayner.

It was a great day. The Hayner staff, Board of Trustees, and many friends and guests attended the ribbon cutting. Later in the morning, Cliff Davenport portrayed John E. Hayner and, while in character, described the life and times of this incredibly successful entrepreneur and Alton citizen. It was John Hayner who financed the original Hayner library building and was also involved in the startup of many of Alton's most successful businesses. You could hear a pin drop as Cliff reenacted the life of this fascinating man.

Following Cliff's presentation, visitors explored the facility and viewed the wonderful displays of local history. Throughout the day, Dr. Pat Dailey gave away signed copies of an original print he had drawn highlighting the interior architectural features of the library. A limited number of copies of this print are still available if you would like to pick one up at the Genealogy and Local History Library's circulation desk.

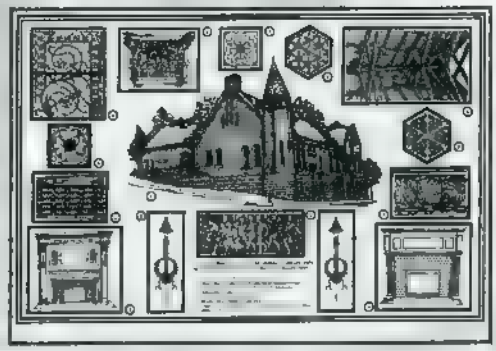
Alton Mayor Tom Hoeschst greets the crowd at the Grand Opening.

Entering the library after the ribbon cutting.

Both historical and contemporary artwork is hung throughout the building. The main hall features study tables and seating for research and study. There are two working fireplaces, one in the main hall and one in the turret room, which will be welcome attractions come the winter months. The annex to the main hall is now titled the Illinois Room and houses the collections of local history and genealogy material.

Currently, the Genealogy & Local History Library is open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. On Wednesdays, it is open from 12 noon until 8 p.m. The library is closed on Sundays.

Library staff will be available to help you with your genealogical research and to find the library materials you need. Staff is also available to meet with you by appointment. This is especially helpful if you are visiting from out of town. The library staff can also be scheduled to conduct tours of the facility for schools and organizations. For information regarding the building, tours, appointments, materials, and/or general questions, please call 465-0677 or e-mail genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.



Commemorative print by Dr. Pat Dailey.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
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# *Hayner Public Library — A Grand Tradition*

The Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library celebrated its Grand Opening on May 21, 1891, but the true beginning of this old Alton landmark took place in 1848 when a young New Yorker named John Elijah Hayner arrived in the City of Alton. Eager to make a successful living, he jumped right into business *as well as social affairs.* Hayner's first marriage was to Laura Scott, who was a niece of John's first business partner in Alton. During their marriage John and Laura had three children, but only one survived, a daughter named Florence. The marriage ended with the untimely death of Laura in 1859. In 1862, while on a business trip to the east, John met and married Jane Clark Drury, of Vermont. She was called "Jennie" for short. Jennie was deeply involved in the early Alton Library Association, but unfortunately in 1888 she died, making John a widower for a second time. During their marriage John and Jennie had four children, all of whom died in infancy.

Main hall and entry to Illinois Room.

After Jennie's death, John Hayner began talking about a library building dedicated to his late wife. In 1890 he publicly announced that he would bear the entire cost of the construction of a new building. The land at Fourth and State Streets was donated by two local sisters, Lucy (Hart) Wright and Sophia (Hart) Stowell, who were the daughters of Dr. Benjamin Kirkland Hart, a prominent Alton physician.

Entry displays.

Theodore Link, a highly respected St. Louis architect, was hired to design the building. Local architect Lucas Pfeiffenberger also submitted plans for the building, but ultimately Link's design was chosen as the favorite. Theodore Link was also the architect who designed St. Louis' Union Station. Link was advised by Hayner to spare no cost in the quality of building materials or labor. And so the original construction of this building began.

The architecture is known as "Old English Gothic style." The wood is oak and pine. Dark red brick and a variety of stone such as Alton limestone and Bedford were used throughout the building. All building materials as well as labor were from local resources. The main room is 40 x 75 feet with a vaulted ceiling embellished with dog-tooth trimmings. The annex is 50 X 25 feet. Two fireplaces were added for ornamental purposes as well as heating. The oak mantels and most of the tiled facings are original. The turret room in the corner of the building was originally used as the librarian's office. The stained glass windows were moved from the annex to their current position above the Illinois Room doorways during our recent renovation process. The display cases and the circular desk area were also added during this renovation; they were not part of the original design of the building. The oval framed photo of Jennie D. Hayner that hangs above the fireplace in the main room is the original print that hung in this same spot during the 1891 Grand Opening.

When John Hayner died in 1903, he left behind his third wife, Caroline (Keith) Hayner (known as Kate) whom he had married in 1892; one daughter, Mrs. Florence Haskell, from his first marriage; and one grandson, John Haskell. The native New Yorker's decision to make his fame and fortune in Alton had proved to be a good one. He had become very successful in many business ventures throughout his life and is considered one of Alton's finest and most upstanding citizens.

Facing the circulation desk, main hall.

By 1906 the library had outgrown itself and needed more space. John Haskell, Hayner's grandson, announced he would provide funding to build an annex to the building. Utten Smith Nixon was hired to design the addition. Mr. Nixon had assisted in the original construction of the building; he also was the grandson of the first librarian of the 1853 Alton Library. The new annex was completed and opened to the public in October 1907. The annex consists of the room behind the fireplace in the main room and the area directly below in which the administrative offices are located today. The annex has been renovated to house the Genealogy & Local History collection and is now referred to as the Illinois Room.

With the Great Depression in 1929, followed by World War II in the '40s, the library, like most organizations around the world, saw very little change. Everyone was struggling to put food on the table, or ammunition into the guns of war. There was little money for anything else. In 1952 the Hayner and Haskell families signed the library over to the city of Alton with one stipulation, that the building would always be maintained as a public library. The building stayed under city control until 1972 when The Hayner Public Library District was formed.

In 1970, with many successful years behind it, the library had again outgrown its location. It was during that year that the adult collection was moved to the Belle Street building, and the children's collection was left in the original Hayner building, which became known as the Hayner Children's Library.

A comfortable reading spot by the fireplace.

A milestone in our history came during the year of 1985 when the board of trustees decided to open a branch library in the Alton Square Mall, making it one of the first full-service branch libraries in the United States to operate inside a shopping mall. It proved to be a very wise decision. The library in Alton Square Mall has been so popular with the community that in 2009 it was expanded to three times the size of the original facility.

In 1991, in celebration of its 100th year anniversary, Hayner Library carried out a complete renovation of the old Hayner building. Local architect John Rapp was overseer in the renovation process. A Grand Opening and rededication ceremony was held on May 19, 1991, in observance of the Centennial Anniversary.

That brings us to today, 2011, celebrating the 120th year anniversary with the completion of the beautiful renovation of the original Hayner Library, now, fittingly, The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library. An interesting historical note: Florence Hayner Haskell was intrigued with genealogy. Her personal avocations led to the establishment of the first genealogy collection at Hayner Library. This special collection has now grown into a library of its own.

Alton has many landmark buildings, but few, if any, can outshine the architecture, the legacy, or the historic content that lie within the walls of this notable institution.

—Pam Bierman, Genealogy & Local History Library Assistant

## *It's a Small World for Staff Members at the Genealogy & Local History Library*

You never know who you will meet in the Genealogy & Local History Library! We had some happy surprises on the first day the library opened its doors to the public in the remodeled Hayner Building.

The very first patrons to walk in the door had traveled here from Fort Wayne, Indiana, to research their Alton Kirchhoff ancestors Guess who else has Kirchhoff ancestors? The genealogy library's manager Cathie Lamere, as well as library assistant Beth Phillips's husband, Mike! Everyone was surprised when we realized who the patrons were.

Carol Beem Hoover and her son, Lynn, are Mike Phillips's cousins! They had no idea that Beth worked at the library. Carol had not been back to Alton since 2008, when her mother died.

Mike was able to come to the library, and the Phillipses and Hoovers had a happy reunion. They went out to eat, caught up on each other's lives, and traded pictures and family history gedcom files. Lynn was elated to have found some of his Hoover ancestors dating back to the 1500s in "The Lives of Matthias Hoover and His Children," a family history book in the Illinois Room Collection.

As for the Kirchhoff connection, Beth and Cathie are still looking for the person who connects their two different Kirchhoff family lines. But you never know who might walk through those doors . . !

## *Library Memories*

Many of us who grew up in the Alton/Godfrey area have wonderful memories of visiting Hayner Library on 401 State Street Whether it was getting that first library card, or the excitement of weekly visits to find new reading treasures or to spend quiet hours of study and contemplation—for many of us Hayner Library on State Street was a very special destination during our youth

We ask you to share your memories. If you would send us a paragraph or two about the role of Hayner Library in your life (as a child or adult) we will compile the contributions into a work that all can share. Please send your memories to. Hayner Library Memories, 401 State Street, Alton IL 62002 or e-mail to: genealogy@haynerlibrary.org. Please be sure to include your name and phone number or the best way to contact you.

## *Check Out New Magazines*

The Hayner Public Library District subscribes to over 270 newspapers and magazines so you don't have to! Except for the current issue, all magazines are available for check out. Newspapers can also be checked out. Back issues of magazines and selected newspapers are available in hardcopy and/or online. We are constantly updating our subscription lists. The following titles have been added to the subscription offerings held at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall: *Action Pursuit Games, American Bungalow, Dance Spirit, Guitar World, Martha Stewart Wedding, NextStepU, People Style Watch, Renovation Style* and *Woman's World*. These titles should be available after July 1, 2011.

## *Meet the Staff*

When you visit the Hayner Library of Genealogy and Local History you will have a chance to meet our staff. Here's a little background:

**Cathie Lamere** (Genealogy/Local History Library Manager) has been on the Hayner staff for 16 years. A lifelong resident of Alton, she has been married 40 years and has three grown children. Cathie was hired to work in the Youth Library and then transferred to the Main Library downtown. When offered the opportunity to build the genealogy collection and answer the mail requests coming in from out of town, she accepted. Cathie's mother got her interested in genealogy, and when given the family records, Cathie was off and running. In addition to enjoying genealogical research and helping others find their family ties, Cathie loves to quilt, garden, bicycle, and travel She and her husband travel on long weekends to add more information to their genealogical research. Cathie and her husband enjoy spending time with their six beautiful grandchildren.

**Pam Bierman** (Genealogy/Local History Assistant) has worked for The Hayner Public Library District since August 1998. Pam was originally hired as an Indexer, working on the *Alton Telegraph Newspaper* indexing project, started by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in the 1930s. Pam also has worked in various positions in the Technical Services Department, moving to the Genealogy & Local History Department in 2002. Pam was born in Wood River but grew up in Brighton, Ill. After living in Tacoma, Washington, for a period of time, Pam moved back to Brighton in 1984, where she currently lives with her husband, Robert. Pam has two children and four grandchildren and a constant companion, Jinx, a 10 year-old black Lab. Pam enjoys spending time with her grandchildren, camping, sketching, and target shooting.

**Beth Phillips** (Genealogy/Local History Assistant) has been employed part-time on the Hayner Library Genealogy & Local History staff for a year and a half. Beth, a perfect fit for the Hayner team, was bitten by the genealogy bug 30 years ago when she first started researching her own family's history. She compiled family histories for family, friends and paying clients. Beth grew up on a farm near Lebanon, Ill., and then lived in Belleville, Ill., for many years. She worked as a Laboratory Technician for 27 years. When she married her husband, Mike, they moved to Cottage Hills When not working, Beth and Mike love to garden and to spend time with their grandchildren.

**Pam Bierman, Cathie Lamere and Beth Phillips**

# *New Library Offers a Myriad of Services*

Whether you are a genealogist, researching a family home, or just curious about the history of our area, there are great sources for you to investigate in the new Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. Hayner staff is on site to help you find the resources you need or, for the beginner, staff can help you determine how to "get started." Beth Phillips of the Genealogy & Local History staff compiled the following information to help you understand the variety of services available to you.

## Genealogy & Local History Library Services

Many years ago Florence Hayner Haskell donated some historical and genealogical books to the library. The library housed her donations in the Illinois Room. Since then her donation has grown into genealogical and historical information about many states in the U.S. and some countries overseas. The records are found in books, vertical files, maps, computer databases, and newspaper digitizations. The collection is open to the public. As library staff, we guide patrons to the books they need, teach them how to search the newspaper digitizations, and help them learn how to navigate the genealogical websites. Although patrons may not check out any items in the collection, they may copy any information they find for their personal use.

## Local genealogy and history records include:

- City directories
- High school yearbooks
- Local church histories and membership directories
- The Alton Newspaper Digitization and Sanborn Maps on computer
- Local city maps—Madison county maps & atlases
- Property Research File—pictures and histories of businesses, landmarks, and homes in Alton and Godfrey
- Census, marriage, naturalization, obituary and cemetery records of Madison County
- Many donated family histories
- Books compiled by local historian Harold Meisenheimer, which include articles about and obituaries of local veterans, the Owens Illinois Glass Company history and employees, Alton mayors, Alton schools, the Our Past books, and more. At last count, he had given us 118 books! These books are a joint project of Mr. Meisenheimer and the library staff.
- Books written by local historian Charlotte Stetson—photos and histories of old Alton businesses, churches, colleges, riverboats, and more
- The Robert Graul photograph collection
- Books about famous places in the Alton area: Alton Penitentiary, the Piasa Bird, Hartford Castle, and more.

## Records of counties and states outside Alton include:

- Genealogical records from southern Illinois and other states where people lived before they moved into this area
- Marriage, census, land, obituary, cemetery records of nearby towns and counties
- Genealogical records of different ethnic groups in the United States
- Histories or records of 101 counties in Illinois
- An extensive Abraham Lincoln collection
- Highway maps, plat maps, and atlases of other states, the U.S., and the world

## Some of our worldwide records include:

- Books about German, English, and Irish immigrants
- On the computers: Ancestry.com and HeritageQuest Online, with worldwide databases.
- The National Newspaper Digitization—includes newspapers from cities in the U.S., Canada, and overseas

We protect the most fragile and most valuable books in locked cases. We will get them out for patrons to read after ensuring that they handle them carefully.

## Library Services

**In addition to helping walk-in patrons:**

- Library staff make appointments with patrons or visitors from out of town to teach them how to find the genealogical information they need from the collection. People come to the Genealogy & Local History Library from all over the world to research their family history. Last year a father and son came from Germany. They were researching their family members who had immigrated to the Alton area. It is so much fun to help people find their family history.
- Library staff also answer historical or genealogical mail requests from people who live outside the library district.

## Library outreach to the community includes:

- Genealogical and historical roundtables 4 times a year—these cover a wide variety of topics. Our last roundtable was about the War of 1812.
- Library staff give tours of the library to interested groups or organizations.
- If asked, a staff member will speak to community organizations about our collection and services.

## The Library is constantly developing our collection for the shelves.

- The library buys books relevant to our collection.
- The library accepts donations of historical or genealogical artifacts or written materials. Donations include family histories, some of the paintings and statues you see in the library, and historical records. Written donations come to us in various stages of development. Library staff must finish developing the materials into a resource that can be put on the shelves. Some items have to be compiled and copied onto acid-free paper. Next the pages are numbered and may need to be indexed. After the index is added to the book, it is sent to the bindery. Some collection items are ongoing projects; for example, staff add new information about Alton businesses to the Property Research File as it is reported in the newspaper. Library staff also develop resource materials for the Illinois Room on their own. If we are not helping patrons, we are working on multiple projects.
- Books require maintenance. Staff clean dust out of the inside pages of the books and repair minor tears. We give books that need major repairs to Reynae, who is the library book repair expert.

***How Did This Come About?*** When you visit the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, you will be fascinated by the stories told in the display cases Each case highlights a different facet of local history with artifacts, photographs, and text. The creation of these high-quality displays was a huge task. To accomplish this task, a committee was formed in September 2010 made up of local historians and community stakeholders, including Steve Cousley, Don Huber, Jim Ryan, Mike Lefferson, Brett Stawar, and Charlotte Stetson. Hayner staff members Cathie Lamere, Jeff Owen, and Bernadette Duvernoy were also committee participants. The committee was led by Paula Homan. Paula is the curator of the St. Louis Cardinals Hall of Fame Museum and was instrumental in each case design. Artifacts were contributed by committee members and various local donors. Scripting of the cases was primarily the work of Charlotte, Don, Steve, Cathie, and Paula. A huge thank-you is extended to all the committee members who so generously volunteered their time, skills, and knowledge to create the outstanding displays for all the community to enjoy.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Hayner Library Special Events

*When your kids (or spouse) whine, "There's nothing to do," come enjoy the family-friendly events sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 222 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**
*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

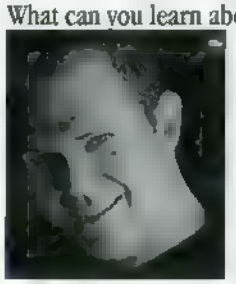
*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Mall Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*
**Saturday, June 11**
**Saturday, July 9**
**Saturday, August 13**
**Saturday, September 10**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Kim & Reggie
### *Sing & Celebrate*
**Tuesday, June 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Consummate musicians and storytellers Kim and Reggie Harris combine a strong folk and gospel legacy with a solid background in classical, rock, jazz, and pop music. Creative curiosity, years of road and stage experience, and interactions with performers such as Pete Seeger, Ysaye Barnwell, Jay Leno, Tom Paxton, Bernice Johnson Reagon, Harry Belafonte, and others has led them to produce music that entertains and inspires. They have performed at venues such as The Kennedy Center, the Brooklyn Academy of Music, the Smithsonian Institution, Reunion Arena in Texas, and the Psalm Festival in Graz, Austria, to name a few. Join us for an evening of laughter and music.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Chris O'Brian
### *Handwriting Analysis*
**Wednesday, June 15, 6:30 p.m.**
What does your handwriting say about you? What can you learn about others from their



penmanship? Chris O'Brian will amaze and entertain you as he delves into the secrets of handwriting analysis. If you are a nonbeliever, you have to join us for this program that will have you "reading between the lines."
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dorian Michael
### *Fingerstyle Acoustic Instrumental Guitar*
**Tuesday, June 21, 6:30 p.m.**
Dorian Michael performs fingerstyle acoustic

guitar for audiences across the U.S. and Canada. A guitarist of 40 years, he considers his music "contemporary traditional." His program includes a combination of instrumentals and vocals, mixing jazz, blues, Brazilian rhythms, and original and traditional tunes. Dorian has also published several instructional books and CDs on fingerstyle and blues improvisation, as well as his own music CDs. Come hear and learn from a master. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Genealogy Roundtable Program
### *Researching your German Heritage*
**Tuesday, July 5, 6:30 p.m.**
Research your German heritage with guest speaker Gerald Perschbacker. This program will be held in The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street. Register for this program by calling: 1-800-613-3163

### Raymond Edge
### *Fact or Fiction?*
**Tuesday, July 12, 6:30 p.m.**
Come join regional author Raymond Scott

Edge for a discussion of his two Illinois archaeological novels, Flight of the Piasa and Witches of Cahokia. Wrapping fictionalized stories around real archeological finds, Edge creates an entertaining and educational blend of "faction"—you are never sure where facts end and fiction begins. Personalized autographed copies of the two works will be available

Dr. Raymond Scott Edge is the author of several textbooks on healthcare ethics and law. Since his retirement from university teaching and administration he has pursued his passion for regional history and culture. Edge currently resides with his wife, Marilyn, family, llamas, hair sheep, and other gentle creatures in Montgomery City, Missouri.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Rick Pikren
### *Illinois: Gateway to the American West in Story and Song*
**Tuesday, July 19, 6:30 p.m.**
Using historical anecdotes and traditional and original songs accompanied on guitar, banjo,

and harmonica, Rick highlights the key role Illinois played in the development of American western history, culture, and myth from 1860–1960. This

# Special Events at Hayner

program weaves a tapestry of history and song into an entertaining and edifying hour-long excursion through the history of Illinois and the American West. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Gigi Darr/ Ralph Butler
## The Ralph Butler Trio

**Tuesday, August 9, 6:30 p.m.**

The combination of Gigi Darr on keyboard, Lew Winer on sax and the vocals of Ralph Butler, one of St. Louis' most popular musicians, makes this trio a must–see/hear event. Their versatile musical selections include traditional standards and new popular music, creating an easy-listening atmosphere. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Typsy Gypsies

**Tuesday, August 16, 6:30 p.m.**

Local women's singing ensemble performs music for all ages—an eclectic combination of folk, rock, Americana, and Motown. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Judy Cook
## *One Man's Civil War*

**Tuesday, September 13, 6:30 p.m.**

Learn about the Civil War as depicted in the letters between Judy's great-great-grandparents. The program presents a good balance of songs both poignant and humorous, and each song is introduced with their letters. This program is a fascinating combination of music and historical detail and anecdotes. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dean Klinkenberg
## *Mississippi Traveler Guide to the Driftless Area*

**Tuesday, September 20, 6:30 p.m.**

This is a guidebook written by someone—that would be Dean Klinkenberg—with a self-proclaimed "touch of attitude. Unlike many guidebook authors, Klinkenberg makes no effort to hide his opinions. You definitely know how he feels about a particular place. He is

not, he says, a fan of chain stores or malls. "If all you want to do on vacation is lie on the beach, sip appletinis and shop at Eddie Bauer or "if your idea of a nice meal is the grilled chicken platter at T.G.I. Fridays, then this book may not be for you. Instead, he suggests, readers should try something different, such as sampling local handcrafted beers or staying at a bed-and-breakfast. And in one location—Red Wing, Minn.—he recommends a tour of the largest employer in town, the Red Wing Shoe Company.

"Driftless refers to 24,000 square miles of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, and Illinois that were untouched by the glaciers during the Pleistocene era. The material covered here consists of river towns and attractive villages, as well as natural wonders. Meet the author of Driftless and enjoy a slide show presentation about the communities he has visited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Ben Bedford
## *Sketches of America*

**Tuesday, September 27, 6:30 p.m.**

Through his music, Ben Bedford delivers intriguing sketches of America, its individuals, their victories and their struggles. Poignant, but never sentimental, Bedford's portrait-like songs capture the vitality of his characters and draw the listener deep into the narratives. Bedford's songs tackle scenarios including homelessness, the plight of a Confederate

soldier's wife during the American Civil War, the aerial triumphs of Amelia Earhart, the life of Jack London, and the murder of Emmett Till in 1955. Often drawing upon history, Bedford's songs have a strong sense of time and place. They are rich in sensory detail that allows the listener to hear, see, and feel each narrative. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**All library special events are funded by grants and/ or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.**

# TeenSpace
## Summer Reading Program

## My Life My Story.

This year teens will be invited to express themselves through reading! All participants will have the opportunity to read for some great prizes and attend some awesome events in our new Teen Library located at the Riverbender.com Community Center. Registration will kick off Saturday, June 11. The program will run approximately 4 weeks. Ages 12–18 welcome to join. Please register for all events at 433-2872.

### We are going to have Teen Day at the Riverbender.com Community Center!!!!!!

**Event Dates are:**
June 15, 2011 1:00–4:00 p.m.
June 22, 2011 1:00–4:00 p.m.
June 29, 2011 1:00–4:00 p.m.
July 6, 2011 1:00–4:00 p.m.

### End of the Summer Teen Reading Party

July 13, 2011
1:00–4:00 p.m.

### August and September Events

Saturday, August 13 –
Teen Book Club 12 p.m.

Saturday, August 13 –
Teen Video Gaming 1-3 p.m.

Wednesday, August 17 –
Teen Advisory Council 4 p.m.

Wednesday, August 31 –
Teen Movie Night 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 10 –
Teen Book Club 12 p.m.

Wednesday, September 21 –
Teen Advisory Council 4 p.m.

Wednesday, September 28 –
Teen Movie Night 6 p.m.

Thursday, September 29 –
Teen Movie Night 6 p.m.

# New & Forthcoming Books

## —Nonfiction

**Burleigh, Nina.** The Fatal Gift of Beauty: The Trials of Amanda Knox

**Cheney, Dick.** In My Time: A Personal and Political Memoir

**Clark, Ron.** The End of Molasses Classes: Getting Our Kids Unstuck—101 Extraordinary Solutions for Parents and Teachers

**Coulter, Ann.** Demonic: How the Liberal Mob Is Endangering America

**Davis, Kenneth C.** Don't Know Much About History, Anniversary Edition: Everything You Need to Know About American History but Never Learned

**Ehrmann, Joe.** InSideOut Coaching: How Sports Can Transform Lives

**Fuller, Alexandra.** Cocktail Hour Under the Tree of Forgetfulness

**Friedman, Thomas L.** That Used to Be Us: How America Fell Behind in the World We Invented—and How We Can Come Back

**Gabrielsson, Eva.** "There Are Things I Want You to Know About Stieg Larsson and Me

Good Housekeeping Institute. Good Housekeeping The Cookie Jar Cookbook: 65 Recipes for Classic, Chunky & Chewy Cookies

**Greenlaw, Linda.** The Maine Summers Cookbook: Recipes for Delicious, Sun-Filled Days

**Howard, Clark.** Clark Howard's Living Large in Lean Times: 250+ Ways to Buy Smarter, Spend Smarter, and Save Money

**Jackman, Ian.** Food Network Star: The Official Insider's Guide to America's Hottest Food Show

**Jones, Georgette.** The Three of Us: Growing Up with Tammy and George

**Kessler, Ronald.** The Secrets of the FBI

**Knowles, Drew.** Route 66 Adventure Handbook: Turbocharged Fourth Edition

**Lewis, Michael.** Boomerang: Travels in the New Third World

**Manso, Peter.** Reasonable Doubt: The Fashion Writer, Cape Cod, and the Trial of Chris McCowen

**McCullough, David.** The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris

**Motley Fool.** Warren Buffett Invests Like a Girl: And Why You Should, Too

**Mullaney, Brian.** One Smile at a Time: How an Accidental Do-Gooder Helped Change the Lives of Millions of Children and Their Communities

**Oz, Mehmet C.** You: The Owner's Manual for Teens: A Guide to a Healthy Body and Happy Life

**Richards, Denise.** The Real Girl Next Door

**Rivenbark, Celia.** You Don't Sweat Much for a Fat Girl: Observations on Life from the Shallow End of the Pool

**Tyre, Peg.** The Good School: How Smart Parents Get Their Kids the Education They Deserve

**Van Praagh, James.** Growing Up in Heaven: The Eternal Connection Between Parent and Child

**Wasdin, Howard E.** SEAL Team Six: Memoirs of an Elite Navy SEAL Sniper

## —Fiction

**Adler, Elizabeth.** From Barcelona, with Love

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** The Darling Dahlias and the Naked Ladies

**Andrews, Donna.** The Real Macaw: A Meg Langslow Mystery

**Baldacci, David.** One Summer

**Balogh, Mary.** The Secret Mistress

**Box, C. J.** Back of Beyond

**Brown, Sandra.** Lethal

**Brunstetter, Wanda E.** The Healing

**Burke, Jan.** Disturbance

**Butcher, Jim.** Ghost Story: A Novel of the Dresden Files

**Clancy, Tom.** Against All Enemies

**Connolly, John.** The Burning Soul

**Coulter, Catherine.** Split Second

**Cussler, Clive.** Kingdom: A Fargo Adventure

**Cussler, Clive.** The Race (Isaac Bell)

**Daheim, Mary.** All the Pretty Hearses: A Bed-and-Breakfast Mystery

**Dailey, Janet.** Bannon Brothers: Trust

**Davidson, MaryJanice.** Undead and Undermined

**Deaver, Jeffery.** Carte Blanche: The New James Bond Novel

**Delinsky, Barbara.** Escape

**Deveraux, Jude.** Heartwishes: An Edilean Novel

**Evanovich, Janet.** Smokin' Seventeen

**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** Folly Beach

**Garwood, Julie.** The Ideal Man

**Gerritsen, Tess.** The Silent Girl

**Griffin, W. E. B.** The Spymasters: A Men at War Novel

**Gross, Andrew.** Eyes Wide Open

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Hit List

**Harris, Charlaine.** Home Improvement: Undead Edition

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Silver Girl

**Howard, Linda.** Prey

**Jackson, Lisa.** Born to Die

**Jance, J. A.** Betrayal of Trust

**Johansen, Iris.** Quinn

**Kava, Alex.** Hotwire

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Retribution

**King, Laurie R.** Pirate King: A Novel of Suspense Featuring Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Learning

**LaHaye, Tim F.** Thunder of Heaven: A Joshua Jordan Novel

**Laurens, Stephanie.** Viscount Breckenridge to the Rescue: A Cynster Novel

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Mercy

**Lindsey, Johanna.** When Passion Rules

**Lippman, Laura.** The Most Dangerous Thing

**Lustbader, Eric.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Dominion

**Macomber, Debbie.** Out of the Rain

**Macomber, Debbie.** 1105 Yakima Street

**Martini, Steve.** Trader of Secrets

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Dog Who Came in from the Cold

**Meier, Leslie.** English Tea Murder

**Miller, Linda Lael.** The Creed Legacy

**Mitchard, Jacquelyn.** Second Nature: A Love Story

**O'Shaughnessy, Perri.** Dreams of the Dead

**Palmer, Diana.** Merciless

**Patterson, James.** Now You See Her

**Patterson, James.** Kill Me If You Can

**Pelecanos, George.** The Cut

**Perry, Anne.** Acceptable Loss

**Preston, Douglas.** Cold Vengeance

**Reichs, Kathy.** Flash and Bones

**Rendell, Ruth.** Tigerlily's Orchids

**Robards, Karen.** Justice

**Robb, J. D.** New York to Dallas

**Rollins, James.** The Devil Colony

**Siddons, Anne Rivers.** Burnt Mountain

**Silva, Daniel.** Portrait of a Spy

**Spindler, Erica.** Watch Me Die

**Steel, Danielle.** Happy Birthday

**Thor, Brad.** Full Black

**Truman, Margaret.** Monument to Murder: A Capital Crimes Novel

Turtledove, Harry. The Big Switch: The War That Came Early

Unger, Lisa. Darkness, My Old Friend

Weiner, Jennifer. Then Came You

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*The Hayner Public Library District now has a Facebook page. Be sure to become a fan of Hayner Library on Facebook and get all the latest library news, programming, and events. The library's Facebook page will keep you informed on new additions to the library's collection, reminders of upcoming library programs, community programs, new library displays, and more!*

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Saturday, 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday, 1 p.m to 6 p.m.

Alton Square Library
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Sunday, Noon to 6 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Wed., 12:00 noon – 8:00 P.M., closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

## KidsSpace
## 2011 Reading Program

### "Pack your bags for a Reading Road Trip"

Come join the Hayner Summer Reading Program, "Reading Road Trip." This year's reading program is packed full of fun for kids ages birth through 11. Register and enjoy performers, story times, and much more! Summer kickoff and registration start Saturday, June 11. Richard Landry will be here at 1 p.m. to kick off the fun!!!!

### Performers and Events

Sat., June 11 – Summer Reading Kickoff
Mon., June 13 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
Tues., June 14 – Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
Wed., June 15 – Performer Chris McBrien "Read to Succeed" 10 a.m.
Thurs., June 16 – Movie and a Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
Mon., June 20 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
Tues., June 21 – Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
Wed., June 22 – Wildlife Bird Sanctuary 10 a.m.
Thurs., June 23 – Movie and a Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
Mon., June 27 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
Tues., June 28 – Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
Wed., June 29 – Kermit Harrah and Friends Puppet Show 10 a.m.
Thurs., June 30 – Movie and a Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
Tues., July 5 – Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
Wed., July 6 – Wild Hearts perform Wild Summer Nights 10 a.m.
Thurs., July 7 – Movie and a Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11
Mon., July 11 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m.
Tues., July 12 – Little Tots Movie Time 2 p.m.
Wed., July 13 – Jason Vaughn Balloon Storyteller 10 a.m.
Thurs., July 14 – Movie and a Craft 10 a.m Ages 5–11
Thurs., July 21 – End-of-the-Summer Party, by invitation only

### August and September Events

Mon., August 1 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3-5
Wed., August 3 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth-2
Mon., August 8 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3-5
Tues., August 9 – After School Fun 3:30 p.m. Ages 5-10
Wed., August 9 – Mommy and Me 10 a.m. Ages Birth -2
Wed., August 10 – Family Movie Night 6 p.m.
Sat., August 13 – Bow Wow, Pow Wow 10 a.m. All ages welcome
Mon August 15 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3-5
Wed., August 17 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth – 2
Mon., August 22 – Movers and Shakers 10 a.m. Ages 3-5
Wed., August 24 – Mommy and Me 10 a.m. Ages Birth – 2
Mon., August 29 – Movers and Shakers 10 a.m. Ages 3-5
Wed., August 31 – Mommy and Me 10 a.m. Ages Birth – 2
Wed., September 7 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth – 2
Sat., September 10 – Bow Wow, Pow Wow 10 a.m. All ages welcome
Mon., September 12 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m Ages 3-5
Tues., September 13 – After School Fun 3:30 p.m. Ages 5-10
Wed., September 14 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth-2
Wed., September 14 – Family Movie Night 6 p.m.
Mon., September, 19 - Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3-5
Wed., September 21 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m.
Ages Birth – 2
Mon., September 26 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3-5
Wed., September 28 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m.
Ages Birth – 2

# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Veteran's Day - November 11
Thanksgiving - November 24

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## *Libraries: An American Value*

Libraries in America are cornerstones of the communities they serve. Free access to the books, ideas, resources, and information in America's libraries is imperative for education, employment, enjoyment, and self-government.

Libraries are a legacy to each generation, offering the heritage of the past and the promise of the future. To ensure that libraries flourish and have the freedom to promote and protect the public good in the 21st century, we believe certain principles must be guaranteed.

To that end, we affirm this contract with the people we serve:

- We defend the constitutional rights of all individuals, including children and teenagers, to use the library's resources and services;
- We value our nation's diversity and strive to reflect that diversity by providing a full spectrum of resources and services to the communities we serve;
- We affirm the responsibility and the right of all parents and guardians to guide their own children's use of the library and its resources and services;
- We connect people and ideas by helping each person select from and effectively use the library's resources;
- We protect each individual's privacy and confidentiality in the use of library resources and services;
- We protect the rights of individuals to express their opinions about library resources and services;
- We celebrate and preserve our democratic society by making available the widest possible range of viewpoints, opinions and ideas, so that all individuals have the opportunity to become lifelong learners - informed, literate, educated, and culturally enriched.

Change is constant, but these principles transcend change and endure in a dynamic technological, social, and political environment.

By embracing these principles, libraries in the United States can contribute to a future that values and protects freedom of speech in a world that celebrates both our similarities and our differences, respects individuals and their beliefs, and holds all persons truly equal and free.

*Council of the American Library Association*

## *Library Memories*

*In the previous newsletter (Summer 2011), we made the following request:*

"Many of us who grew up in the Alton/Godfrey area have wonderful memories of visiting Hayner Library on 401 State Street. Whether it was getting that first library card, or the excitement of weekly visits to find new reading treasures or to spend quiet hours of study and contemplation—for many of us Hayner Library on State Street was a very special destination during our youth.

We ask you to share those memories. If you would send us a paragraph or two about the role of Hayner Library in your life (as a child or adult) we will compile the contributions into a work that all can share. Please send your memories to: Hayner Library Memories, 401 State Street, Alton, IL 62002 or e-mail to: genealogy@haynerlibrary.org. Please be sure to include your name and phone number or the best way to contact you."

The first response we received was from Ms. Ruth Bellagee of Alton, Il. She included a handwritten note attached to the following article. In her note, Ms. Bellagee noted that the events she depicts took place in the early 1930s, at the height of the Depression. She was about 11 years old and loved to read but books were a luxury that her family could not afford to purchase.

## *Nurturing the Mind*

By Ruth Belangee
Alton, Illinois

The other day, I noticed my library card had expired. I must get that renewed, I told myself, it's important. Why is it important? I don't know. I've only used it twice in the last four years. But a little voice niggles at me and I must listen. I think it's something to do with my childhood.

When I was eleven or twelve, the school made applications available to parents so their child could receive a library card. I told my mother if she would sign it, I could get books from the library. She looked over the application and said it had to be signed by a property owner and she wasn't one.

I didn't know any property owners and my mother said "don't bother anyone with this." My grandfather

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**NURTURING THE MIND (Cont.)**

owned property and I might have bothered him if I remembered. But that knowledge lay hidden somewhere in my brain and waited until I no longer needed it before it jumped out at me. Grandpa was grandpa and he bore no resemblance to a man of property, and that word had taken on a kind of prestige in my mind. I associated it with wealth and that was not my grandpa.

I walked down the street, looking at the houses. They all appeared, for the most part, to be very much alike. How could I tell if someone was rich? I stopped at a house. I knew the people there had a lawn mower. I had watched the man roll it around his yard during the summer. I figured if they owned a lawn mower, they might own the house. No one else I knew had a lawn mower. Most people just grew their weeds.

I didn't see any bother in just knocking on a door and asking a question. A lady answered my knock and I asked if she owned her house. She looked stunned by my question but she finally said yes. I showed her my paper and asked if she would sign it so I could get library books. She smiled and I pushed the paper towards her. But she didn't take it. Instead, she said in a sugary voice, "then you'll tear up the books and I'll have to pay for them. No, I don't think so!"

That thought had never occurred to me. She closed the door in my face and my spirits sank to my toes.

My friend, Beth, offered no comfort. "What's the big deal?" she said. "We own our house, give me that thing, I'll get it signed."

She brought the paper back and it bore her mother's signature. "Does your mother know she'll have to pay if I tear the books?" I asked her.

Beth shrugged her shoulders, "so, don't tear the books."

I didn't ask any more questions. I didn't want to know the answers, but I wondered if that was really Beth's mother's signature.

Every Saturday afternoon I was in the library. Rows of books were on shelves higher than my head. Two people could hardly squeeze past each other in the long, narrow aisles. But sunlight usually streamed through the large windows, giving the barn-like room a pleasant atmosphere. I took home two or three books a week and read them all before the following Saturday. *"Girl of the Limberlost"*, *"Elsie Dinsmore"* and *"Pollyanna"* were among some of those I checked out. My favorites were books by Christie, Rinehart, Bronte, Austin and Kathleen Norris.

One day, I must have been in the library longer than usual because the librarian asked if I needed help.

"I can't find a book," I said "I think I've read them all."

The librarian laughed and it sounded so loud that someone shushed her. Heat rose to my face because I felt that it was my fault. After that, the librarian saved books for me and they were always the kind that I was fond of reading. And I wondered how she knew what I liked.

Now, once again, it's time to renew my card. In that sacred inner room of my soul is a connection to reading that can never be broken. And there may be a time when the only important things will be "A Jug of Wine, a Loaf of Bread—and"

A library card.

- *Stanzas from the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam*

## *Food for Fines*

Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period. During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2011, anyone who has an overdue item can pay his or her fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and Hayner materials only. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center— and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

**Members of Touched by a Canine, the local chapter of Therapy Dogs International. Therapy Dogs International (TDI) is an organization dedicated to bringing dog handler teams to people who can benefit from the love and attention a therapy dog can provide. Our local Touched by a Canine volunteers, all certified and insured by TDI, visit Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall the second Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m. for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Children of all ages are invited to come, visit, and play with the dogs. Books are provided so the children can choose a story to read to the dogs. Reading to therapy dogs has proven to dramatically increase a child's reading enjoyment, skills, and confidence. Come join us in the Multipurpose Room in the library in the mall for this unique (and adorable) monthly event. Bring your cameras!**

## *Riverbend Head Start Receives Literacy Grant for Preschoolers*

Riverbend Head Start and The Hayner Public Library District promote reading as fundamental for a fulfilling life in America, and to that end, children must have access to books. Recently, Riverbend Head Start received a $5,494 grant from Reading Is Fundamental, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides15 million new, free books to 4 million underserved children in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories.

Locally, Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) gives 945 children under the age of five 3,000 books to take home and keep. The books are distributed by Riverbend Head Start & Family Services, a nonprofit with a goal to prepare underserved children for kindergarten. The taxpayers' cost for this public service? Eight cents per year.

RIF provides an effective book distribution program, annually serving children in 17,000 locations across every U.S. state and territory with the help of more than 400,000 volunteers.

In March, Congress eliminated RIF's federal funding at a time when many families need RIF the most. Without this federal funding, RIF will not be able to serve America's children most at risk for academic failure.

To continue this critical work, RIF is pursuing opportunities to compete for federal funds approved in the 2012 budget. Learn more at www.rif.org.

Illiteracy is expensive. The cost of illiteracy to businesses and taxpayers is estimated at $20 billion annually.

Illiteracy is dangerous. Eighty percent of the inmates in America's prisons are either illiterate or low-level readers.

America's children are falling behind. Thirty-three percent of fourth-grade public school students are at or below the basic reading level.

Illiteracy will diminish America's workforce. Eighteen million adults don't read well enough to earn a living wage.

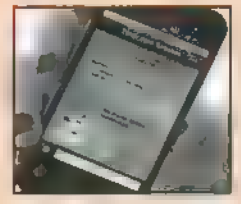
Reading Is Fundamental addresses these issues by granting funds to local nonprofits like Riverbend Head Start & Family Services to buy books and distribute them to children in need.

In July 2011, RIF awarded $5,494 to Riverbend Head Start. TheBANK of Edwardsville provided the required matching funds of $1,522.

Riverbend Head Start will buy over 3,000 books to give to the children enrolled in its early childhood education program. The books will build their libraries at home, motivate them to read, and prepare them for success in kindergarten and life.

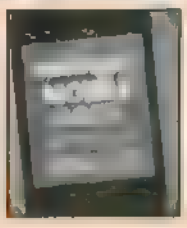
Thank you to Riverbend Head Start for helping to give our local children access to books.

## *NEW! Mobile Apps for Hayner's Online Resources*



Tutor.com To Go. Now students can connect to a tutor using their iPhone, iPod Touch, or iPad. The app is FREE to all Tutor.com account holders with a Hayner library card.

Mango Mobile Library Edition. Learn to speak a language while you're on the go, free from the App Store. As a Hayner patron, you can now access fast, easy, and effective language learning no matter where your travels take you!



For more information, contact Reference at Hayner Library, 618-462-0677 ext. 2864.

## *Two New Online Resources for Hayner Patrons*

**Mango Languages**
Mango is an online language-learning program teaching practical conversation and cultural awareness for the world's most popular languages. It offers 49 foreign languages and 15 ESL (English as a Second Language) courses.

Mango Languages is available in two versions. Mango Complete is a 100-lesson course that is designed to provide a deep understanding of a language and its culture. Mango Basic teaches everyday greetings, thanks, goodbyes, and helpful phrases in a short period of time and is designed for a beginner in a new language. It's so fast and easy, you'll be able to have a real conversation in your new language in just minutes!

**Testing & Education Reference Center**
Testing & Education Reference Center offers a multitude of free online practice tests and study materials for a variety of educational and vocational exams. There is current information on colleges, available scholarships, and financial aid, ACT and SAT entrance tests and study aids; and more Besides the standard college/graduate school entrance exams, Testing & Education Reference Center offers AP tests to help you earn college credit, civil service tests, certification and licensing exams, military entrance exams, and the GED.

Testing & Education Reference Center is the perfect online tool for every student from high school to graduate school, and those looking at specialty education courses, career programs, and beyond.

To access these databases, go to www.haynerlibrary.org and choose from the list of databases in Online Resources. Databases can be accessed from the library or home with your Hayner library card. For further information, please contact the library.

## *Exploring Hayner's Online Resources*

Hayner patrons! Want to learn a foreign language? Need to study for the ACT? Need homework help? Join us for a Saturday Morning and learn about the exciting new databases Hayner has for you. We have databases to meet your educational and personal needs, and it's all free to Hayner patrons!

- Mango Languages. Online language learning system teaching practical conversation skills in 49 foreign languages, including 15 ESL (English as a Second Language).
- Testing & Education Reference Center. Offers practice tests for ACT, GRE, GED, AP subject tests, vocational/career tests, and more.
- Tutor.com. Homework help for students K–12 with live online tutors.

Come and discover how these databases can help you!

Sign up for a free workshop on library database instruction:

- Location: Hayner Library Alton Square, Multipurpose Room
- Date: Saturday, October 15, from 9 to 10 a.m.

For reservations and further information, contact the Reference Department by calling 433-2864, or e-mail us at reference@haynerlibrary.org.

## Special Thanks to Our Summer Volunteers

Hayner Library has seen some new faces volunteering throughout the libraries for the summer months. We had five new volunteers and three regular Hayner volunteers greeting our patrons each day in the new Genealogy & Local History Library. The Interlibrary Loan Department has had three volunteers helping through staff summer vacations. The Hayner Library staff wishes to thank the following people for their summer help!

- Linda Allen—Genealogy
- Bev Ambrosi—Genealogy and Interlibrary Loan
- Margie Barban—Interlibrary Loan
- Melissa Durie—Interlibrary Loan
- Sue Goers—Interlibrary Loan
- Sarah Johnes—Interlibrary Loan
- Shirley Noble—Genealogy
- Carol Sobotta—Alton Square
- The Jennie D. volunteers

## Hayner Library 25-Hour Recognition

Each month we recognize our volunteers who completed 25 hours volunteering throughout our libraries.

***Congratulations to the following volunteers:***

Carol Ackerman
David Allen
Bev Ambrosi
Connie Clayton
John Gibbons
Jan Harnetiaux
Sarah Johnes
Judy Kamler
David Mundy
Rosemary Ruedin
Jim Ryan
Lindsay Schnoover
Nick Sheppard
Carol Sobotta
Barb Ulfers
Luke Visconti
Anna Wong

## In Memorial

Sadly, The Hayner Public Library District experienced two significant losses late this summer. Theona "Spiv" Woefel passed away on August 29, 2011. Spiv and her sister, Ev, have been active volunteers in the Hayner Library Homebound Program for 23 years. Spiv and Ev as volunteers were loved by patrons and Hayner staff alike.

On Sept 20, 2011, Carla Scott passed away. Carla worked as a part time library assistant in the Hayner Branch library for almost 9 years. Carla retired from Hayner Library in 2007. She leaves her husband, Larry. Both Spiv and Carla will be sorely missed by Hayner Library staff. We send our sincerest condolences to their families.

## Retirement

This past August Reynae Womack retired from The Hayner Public Library District after 35 years of library service. Reynae started her library career at the Hartford Public Library in 1976 and in 1992 accepted a full-time position with Hayner. During her employment with Hayner, Reynae worked in every library department, including Youth and Adult Library, Technical Services, the Business Office, and Programming and Events.

Reynae and her identical twin, Rynette, were born in Wood River and attended Hartford and Wood River public schools. Reynae, who has always loved to sing, was singing in her church's choir one day when a gospel singing group from Springfield were guests of the church. Hearing Reynae's beautiful voice, the group invited her to join them on their performance tour. After assuring her parents that the singing ensemble would have close supervision, Reynae became one of the three voices of the Gospel Sounds, performing in churches and communities throughout the south, particularly in Missouri, Mississippi, and Louisiana. Reynae toured with the group for three years. In 1973 Reynae and the other two members of Gospel Sounds cut an LP record album titled "Reaching Out to You." In 1974, when she learned that her twin sister was pregnant, Reynae knew it was time to come home and be with her family.

After returning home, Reynae met her future husband, Jim, who had started going to her church, Hartford Assembly of God. Within four months Reynae and Jim were engaged, and they married in February 1977. When Reynae met Jim, she was working part-time at the Hartford Library. Shortly after her marriage, Reynae accepted a full-time library position at the Bethalto Library, where she worked for the next 16 years. In 1981 Reynae had her first son, Jimmy, and a second son, Craig, was born in 1986. In 1992 Reynae joined the Hayner Library staff, working at the circulation desk. Her ready smile and outgoing personality quickly made her a favorite of Hayner staff members and patrons alike.

In 2009 Reynae's husband passed away very unexpectedly, a terrible loss. Jim was a friend to all who knew him and a beloved member of his church and community. Reynae continued working at Hayner and in 2010 was delighted with the birth of her first grandchild, little Boone, born to Reynae's son Jim and his wife, Casey. The following year Reynae's granddaughter, Audrey, was born to her other son, Craig, and his wife, Brandi.

Reynae was having so much fun with her grandchildren she decided to retire this past August. She has been busy from retirement day 1, visiting family and friends, helping out at church events, and caring for her grandchildren. Reynae struggled with her decision to retire for some months, knowing how much she would miss her job at Hayner; particularly, she worried about missing her Hayner colleagues.

Hayner staff members miss Reynae's cheerful presence every day, but we wish her well in her busy retirement. "The time is flying by," says Reynae, "and Hayner staff hasn't really let me stay away—they insist I come to visit often . . . but that isn't a hardship, since I enjoy seeing them all so much."

After 35 years of working in the library world, Reynae still has a love of books and reading but is so busy, she has yet to find time to catch up on the latest novels.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## Hayner Library Special Events

*Join us for our fall semester of events. These events are great for all ages and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 222 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

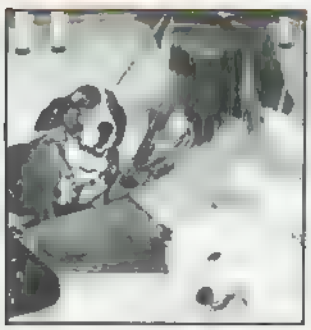
**REMINDER**

*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Mall Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, October 8**
**Saturday, November 12**
**Saturday, December 10**
**Saturday, January 7**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**



Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Genealogy Roundtable
### *Over There: Researching World War I Ancestors*

**Tuesday, October 18, 6:30 p.m.**

Our World War I veterans are gone, and with them went their stories. But there are still many ways to locate information about these veterans. Join us during our next program as guest speaker Tom Pearson discusses print, microfilm, manuscript, and Internet sources for data on ancestors who served during World War I. This program will be held in the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street. Please register for this program at 1-800-613-3163.

### Jared Hennings
### *Traditional Gospel Favorites*

**Tuesday, October 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Vocalist Jared Hennings, with piano accompaniment by Sue Doer, will perform a variety of well-known hymns and spirituals. Jared's program will touch the heart and soul, hearkening back to music we all grew up with. You will be delighted to remember words from songs such as "Amazing Grace," "In His Presence," "Kum Ba Yah," and "Alleluia." If the spirit moves you, don't hesitate to join in on a refrain or two. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### The Buckhannon Brothers
### *Old Time Music Jubilee*

**Tuesday, October 25, 6:30 p.m.**

The Buckhannon Brothers (Curtis, mandolin, and Dennis, guitar) have been performing together since childhood. For this performance, they will be playing old-time mandolin and tenor banjo, guitar and upright bass to round out a program of rags, reels, waltzes, polkas, and some tunes that are hard to describe. Their music stems from the fiddle tradition, which they have adapted to the nuances and characteristics of the mandolin. They will be joined by Vince Corkery on bass. And any performance by the Buckhannon Brothers always includes lots of laughs. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Josh McVicar
### *McVicar the Trickster*

**Tuesday, November 15, 6:30 p.m.**

McVicar the Trickster's award-winning magic show is outrageous and mind-blowing! His energetic and comical performance leaves audience members in stitches. Josh's mix of magic and humor will delight the whole family. Menlo College says, "By far the best magic performance any of us have seen. Unique, creative and magical." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*

**Sunday, November 27, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3.) There is plenty of easy parking.*

This is one of our favorite events of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This talented ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. This program is free but does require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bonney Patterson
### *Hunted in the Heartland: A Memoir of Murder*

**Saturday, December 3, 1:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall*

Author Bonney Patterson discusses her book *Hunted in the Heartland: A Memoir of Murder*. This book tells the true story of the dark life of Timothy Krajcir, the rapist and serial killer who terrorized the Midwest and was convicted of the murder of Bonney's neighbor, Virginia Witte, which occurred in 1978 in Marion, Ill. After the author's presentation, Bonney will be available to sign copies of her book. Books will be available for sale between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

## Switchback
### *A Celtic Christmas*
**Sunday, December 4, 6:30 p.m.**

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick, who perform as Switchback, are

returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. When they have performed for us previously, they have always earned an extended standing ovation. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Don't Miss a Favorite Fall Event*

The 10th Anniversary of "Vintage Voices" is aptly subtitled, "Visionaries & Pioneers at the River's Edge" and will feature guided tours in the City Cemetery on Saturdays in October from 1-3 pm on October 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th. Additional performances and non-walking tours have been added as part of the expanded event on Friday, October 14th to be held at Lovejoy's Monument, beginning at 5:15 pm and on Sunday, October 16th a "Tea with Vintage Voices" will be held in the dining room at Glenhaven Gardens from 2-4 pm. ALL tickets for all tours are $10 (a reduction in price to commemorate the community's support of this historical drama). Reservations are required for the "dusk" tour and the Afternoon Tea. Ten Actor/Historians will entertain tour groups, portraying significant and interesting figures from Alton 's past including former citizens who blazed a path of altruism and charitable work, freedom of the Press, civic development, politics and commerce. Their stories have an inspirational message for all and the characters weave an intriguing story about the Alton Community and its history. An "historian" and an expanded program booklet will feature photos of historical homes in the area and will include fascinating facts about the City and National Cemetery and Funeral practices. Tickets and flyers are available but more information can be obtained by calling the Alton Little Theater office at 462-3205.

## *Call for Trek Yearbooks*

Is your Lewis & Clark yearbook sitting around the house gathering dust? If so, then you have a chance to preserve a piece of history! Simply donate your Trek yearbook to the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library!

Hayner Library is proud to help preserve memories of this excellent educational institution for future researchers. When Monticello College closed in 1971, its picturesque 215-acre campus became the beautiful main campus of Lewis & Clark Community College. Lewis & Clark now proudly serves more than 25,000 credit and non-credit students annually on three campuses and at three community education centers. Let's preserve this piece of history for our community. Call 462-0677, Ext. 2865 for more information.

## TeenSpace
### Fall 2011 Activities

### • Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in our new TeenSpace located at Alton Square Mall. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, October 19, November 16, and December 21, 2011, at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Movies at the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates are Thursdays, October 13, November 10, and December 8, 2011. Movies start at 4 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Video Gaming

Calling all gamers! Come hang out with other teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12–18 welcome. This event is scheduled from 1–3 p.m. on Saturday, October 8, 2011. Don't forget to bring a friend! To register call 433-2872.

### • Teen Book Club

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meeting dates are Saturdays, October 8, November 12, and December 10, 2011. For more information call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Project Next Generation

Pending grant award notification, Project Next Generation, a program funded by a grant from the office of Secretary of State Jessie White, will be offering two sessions this fall for grades 5–8: "Geocaching," a one-day session in October, and "Cookies 101," a two-day session in late November and early December. Call 433-2861 for more information or to sign up for our fall 2011 sessions. Limited space available!

### • Teen Read Week Event

**"Picture It @ Your Library"**
**October 16–22, 2011**

Teens, come join in the fun as we celebrate Teen Read Week! This year's theme is "Picture It @ your library®," which encourages teens to read graphic novels and other illustrated materials. The celebration runs October 16–22. Hayner TeenSpace will host a comic book–themed movie on Thursday, October 20, 2011, at the Riverbend Community Center at 4 p.m. For more information about Teen Read Week events or to register for the movie, call 433-2872. Limited space available.

# KidsSpace
## Fall 2011 Activities

***Alton Fire Department Visit...*** The Alton Fire Department and their mascot, Sparky, will be visiting the KidsSpace at the Alton Square library on Monday, October 17, at 10 a.m. The firemen will be talking with the kids about fire safety and will give them an opportunity to tour one of the engines. Don't forget to bring your cameras!

## Alton Square

### • Bow-wow Pow-wow

This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner
Mall Library in the Multipurpose Room. Saturday, October 8, November 12, December 10, January 7, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

### • Story Times

**» Movers and Shakers Story Time**
Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, October 10, 17, & 24; November 7 & 14; December 5 & 12, 2011, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

**» Mommy and Me Story Time**
This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old, accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, October 12, 19, & 26; November 2, 9, 16, & 30; December 7, 14, & 21, 2011, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

**» Spanish Story Times**
Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. The 45-minute event is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. It will be held at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays, October 31, & November 28, 2011. Please register at 433-2881.

### • Family Movie Night

Bring the whole family to view this G-PG rated new release. Movie dates are Wednesdays, October 12, November 9, & December 14, 2011, at 6 p.m. Snacks are provided. Film titles will be available one week prior to show date. Please register at 433-2881.

### • Special Events

**Itsy Bitsy Yoga**
Bring babies up to 24 months old for calm, relaxing yoga practice. Class includes baby massage, holding baby during yoga postures, interactive song and dance, and sharing a story with baby. Bring a towel or yoga mat. Class meets Thursdays, October 13, November 10, & December 8, 2011, at 10 a.m. Limited space available. To register call Janet at 433-2881.

**Improve Your Child's Life Through HealthQuest Tai Chi**
HealthQuest Tai Chi for Children improves quality of life for kids which they are not getting in their daily lives. Research has proven it helps with self-esteem, coordination, mental alertness, overcoming obesity, concentration and anger management. HealthQuest Tai Chi incorporates gentle movement for an easy, fun way for kids to realize its benefits. The class will be made up of four separate sessions be held in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library at Alton Square at 4 p.m. on Friday, October 28, November 4, 18 and 25. Limited space, call Janet to register at 433-2881.

**Storyteller Joy Nack**
Joy Nack, professional storyteller, writer, and former teacher, offers dynamic, dramatic storytelling programs for children. Joy will be entertaining children 3–7 years old with scary tales on October 10, 2011, at 10 a.m.

**Family Reading Event**
Bring the whole family for this year's annual Family Reading Event on Saturday, November 12, 2011. "Reading Takes You Places" will be our theme, so come travel with us from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Becky Long performs at 2 p.m.

**Stories with Santa**
Bring the kids and join us for stories with Santa. Each child will hear a few stories, sit on Santa's lap, receive a treat, and have a cookie or two. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 10, 2011. Please register at 433-2881.

## Downtown

### • After-School Craft

Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library's downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, October 11, November 8, & December 13, 2011. Please register at 433-2881.

## *Hayner KidsSpace Summer Reading Program was a Speeding Success!*

This year's Summer Reading Program took kids on a Reading Road Trip around the United States. More than 500 participants read for a total of five weeks. Each participant turned in reading sheets each week to earn a much-deserved prize. The participants were also invited each week to see a performer and to join in on story times, movies, and crafts. This year's top reader in the age category birth to five was Will Davitz. Will read a total of 239 books. Top reader in the 6–8-year-old category was Brian Davitz. Brian read a total of 312 books. Top reader in the 9–11-year-old category was Mary Curvey. Mary read a total of 229 books. Congratulations to all our readers this summer, and we hope to see you for our 2012 reading program, "Reading Is So Delicious"!

## *Improve Your Child's Life Through HealthQuest Tai Chi*

The access to the computer, fast food market and lack of physical exercise has contributed to our children not being as healthy as children of past decades.

HealthQuest Tai Chi for Children improves quality of life for kids which they are not getting in their daily lives. Research has proven it helps with self-esteem, coordination, mental alertness, overcoming obesity, concentration and anger management. HealthQuest Tai Chi incorporates gentle movement for an easy, fun way for kids to realize its benefits. Sign your kids up for a class of Basic Tai Chi for children 7 years and up. The class will be made up of four separate sessions be held in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library at Alton Square at 4 p.m. on Friday, October 28, November 4, 18 and 25 (note these are not consecutive weekly sessions.) To register, call (618) 433-2881.

## *Hayner Library KidsSpace offers new program for infants!*

**Itsy Bitsy Yoga**
*Ages: newborn to almost-crawling baby with parent or caregiver.*
Bring babies up to 24 months old for this calming and nurturing yoga practice full of ways to enhance bonding and make babies happier and more comfortable in their bodies.

Class includes baby massage, holding baby during yoga postures, interactive song and dance, and sharing a story with baby. Bring a towel or yoga mat. Class meets October 13, November 10, & December 8, 2011, at 10 a.m. Limited space available. To register call Janet at 433-2881.

## *A Rule of Thumb*

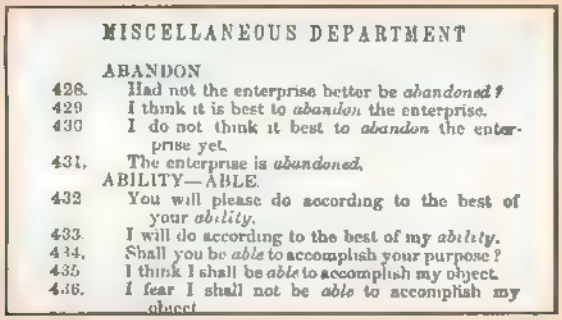
"The best trick I ever found for helping children choose books that won't be too frustrating is the "Rule of Thumb." Have a child choose a page in the middle of the book with a lot of text, and make a fist. Explain to the child to "read the page silently and if you come to a word you don't know and can't guess, put out your thumb. If you reach the end of the page and between three and five (fingers) are up, that means the book will be a challenge." The child can decide if they are motivated enough to try to read it anyway (you can offer help), or they can choose to save it for the future. A pleasure read should have 0 – 2 fingers up."
Adapted from *How to Get Your Child to Love Reading* by Esme Raji Codell
Algonquin Books of Chapel Hill, 2003

This seems like a great technique to help your child pick out reading material that will not overwhelm him and consequently diminish their interest in reading. Ms. Esme states that it was one of her great rewards, working as a librarian, teaching this technique to classes and then watching children check out books themselves.

## *Yesterday's Twitter*

**by Kathleen M. O'Donnell at Fathomaway.com**

Are you familiar with The Traveler's Vade Mecum? It was written in 1853, as a witty and accommodating book to aid in sending short messages via telegraph or post. Its resemblance to modern-day Twitter and text messaging is uncanny, considering it was written in 1853. The code it contains enabled people to communicate on the (brand- new) telegraph in the most economical way possible- by assigning digits to 8,466 different things the writer might have wanted to say.



MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT

ABANDON

428. Had not the enterprise better be *abandoned?*
429 I think it is best to *abandon* the enterprise.
430 I do not think it best to *abandon* the enterprise yet.
431. The enterprise is *abandoned.*

ABILITY—ABLE.

432 You will please do according to the best of your *ability.*
433. I will do according to the best of my *ability.*
434. Shall you be *able* to accomplish your purpose?
435 I think I shall be *able* to accomplish my object.
436. I fear I shall not be *able* to accomplish my object.

An excerpt from A.C. Baldwin's The Traveler's Vade Mecum

We can only imagine what might lie ahead for instant communication methods when traveling abroad. Sure, there's Skype and e-mail, but who wants to spend precious vacation hours writing to folks back home? Certainly not me! Twitter might come as close as we'll ever get to short bursts of correspondence, but the 19th century brought The Traveler's Vade Mecum: Or, Instantaneous Letter Writer, By Mail or Telegraph, or the Convenience of Persons Traveling on Business or for Pleasure, and for Others, Whereby a Vast Amount of Time, Labor, and Trouble is Saved, a monstrous title for A.C. Baldwin's tome about conveying concise messages.

In the book, 8,466 codes are arranged alphabetically via keywords on a variety of topics from "credit," to "murder," to "wheat." Baldwin's goal? To aid long-winded holiday travelers in penning quick telegraphs or letters.

It's quite simple really. Say you're a born and bred New Englander taking a business trip to Arizona. Instead of wasting a half hour writing to your sister about how you cannot possibly stand the heat anymore, all you have to do is write the code: #8153. Upon receipt, your sister would take Baldwin's book and find that #8153 corresponds with the message "The weather is very uncomfortable." Brilliant.

If you want a leg up on how to incorporate The Traveler's Vade Mecum into your own life, refer to our list of favorite codes followed by a letter incorporating some of them. Tell us what you think, or create your own numerical letter and send it to us. Download the book and start decoding, world travelers!

FATHOM's Top 15 Vade Mecum Codes
#567 – My advice is to "stop where you are."
#612 – The air in this place is very pure and wholesome.
#906 – She is a most beautiful girl.
#1018 – Has the body been found?
#1088 – It is supposed that the burglars have taken a public conveyance for your place. Please have an officer ready on the arrival of the cars, or boat, to apprehend them.
#1419 – Important changes have taken place since my last communication.
#1515 – Love to the children, and a kiss for everyone.
#1644 – There are flying clouds of doubtful import.
#2188 – What is the price of corn?
#3683 – I had a wonderful escape.
#4552 – A general gloom pervades this community.
#6465 – A murder has just been committed in this place.
#6924 – Pork is in demand.
#7571 – You will rue the day if you do.
#8089 – My plans have all been thwarted.
Example:
Dearest M,
#8089. I simply cannot believe the time I've had on this "so-called" vacation. #3683 from New York, but upon arrival in England, I found that #4552. Apparently, #6465. #567. Don't follow me here. #7571. I'll be returning home as soon as possible. #1515.

Love,
FATHOM
To read the full text of The Travelers Vade Mecum, go to Google Books (books google.com.) You can have great fun with it—use it to totally confuse the "Twitter fanatics" among your friends and family.

**Books: Key Members of Your Family**

One of the easiest ways to show your child the importance of reading is to make a special place to store your child's books. Assigning a place for your child's books shows your child that books are special and deserve an organized storage place all their own. Making room on a bottom shelf of the family bookcase or placing books in a drawer within your child's reach are great ways to create a home library. Parents and family members should model how to organize books on the shelf and teach children how to handle books as a way to promote ownership of the library.

Have you ever flipped through a friend's photos and imagined a story to go along with them? Young children love to use their imaginations to create stories to go along with pictures. One of the earliest literacy skills children develop is the concept of sequencing, or telling a story from start to finish in order. One way to practice this skill at home is to create your own picture books, or books without words. Using photos, pictures from magazines or your child's drawings, books can be created and placed in the home library for easy access. Family members can "read" the story with the child by asking him or her to take them through the story. As the child gets older, family members should have the child dictate the story to them so they can write it down and then move on to encouraging the child to write the words themselves.

**Storytelling: Talking about Family History and Creating New Adventures**

One of the best ways to help foster family literacy in the home is to encourage all family members to engage in storytelling. Not only is storytelling a great way to share family history, it is also a great way to engage all members of the family -- especially those who are building literacy skills regardless of their age. Start by having an older member of the family tell a story about a major family event (wedding, birthday, graduation). Afterward, ask a younger member of the family to re-tell the story in his or her own words. Family members should be supportive when the child misses an important element and help the child pronounce key vocabulary words like names of relatives, locations, etc. This activity helps build vocabulary, understand sequencing and recall information.

**Writing Notes: Connecting Family and Friends**

Learning to read and learning to write go hand in hand. It is important to practice and encourage emerging writing skills with young children and those new to learning a language. One way to encourage writing practice is to have family members leave notes for one another on a regular basis. Leaving a note in a lunch box, taping a note to the mirror in the hallway or slipping a note under a pillow are great ways to reinforce the importance of writing to communicate information. Children should be encouraged to send notes at every stage of their development -- from scribbles to sentences.

Another way to encourage written communication between family members is to send each other frequent e-mail or twitter messages. This is a great way to help young children keep in touch with distant relatives or friends. Working with an adult, have the child dictate or attempt to type a short message. If the child has typed the message without help, the adult can type a translation of the message underneath it. All attempts at typing and dictating should be encouraged. Engaging in a frequent email exchange with relatives and friends builds a child's letter recognition skills and provides practice organizing thoughts and ideas.

**Using the Library with the Whole Family**

Visiting the library together is a great way to foster family literacy activities. Not only do libraries often offer access to books on a wide range of literacy levels and subjects, libraries often have books in several languages as well.

Adults and children can improve their literacy skills by reading books in the family's first language and then reading the same book in English. By doing this, family members will build vocabulary, the ability to use context clues to learn new words, and enable adults to ask the child questions about the illustrations and predict what will happen next. Families should also visit the library to connect with community literacy projects, storytelling, tutoring and reading clubs and cultural programs. Computers are also available – use them with your children..

Learning to love to read starts at an early age and often starts at home. If families make the effort to encourage, support and engage all aspects of literacy in their homes, children and family members will enjoy reading and writing together for the rest of their lives.

*Some of these tips were taken from the U.S. Department of Education's booklet, Helping Your Child Become a Reader. Visit the Department of Education's "Reading Tips for Parents" online to read and order free copies of the booklet and to get additional suggestions for building family literacy at home.*

*Get Ready to Read! has a great Home Literacy Checklist (available in English and Spanish) that can help you create a literacy-friendly home. Download it free today.*

## *An Extraordinary Citizen in the History of Alton, Eben Rodgers, Sr.*

Alton's history has many tales of local heroes doing great things to make the community a better place to live, work, and raise families.

Eben Rodgers, Sr., seemed to have a magical touch when it came to business adventures, social connections, and the community affairs of Alton. Born to Edward & Ella (Hewit) Rodgers of Upper Alton in 1873, he attended local schools. At 14, he left Alton for North Carolina in pursuit of a three-year military education at Bingham's Military School and one year at the University of North Carolina.

Upon returning home, Eben went to work on the family farm, but that manner of work did not prove to be challenging enough. He was soon looking for business opportunities that would stimulate his mind and his pocketbook while making a place for himself within the community. He found this place by taking a position in his father's company, The Alton Brick Company. And so his success began there, under the leadership of his father. It was quickly established that Eben possessed a sharp business mind, as well as a socially conscious personality, a combination that helped him become successful in various activities involving people and industry. With keen leadership skills, he would tackle projects with a head-on approach, while always making sure the best interests of Alton were in the forefront. He willingly put himself at the helm of many social, civic, and religious organizations. His unremitting devotion to public service has made him one of the most distinguished men in Alton history.

Eben Rodgers was also a dutiful husband and father. In 1893, he married Annetta Schweppe, who was the daughter of a prominent local clothier. Their union produced three children.

Throughout a distinguished career, Eben served as president on many industrial and social boards of directors. Some of his most notable associations include: Alton Brick Company, Alton Board of Education, Piasa Bird Council of the Boy Scouts, Monticello College, Alton Park Commission, National Brick Manufacturers Association, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and his church, the First Unitarian Church of Alton He was also a board member with Alton Memorial Hospital and served as director of the Better Business Bureau of St. Louis.

When Eben Rodgers became involved in a project, he gave unselfishly. He not only contributed his time and talent to the community, he was also known to have quietly opened his wallet during many times of economic crisis within the community.

On July 21, 1959, Eben Rodgers, Sr. passed away in a St. Louis hospital after years of failing health. He was 85 years of age. He had retired from public service only two years prior to his death. He had given more than 60 years of outstanding service to the City of Alton and its people. Eben Rodgers' life was a successful one-man crusade in making a difference in his community.

—Information from Alton Telegraph database
Pam Bierman

## *New items in our Illinois Room*

Highlights of the History of Jersey County (patron donation) IR 977.3855 SEA
Index to Volunteer Soldiers in Indian Wars IR 929.373 WHI
Fayette County, Illinois Cemetery Inscription Vol. 1 (patron donation) IR 929 3773797 FAY
Cape Girardeau County, Missouri 1880 Census (patron donation) IR 929 377896 EIG
Missouri 100 Years Ago (patron donation) IR 977.8 WHI
Perry County, Missouri 1850 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 EIG
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Perry County, Missouri 1876 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 GEE
Perry County, Missouri 1880 Census (patron donation) IR 929.3778694 PER
History of DeWitt County, Illinois (Vol. 1, 2) IR 977.3585 HIS
1850 Federal Census of Johnson County, Illinois IR 929.3773996 EIG
United States Census 1850 Effingham County, Illinois IR 929.3773796 DAN
Washington County, Illinois 1850 Census IR 929.377388 WOR
A New Geography of Illinois by Larry Underwood (patron donation) IR 917 386 UND
Alton-Godfrey-Foster Township Topographic Map IR MAPTABLE 912 GEO
High and Mighty the Flood of '93 (patron donation) IR 977.033 HIG
History of Douglas County, Illinois IR 977.386 HIS
Donnellson, Illinois Centennial 1897-1997 IR 977.382 DON
On the Trail of the Buffalo Soldier II IR 355.0092 ONT
Ignatz Bruch, Alton's Stone Cutter (patron donation) IR 977.386 SHA
Guide to the National Road IR 388.10977 GUI

## *Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps (1867–1970)* are available in digital format at The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library.

These maps, used by architects, urban planners, and land developers, are also an informative resource for anyone interested in researching Illinois properties prior to 1970. The maps provide a wealth of information such as building outline, size and shape, construction materials used, placement of windows and doors, and house numbers. Also depicted are street and sidewalk widths, boundaries, underground pipelines, wells, water mains, and railroads. In short, the Sanborn Maps enable researchers to trace the architectural history of an individual building or entire communities. Come visit the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street and browse this database collection of historical state maps. Digital images of the *Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps* can be viewed and printed in just a few easy steps.

## New & Forthcoming Books

**—Nonfiction**

**Bastianich, Lidia Matticchio.** Lidia's Italy in America

**Belafonte, Harry.** My Song: A Memoir

**Brokaw, Tom.** The Time of Our Lives: Past, Present, Promise

**Buchanan, Patrick J.** Suicide of a Superpower: Will America Survive to 2025?

**Cruise, Jorge.** The Belly Fat Cure Fast Track: Choose One Simple Menu and Cleanse Away Up to 12 lbs. This Week

**Curtis, James.** Spencer Tracy: A Biography

**Davis, Deborah.** The Oprah Winfrey Show: Reflections on an American Legacy

**Deen, Paula.** Paula Deen's Southern Cooking Bible: The Classic Guide to Delicious Dishes with More Than 300 Recipes

**DeGeneres, Ellen.** Seriously…I'm kidding

**DiSpirito, Rocco.** Now Eat This! 100 Quick Calorie Cuts at Home/On-the-Go

**Ebert, Roger.** Life Itself: A Memoir

**Fisher, Carrie.** Shockaholic

**Flay, Bobby.** Bobby Flay's Bar Americain Cookbook: Celebrate America's Great Flavors

**Friedman, Thomas L.** That Used to Be Us: How America Fell Behind in the World It Invented and How We Can Come Back

**Garner, James.** The Garner Files

**Garner, Joe and Bob Costas.** 100 Yards of Glory: The Greatest Moments in NFL History

**Gregory, Philippa.** The Women of the Cousins' War: The Duchess, the Queen, and the King's Mother

**Hastings, Max.** Inferno: The World at War 1939–1945

**Hawn, Goldie.** 10 Mindful Minutes: Giving our Children—and Ourselves—the Social and Emotional Skills to Reduce Stress and Anxiety for Healthier, Happier Lives

**Hertzberg, Jeff.** Artisan Pizza and Flatbread in Five Minutes a Day

**Horwitz, Tony.** Midnight Rising: John Brown and the Raid That Sparked the Civil War

**Jacobovici, Simcha.** The Jesus Discovery: The New Archaeological Find That Reveals the Birth of Christianity

**Katz, Jon.** Going Home: Finding Peace When Pets Die

**Keaton, Diane.** Then Again

**Kennedy, Caroline.** Jacqueline Kennedy: Historic Conversations

**Kluger, Jeffrey.** The Sibling Effect: What the Bonds Among Brothers and Sisters Reveal About Us

**Lee, Sandra.** Money Saving Meals and Round 2 Recipes

**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl Supermarket Survival

**Lynch, Jane.** Happy Accidents

**Matthews, Chris.** Jack Kennedy: Elusive Hero

**McGinniss, Joe.** The Rogue: Searching for the Real Sarah Palin

**Menzies, Gavin.** The Lost Empire of Atlantis: The Secrets of History's Most Enduring Mystery Revealed.

**Neely, Patrick and Gina.** The Neelys' Celebration Cookbook: Down Home Meals for Every Occasion

**O'Reilly, Bill.** Killing Lincoln: The Shocking Assassination That Changed America Forever

**Oz, Mehmet C.** You: Stress Less: A Guide for Changing Your Life Fast

**Roberts, Jon.** American Desperado: My Life—From Mafia Soldier to Cocaine Cowboy to Secret Government Asset

**Scottoline, Lisa.** Best Friends, Occasional Enemies: The Lighter Side of Life as a Mother and Daughter

**Shatner, William.** Shatner Rules: Your Guide to Understanding the Shatnerverse and the World at Large

**Spitz, Marc.** Jagger: Rebel, Rock Star, Rambler, Rogue

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha's Entertaining: A Year of Celebrations

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Handmade Holiday Crafts: 225 Inspired Projects for Year-Round Celebrations

**Straus, Roger.** America's Great Railroad Stations

**Suskind, Ron.** Confidence Men: Wall Street, Washington, and the Education of a President

**Valastro, Buddy.** Baking with the Cake Boss: 100 of Buddy's Best Recipes and Decorating Secrets

**Weil, Andrew, M.D.** Spontaneous Happiness

**Weintraub, Stanley.** Pearl Harbor Christmas: A World at War, December 1941

**Weir, Alison.** Mary Boleyn: The Mistress of Kings

**White, Betty.** Betty & Friends: My Life at the Zoo

**Zinczenko, David.** Eat This, Not That! 2012: The No-Diet Weight Loss Solution

**—Fiction**

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Only Time Will Tell

**Baldacci, David.** Zero Day

**Beaton, M. C.** As the Pig Turns: An Agatha Raisin Mystery

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Night Strangers

**Brandman, Michael.** Robert B. Parker's Killing the Blues

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Murder Unleashed

**Buchanan, Edna.** A Dark and Lonely Place

**Burke, James Lee.** Feast Day of Fools

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Wedding Quilt: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel

**Child, Lee.** The Affair

**Collins, Jackie.** Goddess of Vengeance

**Connelly, Michael.** The Drop

**Cornwell, Patricia.** Red Mist: A Scarpetta Novel

**Coulter, Catherine.** The Prince of Ravenscar

**Crichton, Michael.** Micro

**Cussler, Clive.** Devil's Gate

**Eugenides, Jeffrey.** The Marriage Plot

**Evanovich, Janet.** Explosive Eighteen

**Evans, Richard Paul.** Lost December

**Flynn, Vince.** Kill Shot

**Garlock, Dorothy.** Come a Little Closer

**Gingrich, Newt.** The Battle of the Crater: A Novel

**Grafton, Sue.** V is for Vengeance

**Graham, Heather.** An Angel for Christmas

**Gregory, Philippa.** Lady of the Rivers

**Grisham, John.** The Litigators

**Johansen, Iris.** Bonnie

**King, Stephen.** 11/22/63

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Longing

**Lindsay, Jeff.** Double Dexter

**Macomber, Debbie.** 1225 Christmas Tree Lane

**Maguire, Gregory.** Out of Oz: The Final Volume in the Wicked Years

**Maron, Margaret.** Three-Day Town

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Forgotten Affairs of Youth: An Isabel Dalhousie Novel

**Mills, Kyle.** Robert Ludlum's The Ares Decision

**Morris, Mary McGarry.** Light from a Distant Star

**Muller, Marcia.** City of Whispers

**Patterson, James.** The Christmas Wedding

**Patterson, James.** Kill Alex Cross

**Rankin, Ian.** The Impossible Dead

**Roberts, Nora.** The Next Always

**Sandford, John.** Shock Wave

**Sparks, Nicholas.** The Best of Me

**Steel, Danielle.** Hotel Vendome: A Novel

**VanLiere, Donna.** The Christmas Note

**Woods, Sherryl.** An O'Brien Family Christmas

**Woods, Stuart.** Son of Stone

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www.haynerlibrary.org

## *Free Computer Classes for Hayner Patrons!*

Get started on learning to use the computer with free computer training classes at Hayner Library! Hands-on computer classes will be held at the Alton Square library location. The classes are ideal for the beginner computer user who wants to learn and practice in a casual setting. We will offer two different sessions of classes. Each session is a one-time workshop with up to 10 people per session. Each session will cover the following, as time allows:

**Session One: Introduction to Computers**
Date: **Tuesday, October 11, from 12 noon to 2 p.m.**
Place: Hayner Library Alton Square, Multipurpose Room

- Computer basics: Mouse and keyboard use, and how to open and save files
- Internet basics: Browsers, searches, security, and passwords
- Set up an e-mail account
- Attach files to an e-mail message
- Look for jobs (local, Monster.com, etc.)
- Fill in an online application

**Session Two: Microsoft Word**
Date: **Tuesday, October 18, from 12 noon to 2 p.m.**
Place: Hayner Library Alton Square, Multipurpose Room

- Create and save documents
- Edit and format text
- Change line spacing and paragraph formatting
- Copy and paste text
- Use a resume template
- Use a letter template

Reservations can be made by calling the Reference Department at 433-2864, or by filling out a registration form at the Customer Service desk at Hayner Downtown or Alton Square locations.

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## Become Bilingual–Fun, Fast and FREE

Do you have a bucket list—things you want to do/accomplish in your lifetime? A popular objective for many of us is to learn another language. You have tried the selfhelp books and tapes, but they are way too dull and tedious. You like the idea of some of the commercial products available, the most recognizable named after the stone tablet that provided the key to the modern understanding of Egyptian hieroglyphs, but these are expensive. Now, The Hayner Public Library District provides you an easy FREE alternative for painlessly learning the language(s) of your choice. And you can do it from the comfort of your home using your computer or your hand-held device. You can even use it when you are traveling and out of town.

The **Mango database, accessible through the Hayner Library's website, www.haynerlibrary.org, gives you anytime, anywhere access to a fast, easy, effective language-learning system** that teaches real conversation skills for practical communication.

Your Hayner library card gives you access to Mango Basic and Mango Complete:

- Mango Basic: for the beginner in a new language. Teaches helpful everyday phrases. The self-paced courses, which require only two to five hours of time to complete, are available in **37 foreign languages** *(Spanish, French, Italian, Brazilian, Portuguese, German, Russian, Mandarin Chinese, Japanese, Greek, Arabic (Levantine), Farsi, Pashto, Urdu, Turkish, Hebrew, Korean, Vietnamese, Thai, Tagalog, Hindi, Irish, Dari, and more)* and 14 English as a Second Language (ESL) courses.
- Mango Complete: a 100-lesson course that is designed to provide a full understanding of an entire language and its culture. It is available in **nine foreign languages** and three ESL courses.

You can access Mango from your iPhone, iPod or iPad, **FREE of CHARGE**.

**How Mango works:** There's science at the center of this Mango, and it's called INTUITIVE LANGUAGE CONSTRUCTION.

Every Mango course, chapter, and lesson incorporates the Intuitive Language Construction methodology, designed to simulate the way people learn when actually surrounded by a foreign culture through practical conversation.

Intuitive Language Construction increases what you learn AND your ability to use it. Each lesson covers all four key-language components—Vocabulary, Pronunciation, Grammar, and Culture—while maximizing comprehension and retention. A working knowledge of each component, and the ability to combine them correctly, is crucial to being understood and accepted by native speakers.

### Vocabulary

Mango focuses on words and phrases that will be the most valuable in common, real-life situations for each specific language and culture.

Vocabulary words are taught through conversation, rather than just a list, to help users understand context and make the most of their time. After just one Mango lesson, you'll be speaking in your new language—and have fun doing it!

### Pronunciation

Mango takes pronunciation to a whole new level, helping learners speak more accurately and conversationally. Mango audio is recorded by professional native-speaking voice talent, using the standard dialect, giving users the best possible baseline to model their own pronunciation after. Mango has also integrated a variety of interactive tools designed to help improve pronunciation. Users can interact with any word, at any time, to view its phonetic spelling. Mango provides two different pronunciation speeds. The fluent pronunciation is spoken at a normal conversational speed. In the articulate pronunciation, the narrator speaks more slowly and enunciates each syllable. The voice comparison tool allows users to speak into their microphones, see a visual representation of their pronunciation compared to the narrator's, and adjust until they are as close as possible.

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Christmas – Dec. 24, 25, & 26
New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1
Dr Martin Luther King Day – Jan. 16
Presidents' Day – Feb. 20

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## Become Bilingual (Cont.)

### Grammar

Grammar instruction is at the core of what makes the Intuitive Language Construction Methodology unique. Because each lesson is based on actual conversation, Mango students are CONSTANTLY learning about grammar and sentence structure at the same time they're learning vocabulary and pronunciation.

Through Mango's semantic color mapping, literal translations, grammar notes, and critical thinking exercises, users are able to easily identify and recognize linguistic patterns. As they learn, they begin to intuitively understand how the words and phrases are combined to construct meaning. They can then use what they learn and apply it to similar conversations. The knowledge is acquired without the user's even realizing it! This is called Stealth Grammar, because it just sneaks up on you.

### Culture

Mango integrates cultural insight into every lesson, ensuring that users develop an understanding of the expectations, customs, and etiquette of the people they want to communicate with. Understanding culture helps students know which conversational tools are most appropriate for which situations and which audiences.

The Mango curriculum is developed by native-speaking professional language teachers, many of whom teach at the university level and hold PhDs. They understand the cultural challenges that a learner will face and carefully design each learning experience to help overcome those challenges.

You have no more excuses to put off learning a foreign language. Can you imagine how much fun it would be to be fluent when you travel outside the USA? Perhaps you are going overseas for a job or for the military, or perhaps you want to brush up on the language skills you started to build in high school. How great would it be at the next neighborhood block party to slip into fluent Farsi while gathered around the BBQ? For more information on Mango or the many other free learning tools available to you, go to Haynerlibrary.org and click on "Online Resources."

## *Researching Colorful Characters*

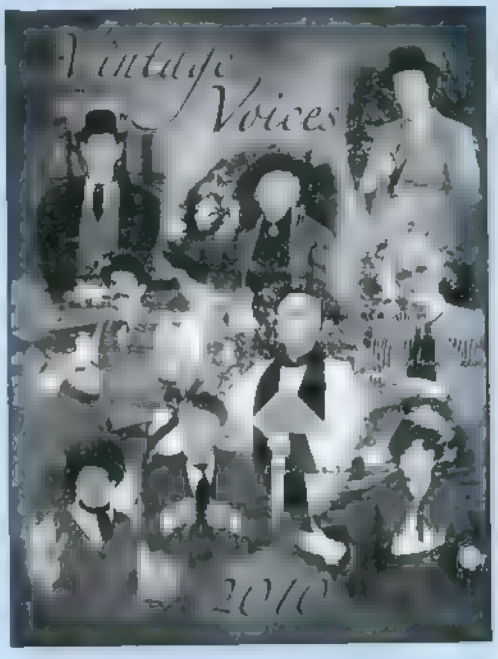
This past October 2011, Alton Little Theater presented the tenth annual Vintage Voices Living History Tour in the historic Alton Cemetery. If you have never attended this event, you are depriving yourself of an outstanding opportunity to watch history come alive. If I were king [ed.], I would make it mandatory for every school-age kid in our community to attend. The easy walking tour takes place each year on three Saturdays in October in the beautiful, historical Alton Cemetery and involves stops by various grave sites to see character reenactments of citizens from our colorful past. Hayner staff members Beth Phillips, Sue Hardin, and Stephanie Munson volunteered as guides for the 2011 tours.

Each year, members of Alton Little Theater volunteer to recreate the lives and times of those who settled and developed the river cities of southern Illinois. During the tour, visitors meet about a dozen different reenactors who, through a short monologue, recount issues, incidents, and anecdotes of their lives. Each reenactor is responsible for the research and scripting of his or her own monologue.

For their research, the volunteers turn most often to the resources available through the Illinois Room collection of The Hayner Public Library District. Every year, Hayner staff members contribute many research hours to help produce new character scripts for the Living History Tour. The staff uses the Illinois Room resources when researching deceased Alton citizens. The Telegraph digitization is always helpful, and the county history book also can contribute a large amount of information on prominent past members of River Bend society.

Hayner personnel also check cemetery interment records and obituaries from the newspaper to make sure the person being researched was actually buried in the City Cemetery, making him or her a candidate for Vintage Voices.

Hominy Tom was a local Alton character in the 1800s whose story Hayner staff helped research. Some of the Little Theater members remembered hearing the name "Hominy Tom," but no one knew much about him, including what was his given name. Through resources in the Illinois Room, Pam Bierman, Hayner Library Assistant, was able to locate his given name, Thomas Eustace, and verify his final resting place in Alton Cemetery. Pam confirmed that Hominy was an elderly gentleman who, for years, walked the streets of Alton calling "Hominy," to which housewives would leave their kitchens to buy a day's supply of hominy for meals. A plaque was subsequently raised in his honor and stands in the Alton Cemetery. Pam assembled her research into a book titled *Hominy Tom*, and it is now a part of the Illinois Room collection.




Hayner Library staff members also have assisted many out-of-state family members who are researching their Alton roots, including today's descendants of the Hayner family and the Levis family (original owners of the Alton Glass Company). Other interesting projects Hayner Genealogy staff members have undertaken include.

- Researching the steel beams manufactured at Laclede Steel that were used in the building of the World Trade Center
- Fulfilling requests from television crews and production companies
- Assisting out-of-state newspapers looking for specific articles and photos regarding Robert Wadlow
- Helping teams of paranormal activists in their research on alleged haunted properties
- Assisting the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in searches for prior land uses.

## *Dr. Pat Dailey, Educator and Artist*

The next time you visit Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, be sure to look to your right as you enter the facility to view the artwork of Dr. Pat Dailey. Dr Dailey, an Alton resident, is a man of many talents.

Originally from Warren, Ohio, Pat attended Youngstown State University in Ohio and graduated with a BA in Education. He continued his education at Bowling Green State University, earning a Master's degree in Biology and a PHd in Entomology, the branch of zoology dealing with insects. As a graduate assistant at Bowling Green University, he worked part time as a biological illustrator. In 1981 he accepted a job at the SIUE Dental School in Alton. There he was employed as an electron microscopist. Electron microscopy is a function of cellular biology requiring the study of cells through an electron microscope. While employed by SIUE, he also illustrated a chapter in the medical text *Ten Cate's Oral Histology*. He illustrated the chapter on Bone Development written by Dr. Bill Witson of the SIUE School of Dental Medicine

In 1982, Pat accepted a full-time position as a professor in the Biology Department at Lewis and Clark Community College. There he created and taught the courses Human Sexuality and Reproduction, Ecological Principles, The Biology of Nutrition, Evolutionary Theory, Human Genetics, Field Biology, Fundamentals of Biology, Zoology, Medical Terminology, and Human Diseases.

Now retired from full-time teaching, Pat has more time to pursue his other passions, including painting, photography, and singing. Pat started painting as a child at age 10. Though never having formal training, Pat's artistic talents are remarkable. He mostly prefers to work with watercolors but also enjoys working in pen and ink and pencil.

For several of the paintings on display, Pat starts by creating an original watercolor template block that is then manipulated through computer graphic design programs to create exquisite mixes of patterns called tessellations. Look closely at the paintings. They are intricately interwoven mixes of biologically correct insect forms. See what you can find. There are dragonflies and ladybugs, insect wings, spider abdomens, damselflies, and more. On the side wall of the display are dramatic photographs of red belt and coral fungi that Pat captured during his explorations of The Nature Institute in Godfrey.

Pat also designed a print, "Celebrating the Renewal of Hayner Library." Copies of this original print were given out at the grand opening of the Hayner Library of Genealogy & Local History in the spring of 2011.

Pat's artistic talents also include musical performance. He has a beautiful bass voice and has been a member of the wonderful Lewis & Clark choral group Limited Edition and the Lewis & Clark Concert Choir for the past six years.

The next time you visit the mall library, be sure to leave time to view Pat's work. You will be mesmerized. These donated pieces will be placed in various parts of the library following the showcase of his works.

An ongoing design objective for the mall library is to rotate displays of work from local artists. Prior to the display of Pat Dailey's work, the library showcased the original oil prints of Alton artist Jeffrey Vaughn. These paintings are currently displayed in the quiet reading area of the mall library.

## LOOK WHAT'S NEW IN OUR ILLINOIS ROOM

Past and Present of Marshall and Putnam Counties IR 977.3515 BUR
Stark County and its Pioneers IR 977.3513 SHA
Past and Present of Iroquois County IR 977.364 KER
History of Rock Island County IR 977.3393 HIS
Ghosts of Jefferson Barracks IR 133.109778 GOO
Gateway to the West History: The History of Jefferson Barracks IR 977.866 KOL
Devil Came to St. Louis IR 265.94 TAY
Illinois Crime Book IR 364.09773 NUN
Weird Illinois IR 133.129773 TAY
Foothold on a Hillside IR B CARAWAY
Diamond I Products (patron donation) IR 666.192 DIA
Genealogies of the First Settlers of Passaic Valley N.J. (patron donation) IR 929.374923 LIT
Baptisms and Admission from the Records of First Church in Falmouth (Maine) (patron donation) IR 929.374191 BAP
Wilson County, Tennessee Wills 1802–1850 (patron donation) IR 929.376854 WIL
Index to 1860 Federal Census of South Carolina (patron donation) IR 929.3757 IND
Wayne County, Missouri Cemeteries (patron donation) IR 929.50977892 WAY
Confederate Soldiers Buried at Vicksburg (patron donation) IR 929.5 CON
Cumberland County (Pa.) Oaths of Allegiance (patron donation) IR 929.374843 FRA
Orangeburgh District South Carolina Returns in Partition from the Court of Equity (patron donation) IR 929.375779 ORA
Oconee County, South Carolina Cemetery Survey Vols. #1&#2 (patron donation) IR 929.509757 ROA

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## Hayner Library Special Events

*Join us for our winter semester of events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 222 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**
Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Mall Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, January 14**
**Saturday, February 11**
**Saturday, March 10**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at

Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

### Local History Program
### *Our Grand Displays*
### Guest Speaker Don Huber

**Wednesday, January 18, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street.*

The Grand Opening of The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library is behind us. If you haven't visited the building yet, we encourage you to come take a tour and see our newly renovated historic building. Our library holds nine grand display cases full of historic artifacts, such as a saucer and teacup of Mary Todd Lincoln's and a Western Military Academy cadet uniform. The items inside these display cases show and tell stories of our local history. On January 18, 2012, local historian Don Huber will host a local history program; he will speak on the items inside the cases and tell how they connect with Alton's history. Consider it a story time for adults! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Debby Heal
### *Time & Again – Book Signing*

**Saturday, January 21,**
**12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.**

Local author Debby Heal will sign her new book, *Time & Again: Charlotte of Miles Station*, in the Hayner Library at the Mall. The book is historical fiction and portrays the life of the Miles family, who maintained a stop on the Underground Railroad in Miles Station (an actual town that was in Macoupin County, Ill.) Classified as Young Adult fiction, it is a story everyone will enjoy. Copies of her book will be available for sale.

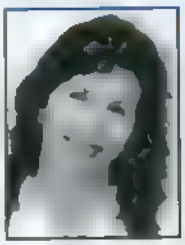
### Dennis Stroughmatt et l'Esprit Creole

**Tuesday, January 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Take a tour into French Creole and Cajun

music, through all the regional variations of North America, with Dennis Stroughmatt, an extraordinary fiddler, folklorist, historian, and passionate educator and speaker. Fingers and bow flying, the band, l'Esprit Creole, led by Dennis, takes listeners on a musical odyssey not so different from Dennis's own musical journeys into Upper Louisiana Creole culture. A vibrant blend of Celtic, Canadian, and Old Time sounds, this music bridges the gap between contemporary Canadian and Louisiana Cajun styles. Don't miss this high-energy performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Nancy Herold
### *My Celtic Valentine*

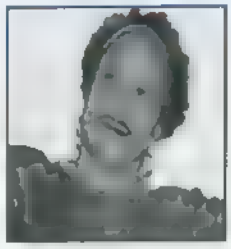


**Tuesday, February 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Nancy Herold (also known by her stage name, Adriana Larkin) is a singer, songwriter, storyteller, and motivational speaker and has also published a book on career transitions. She joins us to perform a program of original music as well as romantic Irish favorites to get you in the mood for Valentine's Day. Bring your best date and enjoy a sweethearts' evening of music.

### Loretta Washington
### *African-American Spirituals: The History Behind the Songs*

**Tuesday, February 14, 6:30 p.m.**



Have you ever heard an old gospel song and wondered, Where did those lyrics come from? What do the words really mean? How old is that song? Who wrote that song? What was the songwriter thinking about? What was the songwriter going through when he wrote that song? Master Storyteller Loretta Washington will answer some of these and other questions for you. When you add her rich storytelling voice to her style of singing, the end results are some wonderful short stories about the songwriters and some of our most treasured spirituals. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Bud Shultz & You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
### *Celebrate Fat Tuesday*

**Tuesday, February 21, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Gallery of Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill.*

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in Traditional and Dixieland Jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great new venue, the Gallery of Hatheway Hall. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bach to the Future

### *Bach That Rocks*

**Tuesday, March 6, 6:30 p.m.**

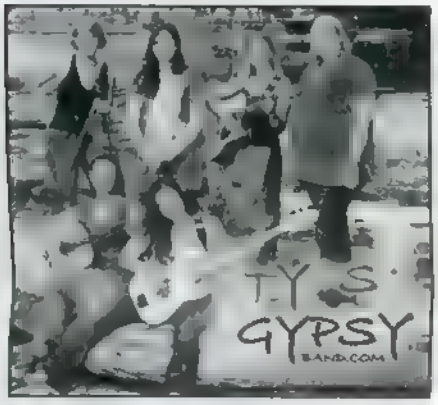
*Note: This program will be held in Hatheway Hall, on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

Imagine the classics—Bach, Beethoven, Mozart—performed in exciting new ways . . . modern jazz, African, and Latin rhythms. The four-man performance group Bach to the Future brings an exciting, whimsical approach to the most beloved music of all time, and some of the most interesting cutting-edge instruments you'll ever see. How about a drumitar? An electric violin that glows when you play it? All four players are world-renowned performers, best-selling authors, and highly acclaimed composers. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Typsy Gypsies

**Tuesday, March 13, 6:30 p.m.**

March is Women's History Month, and what better way to celebrate than attending a performance by the six women




of the Typsy Gypsy Band, who make history every time they perform! This local women's singing ensemble performs music for all ages—an eclectic combination of folk, rock, Americana, and Motown. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Deborrah Wyndham

### *Women in Ragtime Music*

**Thursday, March 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Deborrah Wyndham is a pianist/composer and singer-songwriter/guitarist whose music spans many genres. Seen on FOX, NBC, and ABC and with over 2,700 past performances, her music appeals to thousands of listeners from all over the world. Ragtime and other forms of traditional jazz inevitably morphed into the popular jazz music of the 1930s and 1940s, which has influenced so many other styles in our culture today. The secret of the rags written by women of early 20th-century America wasn't discovered until the 1970s, by Max Morath, well-known ragtime pianist and historian. This is a fascinating, entertaining, and informative account of the music at the dawn of the 20th century and the women who, behind the scenes, contributed to it. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# TeenSpace
## Winter 2012 Activities

### • Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the TeenSpace located at Alton Square Mall. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and help make the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 18; February 15; and March 21, 2012, at 4 p.m If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Movies at the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie Event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movies start at 4 p.m. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 12, February 9; and March 8, 2012. Buses are available to transport after school from Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Video Gaming

Calling all gamers! Come hang out with other teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12–18 welcome. This event meets from 1–3 p.m. at the Alton Square location on the following dates. Saturdays, January 14 and March 10, 2012.To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Spanish-Focused Book Club

Hey, Teens! Come join the Hayner Library's new "Spanish-Focused Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. The book club meets monthly, and snacks will be provided. For more information, call Shannon at 433-2872.

## Special Events

### • Teen Tech Week

"Geek Out @ Your Library"
March 4–10, 2012

Come join us for a Digital Scavenger Hunt in the TeenSpace at our Alton Square location. Teens will have a chance to show off their library knowledge and win some great prizes. For more information about this event or to register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Project Next Generation

In today's world, nearly anything that's done is touched, in some way, by technology; specifically, computers and computer-assisted technology You want to have that cutting edge; the one that gives your profile the kind of attention it needs to land you wherever it is that you're wanting to be: in a great job that you love, with lots of potential; at the top of the list of people that that college you're wanting to attend is considering for admission, or, in a position to start your own business, where you'll be in charge. The Hayner Public Library District has resources available to give you experience, skills in using current cutting-edge technology, and the poise and presence to be able to sell your talents to others.

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its sixth year of implementation at Hayner We are excited to be able to offer Saturday workshops once per month using the newest technologies. Our winter workshops are filling up fast, so don't wait to sign up! Meeting dates are Saturdays, January 21, 2012, for Web Design; February 25, 2012, for My Family History and the Day I Was Born, and March 31, 2012, for How to Use Garage Band on your iPad. In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for one of our Saturday sessions! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information or to sign up for our next session! Limited space is available!

# KidsSpace
## Winter 2012 Activities

### Alton Square

**• Bow-wow Pow-wow**

Saturday, January 14; Saturday, February 11; Saturday, March 10, 10.00–11:00 a.m.
Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

#### Story Times

➢ **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 9 and 23; February 6 and 13; March 5, 12, and 19, 2012, at 10 a.m. The January dates will include a special guest from The Children's Museum of Edwardsville. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ **Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 4, 18, and 25; February 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; March 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2012, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ Spanish Story Times — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: January 30; February 27; and March 26, 2012. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ **Itsy Bitsy Yoga** — Bring babies up to 12 months old for calm, relaxing yoga practice. Class includes baby massage, holding baby during yoga postures, interactive song and dance, and sharing a story with baby. Bring a towel or yoga mat. Class meets Thursdays, January 12; February 9; and March 8, 2012. Registration is limited! To register call 433-2881.

#### Special Events

➢ **Teddy Bear Sleepover Party** — Bring your favorite teddy bear or stuffed animal to a sleepover at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. Owners may drop off their teddy bears any time before 4 p.m. on Monday, January 23, 2011, at the Information Desk located in the KidsSpace at our Alton Square location. While in our care, your teddy bear will enjoy some fun activities, such as crafts, movies, and a special story time just for them. Come back January 24, at 7 p.m., when the fun continues with you and your teddy bear. Wear your favorite jammies and enjoy a few stories and a bedtime snack. Each participating bear will have a keepsake to take home to remember the fun! Space is limited. Register at 433-2881.

➢ **Family Movie Event** — Bring the whole family to this G-PG rated new release Saturday, February 11, 2012. The day will also include movie trivia, pizza, and drinks. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ **KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt** — Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 2 p.m. on March 24, 2012. All children will receive an Easter bag and have a chance to sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents, don't forget your cameras!

### Downtown

➢ **After-School Craft** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Downtown Library KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 10; February 14; and March 13, 2012. Please register at 433-2881.

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## *Hayner Library to Sponsor Youth Contests Celebrating Alton's 175 Anniversary*

The year of 2012 will mark the City of Alton's 175th year anniversary. Mayor Tom Hoechst, the Alton City Council and community organizations are already busy planning great activities and events to celebrate this significant milestone. As part of the events and to foster participation of Alton citizens of all ages, The Hayner Public Library District will be sponsoring two competitions for any child attending schools in the Hayner library district (Alton, Godfrey and Foster Townships) or any child being homeschooled within the Hayner district. The two contests include an original poster design competition and an original essay competition.

There will be three levels of judging for each of the two contests (poster drawing contest/ essay contest). The three levels of judging are: elementary school age, middle school age and high school age. A Grand prize winner will be picked for each judging level in both competitions. The grand prize winner will receive a Kindle Fire and their work will be featured in the *Alton 175 Year Commemorative Booklet* to be published by the City of Alton and The Telegraph. The winners will be recognized by the Alton City Council and their work will be displayed in various sites throughout the community.

**Contest Number 1: Original Poster Design**

Three levels of judging: elementary school age, Middle school age and high school. There will be three first prize winners, one from each school age group.

Entrants must submit an 8 ½ x 11 poster design in a medium of their choice.

Submissions due at any Hayner library location by February 29, 2012

Winners will be notified in March 2012

Winners must be able to attend a City Council Meeting to receive their award.

The subject of the poster must depict some aspect of Alton's history.

Posters will be judged on subject originality and artistic skill, commensurate with age.

**Contest Number 2: Original Essay**

Three levels of judging: elementary school age, Middle school age and high school. There will be three first prize winners, one from each school age group.

Entrants must submit an essay, not to exceed 300 words.

Submissions due at any Hayner library location by February 29, 2012

Winners will be notified in March 2012

Winners must be able to attend a City Council Meeting to receive their award.

The subject of the essay for elementary school composition must be "What does Alton Mean to you." Middle and high school level essays must include an historical component highlighting the importance or consequence of a point in Alton's history to life today. Essays will be judged on subject originality and creativity, grammar and composition and historical accuracy.

*Employees of The Hayner Public Library District and their families are not eligible to participate in these contests.*

## *Illinois Terminal, An Album of Steam, Electric and Diesel Locomotives* and *Spanning the Mississippi: The Alton Bridge and Its Railroads*

**by Ronald Schmidt**

Ronald Schmidt has always been fascinated by trains. As a boy he snapped pictures of the trains in Alton and on the Alton Bridge with his box camera. As an adult he wrote two history/photo books to help us remember. One book details the history of the Illinois Terminal Railroad. His second book tells the story of the Alton Bridge and its railroad. Mr. Schmidt has generously donated his books to the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.

*Illinois Terminal, An Album of Steam, Electric and Diesel Locomotives* is a photo history, complete with rosters of the steam, electric, and diesel locomotives operated by the Illinois Terminal Railroad. Many residents of Alton in the early 1900s heard the chugging wheels, huffing smoke, and shrill whistle calls announce the arrival of the steam locomotives in town. Some of them may have worked on these trains or in the rail yards. The railroad provided transportation of supplies and products to and from the Illinois Glass Company, Standard Oil, and other industries in the towns of the Riverbend area.

The Illinois Terminal Interurban Railroad also provided transportation for residents. These electric rail lines skimmed across the prairie, connecting commuters from central Illinois towns to Granite City and Alton and on to St. Louis. Many residents of this area rode the Dinky, a school bus modified to ride the rails, from Alton to Grafton on the Bluff Line.

Mr. Schmidt details how, by 1950, the Illinois Terminal Railroad had replaced steam locomotives with diesel motive power. By 1956, diesel-electric locomotives had also replaced the interurban lines, because diesel train travel was not restricted to overhead wire lines.

*Spanning the Mississippi: The Alton Bridge and Its Railroads* tells in words and pictures the history of the railroad bridge built in 1894 to cross the Mississippi River at Alton. The steam-powered swing span of the bridge was considered a modern marvel. Residents of Alton watched in fascination as it moved out over the water.

The trains and their bridge represent the sights, sounds, and smells of the early to mid-1900s in the River Bend. If your relatives lived then, you can relive part of their way of life as you browse the pages of Mr. Schmidt's books. Find them in the railroad collection of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street in Alton. IR 624.20977866 SCH

## *Cemeteries and Tombstone Inscriptions of Madison County, Illinois*

**Compiled by the Madison County Genealogical Society**

Are you looking for burial records in Madison County, Illinois? Then come to the Illinois Room. Sixteen books hold the burial records of 137 Madison County cemeteries in this collection compiled by the Madison County Genealogical Society. Cemetery indexes and burial indexes help researchers quickly find the cemetery and burial records they need. This collection is just one of many genealogical records found on the shelves of The Hayner Library District Genealogy & Local History Library in downtown Alton.
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## *Location, Location, Location*

Have you ever wondered how, or why, your family and friends live where they do? Have they always been in this area? Are they recent transplants to the area? People come to different regions for various reasons. Just as many birds move to warmer climates during winter seasons, people migrate to survive.

A few technical terms: An immigrant is one who migrates into a territory. An emigrant is what one is called at his or her departure point. People migrating into undeveloped areas are called settlers or colonists, while people displaced by circumstances such as immigration or colonization are called refugees.

Sometimes the situation is agreeable (change of scenery, charting new areas, finding new lands). Sometimes the situations are horrendous (war, famine, slavery). Regardless of the circumstances, the Genealogy & Local History Library has information to assist everyone from the most avid family tree plotter to the recently interested.

Our helpful staff can show you several maps of Migration Trails in the United States. These handy maps are divided into several regions. Was your family of Danish descent and lived around Albany, New York? Why did they move? What was the most-used trail? By using these maps, you may find that your family moved to Lake Erie areas. If this was during the early 1800s, they may have moved to find work on the construction of the Erie Canal.

Or maybe your family reached Illinois via the first National Road, the Cumberland Road. These trails aren't just interesting anecdotal stories; they also aid in discovering where your family began or travelled. You may have been stuck on a certain family member's location, and knowing the trails of migration can help you deduce where they went and why.

So, if you are looking for extra help in tracing family locations, or if you are just interested in the migration patterns of our American history, visit us at the Genealogy & Local History Library, located at 401 State Street. There are color copies of maps and trail information located in the information carousel near our counters. Come in and ask any of us for assistance— we love to help!

Happy Hunting!

## *Looking For St. Charles County, Missouri, Genealogy?*

St. Charles County has always had a connection to Alton. In the 1800s, steamboats, packets, and ferries carried people and products between Alton and cities in Missouri. The bridge built over the Mississippi at Alton in 1928 made travel to St. Charles easier.

Some Alton residents traveled to St. Charles to get married and then set up housekeeping back in Illinois. Or they lived in West Alton and came to Alton to get married. Some people lived in St. Charles County, and then moved to Alton to work.

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library can help you find those traveling ancestors. The library has an extensive collection of records from St. Charles County. Find indexes or copies of births, baptisms, marriages, including legalized marriages of freed African Americans, naturalizations, obituaries and burials, censuses, early pioneer biographies, school and real estate tax lists, and St. Charles County histories. And that's just the books! The genealogy websites have more information!

The staff at Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library will be glad to help you. Call us or come in to see if we have the information you need.

## *The Eloquent President*

**By: Ronald C. White, Jr.**

Abraham Lincoln was an excellent communicator. During his election campaigns, he convinced citizens to elect him with straightforward, sometimes humorous, oratory that appealed to their hearts as well as their minds. Some of his contemporaries regarded Mr. Lincoln as an awkward, ungainly frontiersman whose language was homespun and unpolished. Time proved them wrong. Author Ronald White describes the evolution of Lincoln's literary style from the "measured, lawyerly tones" of his First Inaugural Address to the stirring, poetic lines of the Gettysburg Address. Mr. White correlates the changes in Lincoln's literary style to his personal growth during his presidencies. The loss of his second son and the heart-rending challenges of leading the country during the Civil War refined Mr. Lincoln's personality, strengthened his resolve, and deepened his spiritual life.

Read *The Eloquent President* in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.

## *Citing Resources*

Are you writing your family history? Do you have questions about citing the sources you have used? We have the help you need.

Quick Sheets summarize professional citation of online historical and genealogical websites. Clear, detailed instructions and examples show how to cite website authors, databases, publication data, pages, sections, keywords, and so forth.

The citation guidelines are based on the definitive standards described by Elizabeth Shown Mills in her books *Evidence! Citation & Analysis for the Family Historian*, and *Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace*.

The staff at the Service Desk of the Genealogy & Local History Library will be happy to provide these Quick Sheets for you and to copy any information that you may need to take with you.

## WELCOME BACK, EAGLES!

There are some aspects of winter that we all love, and one is the return of the eagles to the River Bend. The Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau organizes a great set of activities to help you and your family appreciate this treat of nature. The following is a VERY abbreviated list of eagle activities. Please contact the CVB at 1-800-258-6645 or check their website at www.visitalton.com for a full calendar of area-wide winter events. Prevent winter doldrums and antsy kids . . . the CVB has terrific activities every weekend for the family to enjoy.

**ALTON EAGLE FESTIVAL**
**Saturday, Jan. 7, 2012**
**10 a.m.–2 p.m.**
*Audubon Center at Riverlands*
*301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, IL 63386*
Join us for the kickoff of the eagle-watching season. See a live bald eagle up close and personal. Meet and greet with partners from our Eagle Watching Hot Spots to see what is in store for the rest of the season. Receive your "bird band" and become an official Alton Eagle Watcher. Bring the kids for fun activities and crafts. Learn about eagle watching—how to spot eagles, where to look, and what brings the eagles to this region each year. Then head back across the river to Downtown Alton for ice sculpting on the streets and a wildlife art walk to view eagle and wildlife photography displayed by artists from Alton and beyond! The Hayner Library of Genealogy & Local History will participate in the festival, presenting singer and storyteller Becky Long at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and featuring artist displays. Admission for all Festival events is free For more details, call 1-800-258-6645 or go to www.visitalton.com.

**WILDLIFE WEEKENDS**
**Saturdays: Jan. 7–Feb. 25, 2012**
**10 a.m.–2 p.m.**
*TreeHouse Wildlife Center*
*23956 Green Acres Rd., Dow, IL 62022*
Visit the TreeHouse Wildlife Center on Saturdays in January and February to view live bald eagles being rehabilitated at the center. While you're there, visit some of the other wildlife that call the center home—hawks, owls, falcons, and more. For more information, call (618) 466-2990 or go to www.treehousewildlifecenter.com.

**AUDUBON EAGLE WATCH**
**Saturdays: Jan. 7–Feb. 25, 2012**
**10 a.m.– 4 p.m.**
*Audubon Center at Riverlands*
*301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, IL 63386*
Join us at the new Audubon Center at Riverlands this eagle season for eagle viewing and education in this designated Important Birding Area at the Riverlands Migratory Bird Sanctuary. Enjoy the view from the comfort of the new building or venture out to the bird blind on the water's edge for a closer look. Free admission. For more information, call (636) 899-0060 or go to riverlands audubon.org.

## *Thank You, Head Start Donors, RIF 2011*

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services, a local nonprofit for disadvantaged children, believes that books in the home are a basic necessity. These generous donors helped give 3,000 free books to the nonprofit's children:

Borders, Mrs. Milton S. Bumbacher, Ms. Carissa Kristoff, Ms. Margaret Coles, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Cox, Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Davenport, Dr. Richard Hamilton, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Hartman, Mr. & Mrs. Dave Hinkle, Mrs. Elmo Hinson, Ms. Jennifer Hooker, PNC, Reading is Fundamental, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Shearburn, Mr. & Mrs. James Sinclair, TheBANK of Edwardsville, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Thornberry, Dr. & Mrs. David Weingart, Dr. & Mrs. Myles Yanta.

The Hayner Public Library District partners with Riverbend Head Start & Family Services in reading and literacy programs such as its Reading is Fundamental book distribution

Unfortunately, federal funding was eliminated this year for Reading Is Fundamental (RIF). It provides 4.4 million American children with free books at nearly 17,000 locations throughout the U.S. Locally, Riverbend Head Start & Family Services receives an RIF grant, matched by local donors, that puts 3,000 books in the hands of nearly 1,000 disadvantaged young children.

"When I visit RIF programs across this country, I see firsthand the joy children feel when empowered to choose their very own book to own," said RIF president and CEO Carol Rasco.

RIF operates through Head Start programs, schools, community centers, hospitals, military bases, and other locations that serve children from low-income families, children with disabilities, homeless children, and children without adequate access to libraries. For 44 years, RIF has provided millions of children the opportunity to choose free and high-quality books to read and keep for themselves.

Millions of children are living in the United States without access to books. Book distribution programs are a key factor in developing children to be readers at an early age and a gateway to greater student achievement. A study found that providing children access to print through book lending and book distribution programs improves their reading performance, is instrumental in helping them learn the basics of reading, causes them to read more and for longer lengths of time, and improves their attitude toward reading and learning.

RIF has been an authorized, national program by the U.S. Department of Education through the Elementary and Secondary Education Act for over thirty years. RIF has received bi-partisan support and has been funded by six administrations without interruption until now.

"Our educational programs are under attack, and it's time to fight back," said Rasco. "Investments in education are investments in our country's future—our children."

RIF is committed to ensuring that, despite the odds, all children have the chance to experience the joy of reading and have books to call their own. Reading is indeed fundamental, and you can support this cause online at www.rif.org

## *Large Print Collection Relocated in Downtown Library*

The large print collection at the Hayner Downtown Library has been moved from its previous location upstairs; it is now located on the main level in the former Illinois Room. Aside from allowing more space for large print materials, the new space is nice and bright and best of all, no stairs! The space opened up by this reconfiguration will be used to shelve our teen and young adult collections, separating them out from the youth materials. This will also allow us more space for the youth materials currently occupying the old Reading Room space. Fresh paint and other cosmetic touches provide a great lift to the display of materials, and all three collections are more accessible. Visit us soon and let us know what you think!

## *Did Santa Bring eReaders?*

One of the most popular items for holiday shoppers this year is eReader devices. Happily, for some time now, The Hayner Public Library District has been offering patrons eBooks that they can check out, free, with a Hayner Library card.

When you download an eBook from the OverDrive® eBook collection on Hayner's website, you will receive an electronic copy of the book on your reader that will disappear at the end of the two-week loan period. You will never have to worry about late fines. If you were not finished reading the eBook, you simply check it out again. If your book is already checked out to someone else, you can put it on your reserve list, and you will be notified when the book is available for you to download.

If you are not sure how to download a book from the library's electronic collection, there are instructions (hard copy) available at the Hayner Library circulation desks or on our website at www.haynerlibrary.org. Hayner circulation and reference staff can also help you get started.

Note: For Apple products only, to access eBooks from the library collection, you will need to have previously downloaded the free OverDrive® app from the Apple app store. You will not be able to download this app within the Hayner Library Wi-Fi.

Happy reading!

## *SCORE Makes Generous Donation to The Hayner Public Library District*

SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business is a volunteer organization of businesspeople that offers free confidential counseling to small business entrepreneurs. The Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423 serves seven counties of the Riverbend area and has helped many local businesspeople achieve success in planning and operating their own business ventures. For more information, log onto the SCORE website at www.score.org or call 618-467-2280.

The Hayner Public Library District and SCORE have partnered through the years to develop resources and programs supporting our communities' small business development.

SCORE also has provided generous funding to The Hayner Public Library District, contributing to the development of a premier small-business reference collection. You can find the collection in the Reference Department of the library at Alton Square Mall.

This fall, SCORE again made a significant contribution to Hayner's small-business reference collection. On behalf of SCORE, Southwestern Illinois, Chapter 423, Alton-Godfrey, the following titles have been added to the small business collection of The Hayner Public Library District.

**101 Sample Write-Ups for Documenting Employee Performance Problems: A Guide to Progressive Discipline & Termination**
by Paul Facone 2010
**Bond's Hottest New Franchises, 2011**
by Robert E. Bond 2011
**Culinary Careers For Dummies**
by Michele Thomas 2011
**EntreLeadership: 20 Years of Practical Business Wisdom from the Trenches**
by Dave Ramsey 2011
**Gallery of Best Resumes: A Collection of Quality Resumes by Professional Resume Writers, 5th Edition**
by David Noble 2011
**Great by Choice: Uncertainty, Chaos, and Luck—Why Some Thrive Despite Them All** by Jim Collins 2011
**Great by Choice** CD unabridged 2011
**Project Management for Small Business: A Streamlined Approach from Planning to Completion**
by Joseph Phillips 2011
**Resume Objective Statements and Professional Summaries**
by Gary W. Capone 2011
**Same-Day Resume: Write an Effective Resume in an Hour**
by Louise Kursmark 2012
**Secrets of Successful Communication: A Simple Guide to Effective Encounters in Business**
by Kevin McCarney 2011
**Small Time Operator: How to Start Your Own Business, Keep Your Books, Pay Your Taxes, and Stay Out of Trouble 12th ed.**
by Bernard Kamoroff 2011
**Start & Run a Computer Repair Service**
by Lynn Spry 2011
**Starting an Online Business All-in-One for Dummies 3rd edition**
by Shannon Belew 2011
**Startup Weekend: How to Take a Company from Concept to Creation in 54 Hours**
by Marc Nager 2011
**The Digital Mom Handbook: How to Blog, Vlog, Tweet, and Facebook Your Way to a Dream Career at Home**
by Audrey McClelland 2011
**The SBA Loan Book: The Complete Guide to Getting Financial Help Through the Small Business Administration**
by Charles Green 2011
**The Successful Marketing Plan: How to Create Dynamic, Results Oriented Marketing, 4th Edition**
by Roman Hiebing 2011
**Think and Grow Rich: The Master Mind Volume**
by Napoleon Hill 2011
**What to Ask the Person in the Mirror: Critical Questions for Becoming a More Effective Leader and Reaching Your Potential**
by Robert Steven Kaplan 2011

All these materials are available for checkout at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. With SCORE's support, The Hayner Public Library District has developed the premier business reference collection in southern Illinois.

Thank you, SCORE, for your unstinting support of The Hayner Public Library District as well as the entire Riverbend community.

## *Blue Star Family Book Project*

Operation Paperback is an organization of service wives and husbands who collect books for our soldiers. Hayner Library has worked with this organization for the last four years gathering books to send overseas. They are now in need of new and gently used children's books. These books will be donated to bases all over the United States and will be given to children whose parents are serving our country.

Books are needed in the following categories:
1. Board Books and Picture Books
2. Early Readers (Ages 4–6)
3. Short Chapter Books (Ages 7–9)
4. Preteen Fiction (Ages 10–12)
5. Young Adult Fiction

Donations to cover the cost of postage also will be welcome. A donation of $14.95 will pay for one box to be sent within the United States. The soldiers' children and Hayner Library will appreciate your contributions to this worthwhile program. Please leave books and /or mailing donations at either Alton Square library or Downtown library. If writing a check please make out to Hayner Library.

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

**—Non-Fiction**

**Alford, Mimi.** Once Upon a Secret: My Affair with President John F. Kennedy and Its Aftermath

**Allman, Gregg.** My Cross to Bear

**Amen, Daniel, M.D.** Use Your Brain to Change Your Age: Secrets to Look, Feel, and Think Younger Every Day

**Barrett, Paul M.** Glock: The Rise of America's Gun

**Bittman, Mark.** How to Cook Everything. The Basics: All You Need to Make Great Food—With 1,000 Photos

**Braverman, Eric, M.D.** The Braverman Brain Advantage: Six Steps to a Younger Smarter You from America's Brain Health Doctor

**Covey, Stephen M. R.** Smart Trust: Creating Prosperity, Energy, and Joy in a Low-Trust World

**Danziger, Lucy.** The Drop 10 Diet: Harness the Fat-Melting Power of Superfoods

**Davis, Stephen.** More Room in a Broken Heart: The True Adventures of Carly Simon

**Dodson, James.** American Triumvirate: Sam Snead, Byron Nelson, Ben Hogan, and the Modern Age of Golf

**Drummond, Ree.** The Pioneer Woman Cooks: Food from My Frontier

**Duhigg, Charles.** The Power of Habit: Why We Do What We Do

**Earley, Pete.** The Serial Killer Whisperer: How One Man's Tragedy Helped Unlock the Deadliest Secrets of the World's Most Terrifying Killer

**Ghonim, Wael.** Revolution 2.0: A Memoir and Call to Action

**Goodavage, Maria.** Soldier Dogs: The Untold Story of America's Canine Heroes

**Groom, Winston.** Shiloh, 1862: The First Great and Terrible Battle of the Civil War

**Hanna, David.** Knights of the Sea: The True Story of the Boxer and the Enterprise and the War of 1812

**Hudson, Jennifer.** I Got This: How I Changed My Ways, Found Myself, and Lost What Weighed Me Down

**Hyman, Mark.** The Blood Sugar Solution: The UltraHealthy Program for Losing Weight, Preventing Disease, and Feeling Great Now!

**Jaliman, Debra.** Skin Rules: Trade Secrets from a Top New York Dermatologist

**Kantor, Jodi.** The Obamas

**Kyle, Chris.** American Sniper: The Autobiography of the Most Lethal Sniper in U.S. Military History

**Lamott, Anne.** Some Assembly Required: A Journal of My Son's First Son

**Lencioni, Patrick M.** The Advantage: Why Organizational Health Trumps Everything Else in Business

**Levin, Mark R.** Ameritopia: The Unmaking of America

**Mayes, Frances.** The Tuscan Sun Cookbook: Recipes from Our Italian Kitchen

**Nagorski, Andrew.** Hitlerland: American Eyewitnesses to the Nazi Rise to Power

**Niemi, Lisa (Swayze).** Worth Fighting For: Love, Loss, and Moving Forward

**Penn, Thomas.** Winter King: Henry VII and the Dawn of Tudor England

**Small, Gary.** The Alzheimer's Prevention Program: Keep Your Brain Healthy for the Rest of Your Life

**Smith, Sally Bedell.** Elizabeth the Queen: Inside the Life of a Modern Monarch

**Tack, Karen.** Cupcakes, Cookies & Pie, Oh, My!

**Tillman, Barrett.** Enterprise: America's Fightingest Ship and the Men Who Helped Win World War II

**Vikmanis, Laura.** It's Not About the Pom-Poms: How a 40-Year-Old Mom Became the NFL's Oldest Cheerleader—and Found Hope, Joy, and Inspiration Along the Way

**Waltrip, Darrell.** Sundays Will Never Be the Same: Racing, Rivalry, and the Day Everything Changed

**—Fiction**

**Barr, Nevada.** The Rope: An Anna Pigeon Novel

**Barry, Dave.** Lunatics: A Novel

**Beaton, M. C.** Death of a Kingfisher

**Bell, Ted.** Phantom: An Alex Hawke Novel

**Berenson, Alex.** The Shadow Patrol

**Box, C. J.** Force of Nature

**Brockmann, Suzanne.** Born to Darkness

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Sonoma Rose: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel

**Clancy, Tom.** Locked On

**Clark, Mary Jane.** The Look of Love

**Coben, Harlan.** Stay Close

**Crais, Robert.** Taken

**Cussler, Clive.** The Thief

**de Rosnay, Tatiana.** The House I Loved

**Dorsey, Tim.** Pineapple Grenade

**Evanovich, Janet.** Love in a Nutshell

**Gardner, Lisa.** Catch Me

**Garrison, Paul.** Robert Ludlum's The Janson Command

**George, Elizabeth.** Believing the Lie

**Green, Jane.** Another Piece of My Heart

**Grippando, James.** Need You Now

**Hannah, Kristin.** Home Front

**Higgins, Jack.** A Devil Is Waiting

**Jance, J. A.** Left for Dead

**Kellerman, Faye.** Gun Games

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Victims: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Kinsella, Sophie.** I've Got Your Number

**Kleypas, Lisa.** Rainshadow Road

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Copper Beach: A Dark Legacy Novel

**Leonard, Elmore.** Raylan

**Lescroart, John.** The Hunter

**Meier, Leslie.** Chocolate Covered Murder

**Michaels, Fern.** Deadline

**Mosley, Walter.** All I Did Was Shoot My Man

**Palmer, Michael.** Oath of Office

**Paretsky, Sara.** Breakdown

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** The Jaguar: A Charlie Hood Novel

**Patterson, James.** Guilty Wives

**Patterson, James.** Private Games

**Patterson, James.** Private: #1 Suspect

**Patterson, Richard North.** Fall from Grace

**Picoult, Jodi.** Lone Wolf

**Preston, Douglas.** Gideon's Corpse

**Robb, J. D.** Celebrity in Death

**Steel, Danielle.** Betrayal: A Novel

**Woods, Stuart.** D. C. Dead

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Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Alton Square Library**
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Sunday, Noon to 6 p.m.

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Wed., 12:00 noon – 8:00 p.m., closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

## *Coming in March . . .*

**Chart-Topping Pianist Michael Silverman Takes Classical Music into the Modern Age with**

## BACH TO THE FUTURE!

Imagine the classics—Bach, Beethoven, Mozart—performed in exciting new ways . . . modern jazz, African, and Latin rhythms. The four-man performance group Bach to the Future brings an exciting, whimsical approach to the most beloved music of all time, and some of the most interesting cutting-edge instruments you'll ever see. How about a drumitar? An electric violin that glows when you play it?

All four players are world-renowned performers, best-selling authors, and highly acclaimed composers. They include:

**Michael Silverman: Pianist/Composer**
Emmy Award–winning composer Michael Silverman has composed hundreds of TV themes, radio productions, and films. He is also the most downloaded classical pianist of 2008, with albums reaching the #1 position in both Classical and New Age charts.

**Rob Silverman: Zendrum, Drums**
Rob Silverman, drummer, author, teacher, and clinician, has written several best-selling instructional books and CD sets, published by Mel Bay Publishing, including *Drumset 101*, *Secrets of the Greats*, and *Drum Lessons for Kids of All Ages*.

**Andrew Driscoll: Electric Violin**
Andrew Driscoll has performed with Sarah Brightman, Luciano Pavarotti, and the Trans Siberian Orchestra, among many others. His glowing electric violin is a highlight ot the Bach to the Future show!

**Matt Bollinger: Bass Guitar**
Matt performs on the Wish Bass, a six-string fretless, electric bass guitar. His interest in arranging Bach's cello suites for this instrument was the genesis of Bach to the Future. His exciting arrangements for a variety of unusual bass guitars are a featured element of the band's live performances.

### This is a show you won't want to miss!
### Bach to the Future – the Bach That Rocks!

This performance will be held on Tuesday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. It is FREE OF CHARGE and is sponsored jointly by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be presented in the newly renovated Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College at 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill. Registration is requested. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 8
Memorial Day, May 27 & 28

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## *How Did They Get Here?*

It never ceases to amaze me, the depth and breadth of the material collections of The Hayner Public Library District—bestsellers, classics, mysteries, science fiction, self-help, art, history, and on and on. From the most popular to the obscure, high literature to chick lit, weight loss to bridge building, the range is mind-boggling.

In the United States alone, approximately 24,000 new books are published each month. That number does not include all the titles that are now being published strictly as eBooks, or the thousands of self-published volumes that appear daily.

You might think that for a bibliophile, the best job in the world would be collection development (choosing the titles that will be purchased for library collections)—but think about it. You are not choosing for yourself; you are choosing for your readership. That obviously can be a whole different game. You also have to choose for all the categories of materials the library provides, not just cozy mysteries or whatever your favorite genre—quite a daunting responsibility.

Of the two thousand titles announced by publishers each month, how do you select the items that will be of greatest value to your community, always guided by strict budgetary allowances/restrictions? Additionally, the selection process includes identifying (out of thousands of titles) new CDs and DVDs for purchase.

This critical responsibility lies with the Collection Development Department of the Hayner Library District. This department's primary responsibility is to facilitate the purchase of new materials as well as track usage of existing collections and rotate non-circulating items off the shelves.

Collection Development personnel rely on industry tools, including professional review journals such as *Publishers Weekly*, *Kirkus Review*, *Booklist*, *Library Journal*, and *School Library Journal*, along with publishers' catalogs, "best lists," prepublication and reader's advisory websites, blogs, and listservs. They also use online media review and ordering sources for nonprint items, such as DVDs, CDs, audiobooks and eBooks. These are just a sampling of the information sources used as input to acquisition decisions. Once title selections have been determined, materials are ordered from distributors and wholesale booksellers.

The Technical Services Department handles all the order processing. Most titles are ordered months before actual publication. Very popular authors (James Patterson, for example) are available for prepublication orders up to 6 months before the actual pub date. The orders must be submitted to the bookseller and also placed in the online card catalog. The online catalog is a database shared by many member libraries. Sharing the card catalog allows patrons to request and receive materials that are physically held by other libraries throughout the state library systems. Once an on-order bibliographic record has been entered into the online catalogue, that item can accept patron reserves or "holds."

New materials arrive every day, all requiring immediate attention. The on-order record must now be updated with all the bibliographic information. This is called a full-level Bib record, a complex function that requires formal employee training and certification in cataloging, across all media, to worldwide cataloging specifications. As an example, when a Bib record needs to be created for a DVD, the record must be searchable by a myriad of parameters. Film name, director, and actors are the obvious, but the record also must be able to be searched by musical score, song titles and performers, producer, cinematographer, writers, awards, and more. The item record is then electronically attached to the Bib record by adding barcode numbers, call numbers, and location codes.

Technical Services has created and modified up to 2,000 Bib records in a month; however, often multiple copies of the same item are ordered, at least doubling

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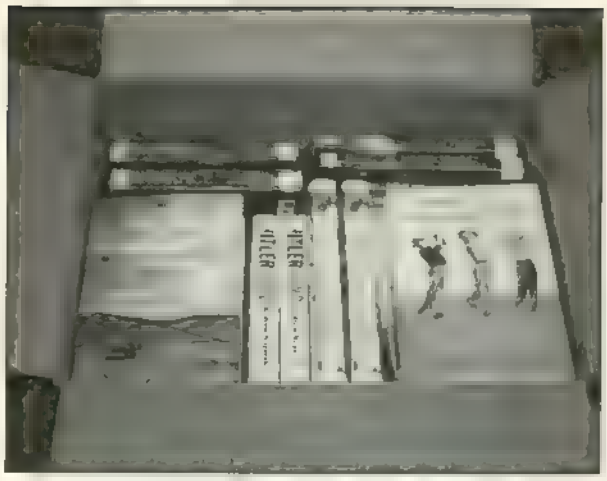
the number of item records to be produced. Each item then requires identification stamps (called number labels), location stamps, and overdue fine information. RFID security labels must also be attached.

Items that have completed processing are then shipped by large plastic tubs to the appropriate holding library (Downtown, Alton Square Mall, or Genealogy & Local History). Tub delivery is made in the morning and then again each afternoon. Once the material is at its custodial library, circulation staff must check each item in and mark the computer record now as "available," at which point carts are filled with new items for library pages to shelve. The Technical Services Department also catalogs and processes each of the monthly 300 magazine subscriptions and provides all material repair services for the steady flow of books, magazines, and media requiring repairs and/or mending

So, let's recap· The Hayner Public Library District adds approximately 2,500 new items to our shelves every month, adding up to approximately 30,000 new items a year, all requiring the previously described processing. Because shelf space is finite, Collection Development must constantly monitor material by circulation frequency. Items that no longer circulate must be pulled from the shelves and then processed out of the catalog databases by Technical Services. *Collection Development and Technical Services staff number 5 employees*. That's a lot of heads-down productivity!

—Editor



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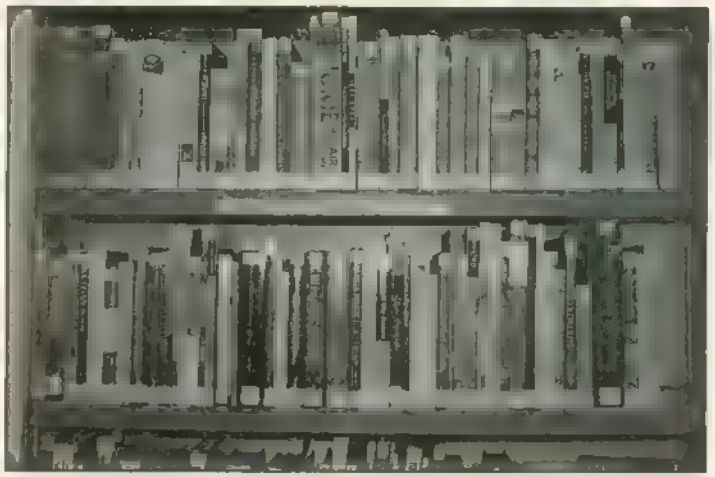

## *Congress Continues to Fund Literacy Program*

In the last issue of The Hayner Public Library District's newsletter you read that funding for a national literacy program called Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) had been eliminated from the federal budget.

Good news—funding has been restored for national literacy programs.

What will change is how these programs access the funds. A total of $28 million will be awarded to literacy organizations and libraries through a competitive grant process administered by the U.S. Department of Education.

A local nonprofit, Riverbend Head Start & Family Services (RHSFS), is hopeful that the grant competition will result in a national grant for Reading Is Fundamental. And if it does, RHSFS hopes that it, in turn, will earn a grant from RIF to buy and distribute books to the local children it serves.

Children qualify for RHSFS's programs based on their family's income. It must be below the federal poverty line.

RHSFS has a goal to prepare our community's most vulnerable children for kindergarten via its early childhood education, health, and social services. Literacy is a major objective for reaching that goal.

For the past thirteen years, grants from RIF have enabled RHSFS to annually put three thousand books in the homes of one thousand children under the age of five. All for free.

A local match from TheBANK of Edwardsville for RHSFS's Reading Is Fundamental grant ensures that hundreds of children in The Hayner Public Library District start kindergarten ready to learn, excited about school, and prepared to succeed.

According to an RIF press release, "In 2010, RIF distributed 15 million books to 4 million children nationwide. More than 400,000 volunteers from Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs and other partners in every state contribute 25 percent of the organization's funding. Without federal support, a large national program, one that has distributed almost 400 million books since 1966, will begin to break down."

Thank you for making literacy a priority in our community, and in our nation by supporting your local library, literacy projects, nonprofits like Riverbend Head Start, and national programs like RIF Reading is indeed fundamental, and you can support this cause online at www.RIF.org.

## *Cursed Book!*

Throughout the history of the world, libraries have been constructed, burned, discovered, raided, and cherished—and the treasures they've housed have evolved from early stone tablets to the mass-produced, bound paper books of our present day. *The Library* by Stuart A. P. Murray invites you to enter the libraries of ancient Greece, early China, Renaissance England, and modern-day America, and speaks to the book lover in all of us. The following excerpt was taken from Murray's second chapter titled European Libraries of the Middle Ages (page 39). In this chapter, he addresses the issue of patron loss or damage of library materials. After reading this excerpt, you may be grateful that The Hayner Public Library District charges a mere 10 cents a day for overdue books.

> [During the Middle Ages] with the appearance of cathedral schools and a dynamic mercantile class that sought both education and entertainment in reading, books were more sought after than ever before. It followed that books, both plain and fancy, were prime targets for thieves, whether criminals who broke into a library or impoverished students who could not resist pilfering and selling titles from the libraries they patronized.
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> A library's most-used books were not only chained to desks and lecterns to prevent theft, but they were often protected by a "book curse" to scourge whoever damaged or stole them. After finishing the copying, the scribe usually added such a curse to the final page, warning that eternal damnation or prolonged physical suffering awaited any would-be perpetrator.
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> Book curses are as old as writing—or at least as old as libraries. For all the reputed propriety and patience required of their calling, librarians have historically wished the worst of punishments on book thieves, as if they were no better than murderers or blasphemers. Ancient librarians called down the wrath of the gods of Mesopotamia, Egypt, Greece and Rome upon book thieves and vandals. A comment on a Babylonian scroll threatened anyone who erased its writing in order to reuse the papyrus:
>
> **In the name of Nabu and Marduk, do not rub out the text!**
>
> (Nabu was the Semitic god of writing and Marduk was his father.)
>
> One ancient curse warned of the direst consequences if patrons even dared lend a borrowed book to someone else:
>
> **He who entrusts [this book] to [others'] hands,**
> **may all the gods who are found in**
> **Babylon curse him!**
>
> In medieval Europe, the most fearsome curse was the threat of expulsion from the church and eternal damnation. Librarians and scribes considered neither punishment too extreme for a miscreant. Calling down hellfire was considered a potent and essential protection for a library's books. One drastic (and still popular) curse invoked to protect an entire Spanish library warned:
>
> **Him that stealeth, or borroweth and returneth not, this book from its owner, let it change into a serpent in his hand and rend him. Let him be struck with palsy, and all his members blasted. Let him languish in pain crying out for mercy and let there be no surcease to his agony till he sing in dissolution.**
> **Let bookworms gnaw his entrails (and) let the flames of Hell consume him forever.**
>
> The scribe who completed the last book of the Bible, entitled Revelation, closed with a fiery admonition against altering what had been written·
>
> **I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if any one adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book and if any one takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.**
>
> Other, more standard curses called for the perpetrator to be "frizzled in the pan," "broken on the wheel," or, somewhat more mercifully, just hanged. And many a witty book curse was in rhyme:
>
> **Steal not this book my honest friend**
> **For fear the gallows should be your end,**
> **And when you die the Lord will say**
> **And where's the book you stole away?**

## *Circle of Care Award*

The Hayner Public Library District partners with Riverbend Head Start and Family Services (RHSFS) in many activities supporting literacy in our community. The nonprofit RHSFS is an invaluable service organization enabling children and families to develop positive skills in meeting life's challenges Each year Riverbend Head Start recognizes select members of our community for outstanding service toward community enrichment. This year Ed and Patty Morrissey of Alton will be honored at the annual Circle of Care Award Dinner on Thursday, May 10 Proceeds will benefit local children served by RHSFS The Morrisseys are well known for supporting missions that impact at risk children, civil liberties, and beautification. RHSFS, Catholic Children's Home, Alton Godfrey Rotary Club, Madison County Urban League, 100 Black Men, and Pride, Inc. are among the organizations they have strengthened through their consistent delivery of time, talent, and treasure For more information regarding the dinner, call 618-463-5956 or visit www.RiverbendFamilies org.

# Special Events at Hayner

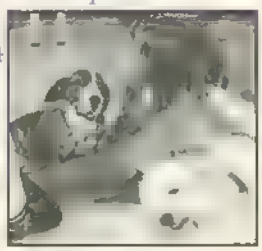
All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our spring semester of events These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 222 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**
Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall Alton, Ill*



**Saturday, April 14**
**Saturday, May 12**
**Saturday, June 9**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**
Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Soul Food for the Acoustically Hungry*
## David Berchtold

**Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.**

With four albums under his belt, veteran finger-picker David Berchtold has been delighting Central Illinois fans for years. Join David for an evening of finger-pickin' good Folk, Blues, Roots, Rags and Originals. David has studied under Jorma Kaukonen (Jefferson Airplane, Hot Tuna) and over three decades has developed his own signature style of finger-picking, which is deeply influenced by Piedmont Blues and the folk and rock sounds of his adolescence (early '70s). Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mark Dvorak

**Tuesday, April 17, 6:30 p.m.**

A favorite performer in the Hayner Library Music Series, Mark has a nationwide reputation for singing the folk songs of the American people, following in the footsteps of Woody Guthrie, Pete Seeger, and Carl Sandburg. Audiences delight in his nimble guitar and banjo playing, his broad repertoire, his obvious affection for his music, and the charisma radiating from his somewhat offbeat, but warm personality. If you've never enjoyed an evening of Mark's music and humor, don't miss this opportunity. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Genealogy Round Table

**Wednesday, April 18, 6:30 p.m.**
The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library will feature guest speaker Tim Tomlinson, author of *The Western Chautauqua*. Tomlinson will discuss the historic features of the Chautauqua and Elsah areas. *The program will be presented from 6:30–7:30 p.m. in the newly renovated Hayner Building at 301 State Street in Alton, Ill*
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *"Angels and Spirits"*
## Don Stankus

**Tuesday, April 24, 6:30 p.m.**
Don Stankus is the author of *Rimko's Run*, a recently published novel that tells the story of a man, James Rimko, who dies unexpectedly and remains on earth as a spirit. He encounters several angels who encourage as well as criticize and on occasion have a little fun at James's expense. Don will discuss this book and his own experiences involving angels and spirits. The presentation will include experiences from Don's twelve years of hospice work and experiences other people have shared with him. Join us for this fascinating discussion. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bill & Kate Isles

**Thursday, May 3, 6:30 p.m.**

Bill & Kate Isles are a nationally touring singer/songwriter duo based in Duluth, Minn. In 1993 Bill was a rare survivor of sudden cardiac arrest. Instead of ending his life, it jump-started his creative energies, resulting in a 150-show-per-year itinerary, presenting his profoundly meaningful songs. He is joined by his wife, cowriter, and musical collaborator, Kate. Her gentle presence, luscious vocals, and intuitive harmonies have endeared her to audiences. Words like "transcendent" and "mesmerizing" and "slapstick" are among the descriptions of their concerts, and fans of all ages tell of listening to their albums over and over again. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

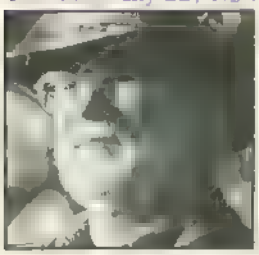
## David Massengill

**Tuesday, May 15, 6:30 p.m.**

By birth a Tennessean, David Massengill "emigrated" to the Greenwich Village folk scene in the mid-'70s, walking the same streets and playing the same storied coffee houses as Dylan and Van Ronk. Thirty years later, he's still walking those streets—but now he's recognized universally for his pivotal role in keeping the American folk music tradition alive. "A gem of thinking man's romanticism"–Rolling Stone; "David Massengill possesses a pure brilliance that is difficult to ignore"–Boston Globe; "David's… lyrical facility is the most astounding to appear since that of Elvis Costello. He can be wickedly funny and deeply touching in the same line."–The All American Music Guide. Don't miss an opportunity to hear a great balladeer who has been compared to Mark Twain and Garrison Keillor. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bill Staines

**Tuesday, May 22, 6:30 p.m.**



Singing mostly his own songs, Bill Staines has become one of the most popular and durable singers on the folk music scene today, performing nearly 200 concerts a year and driving over 65,000 miles annually. He weaves a blend of gentle wit and humor into his performances, and one reviewer wrote, "He has a sense of timing to match the best standup comic." Bill's music is a slice of Americana, reflecting with the same ease his feelings about the prairie people of the Midwest or the adventurers of the Yukon, the on-the-road truckers, or the everyday workers that make up this land. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Bringing Back Frank, Dean and Tony*

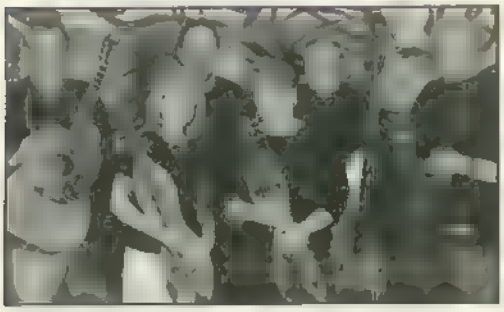
## Gary Burt

**Tuesday, June 5, 6:30 p.m.**

Join us for a nostalgic program featuring 1950s pop music and its influence on music—then and now. Gary will be singing the songs of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, and Tony Bennett. He will also discuss the crooner style of singing and open the floor to questions regarding music of the era. Register at 1 800-613-3163

## *Down Home String Band*

**Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 p.m.**



The Down Home String Band is a group steeped in the traditions of the family string band, where the music has been handed down from generation to generation. Although "Down Home" is somewhere different for each of the musicians, their musical heritage is very much the same. They perform an eclectic mix of music, Appalachian Heritage, Blue Grass, Country, and Celtic. The all-acoustic group will entertain you with music and folklore. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *"Beauty and Brains"*

## Gary Jackson

**Tuesday, July 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Who do you think of to fit the following description: One of the most beautiful women in the world, living in castles, luxury, international intrigue, lovers, insurrection, escaping from Fascists, Hollywood's "Golden Age," a Texas oil millionaire, and a technology that changed the world? Yes, it was Hedy Lamarr. Join us for this presentation showcasing glamorous genius Hedy Lamarr as one of the most important women of the 20th century. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# *Family History*

Family history, genealogy, or family stories told and written down are preserved in booklets, soft- and hardbound books in the Genealogy & Local History Library.

Many of our ancestors from long ago and from not so many years back have written down their stories, their histories of births, deaths, and marriages in a sequence that shows lineage, immigration, wars, and heritage.

They might have lived on farms that are now the block on which you live. They might have fought in the Revolutionary, Civil, or World Wars. There might be pictures that tell where people lived, how they dressed, and how they worked. Some of these stories have been written down and now are on shelves in the Illinois Room.

We all have stories to tell. Some are good, some sad or hard to accept as truths. Some stories are the kind that you want to hide or deny Many of these people we never knew personally, but they made us and our city what we are today.

By doing genealogy research, looking at old pictures, remembering stories from our grandparents, parents, aunts and uncles, finding the old family Bible where dates of births and deaths were often kept, we find the beginnings of a family story.

These stories are not novels but usually simply written stories that were handed down. They often tell of simple joys, hard work, hardships, and often short lives. Some of the family histories are done with great detail and research. But all were done with a love of documenting and preserving a piece of history.

There are also books in our library written by genealogists, historians, archivists, and authors who have traced roots by race, nationality, country, states, and ports of entry. These books have documented many families and names. You might find relatives who already have been traced and preserved in history.

Come and look at these stories about people who lived in this area and see how extensive—and fascinating—these family histories are. They might inspire you to begin your journey.

The Hayner
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# TeenSpace
## Spring 2012 Activities

### • Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the Teen Library located at Riverbender.com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Thursdays, March 1, April 5, and May 3, 2012, at 5 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun after school for Teen Movies@ the Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Snacks and soda are on the menu! Movie dates are Tuesdays, March 20, April 17, and May 15, 2012. Movies start at 4 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Video Gaming

Calling all gamers! Come hang out with other teens and play our PS2 or Wii games. Ages 12–18 welcome. This event is scheduled from 1–3 p.m. on Saturdays, March 10 and May 12, 2012. Don't forget to bring a friend! To register call 433-2872.

### • Project Next Generation

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its fourth year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer programs to emerging sixth graders through exiting eighth graders to give them a special opportunity to learn new skills while having fun.

Scheduled in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program has room for 10–12 teenagers. You will learn about using current computer applications like Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher; research diverse topics like the life of Abraham Lincoln or world-renowned explorers; learn how to make a presentation with digital photography or videography; and discover the fun of using SMART Boards to make those presentations.

In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for our March 31 workshop, "How to use Garage Band on your iPad 2" and our April 28 workshop, "Geocaching." There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information or to sign up for one of our spring 2012 sessions.

### • Teen Tech Week Event

Teen Tech Week is a national initiative sponsored by the Young Adult Library Services Association and is aimed at teens, their parents, educators, and other concerned adults. The purpose of the initiative is to ensure that teens are competent and ethical users of technologies, especially those that are offered through libraries such as DVDs, databases, audiobooks, and video games. Teen Tech Week encourages teens to use libraries' nonprint resources for education and recreation, and to recognize that librarians are qualified, trusted professionals in the field of information technology. Hayner TeenSpace will be celebrating this event, "Geek Out @ Your Library," by hosting a digital scavenger hunt at our Alton Square location. To be eligible teens will need a smartphone with a QR code scanner. For more information about this event, please call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • 2012 Teen Summer Reading Program

**"Reading Is Sooooo Delicious"**

This year's Teen Summer Reading Program is titled "Reading Is Sooooo Delicious." Each participant who registers on kickoff day, June 9, 2012, will be entered in a drawing for a $25.00 gift card. During the 4-week program teens will be asked to read nonfiction, fiction, biographies, magazines, and graphic novels, and fill out and return a reading sheet. Participants also will be invited to attend our Wednesday fun day at the Riverbender.com Community Center where we will have performers and utilize all the great activities the center has available.

## *List of Helpful Student Databases*

• **Bloom's Literary Reference Online** is an online literary criticism resource of hundreds of essays examining the lives and works of great writers throughout history and offering special features such as Bloom's advice on How to Write Good Essays on popularly assigned authors.

• **Credo Reference** is like Wikipedia, except that the results come from a library of trusted reference sources that include encyclopedias, dictionaries, bilingual dictionaries, biographies, art pictures, and quotations covering a broad range of subjects. Voted Best Overall Database for 2011.

• **Mango Languages** is an online language-learning system teaching practical conversation skills in a fast, easy, and effective way for a wide variety of foreign languages.

• **Testing & Education Reference Center** has online practice tests for students in high school, such as the ACT, SAT, GED, AP tests; and offers in-depth information on colleges and scholarships

• **Tutor.com** offers free online homework help for students K–12 with live expert tutors available 7 days/week from 3 p.m.–11 p.m.

• **World Book InfoFinder** is an online version of the popular World Book Encyclopedia containing all articles from the print version as well as learning resources; research tools; interactive earth, map, and flag outlines; video clips; audio clips; and more.

# KidsSpace
## Spring 2012 Activities

## Alton Square

### • *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Mall Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill*

Saturday, April 14, Saturday, May 12; Saturday, June 9
10:00–11:00 a.m.

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

### Story Times

➢ **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, March 5, 12, and 19; April 2, 9, 16, and 23; May 7, 14, and 21, 2012, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ **Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old, accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, March 7, 14, 21, and 28; April 4, 18, and 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2012, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ **Spanish Story Times** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at the Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from the Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute story time is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. This special story time will be held at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: March 26, and April 30, 2012. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ **Itsy Bitsy Yoga** — Bring babies up to 12 months for calm, relaxing yoga practice. Class includes baby massage, holding baby during yoga postures, interactive song and dance, and sharing a story with baby. Bring a towel or yoga mat. Class meets Thursdays, March 8, April 12, and May 10, 2012. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

### Special Events

➢ **KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt**

Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 2 p.m. on March 24, 2012. All children will receive a goodie bag and have a chance to sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents, don't forget your cameras! Please register at 433-2861.

## Downtown Location

➢ **After-School Fun**

Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays, March 13, April 10, and May 8, 2012. Please register at 462-0677 ext. 2836.

➢ **Edwardsville Children's Museum Visit**

Come join the fun as the Edwardsville Children's Museum comes to Hayner KidsSpace downtown. The Museum will host two free one-hour workshops for children 3–5 years of age. The first will be March 20, 2012, at 10 a.m., on Global Art. The second will be April 17, 2012, at 10 a.m., on Ladybugs. These two programs will meet in the KidsSpace area at our downtown location. Registration is very limited, so don't delay. To register call 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Program One – Global Art – Tuesday, March 20, 2012**

Explore different artistic techniques from various countries and cultures. See how people use the same materials yet create different patterns. Create your own masterpiece using some of the methods and materials discovered.

**Program Two – Ladybugs – Tuesday, April 17, 2012**

What kind of insect are ladybugs? Are they all girls? What do they eat? Where do they go in the winter? Discover the answers as you create your own ladybug.

### 2012 Kids & Teens Summer Reading Program "Reading Is Sooooo Delicious"

This year's Summer Reading Program will send children across the county to explore different types of cuisine. Each week we will pick a different region of the United States and explore its food and drink by reading books, doing crafts, watching movies, and presenting facts that teach children about the food, culture, and ways of the people. The program kickoff will be Saturday, June 9, 2012, at our Alton Square location. For more information, please watch for our "Reading Is Sooooo Delicious" flyer.

# *Use the Library and Stop being Grouchy!*

## *The Keys to Happiness, and Why We Don't Use Them*

**"It requires some effort to achieve a happy outlook on life, and most people don't make it."**
*—Author and researcher Gregg Easterbrook*

Psychologists have recently handed the keys to happiness to the public, but many people cling to gloomy ways out of habit, experts say. Polls show Americans are no happier today than they were 50 years ago despite significant increases in prosperity, decreases in crime, cleaner air, larger living quarters and a better overall quality of life.

**So what gives?**

Happiness is 50 percent genetic, says University of Minnesota researcher David Lykken. What you do with the other half of the challenge depends largely on **determination**, psychologists agree. As Abraham Lincoln once said, "Most people are as happy as they make up their minds to be."

**What works, and what doesn't**

Happiness does not come via prescription drugs, although 10 percent of women 18 and older and 4 percent of men take antidepressants, according to the Department of Health and Human Services. Antidepressants benefit those with mental illness but are no happiness guarantee, researchers say.

Nor will money or prosperity buy happiness for many of us. Money that lifts people out of poverty increases happiness, but after that, the better paychecks stop paying off sense-of-well-being dividends, research shows.

One route to more happiness is called "flow," an engrossing state that comes during creative or playful activity, psychologist Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi has found. Athletes, musicians, writers, gamers, and religious adherents know the feeling. It comes less from what you're doing than from how you do it.

Sonja Lyubomirsky of the University of California at Riverside has discovered that the road toward a more satisfying and meaningful life involves a recipe repeated in schools, churches and synagogues. Make lists of things for which you're grateful in your life, practice random acts of kindness, forgive your enemies, notice life's small pleasures, take care of your health, practice positive thinking, and invest time and energy into friendships and family.

The happiest people have strong friendships, says Ed Diener, a psychologist at the University of Illinois. Interestingly his research finds that most people are slightly to moderately happy, not unhappy.

**On your own**

Some Americans are reluctant to make these changes and remain unmotivated even though our freedom to pursue happiness is written into the preamble of the Declaration of Independence.

Don't count on the government, for now, Easterbrook says.

Our economy lacks the robustness to sustain policy changes that would bring about more happiness, like reorienting cities to minimize commute times

The onus is on us.

"There are selfish reasons to behave in altruistic ways," says Gregg Easterbrook, author of *The Progress Paradox: How Life Gets Better While People Feel Worse* (Random House, 2004).

"Research shows that people who are grateful, optimistic and forgiving have better experiences with their lives, more happiness, fewer strokes, and higher incomes," according to Easterbrook. "If it makes the world a better place at the same time, this is a real bonus."

Diener has collected specific details on this. People who positively evaluate their well-being on average have stronger immune systems, are better citizens at work, earn more income, have better marriages, are more sociable, and cope better with difficulties.

**Unhappy by default**

Lethargy holds many people back from doing the things that lead to happiness.

Easterbrook, also a Visiting Fellow at the Brookings Institute, goes back to Freud, who theorized that unhappiness is a default condition because it takes less effort to be unhappy than to be happy.

"If you are looking for something to complain about, you are absolutely certain to find it," Easterbrook told LiveScience. "It requires some effort to achieve a happy outlook on life, and most people don't make it. Most people take the path of least resistance. Far too many people today don't make the steps to make their life a more fulfilling one."

-- Robin Lloyd
www.livescience.com

So -- now it's up to you to make yourself happy. For the sake of all your friends, family and colleagues, we hope you choose to do so. Here are some titles of self-help materials on the shelves at Hayner Library, guaranteed to help you stop being such a grump.

**Self-Help Titles**

*Back to Life*, Alicia Salzer, 2011 616.8521 SAL (Square)

*Breaking Free from Depression: Pathways to Wellness*, Jesse H. Wright, 2012 616.8527 WRI (Square and Downtown)

*The Confidence Gap*, Russ Harris, 2011 158.1 HAR (Square)

*Creating Your Best Life: The Ultimate Life List Guide*, Caroline Adams Miller, 2011 158.1 MIL (Square)

*18 Minutes, Master Distractions, and Get the Right Things Done*. Peter Bregman, 2011 650.1 BRE (Square and Downtown)

*52 Small Changes: One Year to a Happier, Healthier You*, Brett Blumenthal, 2011 158.1 BLU (Square and Downtown)

*Finding Your Way in a Wild New World: Reclaim Your True Nature to Create the Life You Want*, Martha Nibley Beck, 2011 158.1 BEC (Square and Downtown)

*Flourish: A Visionary New Understanding of Happiness and Well-Being*, Martin E. P. Seligman, 2011 150.19 SEL (Square and Downtown)

*Fortytude: Making the Next Decades the Best Years of Your Life*, Sarah Brokaw, 2011 155.333 BRO (Square)

*The Four Desires: Creating a Life of Purpose, Happiness, Prosperity, and Freedom*, Rod Stryker, 2011 294.544 STR (Square and Downtown)

*The Good Among the Great*, Donald Van De Mark, 2011 158.1 MAR (Square and Downtown)

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**USE THE LIBRARY - Self Help Titles (Cont.)**

*Happy: Simple Steps to Get the Most Out of Life*, Ian Smith, 2010 170 SMI (Square and Downtown)

*Innovation You*, Jeffrey Thomas DeGraff, 2011 158 1 DEG (Square and Downtown)

Lighten Up. Love What You Have, Have What You Need, Be Happier with Less, Peter Walsh, 2012 332.024 WAL (Square)

*Make Yourself Unforgettable: How to Become the Person Everyone Remembers and No One Can Resist*, Dale Carnegie Training, 2011 158.2 MAK (Square and Downtown)

*Optimism Bias: A Tour of the Irrationally Positive Brain*, Tali Sharot, 2011 612.8 SHA (Square)

*Peace and Plenty: Finding Your Path to Financial Serenity*, Sarah Ban Breathnach, 2010 332.0240082 BAN (Square and Downtown)

*Peace Is Every Breath: A Practice for Our Busy Lives*, Thich Nhat Hanh, 2011 294.35699 NHA (Square)

*A Place of Yes. 10 Rules for Getting Everything You Want Out of Life*, Bethenny Frankel, 2011 646.7 FRA (Square and Downtown)

*Spontaneous Happiness*, Andrew Weil, 2011 613 WEI (Square and Downtown)

*10 Mindful Minutes*, Goldie Hawn, 2011 158.1 HAW (Square and Downtown)

*Unlimited. How to Build an Exceptional Life*, Jillian Michaels, 2011 158 MIC (Square and Downtown)

*The Willpower Instinct*, Kelly McGonigal, 2012 153.8 McGONIGAL (Square)

*The Woman in the Mirror· How to Stop Confusing What You Look Like with Who You Are*, Cynthia M. Bulik, 2012 155.333 BUL (Square and Downtown)

*Words That Matter· A Little Book of Life Lessons*, Editors of O, 2010 170 44 WOR (Square)

## *Paraprosdokian sentences:*

***A "paraprosdokian" is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to reframe or reinterpret the first part. It is frequently used for humorous or dramatic effect.***

- Do not argue with an idiot He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.
- I want to die peacefully in my sleep, like my grandfather. Not screaming and yelling like the passengers in his car.
- Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- We never really grow up; we only learn how to act in public.
- War does not determine who is right--only who is left.
- Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
- The early bird might get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- Evening news is where they begin with "Good evening," and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
- To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
- A bus station is where a bus stops A train station is where a train stops. My desk is a work station.
- How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?
- Dolphins are so smart that within a few weeks of captivity, they can train people to stand on the very edge of the pool and throw them fish
- I thought I wanted a career; turns out I just wanted paychecks.
- A bank is a place that will lend you money if you can prove that you don›t need it.
- Why does someone believe you when you say there are four billion stars, but check when you say the paint is wet?
- Why do Americans choose from just two people to run for president and 50 for Miss America?
- Behind every successful man is his woman. Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman.
- A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
- You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
- The voices in my head may not be real, but they have some good ideas!
- Always borrow money from a pessimist. He won't expect it back.
- Hospitality: making your guests feel like they're at home, even if you wish they were.
- Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.
- I discovered I scream the same way whether I'm about to be devoured by a great white shark or if a piece of seaweed touches my foot.
- Some cause happiness wherever they go. Others whenever they go.
- I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not sure.
- When tempted to fight fire with fire, remember that the Fire Department usually uses water.
- You're never too old to learn something stupid.
- Nostalgia isn't what it used to be.
- A bus is a vehicle that runs twice as fast when you are after it as when you are in it.
- Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.

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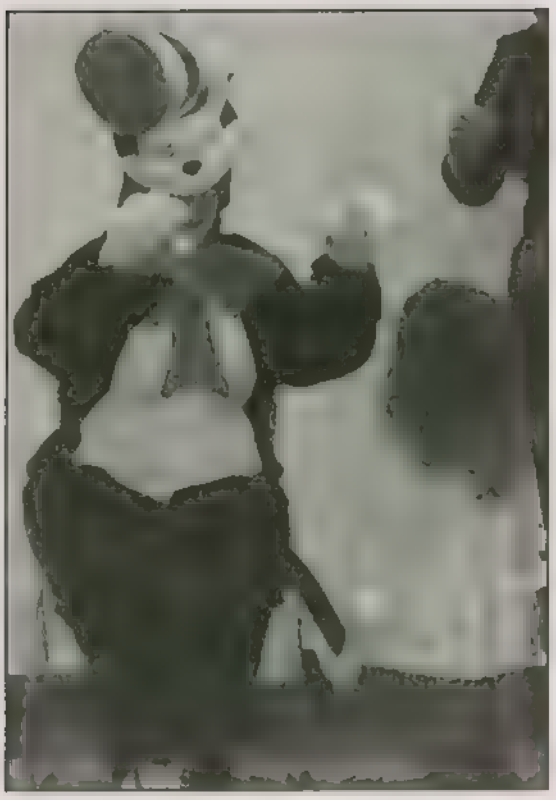

## A Seuss-prise!

Theodor Seuss Geisel was an American writer, poet, and cartoonist most widely known for his children's books written under the pen names Dr. Seuss, Theo LeSieg and, in one case, Rosetta Stone.

He published 46 childrens books, which were often characterized by imaginative characters, rhyme, and frequent use of trisyllabic meter His most celebrated books include the bestselling *Green Eggs and Ham*, *The Cat in the Hat*, *One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish*, *Horton Hatches the Egg*, *Horton Hears a Who!*, and *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!*. Numerous adaptations of his work have been created, including 11 television specials, four feature films, a Broadway musical and four television series. He won the Lewis Carroll Shelf Award in 1958 for *Horton Hatches the Egg* and again in 1961 for *And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street*.

–Wikipedia
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Theodor Geisel's birthday, March 2, has been adopted as the annual date for National Read Across America Day, an initiative on reading created by the National Education Association.

At the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, children got a special surprise during a March story time. They were visited by none other than the Cat in the Hat Everyone celebrated Dr Suess' birthday with a story, crafts and a piece of birthday cake Great fun was had by all and nobody missed the green eggs and ham!

## Food for Fido

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month, and in commemoration of this, Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and Hayner Downtown Library will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.

Please help our friends at the 5 A's—they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected, or abused animals brought to the shelter. The shelter is located at 4530 N Alby Road, Godfrey, and can be reached at 466-3702. Stop by and visit this wonderful facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever). And, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

Some of the dogs and their handlers that visit Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, the second Saturday of every month They are all members of Touched by a Canine, our area's local chapter of Therapy Dogs International. For more information about therapy dog work, go to the Therapy Dogs International website (www.tdi-dog.org) or contact Jerry Cooley at 618-558-7432 or e-mail jdcooley64@charter.net.

## Concert at Hatheway a Huge Success!

**In March 2012 the popular ensemble Bach to the Future performed in the Ann Whitney Olin Theater of Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College. This program was sponsored jointly by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of LCCC. Fans filled the hall to enjoy amazing contemporary arrangements of classical favorites. A terrific light show added to the excitement of the performance.**

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

### —Non-Fiction

**Apter, Terri.** Difficult Mothers: Understanding and Overcoming Their Power

**Araton, Harvey.** Driving Mr. Yogi: Yogi Berra, Ron Guidry, and Baseball's Greatest Gift

**Bordewich, Fergus M.** America's Great Debate: Henry Clay, Stephen A. Douglas, and the Compromise That Preserved the Union

**Borneman, Walter R.** The Admirals: Nimitz, Halsey, Leahy, and King—The 5-Star Admirals Who Won the War at Sea

**Brinkley, Douglas.** Cronkite

**Burroughs, Augusten.** This Is How: Proven Aid in Overcoming Shyness, Molestation, Fatness, Spinsterhood, Grief, Disease, Lushery, Decrepitude & More

**Byrne, Rhonda.** The Magic

**Cameron, W. Bruce.** A Dog's Journey

**Chopra, Deepak.** Self-power: The Spiritual Solutions to Life's Greatest Challenges

**Crowley, Monica.** What the (Bleep) Just Happened?: The Happy Warrior's Guide to the Great American Comeback

**De Laurentiis, Giada.** Weeknights with Giada

**DiSpirito, Rocco.** Now Eat This! Italian: Favorite Dishes from the Real Mamas of Italy—All Under 350 Calories

**Donovan, James.** The Blood of Heroes: The 13-Day Struggle for the Alamo—and the Sacrifice That Forged a Nation

**Forbes, Steve.** Freedom Manifesto: Why Markets Are Moral and Big Government Isn't

**Harper, Bob.** The Skinny Rules: The Simple, Nonnegotiable Principles for Getting to Thin

**Hendrix, Leon.** Jimi Hendrix: A Brother's Story

**Jackson, Joe.** Atlantic Fever: Lindbergh, His Competitors, and the Race to Cross the Atlantic

**James, Eloisa.** Paris in Love

**Karp, Harvey M.** The Happiest Baby Guide to Great Sleep: The New Awakening for Sleep-Deprived Parents of Babies, Toddlers, and Big Kids Too!

**Kilpatrick, Haley.** The Drama Years: Real Girls Talk About Surviving Middle School—Bullies, Brands, Body Image, and More

**King, Carole.** A Natural Woman: A Memoir

**Luttrell, Marcus.** Service: A Navy SEAL at War

**Lynn, Loretta.** Honky Tonk Girl: My Life in Lyrics

**McMillan, Tracy.** Why You're Not Married...Yet: Straight Talk You Need to Get the Relationship You Deserve

**Marcus, Norman J.** No More Back Pain: A Radically New Approach That Can Relieve Your Suffering

**Marshall, Garry.** My Happy Days in Hollywood

**Meltzer, Brad.** Heroes for My Daughter

**Nasser, Dave.** Giant George: Life with the World's Biggest Dog

**O'Neal, Ryan.** Both of Us: My Life with Farrah

**Picozzi, Massimo.** Cosa Nostra: An Illustrated History of the Mafia

**Powell, Colin L.** It Worked for Me: Lessons in Leadership and Life

**Rather, Dan.** Rather Outspoken: My Life in the News

**Rolls, Barbara J.** The Ultimate Volumetrics Diet: Your Personal Weight Management Plan

**Savage, Michael.** Trickle Down Tyranny: Crushing Obama's Dream of the Socialist States of America

**Sloan, Bill.** Undefeated: America's Heroic Fight for Bataan and Corregidor

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's American Food

**Sullenberger, Chesley B.** Making a Difference: Stories of Vision and Courage from America's Leaders

**Swofford, Anthony.** Hotels, Hospitals, and Jails: A Memoir

**Taraborrelli, J. Randy.** After Camelot: An Intimate History of the Kennedy Family—1968 to the Present

**Thornton, Billy Bob & Kinky Friedman.** The Billy Bob Tapes: A Cave Full of Ghosts

**Williams, Vanessa & Helen Williams.** You Have No Idea: A Famous Daughter, Her No-Nonsense Mother, and How They Survived Pageants, Hollywood, Love, Loss (and Each Other)

### —Fiction

**Adler, Elizabeth.** A Place in the Country

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Sins of the Father

**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Village Witch

**Bagshawe, Tilly.** Sidney Sheldon's Angel of the Dark

**Baldacci, David.** The Innocent

**Balogh, Mary.** The Proposal

**Berry, Steve.** The Columbus Affair

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** Letter from a Stranger

**Brown, Rita Mae.** The Big Cat Nap: The 20th Anniversary Mrs. Murphy Mystery

**Child, Lincoln.** The Third Gate

**Clark, Carol Higgins.** Gypped

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** The Lost Years

**Cussler, Clive.** The Storm

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**Dallas, Sandra.** True Sisters

**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** An Accidental Affair

**Evanovich, Janet.** Wicked Business: A Lizzy and Diesel Novel

**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Road to Grace

**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** Porch Lights

**Furst, Alan.** The Spies of Paris

**Gardiner, Meg.** Ransom River

**Graham, Heather.** The Unseen

**Graham, Heather.** Strangers in Paradise

**Grisham, John.** Calico Joe

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Kiss the Dead

**Harris, Charlaine.** Deadlocked

**Hart, Carolyn G.** Death Comes Silently

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Summerland

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**Jackson, Lisa.** Afraid to Die

**Johansen, Iris.** What Doesn't Kill You

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Born of Silence

**King, Stephen.** The Wind Through the Keyhole: A Dark Tower Novel

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Fiddler

**Lowell, Elizabeth.** Beautiful Sacrifice

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Imperative

**Margolin, Phillip.** Capitol Murder

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Limpopo Academy of Private Detection: No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency

**McKevett, G. A.** Buried in Buttercream

**Michaels, Fern.** Breaking News

**Michaels, Fern.** Tuesday's Child

**Miller, Linda Lael.** Big Sky Country

**Morrison, Toni.** Home

**Parker, Robert B. & Ace Atkins.** Robert B. Parker's Lullaby

**Patterson, James.** 11th Hour

**Pearson, Ridley.** The Risk Agent

**Perry, Anne.** Dorchester Terrace

**Phillips, Susan Elizabeth.** The Great Escape

**Putney, Mary Jo.** No Longer a Gentleman

**Quick, Amanda.** Crystal Gardens

**Rice, Luanne.** Little Night

**Roberts, Nora.** The Last Boyfriend

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**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia to the Rescue

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**Shaara, Jeff.** A Blaze of Glory: A Novel of the Civil War

**Tanenbaum, Robert.** Bad Faith

**Tyler, Anne.** The Beginner's Goodbye

**Wambaugh, Joseph.** Harbor Nocturne

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## *Baking Bread with Father Dominic*

**Fr. Dominic Garramone** is a Benedictine priest of Saint Bede Abbey in Peru, Ill. Known as "Papa Dom" to his students, he is chaplain and drama director for Saint Bede Academy, a coed college prep high school. He holds a B.A. in Communications Arts from Saint Mary's University in Minnesota, and an M.A. and an M.T.S. from Saint Meinrad School of Theology in Indiana. Each summer he directs a theater program for grade-school students.

Father Domunic is also widely known for his cooking show on Public Television, titled *Baking Bread with Father Dominic*, and is the author of several popular bread-baking cookbooks. His cookbooks feature bread recipes from many different cultures around the world, recipes for celebrations or every day and recipes with a wide range of familiar and not-so-familiar ingredients.

During a recent visit to the Riverbend area, Father Dominic donated copies of his books to The Hayner Public Library District. Titles include: *Breaking Bread with Father Dominic, Volume 1; Breaking Bread with Father Dominic, Volume 2; More Baking Bread; Thursday Night Pizza: Father Dominic's Favorite Pizza Recipes; 'Tis the Season to Be Baking*; and a wonderful children's book, *Brother Jerome and the Angels in the Bakery*. Check the books out today and start baking—your family and friends will love it. Remember, library staff is always available for taste-testing!

## *Do you know what PERSI is?*

The Periodical Source Index (PERSI) is a large subject index for periodicals covering genealogy and local history articles. Created by the staff of the Allen County Public Library in 1986, this index can be found online on the HeritageQuest website and on Ancestry Library Edition at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. PERSI is not an every-name or every-word index; surname periodicals are not included in PERSI.

There are four categories for a search: People, Places, How To's, and Periodicals. The categories are self-explanatory: use surnames for People, Country/State/Province for Places, a research method for How To's, and a name of a publication for Periodicals. Places and How To's have a drop-down list of Record Types that can be chosen. Built in to a "Categories" search is a "Keywords" box that will allow Boolean operators (and, or, and not). Wildcard substitutions can also be used, such as an asterisk (*) for replacing several letters at the end of a word, a dollar sign ($) for a single letter within the word, and quotation marks (" ") for a group of words.

A search will list the article name, periodical title, publication place, date of periodical, and volume and issue number. With this information, we can check to see what libraries have the periodical you need, and then request it to be sent from a holding library.

We would be happy to show you how it works. Come in and try out this powerful search tool to discover your hidden ancestors. We are located at 401 State Street in Alton, Illinois.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## *Our Alton...175 years ago (1837)*

There is little comparison between the Alton of 1837 and our Alton of 2012. The city has definitely seen her share of ups and downs, economic and otherwise. Looking at our present state of employment, it is hard to believe that at one time in history our city was an industrial mecca.

When reminiscing about this wonderful old city on the hills, one can smile at the simple life of a populace determined to build a society where fair business, quality education, and family values were most important in the establishment of a community. But not all of Alton's stories have happy endings.

The year 1837 saw a great tragedy unfold within the city limits. The malicious murder of Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy caused great agitation among the people of Alton as well as around the country. The tragedy caused many families and businesses to move and turn their backs on their beloved little town. Some historians declare the killing of Lovejoy was the catalyst for the Civil War. It was a sad and monumental history lesson.

The town of Alton was named after Alton R. Easton. Easton was a son of Col. Rufus Easton, who was not only an extremely successful businessman and political figure but also served as the first Postmaster of St. Louis.

By 1818 Col. Easton had laid out a small rough area along the river and commissioned Rev. Thomas Lippincott, a local business owner and Presbyterian minister, to map out the area. Easton then used the plat to advertise in the eastern part of the United States for buyers for parcels of land in his newly founded town.

The original plat extended from Market to Henry Street and from the Mississippi River to Ninth Street. (A photo of this plat is available at The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library.) Streets in the city such as Alby, George, Easton, and Langdon were named after members of Easton's family.

Easton had hopes that Alton would become a profitable river town, capable of producing abundant trade and commerce, thus giving St. Louis a little competition in big-city business.

Situated on the east bank of the Mississippi River, the town's natural surface was defined by hills, bluffs, forests, and ravines. The Illinois Confederation, also referred to as the Illiniwek or Illini tribes, inhabited the bluffs and wooded areas for hundreds of years prior to the founding of Alton.

The Illinois Legislature chartered the town on July 21, 1837, making Alton an official Illinois city. The first elected mayor was John M. Krum, who was paid an annual salary of $150. Population was 2,500, with most inhabitants emigrating from New York, New England, and Virginia. Dwellings consisted of 300 homes and nine boarding houses. There were four newspapers supplying citizens with their weekly dose of events, the *Alton Telegraph, Alton Spectator, Alton Observer* (Lovejoy's publication), and the *Temperance Herald*.

Seven physicians, eight clergy, and eight attorneys ministered to the sick, the sinful, and the unrighteous. Alton's success in trade brought her renown from St. Louis to New Orleans. Two fraternal orders, the Masons and the Odd Fellows, found lodge homes in the growing city of Alton. There were 20 wholesale stores and 32 retail stores, four hotels, two banks, and one insurance office. Homes were mainly one-story frame structures. Businesses and warehouses, along with the more prestigious and private dwellings, were highly regarded and therefore built of massive stone or fine brick.

The first and only penitentiary in the state of Illinois was also located in Alton during that time. Timber, coal, and vast beds of limestone bounded the town and provided limitless employment opportunities. Laborers, bricklayers, and stonemasons were making an outstanding wage of $1 to $3 daily. This was considered an exceptional salary when compared to the meager 40-cent wage being paid elsewhere.

The close proximity to the Mississippi, Illinois, and Missouri rivers gave the young town an advantage in steam travel and commerce. The land produced

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
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**OUR ALTON – 175 YEARS AGO (Cont.)**

natural fruits such as plums, persimmons, and crabapples. Wild game and waterfowl were abundant.

One hundred seventy-five years have passed since the murder of Elijah Lovejoy, but despite this haunting event, Alton continued to grow, prosper, and become a city of diverse opportunities.

Family roots run deep in our town. Our local history is preserved by various agencies and very special people who respect the architecture, the history, and the labor of love that went into making Alton the city she is today. These citizens and groups strive to keep buildings from falling into disrepair and struggle to keep history preserved, even if only by gently tucking artifacts into boxes, attics, and hearts.

The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library also plays a part in helping preserve Alton's past in the newly renovated 122-year-old Hayner building at 401 State Street. Come browse through this beautiful old building and the wonderful local history collection of the Illinois Room. Tour the museum-style display cases filled with artifacts and memorabilia. Look inside the pages of Alton history, and get a glimpse of a picturesque Alton through the eyes of our forebears.

Those tireless citizens who refused to give up when things became tough had a dream to build a prosperous city; and despite the hardship, turmoil, and odds, they came through with the City of Alton. It is due to their determination that today we are able to enjoy the 175th anniversary of a beautiful city full of history and charm.

*Pam Bierman, Genealogy & Local History Library Assistant*

## *How We Celebrated 75 Years Ago*

Exploration, discovery, colonization, settlement, development—and those dramatic interludes in the play that is history—were portrayed in a procession that was conceived with intelligence, carried into effect with genius, and presented with efficiency; resulting in an attractive and colorful parade that doubtlessly surpassed any previous effort in the city's history, and was witnessed by the largest crowd ever to view such an event.

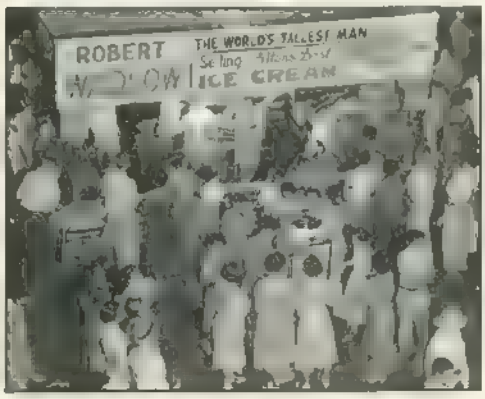
—*Alton Evening Telegraph*, July 24, 1937

On July 21, 2012, Alton will celebrate its 175th anniversary. Fireworks, parades, and concerts will provide entertainment for Altonians this summer much as they did in 1937 at Alton's centennial celebration.

**Fireworks crowd at depot, 7-22-1937.**
***Photo by Bob Graul, courtesy of The Telegraph***

The *Official Program: Centennial of Alton, Illinois 1887-1937* (call number IR 977.386 OFF in the Genealogy & Local History Library) provides a wealth of information about life in Alton 75 years ago. The program tells the legends of Lover's Leap and the Piasa Bird, as well as the histories behind the Lovejoy, Confederate, and Wood River Massacre monuments. An article titled "Alton 100 Years Ago" gives a brief account of life in the early 1800s. Laclede Steel Company, Owens Illinois Glass Co., Standard Oil Co., and Western Cartridge Company took out full-page ads. Smaller ads publicized the Alton Brick Company, Bluff City Brewery, Acme Bowling Alleys, Alton Mineral Springs Hotel, and other local businesses.

The program provides fascinating details of the 1937 celebration. The centennial party went on for three days. There were sightseeing tours every day and a visit from Illinois Governor Henry Horner to Lincoln Douglas Square. Each night, a battery of antiaircraft searchlights performed a show followed by fireworks. The Three Milos, a team of acrobats on a 110-foot-high trapeze, dazzled the crowds, as did the DeKahl Troupe's globe-rolling act. Illinois and Missouri National Guard planes made daily flights over Alton. On July 23, a magnificent parade with floats carrying actors portraying Lewis and Clark, Elijah Lovejoy, and other historical figures wound through the streets. Robert Wadlow was a big hit at Noll's Ice Cream stand.




**Robert Wadlow at Noll's Ice Cream stand, 7-23-1937.** ***Photo by Bob Graul, courtesy of The Telegraph.***

The total cost of the centennial celebration was $10,597.90. Any expenses not covered by ticket sales or concessions were picked up by local businessmen.

**Parade, antique fire wagon, 7-22-1937.**
***Photo by Bob Graul, courtesy of The Telegraph.***

More photos taken at the centennial can be viewed in the library as part of the Bob Graul Photo Collection. Robert K. Graul started at *The Telegraph* in 1936 and was a photographer there for over 40 years. The full archive of *The Telegraph* (also called the *Alton Evening Telegraph* and the *Alton Daily Telegraph* at different points in history) can be accessed at any of The Hayner Public Library System locations and contains numerous articles about the 1937 celebration.

*Lacy McDonald*
*Museum Display Coordinator*

## Celebrating Alton's 175th Anniversary Contest Winners

The year 2012 marks the City of Alton's 175th anniversary. Mayor Tom Hoechst, the Alton City Council, and community organizations are sponsoring many great community activities and events to celebrate this significant milestone.

In January 2012, as part of the events and to foster participation of Alton citizens of all ages, The Hayner Public Library District and the City of Alton cosponsored two competitions open to all school-age children in the Hayner library district (Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township). The two contests included an original poster design competition and an original essay competition.

The winners of Alton's 175th Anniversary Essay and Poster Contests were announced and prizes awarded at the Alton City Council meeting on April 11, 2012, in Alton City Hall with the winners, families, friends, and city officials in attendance. The awards were presented jointly by Mayor Tom Hoechst, City of Alton, and Jeff Owen, Executive Director of The Hayner Public Library District.

Each contest was judged within three age groups: elementary grades, middle school, and high school. Entries for the poster contest were judged on subject originality and artistic skill commensurate with age. Essays were judged on subject originality and creativity, grammar and composition, and historical accuracy. The essay contest theme for elementary grades was "What does Alton mean to you?" For middle and high school levels, the essay contest required a historical component highlighting the importance or consequence of a point in Alton's history to life today. Ties were announced for winners of two of the award categories.

**Front Row: Abbie Hernandez, Isabelle Droste, Rachel Staten Second Row: Abby Day, Madison Bemis, Katie Williams, Mayor Tom Hoeschst, Alexandria Jun, Evan Everitt, Jeff Owen (The Hayner Public Library District Executive Director).**

The poster contest attracted 382 entries. The winners were: Abbie Hernandez, Ss. Peter and Paul Elementary School; Abby Day, Evangelical Middle School; Alexandria Jun, Marquette High School, and Evan Everitt, Marquette High School (tie).

The essay contest had 146 entries. The winners were: Katie Williams, Ss. Peter and Paul Elementary School, and Isabelle Droste, West Elementary School (tie); Rachel Staten, St. Mary's Middle School; and Madison Bemis, Alton High School.

Each of the winners received a Kindle Fire, and copies of their work will be featured in the *Alton 175 Year Commemorative Booklet*. The winning entries are also being displayed at various locations throughout the community.

## eBook Help

Need help downloading eBooks to your reader from the library catalog? Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, July 28, and again on August 25 on the basics of downloading eBooks.

The classes will be held in the Multi-purpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Jean will review the basics of downloading eBooks and will demonstrate the process on multiple platforms including the Nook, Kindle, Sony, and iPad.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party, and be sure to specify which class (July or August) you would like to attend.

## How to Write

On September 7th of 1982, advertising legend David Ogilvy sent an internal memo to all employees of his advertising agency, Ogilvy & Mather. The memo was titled "How to Write," and consisted of the following list of advice.

(Source: The Unpublished David Ogilvy: A Selection of His Writings from the Files of His Partners; Image. David Ogilvy, via Ogilvy & Mather.)

The better you write, the higher you go in Ogilvy & Mather. People who think well, write well.

Woolly minded people write woolly memos, woolly letters and woolly speeches.

Good writing is not a natural gift. You have to learn to write well. Here are 10 hints:

1. Read the Roman-Raphaelson book on writing*. Read it three times.

*Writing That Works, by Kenneth Roman and Joel Raphaelson

2. Write the way you talk. Naturally.

3. Use short words, short sentences and short paragraphs.

4. Never use jargon words like reconceptualize, demassification, attitudinally, judgmentally. They are hallmarks of a pretentious ass.

5. Never write more than two pages on any subject.

6. Check your quotations.

7. Never send a letter or a memo on the day you write it. Read it aloud the next morning—and then edit it.

8. If it is something important, get a colleague to improve it.

9. Before you send your letter or your memo, make sure it is crystal clear what you want the recipient to do.

10. If you want ACTION, don't write. Go and tell the guy what you want.

David

# *Hayner Library Teen and Youth Services —A Terrific Community Resource*

The Hayner Library staff of Youth and Young Adult Services is a vibrant and creative group. Youth Services develops the material collections and activities for kids ages birth to 12 years. The large KidsSpace room at the Alton Square Mall library provides an extensive collection of books and materials for birth to 12-year reading levels, kid-sized computer workstations, toys and games for onsite play, plenty of room for story times, and a Multi-purpose Room for special programs and craft activities.

There is also a great new KidsSpace at the Hayner Downtown Library, also with computers, reading materials, and "fun" space that is very kid- and parent-friendly

The TeenSpace area of Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall is a separate area where teens can meet and work on public computers or use their laptops in a comfortable seating environment. TeenSpace also offers a rich collection of teen reading materials, including popular fiction and nonfiction, graphic novels, magazines, and more. In the Downtown Library, a great new teen area has been developed in the space that was previously used for the large-print book collection. The space provides teens with privacy and quiet for study, comfortable seating, and Wi-Fi connection.

The Hayner Youth and Young Adult Services staff also staffs a Hayner Library outlet at the Riverbender.com Community Center in downtown Alton, where teens can play games, study, and even get tutorial help.

The staff prides itself on the great number of activities and programs they offer, all free of charge, for kids of all ages. Some of the 2012 activities kids (and parents) have enjoyed include:

**Bow-wow Pow-wow:** Every month certified therapy dogs come to the library for a reading time. Kids read to the dogs or just visit and play with these wonderful animals. This is a great way for a child to increase confidence in his or her reading skills and also learn how to interact with and enjoy furry friends.

**Teddy Bear Sleepover:** This spring, certain members of the library community got to enjoy a very special treat. Local teddy bears enjoyed a sleepover in the library at Alton Square Mall. Kids brought their teddy bears to the library and left them overnight. The teddy bears enjoyed all kinds of fun activities, including crafts and stories, which were recorded on film by library staff. The next evening the kids returned in their PJ's to pick up their teddy bears and enjoy stories and a bedtime snack and watch a slide show of the bears' festivities. The kids also received keepsake photo books of their teddy-friends' special night.

**Guest teddies enjoying craft time.**

**Early arrivals waiting for fun to start.**

Youth Services hosts lots of fun activities, including fresh-themed story times every week throughout the year. Ongoing events include.

"Mommy and Me Story Time" is geared to kids ages birth through 2. Stories, songs, and finger play are part of the fun. Held weekly.

"Movers and Shakers Story Time" invites kids 3–5 years of age to enjoy great interactive stories and often features special guests and hands-on activities. Held weekly.

"Spanish Story Times"—Join Library Assistant Hector Lozano for Stories with Hector. Preschoolers ages 3–5 enjoy a lively combination of books, finger play, and songs in both English and Spanish. Held monthly.

**Janet Andrews and Hector Lozano teach kids in English and Spanish.**

"After-School Fun" involves kids (ages 5 to 10 years) in a different creative craft activity every month (all craft materials are supplied by the library, funded through private endowment.)

"Itsy Bitsy Yoga"—Babies up to 12 months of age get to experience an introduction to the calm and relaxing effects of yoga. The class includes baby massage, holding baby during yoga postures, interactive song and dance, and sharing a story with baby.

This past spring, kids also enjoyed an Easter egg hunt in the library at the mall, including a visit from the Easter Bunny, and two special programs brought to the library by the Edwardsville Children's Museum. "Global Art," featuring artistic techniques from around the world and a workshop; and "Ladybugs," a fascinating hands-on science program. Other events in just the last year include Family Movie Nights, Family Reading and Family Game Nights, Tai Chi classes for children, professional storytellers, magicians, professional singers and entertainers, signing classes, puppet shows, wildlife programs, dance, cooking and baking, Halloween hauntings, holiday parties with a visit from Santa, and more.

For the Hayner Library Youth and Young Adult Services staff, however, the busiest time of year is just getting started as summer reading programs are being rolled out. Summer reading programs for kids and teens are consistently a huge success at The Hayner Public Library District. Last year over 500 kids enrolled in the Youth program and over 100 teens enrolled in the Teen program. The Youth summer reading program has been a mainstay at the library for years. The Teen program was initiated in 2010. During the Youth program, a different event with professional performers is scheduled every week. Activities and crafts are scheduled to reflect this year's reading theme,

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**TEEN AND YOUTH SERVICES (Cont.)**
"Reading Is Soooo Delicious." At the end of the program, kids are invited to a party at the Commons on the Campus of Lewis & Clark College for games, treats, and prizes.

The Hayner staff has also developed an extensive series of programs specifically for teens. These programs are held at the Riverbender.com Community Center, a generous partner of The Hayner Public Library District. Ongoing programs are the Teen Advisory Council, Teen Movies at the Riverbender.com Community Center, Teen Video Gaming, and a Spanish-Focused Book Club. There are many special ongoing events, including Teen Tech Week and the very popular Project Next Generation. This spring, Teen Tech Week featured a digital scavenger hunt held at the library at Alton Square. Project Next Generation, in its fourth year at Hayner Library, is funded by a grant from the Illinois Secretary of State. Quarterly, 6th–8th graders participate in special projects designed around using the latest in new technologies applied to "real-life" projects. Projects have included skill development in digital photography, videography, Smart Board presentations,

**Project Next Generation**

**A Geocaching Field Trip**

geocaching, and cutting-edge computer technologies and applications.

The Teen Summer Reading Program is also in progress, featuring events and professional entertainers each week until the program concludes with a library-sponsored "Chocolate Party" at the Riverbender.com Community Center in July.

The Hayner Library Youth and Young Adult Services staff is composed of Sharon Windham, Manager, Shannon Ballard, Janet Andrews, and Mary Kay Serio. This incredibly hard-working staff has produced some of the most innovative and successful teen and youth programs in the Heartland Library System. The library is extremely proud of their contributions to the youth of our community and looks forward to many more exciting programs. Watch the quarterly newsletter, or follow us on our website, www.haynerlibrary.org, to keep kids of all ages involved in the fabulous FREE Hayner Library programs.

## *A Merry Liberry Birthday*

In March 2012, members of the Ducey family came into town from far and wide to congregate at Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. The reason for the re-union? To celebrate the 80th birthday of Joe Ducey, father, grandfather, and overall "leader of the pack."

Joe's family wanted to surprise him with a gift that would have very special meaning for his milestone birthday, and so they approached Hayner Library with an unusual idea.

Joe, a former principal in the Alton School District, has always been an avid library fan. Now retired, Joe uses the library more than ever and visits Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall almost daily. The most meaningful gift to Joe would be a gift to support an institution he so clearly loves. Thus, the family pooled would-be birthday gift funds and donated the money to The Hayner Public Library District in Joe's honor.

Unaware of the family's plan, Joe was a bit confused when his daughter insisted on stopping at the library at Alton Square on the way to Joe's celebratory birthday dinner. What a surprise, to walk into the library and find his whole family waiting for him there, his wife, kids, their spouses, grandchildren—the whole happy clan!

A plaque was presented to Joe and has been mounted by the comfortable seating area of the mall library, where Joe often reads the morning paper. The plaque reads, "This seating area funded in part by the family of Joe Ducey in honor of his 80th birthday, March 9, 2012 "
Thank you to the Ducey family for including The Hayner Public Library District in recognizing Joe's special day

*Ed. Note. Most of us in the library world HATE the mispronunciation of library as "liberry." The above usage was allowed for creative rhyming purposes only*

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

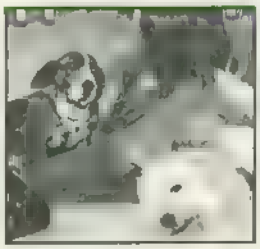
*Join us for our summer semester of events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 218 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**
Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, July 14**
**Saturday, August 11**
**Saturday, September 8**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**



Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *"Beauty and Brains"*
## Gary Jackson

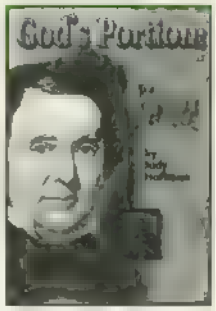
**Tuesday, July 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Who do you think of to fit the following description: One of the most beautiful women in the world, living in castles, luxury, international intrigue, lovers, insurrection, escaping from Fascists, Hollywood's "Golden Age," a Texas oil millionaire, and a technology that changed the world? Yes, it was Hedy Lamarr. Join us for this presentation showcasing glamorous genius Hedy Lamarr as one of the most important women of the 20th century. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *"Benjamin Godfrey"*
## Judy Hoffman

**Wednesday, July 18, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Hayner Library at 401 State Street, Alton, Ill*




Judy Hoffman, local resident and author of the book *God's Portion*, will be the guest speaker at our next Genealogy & Local History program! Judy, who is well versed in local history, will give a talk about Benjamin Godfrey, the man instrumental in establishing the village of Godfrey and Monticello Female Seminary (now Lewis & Clark Community College). He was also a prominent businessman in the Alton area. Sure to be a fascinating program and a fun night for anyone interested in local history! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Misty Ridge

**Tuesday, July 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Misty Ridge is a family group that plays a combination of bluegrass, folk, and acoustic oriented music. The music is combined with stories of history, tradition, and light-hearted banter that keep the performance moving and the audience engaged. Come enjoy this performance-seasoned group as it displays multi-instrument variety and three-part vocal harmonies. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *"The Archaeology of Disaster and the True Story of the Piasa"*
## Greg Vogel

**Tuesday, August 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Fire, flood, famine, war, plague, earthquake . all major disasters leave distinctive signatures in the archaeological record. Illinois has seen its share of all these disasters. From the New Madrid quakes of 1811/1812 that changed the very course of the Mississippi River to the Great Flood of 1993, Illinoisans are adapting today to events that have a history long beyond living memory. In this presentation, Gregory Vogel outlines the prehistory and history of these events as they are recorded in the archaeological and geological records, and explains what the famous Piasa Bird of Alton had to do with it all. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Genealogy Program

**Wednesday, August 8, 6:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State St., Alton, Ill*

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library will host the Madison County Genealogical Society's monthly meeting The public is invited and welcome to attend! Come see what being a member of a local genealogy society is all about! After the meeting a tour of the 122-year-old Hayner building will be given! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Michael Smith

**Tuesday, August 28, 6:30 p.m.**

Michael Smith is a lyricist, composer, playwright, and performer. He has won four prestigious Jeff awards and is the 2010 recipient of the distinguished Hans Christian Andersen Award for his adaptation of *The Snow Queen*, for which he also wrote the musical score. His beloved song "The Dutchman," a signature piece for the late Liam Clancy and Steve Goodman and recently recorded by Celtic Thunder, is considered a classic. *Chicago* magazine wrote of Michael, "One of the best songwriters in the English language . . . an enchanting and riveting performer." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *"The Wild & Cool Swingin' Orchestra"*

### Jim Manley

**Tuesday, September 11, 6:30 p.m.**

***Note: This program will be held in the Bengamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.***

Imagine you could turn back the hands of time and dig the sounds of the Las Vegas strip in the '60s. This nine-piece group, featuring Charlie B on the vocals and a horn section led by trumpeter Jim Manley, recreates the music from this era with retro sophistication and cutting-edge style.

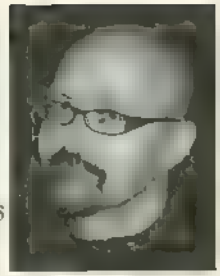
The music of Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis, Bobby Darin, Tom Jones, and more leaps from the stage with an exciting display of musicianship and fast-paced fun! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *"Illinois Ghosts and the Afterlife"*

### Terry Fisk

**Tuesday, September 25, 6:30 p.m.**

Terry Fisk is a paranormal investigator for Unexplained Research, LLC, and has investigated UFOs, Bigfoot, crop circles, and ghosts. In his presentation, Terry describes his ghost investigations with world-renowned medium Allison DuBois (the real-life inspiration for the hit CBS series *Medium*) and psychic Chip Coffey (from TV's *Paranormal State* and *Psychic Kids*). The presentation also examines some of the haunted locations in Illinois personally investigated by Mr. Fisk. Many of these hauntings are right in your own neighborhood; some may even be in your own backyard. He will share photos, case histories, eyewitness accounts, and ghost lore. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## Ben Bedford *"Sketches of America"*

**Tuesday, October 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Through his music, Ben Bedford delivers intriguing sketches of America, its individuals, their victories and their struggles. Poignant, but never sentimental, Bedford's portrait-like songs capture the vitality of his characters and draw the listener deep into the narratives. Bedford's songs tackle scenarios including homelessness, the plight of a Confederate soldier's wife during the American Civil War, the aerial triumphs of Amelia Earhart, the life of Jack London, and the murder of Emmett Till in 1955.

Often drawing upon history, Bedford's songs have a strong sense of time and place. They are rich in sensory detail that allows the listener to hear, see and feel each narrative.

In July of 2010, Bedford was named one of the "50 most significant folk singer-songwriters of the past 50 years" by Rich Warren of WFMT Chicago. His second album, *Land of the Shadows*, had three songs in the top-ten of Folk-DJ charts and finished as the fourth most-played album of the year in 2009. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Rick Pikren *"Illinois: Gateway to the American West in Story and Song"*

**Tuesday, October 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Using historical anecdotes and traditional and original songs accompanied on guitar, banjo, and harmonica, Rick highlights the key role Illinois played in the development of American western history, culture, and myth from 1860–1960 This program weaves a tapestry of history and song into an entertaining and edifying hour-long excursion through the history of Illinois and the American West. Register at 1-800-613 3163.

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# TEEN ACTIVITIES

## JULY EVENTS:

**JULY 11, 2012**
End-of-the-Summer Party
1:00-3:00 P.M.
(Chocolate Party)

## AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER EVENTS:

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 2, 2012**
Teen Advisory Meeting
4:00 P.M.
(Alton Square Location)
**TUESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2012**
Teen Movies at RBCC
4:00 P.M.
(Movie to be determined)
**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2012**
Teen Advisory Meeting
4:00 P.M.
(Riverbender.com Community Center)
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2012**
Teen Movies at RBCC
4:00 P.M.
(Movie to be determined)

## *Hayner Library Supports Summer Jazz Series*

The Hayner Public Library District, in partnership with the North Alton Godfrey Business Council and Lewis & Clark Community College, will provide sponsorship for the "Summer Jazz Interlude" Concert Series to be held June 13, July 18, August 15, and September 12. All the concerts are free of charge and will be held in the Alton High School Auditorium, except the September concert, which will be held on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College All concerts start at 7:00 p.m.

*The schedule includes.*

**June 13, Sentimental Journey Dance Band**
**July 18, Gary Dammer Orchestra**
**August 15, Sessions Jazz Band**
**September 12, St. Louis Symphony Jazz Ensemble**

# KIDSSPACE SUMMER READING PROGRAM

## JULY ACTIVITIES

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| Monday, July 2 | Stories and Puppets | 10 a.m. | Ages 2–6 |
| Tuesday, July 3 | Little Tots Movie Time | 2 p.m. | Ages 2–5 |
| Thursday, July 5 | Summertime Craft | 10 a.m. | Ages 5–11 |
| Monday, July 9 | Stories and Puppets | 10 a.m. | Ages 2–6 |
| Tuesday, July 10 | Little Tots Movie Time | 2 p.m. | Ages 2–5 |
| Wednesday, July 11 | Performer Laura Anderson JC Penney Court | 10 a.m. | |
| Thursday, July 12 | Summertime Craft | 10 a.m. | Ages 5–11 |

## AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

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| Wednesday, August 1 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |
| Monday, August 6 | Movers and Shakers Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages 2–5 |
| Wednesday, August 8 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |
| Thursday, August 9 | Itsy Bitsy Yoga | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–12 mos. |
| Saturday, August 11 | Saturday Afternoon @ the Movies | 2 p.m. | |
| Monday, August 13 | Movers and Shakers Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages 2–5 |
| Tuesday, August 14 | After-School Fun (Downtown) | 3:30 p.m. | Ages 5–11 |
| Wednesday, August 15 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |
| Monday, August 20 | Movers and Shakers Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages 2–5 |
| Wednesday, August 22 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |
| Monday, August 27 | Spanish Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages 3–5 |
| Wednesday, August 29 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |
| Wednesday, September 5 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |
| Thursday, September 6 | Itsy Bitsy Yoga | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–12 mos. |
| Monday, September 10 | Movers and Shakers Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages 2–5 |
| Tuesday, September 11 | After-School Fun (Downtown) | 3:30 p.m. | Ages 5–11 |
| Wednesday, September 12 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |
| Monday, September 17 | Movers and Shakers Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages 2–5 |
| Wednesday, September 19 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |
| Monday, September 24 | Spanish Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages 3–5 |
| Wednesday, September 26 | Mommy and Me Story Time | 10 a.m. | Ages Birth–2 yrs. |

## *Cemeteries and Tombstone Inscriptions of Madison County, Illinois*

**Compiled by the Madison County Genealogical Society**

Are you looking for burial records in Madison County, Illinois? Then come to the Illinois Room at Hayner Library. Sixteen books hold the burial records of 137 Madison County cemeteries in this collection compiled by the Madison County Genealogical Society. Cemetery indexes and burial indexes help researchers quickly find the cemetery and burial records they need. This collection is just one of many genealogical records found on the shelves of the Genealogy & Local History Library in downtown Alton.
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## *Rev. John Mason Peck: a hero in the history of Alton*

In February 1819, a young and energetic Baptist missionary under commission of the Triennial Convention of Baptists rode into the Alton area with hopes of finding a suitable site for a new school that would combine education with religious training. The Reverend John Mason Peck was that man. Unfortunately, Rev. Peck was so unimpressed by the primitive conditions of the Alton countryside and its inhabitants that it would take nearly 13 years for him to decide to transfer his school from Rock Spring, Illinois, to Upper Alton.

In 1832 the Alton Seminary opened, thus beginning a long and prosperous career in Alton. The reverend was a hardworking and tireless pioneer in many political, personal, and ethical pursuits during the 1800s. He was known to have a strong moral persuasion, which worked to his advantage as he labored to make social changes and create positive influences in some of the more unrefined Midwestern territories. He was a firm believer in making higher education available to all people. He exhibited a strong opinion against slavery by taking an active position in the fight to keep servitude out of the State of Illinois.

A deeply religious man, Rev. Peck was instrumental in establishing churches and Sunday schools throughout the Mississippi Valley. As early history records show, Rev. Peck is also credited with establishing the first Baptist church in the Upper Alton area on April 25, 1830, a church that is still active within the neighborhood.

The Reverend John Mason Peck was not a native of Alton, and only visited here for a short time, but the valuable contributions he made within the community have made lasting impressions and earned him many honorable references in Alton's history. The Alton Seminary is no longer in existence, but out of its history came the prestigious Shurtleff College, and it currently flourishes as the SIUE School of Dental Medicine. The Upper Alton Baptist Church has maintained over 180 years of service to its parishioners and local community. These well-established and historic institutions of Alton are an honorable legacy of the Reverend John Mason Peck.

*Pam Bierman*

## *Attention Railroad Buffs!!*

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library railroad collection may have the photo or information you are looking for. There are photos and histories of the GM&O, the Illinois Terminal, the Chicago & Alton, the Chicago & Northwestern, and the St. Louis, Jacksonville & Chicago Railroads. Read about the Alton Railroad Bridge, the Dinky, the Interurban, and more.

The display of early railroad paraphernalia takes the viewer back to the years when railroad travel was the newest, fastest way to cross the country.

The railroad collection is located in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library on 401 State Street in Alton.

## *50 Years of Combined Genealogy Experience!*

Are you looking for your ancestors? Come see us!

The staff at Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library will use their 50 combined years' research experience to help you find information in the library collection. Newspaper digitizations, computer databases, books, maps, and atlases offer local to worldwide information. Search censuses, military records, immigration records, naturalizations, births, marriages, deaths, obituaries, cemetery records, ethnic records, biographies of early settlers, land records, and more. Your ancestors are waiting—let us help you find them.

## *Visit our Illinois Room to see our new additions:*

Prairie Farmers Reliable Directory, Montgomery County Illinois 1918 IR 929.377382 PRA
1830–40 Montgomery County Illinois Census IR 929.377382 MON
1860 Census and Mortality Schedule Montgomery County Illinois IR 929.377382 MON
1910 Federal Census Montgomery County Illinois IR 929.377382 MON
Black Slaveowners, South Carolina 1790–1860 IR 975.7 KOG
Montgomery County Illinois Marriage Records 1817–1915 IR 929.377382 MON
Veterans Buried in Bond County Illinois IR 929.3773873 VET
Bond County Naturalization Intent IR 929.3773873 BON
Black History: A Guide to Civilian Records in the National Archives IR 929.108996073 BLA
Fanning's Illustrated Gazetteer of the United States IR 973 FAN
This Is Washington County 1818–1968 IR 977.388 HIS
Memories of the Heart IR 370.19 ROY
Franklin W. Olin 1860–1951 (patron donation) IR B OLIN
Past and Present of Bureau County Illinois IR 977.3372 HAR
History of White County, Illinois IR 977.396 HIS
Balloons to Jets IR 977.3 SCA
History of Kendall County Illinois IR 977.3263 HIC
Black Genesis IR 929.108996073 ROS
Past and Present of LaSalle County Illinois IR 977.327 PAS
History of Jo Daviess County Illinois IR 977.3343 HIS
History of the Standard Oil Company IR 665.5 TAR

## *Did you ever wonder...*

If you have ever wondered where and who you came from, join the crowd. Most of us have experienced this feeling at one time or another. Looking back into our past to find out more about the early generations that came before us can teach us about ourselves.

Did you ever wonder why you love to play the piano, are passionate about gardening, or have some particular physical characteristic? By learning about your ancestors, you just might discover the answers to these questions and more. You may have had a grandmother who taught piano, or a great-uncle who was a master gardener. Maybe you have your great-grandfather's sky blue eyes.

There are several good websites available to begin your research, but many of them charge a fee. There is one place where you can do research at no charge: the Genealogy & Local History Library of The Hayner Public Library District in downtown Alton, Illinois, has experienced staff on hand to help you discover your own family history.

Our experienced staff will share their knowledge to help you uncover your roots. By having you share your known family history with us, we can help you take steps toward revealing your family heritage. Every piece of information can bring you closer to another discovery about family members of long ago.

We can assist you in discovering things you didn't know about your ancestors. It is wonderful to have a family tree all filled out with names and dates, but what about the persons? What do you know about them? We can help you add to the family tree outline with some real facts about the people on it.

We have online databases that you can use free of charge such as Ancestry Library Edition, Heritage Quest Online, Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps for Illinois, the digitized *Alton Telegraph* dating back to 1836, the National Newspaper Archive, and many other resources.

Our historic Illinois Room contains nearly 5,000 volumes of genealogical and historical information including maps, family histories, county and state histories, city directories, and school yearbooks. You are welcome to come in and use our databases and our collection at no charge. Print copies are $.15 per page.

Using our online databases, we have helped many people locate records of family members they had either lost or had no knowledge of at all. We can help you learn of the resources available to assist you in uncovering the mysteries of your family history. Because of privacy issues, we cannot help locate individuals who are still living.

Some of our researchers become very emotional about the discoveries they make in our library. Over the years, we have had researchers learn of a sibling they didn't know they had, or of a "friend" they learn is really a distant relative.

We hope you will come in to see us and the wonderful research resources we have available at the Genealogy & Local History Library. Please call 433-2865 to set up an appointment with one of our trained staff members. We would love to work with you in discovering your roots.

## *A Brief History of Reading*

Spoken language is a natural, biological form of human communication that is over 6 million years old. Reading is an invention that is only 6000 years old. There simply hasn't been enough evolutionary time, yet, for the human physiology of reading to be perfected.

Speech is *Natural* ... 6,000,000 Years.
Text is an *Invention ... 6000 Years*.

Aristotle, the world's first psychologist, understood this fundamental difference and relationship between spoken language and written language.

*Spoken words are the symbols of mental experience, and written words are the symbols of spoken words.* Aristotle—On Interpretation

Over history, humans have found methods to represent their spoken words with written symbols. The first writing—Sumerian logographs from 4000 BC—were simply pictures of objects and activities.

In 2000 BC, the Phoenicians developed the first methods to represent spoken language—an alphabet consisting entirely of consonants:

SPKNWRDSRTHSYMBLSFMNTLXPRNCNDWRT TNWRDSRTHSYMBLSFSPKNWRDS

2000 BC—Phoenician alphabet contained consonants only.

In 1000 BC, the first major upgrade occurred in the technology of representing language—the Greeks added vowels to the alphabet. This is essentially the same alphabet we use today—and it is considered one of humanity's greatest inventions.

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1000 BC—the Greeks added vowels

About 1000 years later, in 200 BC, the next major upgrade in writing appeared: punctuation marks. Punctuation was first observed in Alexandrian manuscripts of plays written by Aristophanes.

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200 BC—Aristophanes' plays add punctuation.

Yet another 1000 years passed before the next improvement in text, namely the invention of lower case characters by medieval scribes.

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700 AD—lower case

About 1000 years ago, in 900 AD, the last major upgrade in text took place. the insertion of spaces between words. Also developed by medieval scribes, this invention made it possible, for the first time, for the vast majority of readers to be able to read silently. Prior to this, most readers had to read out loud in order to be able to read at all. The few who could read text silently without these spaces between the words, like Julius Caesar and St. Ambrose, were viewed as so extraordinary that this ability is specifically recorded in historical records.

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900 AD—spaces between words

For the past 1000 years, there has been essentially no change in the formatting of text, the technology of spatially symbolizing natural spoken language, whether one considers the handwritten scripts of 900 AD, the Gutenberg Bible of 1500 AD, or the eBook of 2000 AD.

1000 AD 1500 AD 2000 AD

http://www.liveink.com/whatis/history.htm

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

### —Non-Fiction

**Andersen, Christopher.** Mick: The Wild Life and Mad Genius of Jagger

**Badman, Keith.** Marilyn Monroe: The Final Years

**Beck, Glenn.** Cowards: What Politicians, Radicals, and the Media Refuse to Say

**Brzezinski, Mika & Joe Scarborough.** Mika and Joe: Our American Stories

**Cantu, Robert, MD.** Concussions and Our Kids: America's Leading Expert on How to Protect Young Athletes and Keep Sports Safe

**Chafe, William H. Bill and Hillary:** The Politics of the Personal

**Cooper, Jeanne.** Not Young, Still Restless: A Memoir

**Danza, Tony.** I'd Like to Apologize to Every Teacher I Ever Had: My Year as a Rookie Teacher at Northeast High

**D'Arabian, Melissa.** Ten Dollar Dinners: 140 Recipes & Tips to Elevate Simple, Fresh Meals Any Night of the Week

**Douglas, Ron.** America's Most Wanted Recipes Just Desserts: Sweet Indulgences from Your Family's Favorite Restaurants

**Follain, John.** A Death in Italy: The Definitive Account of the Amanda Knox Case

**Goldman, Carrie.** Bullied: What Every Parent, Teacher, and Kid Needs to Know About Ending the Cycle of Fear

**Gottman, John.** What Makes Love Last? How to Build Trust and Avoid Betrayal

**Houston, Philip.** Spy the Lie: Former CIA Officers Show You How to Detect When Someone Is Lying

**John, Elton.** Love Is the Cure: On Life, Loss, and the end of AIDS

**Johnson, Joyce.** The Voice Is All: The Lonely Victory of Jack Kerouac

**Jones, Leslie-Ann.** Mercury: An Intimate Biography of Freddie Mercury

**Kirby, David.** Death at SeaWorld

**Limbaugh, David.** The Great Destroyer: Barack Obama's War on the Republic

**Lustig, Andrea Pomerantz.** How to Look Expensive: A Beauty Editor's Secrets to Getting Gorgeous Without Breaking the Bank

**MacIntyre, Ben.** Double Cross: The True Story of the D-Day Spies

**McCord, Catherine.** Weelicious: 150 Fast, Fresh, and Easy Recipes

**McGee, William.** Attention All Passengers: The Airlines' Dangerous Descent—and How to Reclaim Our Skies

**Mendez, Antonio J.** Argo: How the CIA and Hollywood Pulled Off the Most Audacious Rescue in History

**Min, Janice.** How to Look Hot in a Minivan: A Real Woman's Guide to Losing Weight, Looking Great, and Dressing Chic in the Age of the Celebrity Mom

**Neel, Armon, Jr.** Are Your Prescriptions Killing You? How to Prevent Dangerous Interactions, Avoid Deadly Side Effects, and Be Healthier with Fewer Drugs

**Reiss, Tom.** The Black Count: Glory, Revolution, Betrayal, and the Real Count of Monte Cristo

**Romp, Julie.** The Cat Who Came Back for Christmas: How a Cat Brought a Family the Gift of Love

**Rubin, Gretchen.** Happier at Home: Kiss More, Jump More, Abandon a Project, Read Samuel Johnson, and My Other Experiments in the Practice of Everyday Life

**Simmons, Sylvie.** I'm Your Man: The Life of Leonard Cohen

**Smith, Daniel B.** Monkey Mind: A Memoir of Anxiety

**Spitz, Bob.** Dearie: The Remarkable Life of Julia Child

**Stone, Alex.** Fooling Houdini: Magicians, Mentalists, Math Geeks, and the Hidden Powers of the Mind

**Thorn, John.** The Pro Football Hall of Fame 50th Anniversary Book: Where Greatness Lives

**Turner, Natasha.** The Carb Sensitivity Program: Discover Which Carbs Will Curb Your Cravings, Control Your Appetite, and Banish Belly Fat

**Ujifusa, Steven.** A Man and His Ship: America's Greatest Naval Architect and His Quest to Build the S.S. United States

**Winehouse, Mitch.** Amy, My Daughter

**Woods, Stuart.** Blue Water, Green Skipper

### —Fiction

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Sandcastle Girls

**Brandman, Michael.** Robert B. Parker's Fool Me Twice: A Jesse Stone Novel

**Brown, Dale.** Tiger's Claw

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Sneaky Pie for President

**Brown, Sandra.** Low Pressure

**Brunstetter, Wanda E.** The Struggle

**Burke, James Lee.** Creole Belle: A Dave Robicheaux Novel

**Cain, Chelsea.** Kill You Twice

**Child, Lee.** A Wanted Man: A Jack Reacher Novel

**Coulter, Catherine.** Backfire: An FBI Thriller

**Cussler, Clive.** Mirage: An Oregon Novel

**Fairstein, Linda.** Night Watch

**Follett, Ken.** Winter of the World

**Freemantle, Brian.** Red Star Burning

**French, Tana.** Broken Harbor

**Freveletti, Jamie.** Robert Ludlum's The Janus Reprisal

**Garlock, Dorothy.** By Starlight

**Garwood, Julie.** Sweet Talk

**Gerritsen, Tess.** Last to Die: A Rizzoli & Isles Novel

**Giffin, Emily.** Where We Belong

**Gregory, Philippa.** The Kingmaker's Daughter

**Griffin, W.E.B.** The Spymasters: A Men at War Novel

**Gross, Andrew.** 15 Seconds

**Harkness, Deborah.** Shadow of Night

**Hooper, Kay.** Haven

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** The Survivor

**Jackson, Lisa.** You Don't Want to Know

**Jance, J. A.** Judgment Call

**Johansen, Iris.** Close Your Eyes

**Kava, Alex.** Fireproof

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Time Untime

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Coming Home

**Kleypas, Lisa.** Dream Lake

**Koontz, Dean.** Odd Apocalypse

**Krueger, William.** Trickster's Point

**Lippman, Laura.** And When She Was Good

**Macomber, Debbie.** The Inn at Rose Harbor

**Patterson, James.** I, Michael Bennett

**Peterson, Tracie.** To Love and Cherish

**Pronzini, Bill.** Hellbox

**Reichs, Kathy.** Bones Are Forever

**Rendell, Ruth.** St. Zita Society

**Robards, Karen.** The Last Victim

**Silva, Daniel.** Fallen Angel

**Slaughter, Karin.** Criminal

**Steel, Danielle.** Friends Forever

**Thor, Brad.** Black List

**Turtledove, Harry.** Coup d'Etat (The War That Came Early series)

**Walters, Minette.** Innocent Victims

**Weiner, Jennifer.** The Next Best Thing

**White, Randy Wayne.** Gone

**White, Stephen.** Line of Fire

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Alton Square Library
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Sunday, Noon to 6 p.m.

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Wed., 12:00 noon – 8.00 p.m., closed Sunday

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## COUNT ME IN!

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**for the Summer Starting June 2012**

**When: Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**
**Where: Downtown Library**
**Description: To help with crafts and story times**

**When: Fridays, 9 a.m. -11 a.m.**
**Where: Alton Square Library**
**Decription: To help prepare crafts for library craft times**

***Please contact:***
***Stephanie Munson***
***Volunteer Coordinator***
***462-0677. ext. 2844***

## *Boopsie – Coming Soon!*

Patrons of The Hayner Public Library District: You will soon be able to access library services wherever you go. Imagine being in a bookstore and seeing the latest best seller for sale. You can scan the ISBN with your mobile phone and find out if the title is available through the library, and then, if you like, reserve the library copy for yourself. You can read book reviews and also search and download e-books and audiobooks to your mobile device.

These services will be made available to you by The Hayner Public Library District through our partnership with Boopsie, a native app platform for multiple devices including Android, iPhone, iPod, iPad, Blackberry, Nook Color, Kindle Fire, Palm OS, and more.

Boopsie is a world-class multi-platform mobile solution that integrates with library systems so that patrons can put books on hold, search the entire catalog, check out, renew, see library hours and locations, all from their mobile phones. With Boopsie you can also access online databases such as Tutor.com, Mango, and Novelist Plus. By this fall, The Hayner Public Library District will be offering Boopsie functionality to anyone with a supported mobile device. Only Hayner patrons will be able to issue reserve/holds through Boopsie. Watch our website (www.haynerlibrary.org) for availability and new developments!

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## 2012 Summer Reading Program
## *Reading Is Sooooo Delicious*

Young patrons of Hayner Public Library had a fabulous time at this year's Summer Reading Program, "Reading Is Sooooo Delicious!" The KidsSpace staff kept them busy with craft times, performers, movies, a puppet show, and stories

The program drew in more than 400 kids over six weeks. Each participant was rewarded each week with prizes for their diligent reading. At the end of the program participants were treated to a party held at the Alton High School Commons

This year's top readers: Birth through five years category, Joshua Cordes; six through eight-year-old category, Dayzia Gray; and nine through eleven-year-old category, Tristan Turner. The Evangelical School won the trophy for greatest student participation.

Congratulations to our winners and all our readers this year! Hope to see everyone again next year.

*Dayzia Gray*

*Tristan Turner*

*Annie Ruckman*

*Teen Summer Reading Party*

*Joshua Cordes and Dad*

*Youth Summer Reading Party*

The 2012 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Reading Is Sooooo Delicious," was a great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on some deferred reading. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a weekly fun day at The Riverbender.com Community Center. I would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner for the most hours read, Annie Ruckman. I would also like to thank all the participants. We hope to see everyone back for next year's reading program.

Sharon Windham
YA/Youth Manager
Education Liaison

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Veterans Day - Nov. 11
Thanksgiving - Nov. 22
Christmas - Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Year's - Dec. 31, Jan. 1


### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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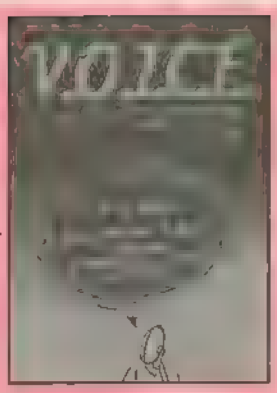
## The Dreamshop Experience




This past year, the Alton School District was the recipient of funding from the 21st Century Community Learning Centers After-School Initiative. This federal program provides grant dollars to support academic enrichment and a broad array of additional services, including drug and violence prevention, counseling, art, music, recreation and technology programs, and character education. With this funding the Alton School District sponsored after-school programs that successfully increased both reading and math scores across the district. Community partners also participated and contributed to facilitate additional summer programs for students.

The Hayner Public Library District supported a multiday workshop for 4th, 5th, and 6th graders, titled the "Dreamshop Experience," conducted by author and motivational speaker Victor Pacini. This workshop taught students tools to develop their V.O.I.C.E: Vision fOr Inspiring & Creating Excellence. The program provided the students a unique experience where they were given the opportunity to develop a confident voice while respecting the voices of others.

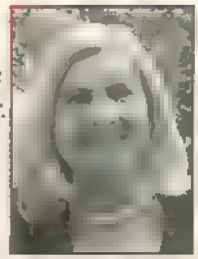
Victor conducted 2- and 3-day summer workshops by grade level, working with students entering the 4th, 5th, or 6th grades. Through a series of high-energy, interactive activities involving art, writing, and speaking skills, the students were given the tools to increase confidence, self-esteem, respect, and responsibility.

Victor is a dynamic speaker and through his own music and personal experiences connected with students immediately. The kids were entirely involved and excited and didn't want the workshops to come to an end. The Hayner Public Library District contributed copies of Victor's book/journal "Your V.O.I.C.E" to each student to help them continue to build self-actualization skills throughout the year.

At the conclusion of the workshops, the students clustered around Victor so he could sign their books. Attending teachers were amazed by the high level of involvement, enthusiasm, and excitement Victor generated in each workshop. Staff from The Hayner Public Library District and the Alton Public School District were delighted to observe over 100 students achieving character skills and growth while having a great time!

For more information on Victor and his various programs for kids (all ages, through college) and adults, visit his Web site at www.victorpacini.com.

## Grant Writer Position Added to Staff



Patty Morrissey is the new part-time Grant Writer/Researcher for Hayner. In her position, Patty seeks out funding for projects involving such areas as family literacy, digitization, and technology. The most current projects include procuring funding for the digitization of our collection of rare books and documents as well as moving the library forward with technology.

In the past, she has researched and written grants for Saints Peter and Paul School and for Marquette High School. Besides her work for Hayner, Patty teaches an online graduate class at Webster University in Media Studies and an occasional class at Lewis & Clark Community College. She holds an MA in Speech Communications from SIUE, a Master's in Online Teaching from the University of Illinois, and a BA in English from Rockhurst University. Patty lives in Alton with her husband, Tom, and their three children, Anna, Claire, and Tommy.

## Food for Fines

Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period.

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need

From October 1 through October 31, 2012, anyone who has an overdue item can pay his or her fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and only Hayner materials are eligible. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

## *Wreaths Across America*

*Wreaths Across America* is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, Teach," is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies on a specified Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. Through the wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events, the organization spreads its message about the importance of **remembering** our fallen heroes, **honoring** those who serve, and **teaching** our children about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 15, 2012, our community will participate in the national "Wreaths Across America" ceremony. The ceremony will start at 11 a.m. in the Alton National Cemetery, at Pearl Street and Joesting Avenue. Local school children, with the assistance of area veterans, will participate and help lay the wreaths on the veterans' graves. The ceremony will involve a number of other participants and include musical accompaniment. It will last approximately one-half hour.

In 2011, through community financial donations, 540 wreaths were placed on gravesites in our local national cemetery. The fund-raising goal for this year is $5400. Every $30 of contributions enables the local organization to purchase three 20-inch live balsam wreaths.

Every dollar you can donate helps ensure a wreath at every veteran's gravesite. Help continue the success of this program by sending a financial donation to "Wreaths Across America," P.O. Box 181, Alton IL 62002. For more information, or to volunteer, call Margaret Hopkins at 618-474-2005.

Support our community in carrying forward the mission of "Hope, Honor, Teach." Join the whole country in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own future Christmas celebrations for us.

## *Support The Hayner Public Library District with a Schnucks eScrip Community Card*

The Hayner Public Library District is a member of the Schnucks eScrip program. If you sign up for a Schnucks eScrip Community Card, every time you make a purchase at a Schnucks Store and show your eScrip card, the Schnucks Grocery Stores will make a donation of up to 3% of your purchase total to the library. It's so easy to do— just

**1. Visit any Schnucks store and request a Schnucks eScrip Community Card. Make sure you specify The Hayner Public Library District as your charity of choice.**
Activate your card by calling 1.800.931.6258 or visit www.escrip.com/schnucks.jsp

**2. Present your card to the cashier every time you shop at Schnucks.**
You can pay for your groceries any way you choose. Simply swiping your card generates contributions from Schnucks Grocery Stores to The Hayner Public Library District. You will also receive a "key chain" eScrip card that the Schnucks cashier will quickly scan to register the amount of the Schnucks donation to the library account for your current purchase.

**3. The more you shop, the higher the contribution to The Hayner Public Library District.** For every dollar you spend, Schnucks will contribute up to 3% of your purchase amount.

Thank you so much for participating in this program, and thank you to Schnucks Grocery Stores for supporting our community and the library through their participation in the eScrip program.

## *Don't Miss Vintage Voices This Fall*

This fall, the Alton Little Theater will present the 2012 Vintage Voices, featuring "Leading Ladies & City Fathers," each Saturday in October. A guided, gentle strolling tour through the historic Alton Cemetery will take you to eight different grave sites, where you will meet 11 "living" historical figures.

This year, actors from the Little Theater will be recreating the personalities of Alton luminaries including Sarah Duncan, wife of Gilbert Duncan, foundry owner; Edward Bowman, the most "useful" man in Alton; John Blair, a civic leader who drove 300 cows to California; Lucy Long Breckenridge, daughter of explorer Steven Long; Anton Reck, a spirited dealer of spirits; and Lewis Kellenberger, businessman and ex–Alton mayor

The cemetery tours will run every 15 minutes, Saturdays in October (October 6, 13, 20, 27) from 1:00 p.m. until 2:45 p.m. Each tour will take a little over an hour. The cost of the tour is $12 for adults, $6 for students through high school. Guests will receive an informative program guide and have a chance to chat with local historian Charlotte Stetson at the conclusion of the tours. In commemoration of the city's 175th Anniversary, Alton Mayor Tom Hoechst will kick off the 2012 Vintage Voices event, welcoming guests at the first tour at 1 p.m. on Saturday, October 6.

If you don't care to walk the cemetery, you can also enjoy "Tea with Vintage Voices" on Sunday, October 14, held in the lobby of the Alton Little Theater, 2450 North Henry St., Alton, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. You will enjoy a non-walking tour, meeting and listening to the historical figures from the cemetery walks Reservations are required for the tea and can be made by calling 462-3205. Tickets are $12 per person

Tickets for the walking tour in the cemetery are sold at the Alton Regional Convention & Visitor's Bureau (465-6676) and at the front gate of the cemetery starting 30 minutes before the tours begin at 1 p.m.

## *Hayner Now Subscribes to ConsumerReports.org!*

**Enjoy FREE access to Consumer Reports online with your Hayner Library card!**

This award-winning Web site is now freely available to all Hayner Library cardholders. You will find the same trusted resources for information and advice on consumer products that is found in print. There are product reviews, ratings, and comparisons to make better purchasing decisions on products you are shopping for.

Visit Hayner Library's Web site at www.haynerlibrary.org, and click the Online Resources tab at the top of the page. Under the subject heading Product Reviews and Ratings, you will find ConsumerReports.org.

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## *New Online Databases at Hayner Library*

**Hayner Library subscribes to new EBSCOhost databases to help students and learners of all ages!**

Looking for high-quality articles licensed from reputable publishers for your research papers? Need fast, easy access to reliable information? Hayner Library has a database to help you.

**Student Reference Center.** Middle school and high school students will find research easy with this database. Here you can search thousands of magazine and journal articles and primary source documents for your research paper. Topics covered include history, science, math, English, and more.

**Academic Search Premier** is the preeminent academic collection of full-text, peer-reviewed journal articles for academic research. There are over 4,500 journals available in full text, covering subject areas such as biology, chemistry, engineering, physics, psychology, and religion.

**Literary Reference Center** is designed for high school and undergraduate students looking for literary perspectives from trusted sources. The database includes plot summaries, synopses, articles of literary criticism, author biographies, author interviews, and images of key literary figures.

**Points of View Reference Center** contains a balance of materials from all viewpoints on current issues. There are hundreds of topics, each with an overview, point/counterpoint, and charts/graphs. This full-text database is designed to help students (and all learners!) improve their ability to judge fact versus opinion, to read and think critically, and to enhance debate skills.

**Consumer Health Complete** contains evidence-based health reports, drug and herb information, and health encyclopedias, as well as images, videos, and diagrams covering areas of health and wellness from mainstream medicine to alternative health sources.

Hayner also offers a variety of other online databases that cover subjects such as auto repair, foreign language, homework help, test preparation, and more.

To learn more about these databases, visit Hayner Library at www.haynerlibrary.org and click on Online Databases. A valid Hayner Library card is required for remote access.

In what town did your great-grandparents live? The Genealogy & Local History Library has histories and other records of towns.

See pictures of early families, homes, businesses, churches, and schools. Learn how or where your ancestors may have worked or gone to church. You may begin to get an idea of their daily activities and what their neighborhoods looked like. You may also learn how they traveled: on foot, riding horses or in buggies, by train, or driving old-fashioned cars!

Find books about Alton, Dorsey, Edwardsville, Fosterburg, Glen Carbon, Godfrey, Granite City, Highland, Marine, and Wood River in Madison County. Read about Elsah, Grafton, and Jerseyville in Jersey County, and about Bunker Hill, Chesterfield, Medora, and Pleasant Hill in Macoupin County. In addition, there are books about Carrollton and Whitehall in Greene County, and about Donnellson, Hillsboro, and Litchfield in Montgomery County.

Come search for your ancestors in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library!

*Beth Phillips*

150 years ago people traveled on steamboats. Traveling theaters entertained Altonians when the boat came to town. Packets carried the mail and merchandise. Love and romance blossomed aboard cruises up and down the river. Read about the glory days of steamboat travel in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library on State Street in downtown Alton. The river is only a few blocks away from the library. Imagine yourself aboard the Robert E. Lee or the Natchez during the great river race as you view the Steamboat Historical Display. See photos and read histories of early paddle wheelers and of the local Eagle Packet Company. Our shelves have the 100th Anniversary Edition of the Waterways Journal and the Way's Packet Directories. Learn why one steamboat became stranded in a cornfield! And of course, the Hayner Newspaper Archives have the newspaper accounts of local people who owned, worked on, or played on the river boats.

## *American Families, Genealogical and Biographical*

Publisher: American Historical Society, New York, 1932

Many families crossed the Atlantic from England to build a home and start a new life in the American colonies. American Families, a set of 16 tall, lavishly decorated, leather-bound books, explains the meanings of some family names in Europe, prints their family coats-of-arms, and tells the stories of these people and their descendants in America. Poetry, portraits, and entries from diaries bring their stories to life. The American Historical Society also published 46 volumes of similarly designed surname books. Each book is dedicated to a different immigrant family and their descendants in the United States. The only local library that has these books, Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library has indexed all surnames in the 62 volumes. We welcome you to browse these elegant books and look for your family names!

*Beth Phillips*

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## Hayner Library Special Events

*Join us for our fall semester of events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 218 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, October 13**
**Saturday, November 10**
**Saturday, December 8***
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

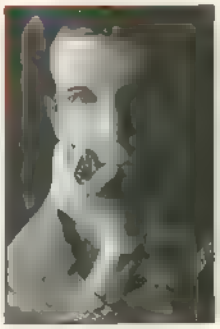
*"Cuddle up with a canine."*

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills, and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

*The December Bow-wow will also feature a surprise guest!

### Ben Bedford
### *"Sketches of America"*

**Tuesday, October 2, 6:30 p.m.**



Through his music, Ben Bedford delivers intriguing sketches of America, its individuals, their victories and their struggles. Poignant, but never sentimental, Bedford's portrait-like songs capture the vitality of his characters and draw the listener deep into the narratives. Bedford's songs tackle scenarios including homelessness, the plight of a Confederate soldier's wife during the American Civil War, the aerial triumphs of Amelia Earhart, the life of Jack London, and the murder of Emmett Till in 1955. Often drawing upon history, Bedford's songs have a strong sense of time and place. They are rich in sensory detail that allows the listener to hear, see, and feel each narrative.

In July of 2010, Bedford was named one of the "50 most significant folk singer–songwriters of the past 50 years" by Rich Warren of WFMT Chicago. His second album, Land of the Shadows, had three songs in the top ten of Folk-DJ charts and finished as the fourth most-played album of the year in 2009. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *DAR "Friend-raiser" Open House Event*

**Saturday, October 20**
**1:00–4:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, Ill.*

The Genealogy & Local History Library and the Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution are holding a special event for anyone who loves history and is interested in becoming a DAR member! Experienced researchers will be available to help you get started looking for your Revolutionary War patriot. Admission is free and registration is not required to attend this Open House event. Everyone is welcome. For more information, please call 462-0677, ext. 2865.

### Rick Pickren
### *"Stars & Stripes with the Singing Cowboy"*

**Tuesday, October 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Singer-songwriter and actor Rick Pickren is a descendant of Buffalo Bill Cody. He has co-starred in the feature films *Major League*, *U.S. Marshals*, and *While You Were Sleeping*, and on television in *ER* and *Early Edition*. Rick is also a two-time winner of the Marlboro Country Music Round Up and has shared the stage with George Strait, Merle Haggard, The Judds, Dolly Parton, and Alabama. He will be performing a new program, "Stars and Stripes with the Singing Cowboy," which features America's most beloved patriotic and state songs. Sing along to songs like "God Bless America," "You're a Grand Old Flag," "God Bless the USA," "The Star-Spangled Banner," and more. Rick will also relate little-known anecdotal history of many of the musical pieces. Join us and celebrate our great country! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mary Ann Pitchford
### *Tai Chi Classes for Adults/for Families*

**Monday, October 29, & November 5, 12, & 19**

Last fall's successful Tai Chi classes are returning! This year, we will host a daytime class for adults and an evening class for families.

HealthQuest Tai Chi varies from the martial arts–style; these gentle meditative movements are beneficial to anyone with arthritic joint pain, diabetes circulation problems, and anxiety/depression. This method includes Qi Gong (for mental alertness and memory) and Tae Bo (for upper body strength.) There will be two series of classes, each meeting once a week for four consecutive weeks beginning Monday, October 29, through Monday, November 19. All classes are limited to 35 people. Please sign up for the entire series, not individual dates.

**Series 1: Mondays at 1 p.m.**

Tai Chi for Adults: Meets in the Hayner Library Performance Room, Alton Square Mall, 2nd floor. Great for seniors and enjoyable for all levels of experience and flexibility.

**Series 2: Mondays at 6:30 p.m.**

This class invites the whole family to attend. Kids must be accompanied by an adult (parents, grandparents, legal guardian, etc.) For all levels of experience and flexibility. Enjoy an activity with the whole family together. Learn the wonderful Tai Chi techniques that you can continue at home to develop strength, confidence, and flexibility. Registration required. Register at 1-800-613-3163. Please be sure to specify the class you wish to register for and the number of people in your party

### Tim Grimm

**Tuesday, November 6, 6:30 p.m.**

Tim is an award-winning songwriter and actor on stage and screen. He co-starred for two seasons on the NBC drama *Reasonable Doubts* and appeared in several films, including *Clear and Present Danger* with Harrison Ford. Also, look for Tim

in the upcoming feature film *At Any Price* starring Dennis Quaid and Zac Efron, which has received critical reviews at Cannes and the Venice Film Festival. His recording *The Back Fields* was named "Best Americana Album" in the 2006 Just Plain Folks Music Awards in Los Angeles (the largest and most diverse music awards in the world). Named 2000's "Best Discovery in Roots/Americana Music" by the *Chicago Sun-Times* and "2004 Male Artist of the Year" by the Freeform American Roots DJs, his songs and performances have established him as a unique voice in Americana music. Each of his past five recordings has reached the top of the Folk or American Roots charts. Grimm walks the fine line between folk and country, while maintaining a strong footing in tradition. We hear the rural rumblings that have shaped his life, but we are also invited into a bigger picture, as evident in so much of his work. Critics searching for comparisons most often cite Johnny Cash, Woody Guthrie, and (Nebraska-era) Bruce Springsteen. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Genealogy Program
## *"Honor the Fallen"*
**Wednesday, November 14, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, Ill.*

Guest speaker Tom Pearson will discuss how to use books, microfilm, and Internet sources to locate death and burial information on all of our military ancestors. Mr. Pearson works in the Special Collections Department of the St. Louis Public Library and is extremely knowledgeable about Genealogy research. Reserve your seat: 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
## *"Sounds of the Holidays"*
**Sunday, November 25, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3). There is plenty of easy parking.*

A favorite event of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This extraordinary ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. The program is free but does require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
## *"A Celtic Christmas at the Chapel"*
**Sunday, December 2, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. This year will be particularly festive in the newly renovated Godfrey Chapel. When they have performed for us previously, their program filled up immediately, so don't wait to register for this event. It is a highlight of the year. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Protect Yourself in the New Year – Don't Miss This Event!*

Michael Bazzell has been a Computer Crime Detective for the past 16 years. He has handled numerous cases involving various types of computer crime and computer forensic analysis, including several State and Federal cases throughout the Metro-East St. Louis area.

In 2005, Michael was assigned full time to the FBI's Cyber Crime Task Force, where he continues to investigate Federal cases prosecuted by the United States Attorneys' Office. He is also a part-time instructor for Lewis & Clark Community College, teaching Ethical Hacking, Computer Forensics, and Computer Investigation. Since 2002 he has been an active member of the elite Technical Operations Group of the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis, and served five years as the Director of the Metro-East Regional Computer Crime Enforcement Group under the authority of the Illinois Attorney General. As an active member of these organizations, he has been involved in numerous high-tech crime investigations, including online child solicitation, manufacture of child pornography, child abduction, kidnapping, cold-case homicide, terrorist threats, and high-level criminal intrusions.

His latest book, *Hiding from the Internet*, was released in August 2011. In this book, Mike shares his methods for removing your personal information from the Internet. He also exposes the resources that broadcast your personal details to public view. Mike has researched each source and identifies the best method to have your private details removed from the databases that store profiles on all of us.

This book will serve as a reference guide for anyone who values privacy. Each technique is explained in simple steps. The book is written in a hands-on style that encourages readers to execute the tutorials as they go.

Join us on Tuesday, January 15, 2013, to hear Mike discuss the book, his personal experiences in his "journey to disappear from public view," and the critical information you need to protect your privacy on the Internet. Mike will also entertain your questions and will be selling copies of his book at a discounted price of $20 (retail: $29.99). Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# TeenSpace
## FALL 2012 ACTIVITIES

### Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the Teen Library located at The Riverbender.com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Thursdays, October 4, November 1, and December 6, 2012, at 5 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Movie Nights @ The Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun after school for Teen Movies@ The Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates are Tuesdays, October 16, November 20, and December 18, 2012. Movies start at 4 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872

### Teen Book Club

Hey, Teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. First meeting will be held at The Riverbender.com Community Center Library on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, at 5 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Project Next Generation

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its sixth year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer programs to emerging fifth graders through exiting eighth graders to give them a special opportunity to learn new skills while having fun.

Scheduled in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program has room for 10–12 teenagers. Topics will include learning about using current computer applications like Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher. We will also learn how to use an iPad, laptop, and other technology that are so important in today's world.

In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for our October 27, 2012, session, "Exploring Google Earth," and our November 10, 2012, session, "Internet Safety." There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information or to sign up for one of our fall 2012 sessions.

### Teen Read Week Event

#### "It Came From The Library"
#### October 14–20, 2012

"It Came from the Library!" This Teen Read Week™ (Oct. 14–20), YALSA dares you to read for the fun of it! Teen Read Week is a time to celebrate reading for fun and encourage teens to take advantage of reading in all its forms—books and magazines, e-books, audiobooks, and more—and become regular library users. Teens will also be invited to a creepy movie and a performer at The Riverbender.com Community Center. For more information call 433-2872.

## *Hayner Does Have eBooks!!!*

A Pew Research study (June 2012) found that 62 percent of the general population don't know whether their local library lends ebooks (75 percent of libraries do), and the picture doesn't get much better for library card holders: 58 percent don't know whether their library lends ebooks or not.

So, let's straighten this out once and for all.

### We Have eBooks!!!

The Hayner Public Library District belongs to the Lewis and Clark Digital Consortium in partnership with OverDrive, the platform application for ebook and audiobook accessibility. The Lewis and Clark Digital Consortium includes about 30 Southern Illinois libraries, a number that is steadily growing. The consortium provides a pooled database of ebooks and audiobooks for member libraries.

Even for libraries, ebooks are expensive, generally as expensive as paper copies, and often more so. As of now, some publishers only allow a limited number of circulations per ebook before the ebook must be repurchased.

Belonging to a consortium allows libraries to benefit from resource sharing and joint collection development in the most cost-effective manner. As part of the consortium, Hayner patrons can browse a system-wide digital collection with significantly more title selections than individual libraries could afford. Patrons who belong to member libraries and have a valid library card can check out selected titles to download to their PC, Mac, or portable device.

Hayner Library customer service staff is trained in the ebook download process and can help you with your ebook devices. For one-on-one instruction, contact Jean in the Reference Department. A list of step-by-step instructions for downloading to a wide variety of ebook devices (Kindle, iPad/iPod/iPhone, Nook, and Sony) is included on Hayner's Web site at www.haynerlibrary.org.

**If you would like to sign up for the next Hayner ebook class, tentatively scheduled for the beginning of the year, call 1-800-613-3163, and you will be contacted on a first-come, first-served basis. Dates for the winter classes will be posted on Hayner's Web site at www.haynerlibrary.org.**

# KidsSpace

## FALL 2012

## Alton Square KidsSpace Activities

### ➲ Movers and Shakers Story Time

Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, October 1, October 8, October 15, and October 22; November 5, and November 12; December 3, December 10, and December 17, 2012, at 10 a.m. **Limited space is available.** Please register at 433-2881.

### ➲ Mommy and Me Story Time

This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old, accompanied by an adult. The 30-minute event includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, October 3, October 17, October 24, and October 31; November 7, November 14, and November 28; December 5, December 12, and December 19, 2012, at 10 a.m. **Limited space is available.** Please register at 433-2881.

### ➲ Spanish Story Times

Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. The 45-minute event is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. It will be held at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays, October 29, and November 26, 2012. Please register at 433-2881.

### ➲ Itsy Bitsy Yoga

Bring babies up to 24 months old for calm, relaxing yoga practice. Class includes baby massage, holding baby during yoga postures, interactive song and dance, and sharing a story with baby. Bring a towel or yoga mat. Class meets Thursdays, October 11, November 8, and December 13, 2012, at 10 a.m. **Limited space is available.** To register call Janet at 433-2881.

## Downtown KidsSpace Activities

### ➲ Evening Story Times

Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library Downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, October 1, October 8, October 15, October 22, and October 29; November 5, November 12, and November 26, December 3, December 10, and December 17, 2012. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### ➲ Mary Kay's Story Times

Come join Panda Bear and Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 yrs. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Thursdays, October 4, October 11, October 18, and October 25; November 1, November 8, November 15, and November 29; December 6, December 13, and December 20, 2012. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### ➲ After-School Fun

Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library Downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, October 9, November 13, and December 11, 2012. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

## Special Events

### ANIMAL TALES

**(Creepy Critters Program)**

Creepy Critters focuses on those less cuddly, icky creatures whose importance is often taken for granted. This program features arachnids, insects, and snakes to illustrate that such undesirable critters serve an extremely important purpose in the environment. Participants will be allowed to get "hands-on" with several animals, and all should walk away with a different view of these creepy critters. This program will be held Monday, October 8, 2012, (Columbus Day) at 10 a.m. in the JC Penney Court at Alton Square.

### Family Reading Event

Bring the whole family for this year's annual Family Reading Day Event on Saturday, November 10, 2012. "One World, Many Stories" will be our theme, so come travel with us from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at our Alton Square location. Becky Long performs at 2 p.m. To register call 433-2861

### Stories with Santa

Bring the kids and join us for stories with Santa. Each child will hear a few stories, sit on Santa's lap, receive a treat, and have a cookie or two. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 8, 2012. Please register at 433-2881.

• *All programs meet at the Alton Square location unless otherwise stated.*

## NEW ITEMS IN THE ILLINOIS ROOM

Bond County, Illinois, Marriage Records IR 929.3773873 SEL

Veterans Buried in Bond County, Illinois IR 929.3773873 VET

Bond County Naturalization Intent IR 929.3773873 BON

This is Washington County (Ill.) 1818–1968 IR 977.388 HIS

Military Records: World War II & Korean Conflict Overseas Internments IR CD-ROM 929.373 MIL

Memories of the Heart IR 370.19 ROY

Franklin W Olin, 1860–1951 (patron donation) IR B OLIN

Past and Present of Bureau County, Illinois IR 977.3372 HAR

History of White County, Illinois IR 977.396 HIS

Balloons to Jets IR 977.3 SCA

History of Kendall County, Illinois IR 977.3263 HIC

Black Genesis IR 929.108996073 ROS

Past and Present of LaSalle County, Illinois IR 977.327 PAS

History of Jo Daviess County, Illinois IR 977.3343 HIS

Orphan Trains to Missouri IR 362.734 PAT

Making the Heartland Quilt (patron donation) IR 977.303 MEY

Illustrated History of Illinois Public Mental Health Services 1847–2000 IR 362.21 MEH

Black Property Owners in the South 1790–1915 IR 333.3089 SCH

Black Roots IR 929.108996073 BUR

Macoupin County on Route 66 IR 977.383 GAR

# Continuing Lovejoy's Mission

Reader, do you know the heart of a *prisoner*?
Are you a friend of *convicts*?
—George Thompson

This year, The Hayner Public Library District is memorializing the 175th anniversary of Elijah P. Lovejoy's murder with a new display at the Genealogy & Local History Library. In addition to many new and old items related to Lovejoy, the library has quite a few hidden gems written or published by the great activists with whom he collaborated. One such publication is the descriptively titled *Prison life and reflections, or, A narrative of the arrest, trial, conviction, imprisonment, treatment, observations, reflections, and deliverance of Work, Burr, and Thompson, who suffered an unjust and cruel imprisonment in Missouri Penitentiary, for attempting to aid some slaves to liberty.*

Written by George Thompson during his time as a prisoner, *Prison life and reflections* describes the hardships faced by Thompson, Alanson Work, and James E. Burr after they were arrested for attempting to help five slaves escape into the free state of Illinois.

In October 1837, Elijah Lovejoy and Edward Beecher (brother of *Uncle Tom's Cabin* author Harriet Beecher Stowe) held the Illinois Anti-Slavery Convention at the Upper Alton Presbyterian Church and at Thaddeus Hurlbut's Rock House. George Thompson and Alanson Work were present at the Convention, and both men admired Lovejoy. (Work went so far as to name his son Edwin Lovejoy Work.) Pro-slavery rioters murdered Lovejoy in Alton less than a month later, on November 7, 1837, for printing an anti-slavery newspaper, the *Alton Observer*. This martyrdom inspired many other abolitionists to action, Thompson, Work, and James Burr among them.

Thompson, Work, and Burr gained notoriety when they were arrested at gunpoint near the town of Palmyra, Missouri, on July 12, 1841, for aiding in the slave escape attempt. The escape had been planned in advance, but the slaves themselves betrayed Thompson, Work, and Burr to their masters. It is still unclear whether they voluntarily told of the escape plan or had it whipped out of them, but Thompson believed that the slaves likely thought the three men were kidnappers instead of abolitionists. The slaves came to see the men at the Palmyra prison, and Thompson states that "they looked very much ashamed, and seemed to regret what they did, since they have ascertained that we were friends, and wished to do them good."

At the time of their arrest, Burr and Thompson were studying for the ministry at the Mission Institute, near Quincy, Illinois. All three men were deeply religious. Thompson commented in a letter,

> Lovejoy's death probably did more good than he could have done by his life. I have expected that there must be more sacrifices upon the altar of slavery, before it would come to an end, and if God sees fit to select one, so unworthy of the honor as myself, to suffer or die in this cause, I say, Amen.

The trio stayed shackled in their cell for the 58 days between their arrest and trial. Thompson was the unofficial secretary of the group. He mentions often that he has to write letters on the margins of newspapers and keep his journal on scraps of old letters. Friends brought the men paper, but the sheriff and guards would not give it to them. During the trial, a mob built a gallows outside the courthouse and planned to hang the men if they were acquitted. Ultimately, the three were sentenced to 12 years imprisonment for larceny of slaves, though they had broken no written Missouri laws. One of the jurors who convicted the three was John M. Clemens, father of Mark Twain.

Though Thompson, Work, and Burr were sent to the Missouri Penitentiary, they arrived with glowing letters of introduction. Thompson tells his readers,

> The jailer . . . wrote a letter to the Warden, commending our good conduct while with him, approving of our character, etc. The Judge also wrote to the Warden, stating that he believed us honest, conscientious men, who meant to do right in what we did—and he believed if we were at liberty, would do the same again. He thought we should not be treated as common felons, as other prisoners, but more leniently, etc.

The men remained behind bars for several years, ministering to sick prisoners and holding religious services, until they were finally pardoned separately by the governor of Missouri. By then, they had been jailed for approximately 3½ years (Work), 4½ years (Burr), and almost 5 years (Thompson, who was considered the most radical and outspoken). Work was pardoned on the condition that he travel back to his home state of Connecticut and never return. The Missouri statute that made it illegal to abduct, attempt to abduct, or entice slaves to freedom was only signed into law in 1845.

An historical note: there was another 19th-century abolitionist named George (Donisthorpe) Thompson. He was born in Liverpool, England, in 1804 and was a speaker and activist in the United States. The George Thompson who was imprisoned in the Missouri Penitentiary was born in New Jersey in 1817 and grew up in Ohio.

To learn more, come see *Prison life and reflections* at the Genealogy & Local History Library, call number IR 306.362 THO.

An identical copy of the book can be found online. The Internet Archive offers digitized versions of many old volumes at www.archive.org. *Prison life and reflections* can be accessed at http://www.archive.org/details/prisonlifereflec7216thom. It is available to read online, as a PDF, on your Kindle, or in other formats.

*Lacy McDonald*

## *A Lovejoy Treasure Hunt*

Because I became Museum Display Coordinator on the eve of the 175th anniversary of Elijah P. Lovejoy's death, I knew almost as soon as I started the job that he would be the topic of my first large display. Then it was time to start actually finding things to exhibit.

Most of the items we currently have on display have been borrowed from other museums or individuals. Hayner encourages donations and hopes to continue building its own collection of artifacts, but it does not yet possess enough items to create displays straight from its own storerooms. Fortunately for me, the outside community is rich in pieces of history.

I have to plan what I might be looking for generally, and then follow the trail to exhibit-worthy items. I've visited Lovejoy's grave and monument at the Alton Cemetery (originally called the Grandview Cemetery), toured the Alton Museum of History and Art, looked at the printing press fragment at the *Telegraph*'s office, scoured the Missouri History Museum's archives, talked to some fabulous local historians, read numerous Lovejoy biographies, and even contacted the Presbyterian Historical Society in Philadelphia.

More than once, I've found myself making up artifacts that I think would be interesting to display, and then realizing that what I'm looking for may not have ever existed. For instance, I would love a pamphlet from one of the revivals of Reverend David Nelson, whose speeches inspired Lovejoy to attend seminary, or a model of the steamboat *Missouri Fulton*, which brought Lovejoy's printing press across the river to Alton. Alas, no luck on either of those so far.

Fortunately, I have also found some fascinating (real) items. One of these is a book written by George Thompson, called *Prison life and reflections*, which you can read more about in another section of this newsletter. I also realized that a Bible belonging to Enoch Long had been donated to the Hayner Library a few years ago. Long was by Lovejoy's side in the Godfrey & Gilman Warehouse when Lovejoy was killed. The Bible, from 1834, is in poor shape but includes handwritten notes of family births, marriages, and deaths.

I've also searched the Internet for mentions of Lovejoy and found a trove of digitized sources. Texas Tech, for example, has a huge collection of correspondence, sermons, lectures, newspapers, news clippings, and family memorabilia created by, or related to, Lovejoy and his family. It is available at http://swco.ttu.edu/location/Manuscripts/lovejoy/Lovejoy_Elijah_Guide.html.

One of my favorite surprises I've come across online is a graphic novel, *The Death of Elijah Lovejoy*, written and drawn by Noah Van Sciver. Van Sciver, an artist whose work has appeared in *Mad* magazine, takes some liberties with the dialogue and order of events during the riot that claimed Lovejoy's life, but the basic facts are accurate, and the drawing is wonderful. I contacted Van Sciver to ask about his work, and this was his response:

> I decided to do that comic to bring the Lovejoy story into the comics world. Most of the people who have bought that comic have told me that they didn't know about Elijah until then. Or that they had forgotten about him.
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> It was important to do that comic as well because as the future of print seem[s] uncertain, I thought it would be interesting to tell a story about the early days of it, and I wanted to explore a piece of our country's early struggle for freedom of the press. Originally, it was going to be included in a graphic novel I recently completed about Abraham Lincoln's life…, but realized it would be most effective on its own.
>
> *Noah*

It has been a pleasure researching Elijah Lovejoy's life, and I hope that you'll come see the display at the Genealogy & Local History Library.

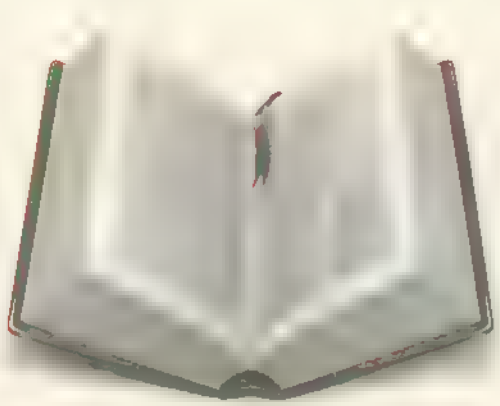
*Lacy McDonald*

## *Meet Hayner's Museum Display Coordinator*

Lacy McDonald is thrilled to be Hayner's new full-time Museum Display Coordinator. She is responsible for choosing and acquiring artifacts and memorabilia related to the Riverbend area and using those artifacts to create displays at the downtown Genealogy & Local History Library. Current display topics include Hayner Library History, Abraham Lincoln, Steamboats and Mississippi River History, Elijah Lovejoy, Western Military Academy, Railroads, Monticello Seminary, Illinois Glass Company, and Alton's 1937 Centennial Celebration

Lacy has a Master's Degree in Library and Information Science and a Graduate Certificate in Special Collections Librarianship from the University of Illinois. She earned her Bachelor's from Carleton College. She has worked in libraries, fund raising, and community development at the U of I, Northwestern University, and Florida's public honors college. Lacy enjoys hiking and honing her skills on the pottery wheel. She and her husband Jeff live in Godfrey.

Please feel free to contact Lacy at Lacy.McDonald@haynerlibrary.org if you have any questions, are interested in donating an object to the library, or have ideas for future displays



## *New & Forthcoming Books*

### —Non-Fiction

**Alexander, Eben, MD.** Proof of Heaven: A Neurosurgeon's Near-Death Experience and Journey into the Afterlife

**Berg, Scott W.** 38 Nooses: Lincoln, Little Crow, and the Beginning of the Frontier's End

**Boyd, J. Wesley, MD.** Almost Addicted: Is My (or My Loved One's) Drug Use a Problem?

**Browne, Sylvia.** Past Lives of the Rich and Famous

**Coulter, Ann.** Mugged: Racial Demagoguery from the Seventies to Obama

**Davies, Hunter (Ed.)** The John Lennon Letters

**Diamond, Jared.** The World Until Yesterday: What Can We Learn from Traditional Societies?

**Fellowes, Jessica.** The Chronicles of Downton Abbey: A New Era

**Hampton, Dan.** Viper Pilot

**Heller, Marla.** The Dash Diet Weight Loss Solution: 2 Weeks to Drop Pounds, Boost Metabolism, and Get Healthy

**Huckabee, Mike.** Dear Chandler, Dear Scarlett: A Grandfather's Thoughts on Faith, Family, and the Things That Matter Most

**Kelley, Kitty.** Capturing Camelot: Stanley Tretick's Iconic Images of the Kennedys

**Kuan, Diana.** The Chinese Takeout Cookbook: Quick and Easy Dishes to Prepare at Home

**Lagasse, Emeril.** Emeril's Kicked-Up Sandwiches

**Lamott, Anne.** Help, Thanks, Wow: The Three Essential Prayers

**La Russa, Tony.** One Last Strike: Fifty Years in Baseball, Ten and a Half Games Back, and One Final Championship Season

**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl to the Max! The Ultimate Guilt-Free Cookbook

**London, Stacy.** The Truth About Style

**Manchester, William.** The Last Lion: Winston Spencer Churchill: Defender of the Realm, 1940–1965

**Mann, William J.** Hello, Gorgeous: Becoming Barbra Streisand

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**Rolling Stones.** The Rolling Stones 50

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**Scottoline, Lisa.** Meet Me at Emotional Baggage Claim

**Standiford, Les.** Desperate Sons: Samuel Adams, Patrick Henry, John Hancock, and the Secret Bands of Radicals Who Led the Colonies to War

**Thomas, Evan.** Ike's Bluff: President Eisenhower's Secret Battle to Save the World

**Thorne, Troy.** Building the Fastest Pinewood Derby Car: Speed Secrets for Crossing the Finish Line First!

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**Widmer, Ted and Caroline Kennedy.** Listening In: The Secret White House Recordings of John F. Kennedy

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### —Fiction

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**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Giving Quilt: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel

**Childs, Laura.** Postcards from the Dead (A Scrapbooking Mystery)

**Connelly, Michael.** The Black Box

**Cornwell, Patricia.** The Bone Bed

**Cussler, Clive.** Poseidon's Arrow

**Dekker, Ted.** The Sanctuary

**DeMille, Nelson.** Panther

**Donoghue, Emma.** Astray

**Evanovich, Janet.** Notorious Nineteen: A Stephanie Plum Novel

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**Fielding, Joy.** Shadow Creek

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## *"Hand-Made Precision"*

Do you know the name J. Q. Cummings? No? Are you aware of what he created in the basement of his home in 1944? Not sure about that either? This extraordinarily talented man researched, drew, and published what would be the pioneer in the plat book world! All by himself! This project began as a way to map farms and rural areas, by counties, listing waterways and owners of plots of land.

Now that you know the name of Cummings, and why his company has been famous for over 70 years, let me tell you why it matters at the Genealogy & Local History Library. I have personally used these plat maps to find interesting data on names and places. We have older plats, some in hardback collections and CD-ROMs, of Madison and surrounding counties. The new acquisition is the Farm Plat Book of Madison County 1950.

Yes, it is difficult to make a farm plat book sound interesting. But just take a look at the thing, if only for the advertisements (I have a favorite ad that makes me chuckle.) But what I really find interesting are the plats themselves. With each page, the viewer gets a clear-cut, easy view of each township and the surrounding lands. Each plat meets up with the next township, clearly and perfectly.

But again, why even look for this information? Let me tell you an experience I had with one of these plats. Several moons ago, an out-of-state couple (who moved to the U.S. from Europe) came to visit our library. They were looking for information on a family member who may have been a landowner on the outskirts of Alton. A family member had told them that all the information to be found was already found and their search would be fruitless.

After tracing family names/residences/ship logs back a ways, I pulled out a plat map of 1892. In the area between Upper Alton and Fosterburg, we found not only this relative's name on a decent-sized plot of land, but also another family member nearby! We did more research to make sure this was the same person (one always needs to double- and triple-check) and discovered that it was the woman's relative. The couple was elated.

All this from an old plat book!

Come visit the Genealogy & Local History Library. Maybe you can find something special in the plat books as well.

*Derek Alford*

**Thank you to the Alton Community Service League for awarding Hayner Library $200 in beautification grant funds. The petunias purchased with these funds brightened the planters at the Downtown library this summer. Mums will be purchased to brighten the planters this fall and into the future. Thank you!**

*Best Wishes for a wonderful holiday season!*

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## *How did Hayner become a library district? What is a Library System? Why should I care?*

**To answer these questions, a brief history:**
The first Alton library was founded in 1853 and operated out of a room in Alton's original City Hall Building. It was funded through membership fees ($2 per year), augmented by donations and fund-raising benefits.

The library struggled financially over the years, but continued to grow its collection and patron base, and in 1890, local entrepreneur John E. Hayner announced he would bear the entire cost of building a new library as a memorial to his late wife, Jenny D. Hayner. The beautiful new library was constructed on the corner of State and 4th Streets and opened to the public in 1891 as the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library, also known as the Hayner Memorial Free Library.

The library grew and was embraced by the community but as a free library was supported only through fines, benefits, and occasional gifts. On several occasions the library had to shut down completely to conserve funds However, in 1952, the visionary members of the Hayner Library Association Board proposed the gift of the Hayner Memorial Library to the city of Alton to be maintained thereafter by the city as a public library. The Alton city council voted unanimously to accept the gift, establish a city library board, and fund public library services from municipal taxes.

By the 1950s, a series of conflicts between the library board and city government arose over funding and operating procedures. Issues were compounded by extremely high staff turnover due to poor salaries and city residency requirements, as well as by an increasingly severe lack of space. The board and city government were at extreme odds regarding improvements to and/or expansion of the current library facilities.

In 1970, a new state statute was passed that would allow the board to ask voters to approve the transfer of the library from city control to an independent self-governing library district with its own elected board of trustees and its own tax levy. In 1972, Alton voters approved the referendum to establish the independent Hayner Public Library District.

There are many great advantages to forming a library district. They include the following:
- Funding is secured directly from library users rather than competing with other city or county departments.
- Funding is relatively stable—based on property taxes, not sales taxes
- Because funding is more stable, so is the consistency of the planning process.
- Autonomy, greater independence in decision making, greater focus on library services, and greater freedom from political infighting are made possible. Budget and policy decisions are based on patron needs for library services without influence from County political priorities.
- A single-purpose district has greater taxpayer accountability and organizational focus.
- Unspent dollars can be retained for future years. No "use it or lose it."
- Generally speaking, library districts tend to be better funded than other public libraries.

As an independent library district, Hayner could now expand its service boundaries and today encompasses Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township.

**As part of the system:**
Prior to 2010, The Hayner Public Library District also participated as a member of the Lewis and Clark Library System. Established under the Illinois Library Systems Act in 1965, the function of a library system was to act as a hub of technology and resources for all libraries to share. A library system:

- Facilitates excellence in library services by providing consulting services to member libraries. It brings member libraries together to share best practices.

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Dr. Martin Luther King Day, Jan. 21
Presidents' Day, Feb 18
Easter, March 31

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**HOW DID HAYNER BECOME A LIBRARY DISTRICT (Cont.)**

- Supports automated catalog sharing between member libraries, which makes the collections of Illinois libraries accessible online and available for sharing between member library patrons.
- Provides physical delivery of library materials to member libraries.
- Manages sharing of materials between libraries through Interlibrary Loan and Reciprocal Borrowing programs. These programs allow library patron access to materials held across all Illinois libraries as well as nationwide
- Saves tax dollars by providing cost-effective cooperative services to reduce duplicative costs and by negotiating discounts.
- Facilitates communication among library workers and with the general public regarding the value of libraries today and tomorrow.

Suppose you look up a book in Hayner's online catalogue. You will get a listing back of all the system libraries that have a copy of the item you want. If Hayner doesn't have the item or it is checked out, you can order from any of the other holding libraries that are members of the system. If it is an item that cannot be located within our system libraries, a Hayner librarian can use the programs of Interlibrary Loan or Reciprocal Borrowing to get your item from anywhere in the state or throughout the U.S. The library system manages the technologies and delivery functions that allow this sharing of resources. So you can request an item, and even if Hayner doesn't own it, it can be in your hands in just a couple of days.

**And It Gets Better....**

The Lewis and Clark Library System had 131 member libraries spread across 11 Illinois state counties. There were eight additional systems across the state of Illinois. In order to continue to offer services in the most effective and sustainable way, the nine Illinois library systems were encouraged by the state to embark on a restructuring effort.

In 2010, five library systems in the northern part of Illinois merged into one, the Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS). In central and southern Illinois, four library systems (including the Lewis and Clark Library System) announced their plan to merge into the single Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS). The four Library system staffs and technology centers began consolidation and completed the conversion process in July 2012.

The Illinois Heartland Library System, of which Hayner is a member, now includes 585 member libraries and covers 28,141 square miles in the southern half of Illinois. Patrons in the IHLS will have access to almost 10 million books, DVDs, CDs, and magazines from any other library in the system. The online public catalog will be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The Illinois Heartland Library System is now the largest library consortium in the country and, as a single system, will provide significant cost savings to the state. The transition has been seamless, thanks to the hard work and careful planning of the four former library systems' staffs.

The Hayner Public Library District is committed to providing you the information and materials you need as quickly and easily as possible. Being a member of the Illinois Heartland Library System is a key component in providing you full service and tremendous selection within the increasing budgetary constraints of our state's fiscal position.

## *Checkout These Sites*

Every day at Hayner Library, we help patrons navigate the Internet. And we know that the World Wide Web can be an overwhelming place for the novice user. Here is a list of some helpful Web sites that we think you'll enjoy.

These sites are informative, entertaining, and most importantly, easy to use. Happy browsing!

**www.stopyourekillingme.com** This is a great site for lovers of mystery, adventure, and suspense novels. You can browse by genre, location, main character occupation, award winners, read-alikes, and historical timelines. The best part is that when you find an author you like, his or her books are arranged in an easy-to-read list by publication date.

**www.fantasticfiction.co.uk** This is a fantastic site for fiction readers of all genres. Do you like an author (like Nora Roberts or Debbie Macomber) who writes dozens of book series? Do you have a hard time keeping them straight? This is the site for you! This site breaks down each series by author and lists them in publication date order.

**www.usa.gov** The entire Federal Government at your fingertips! Here's just a small example of what you can find on this site: Benefits, Grants, and Financial Aid; Business and Nonprofits; Consumer Protection; Defense and International Relations; Environment, Energy, and Agriculture; Family, Home, and Community; Government Performance; Government Sales and Auctions; Health and Nutrition; History, Arts, and Culture; Jobs and Education; Money and Taxes; Public Safety and Law; Public Service and Volunteerism; Reference and General Government; Science and Technology; Travel, Transportation, and Recreation; Voting and Elections.

**www.madisonvotes.com** Become an informed Madison County resident. This site contains information on registering to vote (which you can do at the library!), candidates, early voting, absentee voting, grace period voting, provisional voting, and specimen ballots, polling locations, and more. Election result information is also posted on this site as well as information about becoming an election judge.

**www.haynerlibrary.org** Check your account online, order materials via interlibrary loan, download e-books and audiobooks to your mobile device, access free online databases, and learn about free library services and programming.

**www.teenreads.com** Whether you like science fiction, fantasy, history, or romance, this reading list is sure to have something for every teen! The book recommendations are compiled by teenreads.com readers and the staff of teenreads.com. Titles range from young adult books to adult books that may be enjoyed by teens.

### Thank You, Generous Patrons!

During the month of October, all fines were waived for late items borrowed from The Hayner Public Library District, with the contribution of a nonperishable food item. As a result, we collected over 1,300 items, which have been donated to the Alton Crisis Food Center. Thank you to all who participated in this annual event.

March is Women's History Month, which encourages us to recognize the history of an extremely important women's organization in our community. I recently met with Margarette Trushel, Executive Director of the Oasis Women's Center in Alton. Margarette is a founding member of the Center, was one of the drivers of its incorporation in 1976, and helped facilitate the first opening of the shelter, which has been in operation since 1978.

The Oasis Women's Center offers shelter to women (and their children) suffering from domestic violence. Domestic violence is the number one reason for police calls in Madison County, and the county averages 1,300 Orders of Protection annually, based on domestic violence incidents.

Prior to the Center's inception in 1976, domestic violence was regarded as a private family matter. Women were most often considered causes rather than victims of violence. They were terrified to speak about it and unaware of any services to help them. The original mission for Oasis in 1976 was to raise community awareness of the high level of incidents of domestic violence, encourage recognition of domestic violence as a crime, and highlight the serious harm inflicted on women and their families. The Center started out in offices at Elm Street Presbyterian Church, focusing specifically on education for community service organizations and individuals, and fund-raising.

Oasis was originally staffed only by volunteers, many from local hospitals, and social service agencies, which identified the high number of battered women needing support, shelter and services. The first board president was volunteer Barbara Shaw of Alton. Barbara has recently retired as the Director of The Illinois Violence Prevention Authority.

The Center opened able to offer "eats & sheets"—a place for women and their children to find refuge and a hot meal. Today, the Center has expanded to four service locations: the shelter in Alton; an office in Jerseyville to serve Greene, Calhoun, and Jersey counties; an Order of Protection office in the Madison County courthouse (which they share with Land Of Lincoln Legal Aid) and contract services with the Public Health Department in Macoupin County.

The Alton shelter offers safe haven for up to eight women and their children at any one time. The average stay is 29 days per individual or family. During this time women are aided in finding a job, a place to live, and child-care services.

When they first come to the shelter, the women are also offered counseling and support by Oasis staff and assistance to obtain an Order of Protection. An Order of Protection protects the victim by prohibiting contact by the abusive party at the victim's residence, whether at the shelter or her home. An Order of Protection is police enforced, which means that women do not have to first go to court to protect themselves from the physical presence of their abusers. Police are empowered to arrest abusers on the spot when called in under an Order of Protection.

Margarette served, in 1986, as the Public Policy Chair on the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence. The group caused the state to pass the Illinois Domestic Violence Act, a 98-page law addressing domestic violence and identifying the active role of the police and the courts to aid violence victims. This act was responsible for creating the Order of Protection, which has been critically important in providing violence victims the first steps to extract themselves from the violent situation.

Violence can be present in the home in multiple forms, including husband against wife, children beating parent, parents beating children, wife against husband. Oasis offers services to all victims of domestic violence, though the majority of battered victims in Illinois are married white women.

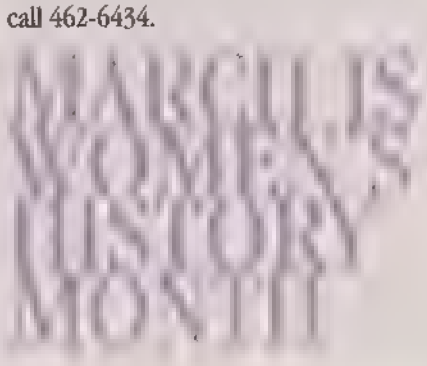
A significant challenge for Oasis staff was in providing training to schools, hospitals, churches, and police in recognizing and assisting domestic violence victims. As a result of Alton Memorial's concern for victims they incorporated the universal screening technique in the admitting procedures for incoming patients. This screening requires the hospital to ask a number of questions including: "Do you feel safe at home?" and "Is anyone hurting you?"

Through the 3rd Judicial Circuit Family Violence Prevention Council, training sessions are presented every year, open to all community individuals and organizations, to aid in recognizing domestic violence and understanding the services available, so that violence does not have to be a way of life in our communities.

Today, Oasis has 13 full-time employees and six part-time employees. In addition to an excellent staff, Margarette is emphatic that from day one, Oasis's success has been the result of the hard work of generous and caring community volunteers. The Caravan Resale Shop, located at 112 East Broadway, Alton, provides an important revenue stream to the Oasis Center. Completely staffed by volunteers, the shop is open every day except Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Oasis funding also is provided through individuals, the United Way, state and federal grants, an annual Friends campaign, and fund-raising by local civic groups.

The shelter in Alton provides women a place to go when they have nowhere to turn. Margarette reports that so often she hears at the shelter, "This is the first time I've felt safe to sleep in years." She reminds us that the question is not "Why do women stay?" but rather "How can we help them get out safely and help them stay out?" and "What are we doing as a community to help women and families in need?"

For more information on Oasis and/or its volunteer opportunities, call the Center at 465-1978. Volunteers are always welcome in positions on committees, projects, and the staff of the Caravan shop. For information about the Caravan Resale Shop, call 462-6434.



## *Congratulations Riverbender.com Community Center*

The Hayner Public Library District and the Riverbender.com Community Center have enjoyed a very successful partnership since the Center's inception. Hayner Library maintains a satellite library location on the second floor of the Community Center, staffed by Hayner employees. In this library, students can study, do homework, get tutoring help, or just relax comfortably. Hayner has also held many of its teen events at the Community Center, including the Teen Summer Read party, monthly teen movie times, teen advisory meetings, a teen book club, and Project Next Generation classes.

The Center's mission statement best defines its vital role in our community:

"The Riverbender.com Community Center will strive to provide for all teens a safe, fun, and affordable establishment free of alcohol, drugs, and tobacco.

The Riverbender.com Community Center will seek to maintain an environment in which all teens feel welcome and are free to have fun and be themselves. It will be a place where teens are free from negative peer pressure, intimidation, and mean-spirited comments and actions."

The Center received great news in early September. The following was posted by Riverbender.com: "On September 7, 2012, The Riverbender.com Community Center was made the beneficiary of its largest donation to date of nearly $50,000."

**John Hentrich and Sharon Windham, Hayner Library Teen and Youth Services Manager**

The Center is one of sixteen charities that will split the proceeds of almost $750,000 from a class action lawsuit award.

"The funds were redirected from the unclaimed portion of the award where members of the class could not be readily identified. Brad Lakin, a founding member of SL Chapman LLC, worked to redirect these non-allocated funds to worthwhile causes, all while waiving their attorney's fees and expenses for the six months of legal work required to accomplish this task."

"Lakin said, 'We are truly excited about so many great local charities benefiting from this settlement. We worked hard with Hilton and Judge Robert LeChien to make sure worthwhile organizations received these funds.'

"Michelle Pawloski, Director of Operations for the Center, beamed, 'This gift could not come at a better time. With classes in session again and with enrollment in our after-school program up from last year, our needs are greater than ever.'

"The Riverbender.com Community Center survives on contributions from individuals and local businesses. Although the community has been quite generous in its donations, additional support such as this award is needed to keep the lights on and the bills paid.

"'We are very grateful to Brad Lakin and his brother Kris for both the generosity of this gift, as well as their creative efforts to see to it that our mission continues,' said John Hentrich, Executive Director of the Center. 'It's so rewarding to see others in the community pitching in with what we're doing to help young people in our community.'"

The Hayner Public Library District congratulates the Riverbender.com Community Center on this well-deserved endowment. Congratulations and thanks to John Hentrich and all the staff for their hard work and dedication to supporting the youth of our community.

**John Hentrich (l.) of Riverbender.com receives a check for $49,825 from Brad Lakin of SL Chapman LLC.**

## *Alton Schools Recognize Hayner's Executive Director*

This past summer, The Hayner Public Library District partnered with the Alton School District to sponsor a Dream Shop program to help increase kids' self-esteem and leadership skills. In recognition of the success of this program and past Hayner initiatives, such as Mission Recognition (a program that recognized kids for "doing the right thing"), Executive Director Jeff Owen was presented with an award plaque upon which was engraved, "The Alton School District would like to express our deepest gratitude to Jeffrey Owen for your ongoing innovation and dedication in support of our students and staff, October 16, 2012." Mr. Owen received the award at the October 2012 City Council meeting.

## *Hayner Goes Eco-Friendly*

The Hayner Public Library District is going eco-friendly. In the past, when you visited any of the three library locations, you were offered a plastic bag to carry your library materials. These bags were made of a very thick-grade plastic to be strong enough to hold multiple library items. The last several times the library has had to restock the bags, there have been conversations about whether they were an expense the library needed to keep incurring. Both the cost of the bags and the shipping and handling continue to increase substantially. We have decided that now is the time to "go green." We will no longer offer you plastic bags to hold your library materials. Starting in early 2013, we will offer woven bags for purchase. The purchase price will be $.75. The bags are strong and roomy and will serve a myriad of purposes for you. We hope you will embrace this change. The rising cost of providing plastic bags is becoming prohibitive, and the new bags are certainly much friendlier to the environment.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## Hayner Library Special Events

*Join us for our winter 2013 semester of events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 218 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, January 12**
**Saturday, February 9**
**Saturday, March 9***
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

*"Cuddle up with a canine."*

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

**The March Bow-wow will also feature a surprise guest!*

### Detective Mike Bazzell
### *Hiding from the Internet*

**Tuesday January 15, 6:30 p.m.**

Take control of your privacy by removing your personal information from the Internet. Author and Detective Michael Bazzell has been well known in government circles for his ability to locate personal information about anyone through the Internet. In his new book (2012), *In Hiding from the Internet: Eliminating Personal Online Information*, he exposes the resources that broadcast your personal details to public view. He has researched each source and identified the best method to have your private details removed from the databases that store profiles on all of us. The book is written in a hands-on style that encourages readers to execute tutorials as they go. Join us as Mike provides critical information for anyone who values privacy. Mike will discuss his personal experiences in his "journey to disappear from public view." Books will be available for purchase during the program ($20 each). Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *"The Neighborhoods of Alton"*

**Wednesday, January16, 2013, 6:30 p.m.**
**Guest Speaker: Don Huber**
*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street*

Have you ever heard of Hunterstown or Fourth of July Hill? Driven through Salu? Walked along the streets of Middletown?

When first established, the Hunterstown area was called "Alton on the River." Salu was a thriving community in the early 1800s, and Middletown residents had their own newsletter called "The Middletowner"! These are just a few of the many neighborhoods that have contributed to the growth and progress of Alton. During this local history program, guest speaker and local historian Don Huber will be talking about the various ethnic groups and diverse living styles that characterized the neighborhoods throughout Alton, Upper Alton, and North Alton and how these communities incorporated into the city. He will also explain how the neighborhoods and some of the Alton streets acquired their names. This will be a great program to attend if you are interested in Alton history or just want to know more about the ancestors of your neighborhood. Besides neighborhoods and streets, Mr. Huber will be happy to discuss any Alton history questions you may have. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dan Brannan, Vicki Bennington & Loretta Goebal
### *A Life in Parts*

**Tuesday, January 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Authors Vicki Bennington and Daniel Brannan will discuss their newly released book, *A Life in Parts*, "A true story of an idyllic life, a devastating loss, and one woman's resolve to rise above it," followed with a special presentation by Loretta Goebel, the subject of the book. Afterward, all three will be available to sign books that can be

purchased at the event (book cost: $18.99). Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Off the Shoulder*

**Tuesday, January 29, 6:30 p.m.**

Four Alton musicians put their unique spin on a great variety of hits from Adele to Alannis, Coldplay to country, the Beatles to Bonnie Raitt, and much more. With Gigi Darr on keyboard, Christine Banda on violin, Randy Banks on drums, and Sharon Spence Korn on vocals, this group brings a fresh, exciting energy to songs you know and love. Don't miss it! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Tyler Schaper
### *Social Security: Getting the Most Out of Your Benefits*

**Tuesday, February 5, 6:30 p.m.**

Have you ever wondered when the best time to start your Social Security benefits might be? It may not always be the day after you retire. You're invited to attend an informational workshop hosted by Tyler Schaper, CFA, Vice President & Senior Financial Advisor with U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.

# Special Events at Hayner

This workshop is designed to help guide you through various strategies on how to potentially maximize your Social Security benefits. You will learn about the potential Social Security benefits value, the risks of early versus late retirement, spousal considerations, and other important information. This knowledge can help lay the foundation for a successful retirement and could also help you maintain your current lifestyle. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz & You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
### *Celebrate Fat Tuesday*
**Tuesday, February 12, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Gallery of Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill.*

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great venue, the Gallery of Hatheway Hall. This program is jointly funded by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis and Clark Community College. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Steve Davis
### *Elvis! Live!*
**Tuesday, February 26, 6:30 p.m.**

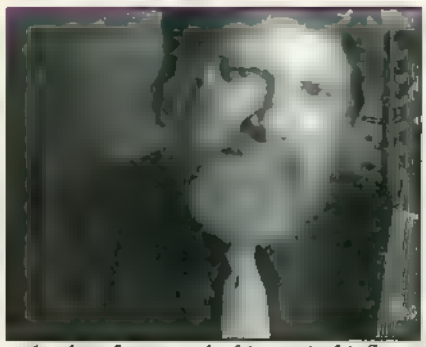
Elvis (yes, THE Elvis) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don't miss this chance to see The King, live, onstage! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Martha Rosenberg
### *Born with a Junk Food Deficiency*
**Tuesday, March 5, 6:30 p.m.**

The book *Born with a Junk Food Deficiency: How Flaks, Quacks, and Hacks Pimp the Public Health*, is a shocking expose of the practices of the pharmaceutical and agricultural industries affecting some of the most popular foods and drugs on the market. Investigative reporter and author Martha Rosenberg gained the trust of doctors, scientists, patients, and even farm workers to expose system-wide safety lapses in food and drug regulation that threaten the public health. Born with a Junk Food Deficiency has been featured on Book TV/CSPAN, the Times of London Literary Supplement, the Public Library of Science Web site, and many radio stations. It has been praised by Library Journal, Book News (Gale), FDA Week, nutrition professor Marion Nestle, the Humane Society of the United States, and the Center for Environmental Health. Join us for Martha's eye-opening presentation. Books will be available for sale following the program ($25 each, tax included.) Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Lee Murdock
### *A Concert of Irish Music*
**Tuesday, March 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Best known for his interpretations of Great Lakes maritime songs, Murdock has also spent many years researching and performing songs from



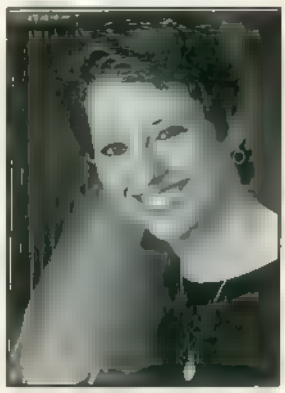
Ireland. In fact, Murdock's musical influences span over five centuries, from ancient Celtic harp melodies to piano rags written by the likes of Scott Joplin, to more contemporary American music.

Songs of the Irish immigrants who settled in Chicago and the Midwest will be included in the concert, including an anthem honoring the Irish laborers who built the Illinois and Michigan Canal (and Erie Canal), and those who settled on Michigan's Beaver Island. Murdock will round out the program with some boisterous pub songs for all to join in, alongside some sweet ballads from the Emerald Isle. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Amy Camie
### *Seeds of Love: Music to Reawaken the Love Within*
**Sunday, March 24, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill.*

Renowned harpist Amy (Conrady) Camie is joined by the exquisite vocals of Jessica Goodenough-Heuser in this musical journey that celebrates the joy and love of life. Experience Amy's inspired original music and Jessica's angelic voice in this magical afternoon that will touch your heart, illuminate your dreams, and reawaken the love within. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## *Protect Yourself in the New Year – Don't Miss This Event!*

Michael Bazzell has been a Computer Crime Detective for the past 16 years. He has handled numerous cases involving various types of computer crime and computer forensic analysis, including several State and Federal cases throughout the Metro-East St. Louis area.

In 2005, Michael was assigned full time to the FBI's Cyber Crime Task Force, where he continues to investigate Federal cases prosecuted by the United States Attorneys' Office. He is also a part-time instructor for Lewis & Clark Community College, teaching Ethical Hacking, Computer Forensics, and Computer Investigation. Since 2002 he has been an active member of the elite Technical Operations Group of the Major Case Squad of Greater St. Louis, and served five years as the Director of the Metro-East Regional Computer Crime Enforcement Group under the authority of the Illinois Attorney General. As an active member of these organizations, he has been involved in numerous high-tech crime investigations, including online child solicitation, manufacture of child pornography, child abduction, kidnapping, cold-case homicide, terrorist threats, and high-level criminal intrusions.

His latest book, Hiding from the Internet, was released in August 2012. In this book, Mike shares his methods for removing your personal information from the Internet. He also exposes the resources that broadcast your personal details to public view. Mike has researched each source and identifies the best method to have your private details removed from the databases that store profiles on all of us.

This book will serve as a reference guide for anyone who values privacy. Each technique is explained in simple steps. The book is written in a hands-on style that encourages the reader to execute the tutorials as they go.

Join us on Tuesday, January 15, 2013, to hear Mike discuss the book, his personal experiences in his "journey to disappear from public view," and the critical information you need to protect your privacy on the Internet. Mike will also entertain your questions and will be selling copies of his book at a discounted price of $20 (retail: $29.99). This event will be held in the Hayner Library Programming Room in Alton Square Mall. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Enjoy Winter Events from the CVB*

The Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau sponsors many winter events to help you beat the winter blues. Visit the CVB at 200 Piasa Street, Alton, or log on to their Web site (www.visitalton.com) for a complete calendar of events to conquer your cabin fever.

***Two events that you don't want to miss are:***

**Eagle Meet and Greet**
Sat., Jan. 12, 19, 26
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Alton Visitors Center
200 Piasa St.
Alton, IL 62002
Come see live eagle demonstrations by the World Bird Sanctuary. See a live bald eagle up close and personal! Ask and learn about their species and habitats. Then, grab your official *All Around Alton Eagle Watcher's Guide* as you journey out along the Great River Road to see eagles in their natural habitat. FREE. For more information, call 1-800-ALTON-IL or go to www.VisitAlton.com.

**All Around Alton Restaurant Week**
Friday, Jan. 18 – Sunday, Jan. 27
Various Restaurants
Dine with us during the 2nd annual Alton Restaurant Week. Starting Friday, Jan. 18, many of the locally owned restaurants all around town will come together to offer diners a taste of some of their best menu items. For diners, there are no passes to buy, coupons to carry, or cards to punch. We ask that you simply pull up a chair and join us for a great meal for lunch or dinner, offered at a fixed price, at the participating restaurant of your choice between Jan. 18th and 27th. Lunch is priced at $10 (plus tax and gratuity) and dinner is $25 (plus tax and gratuity). For more information, call (800) 258-6645 or go to www.AltonRestaurantWeek.com.

## *A Concert to Welcome Spring!*

Celebrate spring and the season of renewal. Join us for a concert by Amy (Conrady) Camie titled Seeds of Love – Music to Reawaken the Love Within on Sunday, March 24, at 2:00 p.m. in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College. Amy will perform original pieces on her harp, accompanied by soprano Jessica Goodenough-Heuser.

This free program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. The program is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

Amy (Conrady) Camie, a Godfrey native and professional harpist for over 35 years, is an award-winning performer, public speaker, recording artist, author, and Founder of the Scientific Arts Foundation. Her healing solo harp music has been used in nine different research studies indicating how it increases neurological functioning, supports the immune system, and reduces pain, distress, and anxiety levels. Her inspired music relaxes the body, calms the mind, and gently touches the soul. Amy's CDs are used throughout the country in hospitals, cancer centers, and hospices as well as for general relaxation and stress reduction. www.amycamie.com

Jessica Goodenough-Heuser, soprano, earned her Bachelor's degree in vocal performance from Washington University, where she studied with Christine Armistead. As a specialist in Baroque and Early Music, she performs around the U.S. and internationally. A native of St. Louis, Jessica now lives on Nantucket Island, where she directs two youth choruses, teaches voice lessons and language classes, and sings with the seals. www.jessicagoodenoughheuser.com.

# TeenSpace
## WINTER 2013 ACTIVITIES

**Teen Advisory Council**
Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month at the Teen Library located at Riverbender.com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and help make the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 3, February 7, and March 7, 2013, at 4: 30 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

**Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center**
Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie Event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG–13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movies start at 4 p.m. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, January 15, February 19, and March 19, 2013. Buses are available to transport after school from Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School. To register, call Shannon at 433-2861.

**RBCC Teen Book Club**
This book club is for the teens attending the Riverbender.com after-school program and teens in our community. Teens will choose a book each month to read and will bring it back to discuss the following month. This book club gives students a chance to read and discuss all genres. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, January 8, February 12, and March 12, 2013, at 5 p.m.

### Special Events

**Teen Tech Week**
"Check in @ Your Library"
March 10–16, 2013
Come join us for a Digital Scavenger Hunt at the Riverbender.com Community Center library location. Teens will have a chance to show off their library knowledge and win some great prizes. For more information about this event or to register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

**St. Louis Zoo Visit**
Performer St. Louis Zoo – "Are You Smarter than a Zoo Keeper?" Can you tell a monkey from an ape? Can an opossum hang by its tail? Do zookeepers go in with the tigers to feed them? Test your knowledge in this program to see if you are as smart as a zookeeper! This program will take place at Riverbender.com Community Center Teen Library. Date and time to be determined. To register or for more information, please call Shannon at 433-2872.

**Project Next Generation**
In today's world, nearly anything that's done is touched, in some way, by technology; specifically, computers and computer-assisted technology. You want to have that cutting edge; the one that gives your profile the kind of attention it needs to land you wherever it is that you're wanting to be: in a great job that you love, with lots of potential; at the top of the list of people that that college you're wanting to attend is considering for admission; or, in a position to start your own business, where you'll be in charge. The Hayner Public Library District has resources available to give you experience, skills in using current cutting-edge technology, and the poise and presence to be able to sell your talents to others.

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its sixth year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer Saturday workshops once per month using the newest technologies. Our winter and spring workshops are filling up fast, so don't wait to sign up! Meeting dates are Saturday, January 26, 2013, Family Genealogy; Saturdays, February, 23, March 23, and April 27, 2013, Creating Videos through Windows/ iPad. In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

***Come join us for one of our Saturday sessions! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information or to sign up for our next session! Limited space is available!***

❖*Funding for this grant project was awarded from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Secretary of State/Illinois State Library under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).*

## *eBook Help*

Need help downloading the OverDrive® eBooks to your reader from the library catalog? Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, January 19, on the basics of downloading eBooks.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Jean will review the basics of downloading eBooks and will demonstrate the process on multiple platforms, including the Nook, Kindle, and iPad.

This class is free of charge, but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

## *Treasures in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library*

***Biblia:*** Illustrated with elegant calligraphy and detailed black and white drawings of the stories, this Bible was translated by Martin Luther into German and published in 1697!

***The Holy Bible***, including the Apocrypha, a concordance, Bible dictionary, and more than 700 engravings illustrating the stories. Published in 1874, this beautiful volume has carved wooden covers decorated with gold design and lettering.

Enjoy perusing these volumes in the Genealogy & Local History Library. Handle them carefully!

—Beth Phillips

# KidsSpace

## WINTER 2013

## Alton Square Activities

➲ **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 7 and 14; February 4 and 11; March 4, 11, and 18, 2013, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➲ **Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 9, 16, 23, and 30; February 6, 20, and 27; March 6, 20, and 27, 2013, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881.

➲ **Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: January 28, February 25, and March 25, 2013. Please register at 433-2881.

➲ **Itsy-Bitsy Yoga** — Bring babies up to 12 months old for calm, relaxing yoga practice. Class includes baby massage, holding baby during yoga postures, interactive song and dance, and sharing a story with baby. Bring a towel or yoga mat. Class meets Thursdays, January 10, February 14, and March 14, 2013. To register call 433-2881.

## Special Events

➲ **Family Movie Day Event** — Bring the whole family to this G-PG rated new release Saturday, January 12, 2013, at 2 p.m. The day will also include movie trivia, pizza, and drinks. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➲ **Teddy Bear Sleepover Party** — Bring your favorite teddy bear or stuffed animal to a sleepover at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. Owners may drop off their teddy bears any time before 5 p.m. on Monday, February 11, 2013, at the Information Desk located in the KidsSpace at our Alton Square location. While in our care, your teddy bear will enjoy some fun activities, such as crafts, movies, and a special story time just for them. Come back Tuesday, February 12, at 6:30 p.m., when the fun continues with you and your teddy bear. Wear your favorite jammies and enjoy a few stories and a bedtime snack. Each participating bear will have a keepsake to take home to remember the fun! Space is limited. Register at 433-2881.

➲ **KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt** — Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on March 9, 2013. All children will receive an Easter bag, hear a few stories with the Bow-wow Pow-wow dogs, and have a chance to sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents, don't forget your cameras! Register at 433-2881.

## Downtown Activities

➲ **Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library Downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, January 7, 14, and 28; February 4, 11, and 25; March 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2013. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

➲ **Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Panda Bear and Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Thursdays, January 10, 17, 24; February 7, 14, 21, and 28; March 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2013. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

➲ **After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 8; February 12; and March 12, 2013. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

➲ **Edwardsville Children's Museum Visit** — Come join the fun as the Edwardsville Children's Museum comes to Hayner KidsSpace downtown. The Museum will host two free one-hour workshops for children 3–5 years. The first will be on Thursday, March 21, 2013, at 10 a.m. The second will be on Thursday, April 18, 2013, at 10 a.m. These two programs will meet in the KidsSpace area at our downtown location. Registration is very limited, so don't delay. To register call 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### PROGRAM ONE – THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2013

**SCULPTURE**

What is a sculpture? Is it a statue? Are sculptures only of people?
Does it have to be carved or molded to be sculpture?
How can I make a sculpture?
Create a sculpture from everyday objects.

### PROGRAM TWO – THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2013

**MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS**

What can be a musical instrument?
How are they played?
Why do they sound different?
Create your own instrument as we discover the world of music.

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

### —Non-Fiction

**Aikman, Becky.** Saturday Night Widows: The Adventures of Six Friends Remaking Their Lives

**Bell, Rob.** What We Talk About When We Talk About God

**Bittman, Mark.** VB6: Eat Vegan Before 6:00 p.m. to Lose Weight and Restore Your Health . . . for Good

**Bronson, Po.** Top Dog: The Science of Winning and Losing

**The Crew of Pike Place Fish.** In the Kitchen with the Pike Place Fish Guys: 100 Recipes and Tips from the World-Famous Crew of Pike Place Fish

**Crowley, Chris.** Thinner This Year: A Younger Next Year Book

**Deen, Bobby.** From Mama's Table to Mine: Everybody's Favorite Comfort Foods at 350 Calories or Less

**Feiler, Bruce.** The Secrets of Happy Families: Improve Your Mornings, Rethink Family Dinner, Fight Smarter, Go Out and Play, and Much More

**Good Housekeeping Research Institute.** 7 Years Younger: The Revolutionary 7-Week Anti-Aging Plan

**Goodman, Matthew.** Eighty Days: Nellie Bly and Elizabeth Bisland's History-Making Race Around the World

**Graeber, Charles.** The Good Nurse: America's Most Prolific Serial Killer, the Hospitals that Allowed Him to Thrive, and the Detectives Who Brought Him to Justice

**Hanegraaff, Hank.** AfterLife: What You Really Want to Know About Heaven and the Hereafter

**Heat-Moon, William Least.** Here, There, Elsewhere: Stories from the Road

**Heath, Chip.** Decisive: How to Make Better Choices in Life and Work

**Junger, Alejandro.** Clean Gut: The Breakthrough Plan for Eliminating the Root Cause of Disease and Revolutionizing Your Health

**Kerasote, Ted.** Pukka's Promise: The Quest for Longer-Lived Dogs

**Kiernan, Denise.** The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II

**Kiyosaki, Robert T.** Why "A" Students Work for "C" Students and Why "B" Students Work for the Government. Rich Dad's Guide to Financial Education for Parents

**Lyubomirsky, Sonja.** The Myths of Happiness: What Should Make You Happy, but Doesn't, What Shouldn't Make You Happy, but Does

**Martha Stewart Living.** Meatless: More Than 200 of the Very Best Vegetarian Recipes

**The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum.** Inside the Baseball Hall of Fame

**Oz, Daphne.** Relish: An Adventure in Food, Style, and Everyday Fun

**Paltrow, Gwyneth.** It's All Good: Delicious, Easy Recipes that Will Make You Look Good and Feel Great

**Piazza, Mike.** Long Shot

**Reich, Barbara.** Secrets of an Organized Mom: From the Overflowing Closets to the Chaotic Play Areas: A Room-by-Room Guide to Decluttering and Streamlining Your Home for a Happier Family

**Reynolds, Debbie.** Unsinkable

**Rhee, Michelle.** Radical: Fighting to Put Students First

**Roach, Mary.** Gulp: Adventures on the Alimentary Canal

**Snyder, Kimberly.** The Beauty Detox Foods: Discover the Top 50 Superfoods That Will Transform Your Body and Reveal a More Beautiful You

**Stafford, Jacqui.** The Wow Factor: Insider Style Secrets for Every Body and Every Budget

**Stashower, Daniel.** The Hour of Peril: The Secret Plot to Murder Lincoln Before the Civil War

**Wansink, Brian.** Slim by Design: Mindless Eating Solutions for Home, School, Grocery Stores, Restaurants, and More

**Waters, Alice.** The Art of Simple Food II: Recipes, Flavor, and Inspiration from the New Kitchen Garden

### —Fiction

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Best Kept Secret

**Balogh, Mary.** The Arrangement

**Barry, Dave.** Insane City

**Beaton, M. C.** Death of Yesterday

**Berenson, Alex.** The Night Ranger

**Binchy, Maeve.** A Week in Winter

**Block, Lawrence.** Hit Me

**Bond, Larry.** Larry Bond's Red Dragon Rising: Blood of War

**Box, C. J.** Breaking Point

**Bradley, Alan.** Speaking from Among the Bones: A Flavia de Luce Novel

**Chevalier, Tracy.** The Last Runaway

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker

**Clancy, Tom.** Threat Vector

**Clark, Mary Jane.** Footprints in the Sand

**Coben, Harlan.** Six Years

**Collins, Jackie.** Power Trip

**Connolly, John.** The Wrath of Angels: A Charlie Parker Thriller

**Cook, Robin.** Nano

**Cornwell, Bernard.** 1356: Go with God, But Fight Like the Devil

**Crais, Robert.** Suspect

**Crombie, Deborah.** The Sound of Breaking Glass

**Cussler, Clive.** The Striker

**Daheim, Mary.** The Alpine Xanadu: An Emma Lord Mystery

**Evanovich, Janet & Kelly, Dorien.** The Husband List

**Fluke, Joanne.** Red Velvet Cupcake Murder

**Fowler, Earlene.** The Road to Cardinal Valley

**Fowler, Therese Anne.** Z: A Novel of Zelda Fitzgerald

**Gardner, Lisa.** Touch & Go

**Grafton, Sue.** Kinsey and Me: Stories

**Graham, Heather.** Let the Dead Sleep

**Green, Jane.** Family Pictures

**Grippando, James.** Blood Money

**Jance, J. A.** Deadly Stakes

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Guilt: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Kleypas, Lisa.** Crystal Cove

**Knott, Robert.** Robert B. Parker's Ironhorse

**Koontz, Dean.** Deeply Odd **Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Dream Eyes (Dark Legacy)

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Guardian

**Mallery, Susan.** Three Sisters

**Meltzer, Brad.** The Fifth Assassin

**Mills, Kyle.** Robert Ludlum's The Utopia Experiment (A Covert-One Novel)

**Muller, Marcia & Pronzini, Bill.** The Bughouse Affair

**Palmer, Michael.** Political Suicide

**Patterson, James.** Alex Cross, Run

**Patterson, James.** Private Berlin

**Peterson, Traci.** To Honor and Trust (Bridal Veil Island)

**Picoult, Jodi.** The Storyteller

**Rankin, Ian.** Standing in Another Man's Grave

**Robb, J. D.** Calculated in Death

**Roby, Kimberla Lawson.** The Perfect Marriage

**Rollins, James.** The Blood Gospel

**Stabenow, Dana.** Bad Blood

**Steel, Danielle.** Until the End of Time

**Weber, Carl.** The Man in 3B

**White, Randy Wayne.** Night Moves

**Wolf, Dick.** The Intercept (Jeremy Fisk)

**Woods, Stuart.** Collateral Damage

## *We're always thinking about possible future displays!*

**Do you have artifacts related to any of these topics?**

- The Nature Institute and John M. Olin
- The Alton Women's Home
- Local potteries
- The Underground Railroad
- Ghost stories and local legends
- Prohibition in Alton
- Frederick Oakes Sylvester
- 1856 Illinois State Fair in Alton
- The Clark Bridge
- The Dinky Bus

*If so, please contact.*

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## *Book Review:*
## Henry Horner and His Burden of Tragedy
**by Thomas B. Littlewood**

"Martyr to the cause of good government"

We have the unfortunate luck of remembering what has come before. "History repeats itself" is a well-known phrase, especially in today's political landscape. Controversies and issues have a way of repeating when those involved in the earlier occurrences are long gone and forgotten. Such is the case with this book. Eighty years have passed; yet the same struggles are apparent.

In the first chapter in Littlewood's book on the governorship of Henry Horner, the reader gets a sense of Illinois's problems during the Great Depression. Riots, marches, attacks on the rich and the poor could have been copied and pasted to form today's headlines.

Much of the rhetoric and ideas from our 28th governor (1933–1940) are just as controversial today as they were in the late 1930s and early 1940s. He fought leaders in both parties, constantly butted heads against party machines, and sided with the poor, especially those downstate.

Horner was born into financial privilege but was also an idealist. He did not take his upbringing for granted and wanted the poor and unfortunate to feel and be successful, much to the chagrin of others of his standing.

Littlewood is adept at describing Horner's feelings toward the less-fortunate and his empathy with those who had not been raised in the same level of comfort he had enjoyed. This is not to say that Horner didn't have his faults. He may seem to some to have been a hypocrite or flip-flopper, not consistent with his ideas and sometimes behaving in the same way as those he was constantly fighting in the political machine.

Just a few of the many interesting notes about Governor Horner:

He was eight years old when his mother took him to safety when the Haymarket Riot started.
He felt closer to his grandmother and mother than to anyone else.
He was the first Jewish governor of Illinois.
Before getting deeply into politics, he made friends with many prominent Republicans at the Standard Club, the German Jewish social club. These friendships lasted many years and worked in his favor when he became governor, in the Democratic Party.

He was a huge fan of Abraham Lincoln. He collected books and anything else he could find concerning Lincoln.

He modeled his ideas about politics and life itself on Lincoln. Horner said of Lincoln, "He was never willing to sacrifice basic principles of justice for self-advancement. All through his grueling experiences in private and public life, he never lost sight of the human equation. . . .His sympathy extended even unto those to whom a harsh fate made it his duty to oppose."

Littlewood holds the reader's attention with fine detail and down-to-earth storytelling. This is an Illinois political history book to be sure, but more importantly, the story of a lonely man who found the strength to fight for what he believed to be for the betterment of those for whom no one spoke.

A final word from Governor Horner: "Hold your head high, remember who you are, have pride in your ancestry, but be humble so you can help others." Great words to live by from a great new book in the Genealogy & Local History Library.

Come visit us at 401 State Street! Sit in a comfy chair by our fireplace and read about one of our lesser-known governors.

—Derek Alford

## *View Cemetery Records*

The Hayner Library of Genealogy & Local History continues to grow its rich offering of historical research material.

Two patrons, Bette Flactiff and Sue
Williams, have spent hours and hours photographing grave markers in cemeteries throughout Madison, Jersey, and Greene counties. So far, they have photographed and archived over 19,000 images of gravestones. The ladies have generously gifted The Hayner Public Library District with the fruits of their labors.

This winter, patrons will be able to electronically access through the Hayner Library Web site the cemetery records and images of gravestones for the following cemeteries: Alton City Cemetery (including the Mausoleum), St. Joseph Cemetery /Madison County, Godfrey Cemetery/ Madison County, Melville Cemetery/ Madison County, Thompson Cemetery/Green County, Salem Baptist Cemetery/Madison County, Bott Cemetery/Jersey County, Cooper Cemetery/Madison County, Zion Lutheran Cemetery/Madison County, and Cummings Cemetery/Jersey County.

The records also identify all military personnel in their respective cemeteries. A patron will be able to access individual records by county, cemetery, and/or individual name.

This is a great resource for historians and genealogists who want to "visit" the resting places of their ancestors. It is also a wonderful resource for posterity, since Bette and Sue have found that about 50 tombstones per year are lost to pollution, weather, or vandalism.

Bette and Sue are continuing their cataloging of various area cemeteries and anticipate adding additional cemeteries to the Hayner collection in the future. The Hayner Public Library District thanks Bette and Sue so much for this very significant addition to our collections.

## *Lincoln-Douglas Debate Dress on Display*

On October 16, 1868, Kate Foote Marsh attended the seventh and final senatorial debate between Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas. Kate, who lived her whole life in Alton, Ill., knew that this was a pivotal moment in history. She saved the colorful floral striped dress she wore to the debate and passed it on to her son. He wrote a note describing the dress's importance and attached it to the collar before passing it on to his daughter, Ruth, when he died in 1985 at the age of 102. It is now in the possession of Ruth's daughter, Mary Jane Chapman.

Mary Jane grew up hearing the story of this dress but wanted to find proof that her great-grandmother truly wore it at the Lincoln-Douglas debate. She called Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library and made an appointment to come in and get help with research. The staff gathered a stack of relevant books for Mary Jane. She opened the book on the top of the stack and there, on page 36 of *Alton: A Pictorial History*, by Charlotte Stetson, was a picture of the dress. Even in black and white, the dress's pattern is distinctive enough that Mary Jane recognized it instantly. Mary Jane later realized that she actually already owned Stetson's book, so the evidence was on a bookshelf at her house, and she didn't even know it.

The picture in Stetson's book is a photo of the painting *Last of the Lincoln-Douglas Debates* by George I. Parrish. It was presented to the City of Alton by Illinois Bell on May 13, 1970, and is still on display at Alton City Hall. The shawl and bonnet depicted in the painting no longer exist (or may have been artistic embellishments), but the dress itself is in surprisingly good condition. There are no obvious tears or stains. The colors may have faded slightly, but the pinks, greens, and other bright hues still shine.

The dress complements our current Lincoln exhibit and will be on display in the Genealogy & Local History Library from mid-December through mid-February.

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## *First Night River Bend*

Fun, Fantasy, and Fireworks will be held on Dec. 31 on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College. Hands-on activities in the Children's Venue at the River Bend Arena will start with a show by the Pied Piper of Percussion at 6:30 p.m., followed by the hands-on activities from 7—9 p.m. Hat making and airbrush face painting will be featured in the Hatheway Gallery. This venue will open at 6:30 p.m. with a show by Chris Camp, The Whip Guy. There will be storytelling, sing-alongs, clowns, and several magicians (Casey the Entertainer in River Bend Arena, Chris Egelston in the Hatheway foyer, and newcomer Mark Toland in the Commons), a world-renowned whip cracker, belly dancers, caricaturists, and a singing, sword-swinging all-female stunt show. Music by the new Lynyrd Skynyrd tribute band, Bourbon Legend, and jazz music by the Alton Landing Jazz Quartet will also be featured. There will be ice sculptors working outdoors, creating two different sculptures for this year's event. We will light up the skies with an "early-bird" fireworks display at 9 p.m. and culminate the evening's festivities with the grand fireworks finale at midnight.

Buttons are $10 in advance, $15 at the door, kids 5 and under are free. Seniors (65 and over) are $7.50 in advance, $10 at the door.

Buttons will be on sale Monday, Nov. 26, at the following locations: Dick's Flowers, Jerseyville Wellness Center, all Liberty Bank locations and Senior Services in Alton.

For more information call 618-468-7500 or www.lc.edu/firstnight.

## NEW ITEMS IN THE ILLINOIS ROOM

Henry Horner and His Burden of Tragedy IR B HORNER
Alton, Illinois: A Pictorial History (patron donation) IR 977.386 STE
1850 Census of Georgia Slave Owners IR 929 COX
Scots-Irish Links Pt. 6 IR 929.3415 DOB
Indian Wills 1911–1921 Books 1–7 IR 929 BOW
Finding Your African American Ancestors IR 929.1 THA
Pennsylvania German Marriages IR 929.3748 IRI
Lists of Swiss Emigrants to the American Colonies IR 929 FAU
Bounty and Donation Land Grants in British Colonial America IR 929 BOC
Slave Ancestral Research IR 929.2 FEA
Slave Genealogy IR 929.1 STR
Who's Looking for Whom in Native American Ancestry (Vols. 1 & 2) IR 970.0049 WHO
Hard Dying Men IR B WALLACE
History of Stephenson County IR 977.333 HIS
History of Ogle County IR 977.332 HIS
History of Lee County IR 977.336 HIS
History of Winnebago County IR 977.331 HIS
Past and Present of Boone County IR 977.329 PAS
Past and Present of DeKalb County IR 977.328 GRO

# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, March 31
Memorial Day, May 26, 27

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## *Hayner Moves to New Circulation Software Platform*

In our last newsletter, you read about the merger of the Lewis & Clark Library System (of which The Hayner Public Library District is a member) and three other library systems in southern Illinois into one system known as Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS). A library system stores libraries' item and patron records in a shared database. This shared database facilitates interlibrary loans and allows Hayner patrons to use their library cards at the other libraries in the system.

The newly merged IHLS system now encompasses 427 libraries throughout the southern half of Illinois. This translates to patron online availability of over 10 million items in the combined collection database, which you can access, quickly and easily. The IHLS is the largest library automation consortium in the country.

To accommodate this consolidation of library systems, all member libraries, including The Hayner Public Library District, will be using new circulation software. The conversion process to the new software system, known as Polaris, will start on April 1 and be completed on April 9, 2013. During that period, you will still be able to check out and return books from the Hayner Library collection, but new library cards will not be issued. Patrons can access the libraries' public computers, databases, and ebooks without service interruption.

Patron Holds on the items you've requested that are unfulfilled will have been canceled after March 22. This is a necessary step of the software conversion, and we apologize for any inconvenience. Patron holds may be resubmitted after April 9.

For those patrons who have enabled the Reading History function, these records also will not be available after the conversion to Polaris (3/30). You can print your reading history or export it to a hard drive or flash drive for your records prior to 3/30/13. The reading history function can be re-enabled upon the completed conversion.

Interlibrary Loan Requests (requests for books from other libraries) will not be accommodated between March 30 and April 8. Greatly expanded interlibrary loan service will be available following completion of the conversion on April 9th.

The OPAC (Online Public Access Catalog) terminals that you use to look up and request books will look different, but you will find the new screens easy to use, and they will provide the same functionality as the old terminals, with access to the collections of a much larger number of participating libraries. You also will still be able to access the OPAC from the Hayner Library Web site.

Staff training on the use of the Polaris system will have been completed prior to April 1, but we ask your patience as we become accustomed to our newly expanded library system software.

Further detailed information regarding the conversion is available at any library location or on our Web site, www.haynerlibrary.org.

The Hayner Public Library District staff is excited about the functionality of the new system and the incredible breadth of resources and materials that will be available to our patrons. Again, we appreciate your patience as we move forward to the new Polaris automation platform.

## Western Military Academy on Parade

Does this sound familiar?

*"Who is the guy who plays the fancy 'boogie-woogie' in the assembly hall?"*

*"Monticello College is opening this week. That means increased telephone business!"*

If it does, then maybe you attended Western Military Academy—or knew someone who did.

Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library has a disk compiled by C. B. Jackson of the *Western Military Academy Shrapnel* from August 17, 1944, to May 24, 1945. The above quotes are taken from the "Bits of Shrapnel" section of the September 23, 1944, issue.

Read the news of classes, school sports, bios of seniors, tales of students in their free time, activities of faculty and staff, and news about alumnae, including the service of some alumnae and faculty in WWII. You can also peruse bound volumes of the *Shrapnel* in the library. These books include issues from September 1945 to May 1946 and from September 1947 to May 1948.

The library also has some issues of the *Western Military Academy Recall* on the shelves. History buffs will enjoy the catalogues of the Academy. They can also view the Academy memorabilia, photos, and artifacts, which bring this important part of Alton's history to life.

Find this wonderful Western Military Academy collection in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street in Alton.

## Two-Wheeled Mystery

Most of us know local celebrities such as Elijah Lovejoy, Miles Davis, or Robert Wadlow, but what about Will Sachtleben, who lived in Alton as a boy in the late 1800s on the corner of Seventh and Langdon?

*The Lost Cyclist: The Epic Tale of an American Adventurer and His Mysterious Disappearance*, by David V. Herlihy, is part of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library's permanent collection, available to read while sitting in a comfy chair next to the inviting fireplace.

The true story begins in the pressroom of Paul Cousley at the *Alton Evening Telegraph* in 1952 when a man walked in who had been famous fifty years earlier for his three-year around-the-world trip on a bicycle. Mr. Cousley recognized him immediately. This man, Will Sachtleben, along with a friend, made an amazing fifteen-thousand-mile journey in 1893. Several years after his world tour, Sachtleben became famous for his dangerous search for another around-the world bicyclist named Frank G. Lenz. Lenz had gone missing in eastern Turkey. Herlihy tells Lenz's story and that of Sachtleben's journey to solve the mystery of Lenz's disappearance and subsequently bring about justice

Spanning the late 1880s to the early 20th century, this book reads quickly and keeps you on the edge of your seat. Herlihy has done his research. Not only does the reader get a sense of the excitement of the adventure, one also learns of the politics of the time, in this country and especially abroad. It is hard to imagine the nerve it would take to make an around-the-world bicycle tour in an age devoid of our technology and creature comforts, much less to undertake a second journey into a dangerous land where outsiders were suspect.

It can't be easy writing factual history and making it come alive as Herlihy does. The story of the twists and turns of the travels and the frustrations of all the players in this adventure/mystery are riveting. This book is a must-read for adventure fans and history fans alike.

Visit the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, and spend some time reading the fascinating story of one of our rarely talked-about early local celebrities.

## Don't Miss This Traveling Exhibit!

During the month of May, 2013, The Hayner Public Library District will host a traveling exhibit on loan from the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library in Springfield, Ill. Co-sponsored by the Looking for Lincoln Heritage Coalition, the exhibit, "To Kill and to Heal: Weapons and Medicine of the Civil War," also commemorates the 150th anniversary of the Civil War.

The deadliest weapon of the Civil War was the one that nobody could see, killing two soldiers for every one felled by gunfire. The extraordinary casualties caused by that invisible killer, disease; the conventional weapons used to create slaughter on an unprecedented scale; the horrific injuries suffered on the battlefield ; and the heroic efforts of medical personnel to treat soldiers on both sides are described in the "To Kill and to Heal" exhibit.

The exhibit kiosk features selected original images from the larger exhibit of the same name at the Presidential Museum. The experiences of actual soldiers are prevalent in the exhibit, including quotes and photographs, lending a human touch to the horror of war.

View this fascinating trip back in history during the month of May in the public space of Alton Square Mall, outside Hayner Library and across from J.C. Penney.

## Hayner Library Now Offers Morningstar Online!

Hayner Library now offers Morningstar Investment Research Center as a part of its extensive reference collection. Morningstar has discontinued the print version of *Morningstar Mutual Funds*, and this online version is its replacement. Morningstar is a leading provider of independent investment research with analysis of more than 41,000 investments. This online service is offered at both Hayner locations and is available for in-library use only.

With Morningstar Investment Research Center you have access to Morningstar's proprietary data, including detailed analyst opinions on 1,700 stocks, 2,200 mutual funds, and 400 exchange-traded funds.

In addition to stock and fund information, you will gain a clear overview of index returns, sector returns, and fund category returns, along with the most active stocks throughout the day.

For assistance using Morningstar Investment Research Center, please check at the Reference Desk or refer to the Help & Education tab on the database. Here you will find database user guides and useful investment articles.

## *Images of Midwestern Architecture*

### Downstate Illinois

*Author: Ronald E. Schmitt*

Travelers in Illinois can find unexpected architectural gems tucked away in little towns, hidden in the countryside, or shining for all to see in the cities. Homes, churches, businesses, universities, libraries, old barns, covered bridges, even unexpected sculptures delight the eye.

This book is a must-read for all architecture buffs. Author Ronald E. Schmitt begins with landmarks in his hometown of Alton, Illinois. He then guides the reader on an architectural photo history tour of everything interesting he could find south of I-80 in Illinois. He grouped his discoveries by town in the table of contents, which makes it easy for the reader to look for a certain place. Some buildings are now gone, some are still standing, and some even have tours for the lucky investigator! Don't be surprised if browsing this book gives you ideas for some fun day trips this summer! Read *Images of Midwestern Architecture* in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.
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## *Horse Prairie Cemetery, Sesser, Illinois: Tombstone Inscriptions and Family Records*

*Clara Crocker Brown and Ronald R. Stockton*

The authors of this book have written a tribute to the people interred in this pastoral cemetery in the 1800s and 1900s. Clara Crocker Brown spent countless hours researching and recording information about family members. She searched for all information available about those buried with unmarked stones. The index of burials in the back shows the names of families who have lived near what is now Sesser in Franklin County, Illinois.

Ronald Stockton recorded poems and expressions written in honor of loved ones who had passed on. He also analyzed the mortality patterns shown by the burials in Horse Prairie. His research shows that illness and death were constant, unwanted companions of the early Illinois settlers; however, longer lifespans and a decline in deaths among the young occurred as sanitation and health practices improved.

The efforts of these two authors are noteworthy. They have given us a glimpse into the lives of the people who settled Horse Prairie and their descendants who continued to raise families in this quiet, country area of Southern Illinois.

*Horse Prairie Cemetery* is located in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.

## *We're always thinking about possible future displays!*

Do you have artifacts related to any of these topics?

- The Nature Institute and John M. Olin
- The Alton Women's Home
- Local potteries
- The Underground Railroad
- Ghost stories and local legends
- Prohibition in Alton
- Frederick Oakes Sylvester
- 1856 Illinois State Fair in Alton
- The Clark Bridge
- The Dinky Bus

If so, please contact
Lacy McDonald
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## *Blueprints from J.J. Wuellner Construction, Inc.*

J.J. Wuellner Construction, Inc. is closing its doors after 110 years, and Augie Wuellner contacted the Genealogy & Local History Library about donating construction plans, blueprints, and photographs that might be of interest to library patrons. Many plans are of local buildings, but the company worked on projects all over the region. We took everything related to the Alton area and have also been able to share relevant plans and photographs with Principia College, Blackburn College, Lindenwood University, Wood River Refinery Museum, and the Jersey County Historical Society. Wuellner Construction's legacy can live on in this way.

Another exciting find at Wuellner Construction that is now in the possession of the library is the employment card for movie star Clint Walker (real name Norman Eugene Walker) from 1950. It even contains his signature. We are thrilled to be able to preserve these unique pieces of local history. We are currently in the process of organizing the plans and photographs but hope they will be available to view soon. Photographs will be used in the Vertical Files and Property Research Files and other items may be used in future display cases.

Going through over a century of plans and photographs was a monumental task, and Augie was an extremely gracious host. He patiently answered our questions, let us take over his conference room for several days, and always provided excellent coffee. Augie's father, Fred, even stopped by the office one afternoon to indentify photographs of work sites that Augie didn't recognize. We really enjoyed our time at Wuellner Construction.

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

1852 State Census St. Charles County, Missouri IR 977.8393 BUS
1868 State Census St. Charles County, Missouri IR 977.8393 GEE
1876 State Census St. Charles County, Missouri IR 977.8393 GEE
A History of the County of Du Page, Illinois IR 977.324 RIC
Biographical Directory of the Tax-Payers & Voters of McHenry County IR 977.322 BIO
Catholic Cemeteries St. Charles County, Missouri IR 977.3895 WIE
Cemeteries of St. Charles County, Missouri (Vols. 2–5) IR 977.8395 WIE
Ebenezer Evangelical Church IR 289 950977839 MAL
Finding Your Hispanic Roots IR 946 RYS
Freed Slaves IR 977.839 MAL
Genealogical Research in Ohio IR 977.1 SPE
History of Cook County IR 977.31 AND
History of Portage des Sioux Township, Missouri (Revised) IR 977.839 MIN
History of St. Charles County, Missouri IR 977.83902 HIS
History of Whiteside County IR 977.335 HIS
History of Will County IR 977.325 HIS
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church West Alton, Mo. IR 977.8391 GEE
Past and Present of Kane County IR 977.323 PAS
St. Francis Catholic Church Portage des Sioux (Vols. 1–2) IR 977.8391 GEE
The Lost Cyclist IR B LENZ

## *Story Times Are Stupendous*

The Youth Services Division of Hayner Public Library now offers four different story times for kids to enjoy.

Library Assistant Janet Andrews conducts the immensely popular Mommy and Me (Wednesdays) and Movers & Shakers (Mondays) story times in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Once a month, Janet Andrews and Hector Lozano hold a Spanish story time. In 2012, two new story times were added. Both held downtown, an evening story time (kids are encouraged to wear their PJs) and Mary Kay Story Time (Thursdays), they have grown remarkably in popularity Story time schedules and information are found under KidsSpace in each quarterly newsletter.

***Above:*** **Mary Kay Story Time**
***Right:*** **Janet Andrews reads at Mommy & Me Story Time**

All the story times have grown dramatically in popularity, primarily due to the great job done by Janet, Mary Kay, and Hector. All three tell stories with such humor, enthusiasm, and animation, the kids are totally spellbound Everyone has a great time.

Don't miss this opportunity to start your little one on the path of reading. But PLEASE do not forget to register at 433 2881. Most of the story times include a craft or a snack for the kids, and if you don't register we may not have enough for everyone.

If you have additional questions, call 433-2881.

## *Therapy Dog Program Celebrates 10th Anniversary!*

Hard as it is to believe for some of us, it has been 10 years since The Hayner Public Library District instituted Bow-wow Pow-wow, a program that brings therapy dogs to the library. The program arose after Hayner staff became aware of studies reported by the journal *Public Libraries* (volume 41) demonstrating dramatic improvement in kids' reading skills when reading to therapy dogs.

The program at Hayner was an immediate success due to the participation of the late June Walker of Walker's Wee Glen Obedience Training. June had been training dogs since 1986 and was also an evaluator for Therapy Dogs International (TDI). Dogs must pass a TDI certification test to be recognized as therapy dogs. Therapy dogs are fully obedience-trained and insured by Therapy Dog International. Owners/handlers can take their dogs to public places such as hospitals, nursing homes, schools, and libraries to perform a variety of therapy services

Working with June and her local group of handlers, Bow-wow Pow-wow became one of the first such reading programs in southern Illinois. Kids would come to the library to read stories to the dogs and interact with these gentle animals. The dogs, in their role as nonjudgmental listeners, help children overcome any self-consciousness they might experience in reading out loud. Along with improving their reading skills, children realize that the library is a great place to visit.

An additional important result of this program is that children (especially those who don't have pets at home) learn to socialize with the animals. They learn that showing the animals kindness and respect generates, in return, a love, trust, and friendship that can be a great joy in life.

For ten years, members of the original core group of handlers have visited the library every month along with more recently certified handlers. These volunteers cheerfully arrive at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall the second Saturday of every month

Kids can pick from books that are set out or bring their own. They can read to any of the dogs or just socialize with the animals. Parents and grandparents love these sessions as much as the kids do. It's incredibly heartwarming to watch the interaction between the kids and the dogs. Join us at our next session and be sure to bring your camera. The program is free and does not require registration—we always have plenty of dogs!

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## Hayner Library Special Events

Join us for our Spring 2013 semester of events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 218 Alton Square Mall, upper level.

**REMINDER**

*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Note:** This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill

**Saturday, April 13**
**Saturday, May 11**
**Saturday, June 8**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

*"Cuddle up with a canine."*

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

### Small Potatoes

**Tuesday, April 9, 6:30 p.m.**

The Chicago-based folk duo of Jacquie Manning and Rich Prezioso say it has taken them years of careful indecision to develop a repertoire they describe as "Celtic to Cowboy." Superb musicianship and showmanship, award-winning songwriting, and a strong sense of tradition have made them, as *Dirty Linen* magazine once said, "one of the most polished, inventive, and entertaining shows on the circuit." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dana & Sue Robinson

**Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m.**

From performing at Carnegie Hall to being featured in Ken Burns's PBS documentaries, such as "The National Parks" and "The Dust Bowl," Dana and Susan have been playing their trademark brand of "new-time, old-time music" for nearly twenty years.

Accompanying themselves on the fiddle, guitar, banjo, and mandolin, they bring fresh harmonies and impeccable craftsmanship to their performances that draw the listener close to the heart of Appalachia and beyond. Dana's songs reflect the essence of rural America, and their concerts are virtual road-trips across our United States. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Larry Reid
### *John M. Olin and the History of Nilo Farms*

**Wednesday, April 17, 6:00 p.m.**

This program will be held at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street.

Guest speaker Mr. Larry Reid will give a fascinating narrative of John M. Olin, who was the founder of Olin Industries in East Alton and Nilo Farms in Godfrey. If you are an outdoorsman or have attended the annual National Hunting & Fishing Day held each September at Nilo, you will want to hear more of the story behind this first-class hunting and shooting facility that advertises itself as "one of the finest in the country." Mr. Reid has written articles for *Wildfowl* magazines and is very knowledgeable about the life of successful businessman John M Olin. Mr. Olin was also an avid sportsman, who owned one of the most recognized dogs in sporting history, "King Buck," a black Labrador Retriever who was the first dog to appear on a postage stamp and notably the most famous dog in the world of duck hunting. John Olin was also owner of the 1974 Kentucky Derby winner, Cannonade. This is sure to be a fascinating local history program with enough twists and turns to entertain a diverse audience! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Introduction to SCORE

**Thursday, April 18, 7:00 p.m.**

Join SCORE counselors to learn more about SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives), SCORE's role in our community and how SCORE can help small business owners realize their dreams. SCORE is actively looking for experienced professionals who wish to help others start or grow their existing businesses. Register at 1-800-613-3163. This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall

### Money Smart

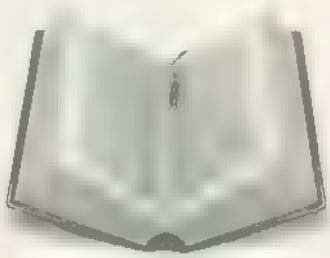
**Session 1: Build and Repair your Credit**
**Wednesday, April 24, 5:30 p.m.**

The goal of this session is for attendees to understand how to read a credit report and how to build and repair their credit history. After completing the seminar participants will be able to: define credit, explain why credit is important, describe the purpose of a credit report and why it is important, read their credit report to determine if they are ready to apply for credit, differentiate between good and bad credit, identify ways to build and repair credit history, recognize how to correct errors on their report and guard against identity theft.

**Session 2: Budgeting & Savings to Reach Your Goals**
**Wednesday, April 24, 6:30 p.m.**

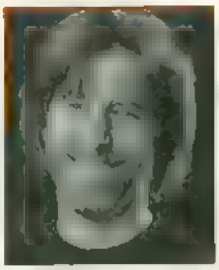
This session will teach individuals to set up short and long range goals, how to structure a savings and spending budget in order to track their progress, how to maximize assets and reduce liabilities, how to adjust for the unexpected, and what to do once certain milestones have been reached. This is an excellent seminar for anyone.

These programs will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall and are sponsored by Reliance Bank. Reserve your spot by calling 618-466-9200 or by sending an e-mail to mmorse@reliance-bankstl.com.



# Special Events at Hayner

## John Flynn



**Thursday, May 16, 6:30 p.m.**

In an era of deep division, John Flynn's songs call us together as they speak for the wounded, the weary, and the afflicted; for the prisoner, the soldier, and all the forgotten ones who walk unseen in our midst. Fusing the vision of an activist with the unblinking eye of a truth-teller, John Flynn's music speaks deeply to the heart and the spirit. A wordsmith and poet of rare clarity, he evokes our shared humanity as he addresses the times we live in, through songs that resound with awareness, irony, humor and compassion. "A brilliant songwriter-performer!" —Rich Warren, Midnight Special, WFMT, Chicago. "John Flynn is the John Lennon of the plasma generation!" —Ramblin' Jack Elliott.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Aileen Boone

### *Mommy 911: Beware Toxins!*

**Tuesday, May 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Did you know that a famous baby shampoo and many other common household items have formaldehyde in them? Get the dirt on home products and what they are doing to you and your children's health. Aileen Boone, retired USAF physical therapist, will educate you on toxins found in household cleaners and products. She will discuss alternatives and natural cleaning solutions, and you will be given Web sites to check out the products you have in your home.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## David Ehlert

### *Mark Twain Live!*

**Thursday, May 30, 6:00 p.m.**

Dave Ehlert has operated the first theater ever built in Branson, Mo., since 1994 where his acts have included tributes to Elvis, Tom Jones, Liberace, Ray Charles, and many more. In 2004, Dave started performing a tribute act to Mark Twain. This act proved so successful, he has since performed it in theaters and libraries across the country in 38 states, to rave reviews. Come hear the renowned humorist and author himself, as Mark Twain relates his life story around his famous quotes. We are thrilled to present this show, a Branson, Mo., favorite for years, for our Hayner patrons. This program will run one and one-half hours with a brief intermission. Note the start time of 6:00 p.m. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Andina & Rich

**Tuesday, June 4, 6:30 p.m.**

Recipe: mix Sandy Andina (Chicago's resident singing/guitar-and-dulcimer-slinging smart aleck) with Stephen Lee Rich (Madison, Wisconsin's friendly neighborhood yodeling cowboy), add harmony and humor, then shake and stir. Result: Andina and Rich! Join us for this laughter-filled musical performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback

**Sunday, June 9, 2:00 p.m.**

Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.

Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian Fitzgerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." Fitzgerald and Martin McCormick showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Doubleplay

**Tuesday, June 18, 6:30 p.m.**

The husband-and-wife team Doubleplay celebrates their 22nd anniversary as the world's only professional flute and tuba duo. Come hear this remarkable duo as they perform "Song and Dance," musical selections from Baroque to Broadway. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## The Hollands

**Tuesday, June 25, 6:30 p.m.**

The Hollands are a full-time internationally touring family based in the U.S. via Australia with a knack for engaging audiences and rousing a sing-along. They are 21st-century nomadic travelers who frolic in the folk revival scene. A husband-and-wife duo, he's a little bit punk, she's a little bit folk, and together they play Celtic-tinged music. They are joined by their son on percussion and daughter as a vocalist in their performances, which are guaranteed to have you on your feet! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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# TEENSPACE

## APRIL AND MAY EVENTS

**Thursday, April 4, 2013**
Teen Advisory Council Meeting
Riverbender.com Community Center 4:30 p.m.
**Tuesday, April 16, 2013**
Teen Movies at Riverbender.com Community Center 4:00 p.m.
**Thursday, May 2, 2013**
Teen Advisory Council Meeting
Riverbender.com Community Center 4:30 p.m.
**Tuesday, May 21, 2013**
Teen Movie at Riverbender.com Community Center 4:00 p.m.

**TeenSpace Summer Reading Program**
***"Have Book Will Travel"***
Summer Reading Program Kickoff – Saturday, June 1, 2013
**Wednesday, June 5, 2013, 2:00–4:00 p.m.**
Teen Days at Riverbender.com Community Center (Movie Day)
**Wednesday, June 12, 2013, 2:00–4:00 p.m.**
Teen Days at Riverbender.com Community Center
(Animal Tales at 3:00 p.m.)
**Wednesday, June 19, 2013, 2:00–4:00 p.m.**
Teen Days at Riverbender.com Community Center (Mini Games)
**Wednesday, June 26, 2013, 2:00–4:00 p.m.**
Teen Days at Riverbender.com Community Center (Craft)
**Tuesday, July 9, 2013, 2:00–4:00 p.m.**
End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party
(McVicar the Trickster at 3:00 p.m.)

The Madison County Child Advocacy Center and community leaders dedicated to children and families in our community are hosting the 2nd Annual Kids Health, Safety and Activity Fair on Saturday April 13, 2013, at the Alton Square Mall. We have exciting events and activities underway for this event including Parent & Child Education Sessions, Appearances from Izzy of the Gateway Grizzlies, Rampage of the St. Louis Rams, Ronald Mc Donald, Safety Ville, the Cardinal Glennon Kid Copter, a cookie decorating contest by the Cookie Factory, stage entertainment, 4Kids By Kids Business Fair, FBI Fingerprinting, and MORE! Join us at this fun, FREE event!

One of the great activities during the fair will be a book signing by author Cyndi Willenbrock. Cyndi will her read her book *Marshall, the Miracle Dog* at 11:30 a.m. at the Macy's sound stage. Marshall is a one- legged therapy dog that Cyndi rescued from an abusive owner. Hear Marshall's powerful story and meet Marshall and Cyndi following the reading. Cyndi will be signing books in front of the Hayner Library following the book reading.

# KIDSPACE

## APRIL AND MAY ACTIVITIES

| DATE | PROGRAM | TIME | AGES |
|---|---|---|---|
| Monday, April 1 | Movers and Shakers | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, April 1 | Evening Story Time (Downtown) | 6:30 p.m. | 2–5 |
| Wednesday, April 3 | Mommy and Me | 10 a.m. | Birth–2yrs. |
| Thursday, April 4 | Mary Kay Story Time (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday , April 8 | Movers and Shakers | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, April 8 | Evening Story Time (Downtown) | 6:30 p.m. | 2–5 |
| Tuesday, April 9 | After School Fun (Downtown) | 3:30 p.m. | 5–11 |
| Wednesday, April 10 | Mommy and Me | 10 a.m. | Birth– 2yrs |
| Thursday, April 11 | Mary Kay Story Time (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 2–5 |
| Thursday, April 11 | Itsy-Bitsy Yoga | 10 a.m. | Birth —12 mos. |
| Monday, April 15 | Movers and Shakers | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, April 15 | Evening Story Time (Downtown) | 6:30 p.m. | 2–5 |
| Wednesday, April 17 | Mommy and Me | 10 a.m. | Birth — 2yrs. |
| Thursday, April 18 | Mary Kay Story Time (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, April 22 | Movers and Shakers | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, April 22 | Evening Story Time (Downtown) | 6:30 p.m. | 2–5 |
| Wednesday, April 24 | Mommy and Me | 10 a.m. | Birth–2yrs. |
| Thursday, April 25 | Mary Kay Story Time (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, April 29 | Spanish Story Time | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, April 29 | Evening Story Time (Downtown) | 6:30 p.m. | 2–5 |
| Wednesday, May 1 | Mommy and Me | 10 a.m. | Birth–2 yrs. |
| Thursday, May 2 | Mary Kay Story Time (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, May 6 | Movers and Shakers | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, May 6 | Evening Story Time (Downtown) | 6:30 p.m. | 2–5 |
| Thursday, May 9 | Mary Kay Story Time (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Thursday, May 9 | Itsy Bitsy Yoga | 10 a.m. | Birth–12 mos. |
| Monday, May 13 | Movers and Shakers | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, May 13 | Evening Story Time (Downtown) | 6:30 p.m. | 2–5 |
| Tuesday, May 14 | After-School Fun (Downtown) | 3:30 p.m. | 5–11 |
| Wednesday, May 15 | Movers and Shakers | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Thursday, May 16 | Mary Kay Story Time (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, May 20 | Movers and Shakers | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Monday, May 20 | Evening Story Time (Downtown) | 6:30 p.m. | 2–5 |
| Wednesday, May 22 | Mommy and Me | 10 a.m. | Birth—2 yrs. |
| Thursday, May 23 | Mary Kay Story Time (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| **KidSpace Summer Reading Program "Have Book Will Travel" 2013** | | | |
| Saturday, June 1 | Summer Reading Program "Have Book Will Travel" Kickoff | | |
| Monday, June 3 | Stories and Puppets | 10 a.m. | 2–6 |
| Tuesday, June 4 | Stories and Crafts (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Wednesday, June 5 | Performer | 10 a.m. | All Welcome |
| Thursday, June 6 | Summertime Craft | 10 a.m. | 5–11 |
| Monday, June 10 | Stories and Puppets | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Tuesday, June 11 | Stories and Crafts (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Wednesday, June 12 | Performer | 10 a.m. | All Welcome |
| Thursday, June 13 | Summertime Craft | 10 a.m. | 5–11 |
| Monday, June 17 | Stories and Puppets | 10 a.m. | 2–6 |
| Tuesday, June 18 | Stories and Crafts (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Wednesday, June 19 | Performer Animal Tales | 10 a.m. | All Welcome |
| Thursday, June 20 | Summertime Craft | 10 a.m. | 5–11 |
| Monday, June 24 | Stories and Puppets | 10 a.m. | 2–6 |
| Wednesday, June 26 | Performer Steve and T.V. | 10 a.m. | All Welcome |
| Monday, July 1 | Stories and Puppets | 10 a.m. | 2–6 |
| Tuesday, July 2 | Stories and Crafts (Downtown) | 10 a.m. | 3–5 |
| Wednesday, July 3 | Performer | 10 a.m. | All Welcome |
| Thursday, July 4 | LIBRARY CLOSED | | |
| Wednesday, July 10 | LAST DAY TO TURN IN SHEETS | | |
| Thursday, July 18 | End-of- the-Summer- Reading-Program Party (By Invitation Only) | | |

## *SCORE Makes Generous Donation to The Hayner Public Library District*

SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business, is a volunteer organization of businesspeople that offers free confidential counseling to small business entrepreneurs. The Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423 serves seven counties of the Riverbend area and has helped many local businesspeople achieve success in planning and operating their own business ventures. For more information, log onto the SCORE Web site at www.swillinois.score.org or call 618-467-2280.

The Hayner Public Library District and SCORE have partnered through the years to develop resources and programs supporting our communities' small business development.

SCORE also has provided generous funding to The Hayner Public Library District, contributing to the development of a premier small-business reference collection. You can find the collection in the Reference Department of the library at Alton Square Mall

In February 2013, SCORE again made a significant contribution to Hayner's small-business reference collection. On behalf of SCORE, Southwestern Illinois, Chapter 423, Alton-Godfrey, the following titles have been added to the small-business collection of The Hayner Public Library District:

**The $100 Startup: Reinvent the Way You Make a Living, Do What You Love, and Create a New Future** by Chris Guillebeau May 2012

**Breakthrough Entrepreneurship** by Jon Burgstone July 2012

**The Community College Career Track: How to Achieve the American Dream Without a Mountain of Debt** by Thomas Snyder September 2012

**Content Rules: How to Create Killer Blogs, Podcasts, Videos, Ebooks, Webinars (and More) That Engage Customers and Ignite Your Business**, Revised and Updated Edition by Ann Handley May 2012

**The Digital Business Start-Up Workbook: The Ultimate Step-by-Step Guide to Succeeding Online from Start-Up to Exit** by Cheryl Rickman May 2012

**The Happiness Advantage: The Seven Principles of Positive Psychology That Fuel Success and Performance at Work** by Shawn Achor September 2010

**How: Why HOW We Do Anything Means Everything** (audio CD unabridged) by Dov Seidman February 2012

**It's Your Business: 183 Essential Tips That Will Transform Your Small Business** (audiobook CD unabridged) by J. J. Ramberg October 2012

**Job Interviews for Dummies**, 4th Ed., by Joyce Lain Kennedy December 2011

**The Leadership Challenge: How to Make Extraordinary Things Happen in Organizations**, 5th Ed., (audio CD unabridged) by James Kouzes October 2012

**Likeable Social Media: How to Delight Your Customers, Create an Irresistible Brand, and Be Generally Amazing on Facebook (And Other Social Networks)** by Dave Kerpen June 2011

**Negotiate and Settle Your Debts: A Debt Settlement Strategy** by Mandy Akridge January 2011

**The Official Guide for GMAT Review by GMAC** March 2012

Personal Finance for Dummies by Eric Tyson June 2012

**Sams Teach Yourself LinkedIn in 10 Minutes**, 3rd Ed., by Patrice-Anne Rutledge April 2012

**Small Business Marketing Kit for Dummies** by Barbara Findlay Schenck September 2012

**The Small Business Start-Up Kit: A Step-By-Step Legal Guide** by Peri Packroo March 2012

**Starting a Part-Time Food Business: Everything You Need to Know to Turn Your Love for Food into a Successful Business Without Necessarily Quitting Your Day Job** by Jennifer Lewis February 2011

**The Startup Owner's Manual: The Step-by-Step Guide for Building a Great Company** by Steve Blank March 2012

All these materials are available at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. With SCORE's support, The Hayner Public Library District has developed the premier business reference collection in southern Illinois.

Thank you, SCORE, for your unstinting support of The Hayner Public Library District as well as the entire Riverbend community.

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FOR THE LIFE OF YOUR BUSINESS

## *Book Look*

***The Richest Woman in America*** by Janet Wallach (Doubleday, 2012) tells the story of Hetty Green, who at the time of her death was worth about $2.5 billion in today's money. The reviews are intriguing.

"Dubbed 'the Witch of Wall Street,' this nineteenth-century capitalist parlayed her initial inheritance into a substantial fortune, famously eschewing the glamour and the excesses of the Gilded Age. Despite her shrewd investment acumen, her remarkable achievements were often overshadowed by her well-publicized eccentricities. As the mythology of her gratuitous frugality swelled, she was gleefully caricatured in newspapers and magazines as a miser of epic proportions. While she was a popular-culture icon for many of the wrong reasons, most journalists failed to acknowledge her blistering business savvy and the tremendous power she wielded in a male-dominated arena. Wallach does Green long-overdue service by providing an evenhanded account of her professional accomplishments and her personal peculiarities."—*Booklist*

"A richly textured biography . . . Wallach's account is both close-grained and broad . . . A vivid, almost novelistic narrative."—*Chicago Tribune*

"This colorful, romantic biography . . . vividly evokes a memorable personality."
—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

*The Richest Woman in America* will be enjoyed particularly by fans of the Gilded Age, of eccentric personalities, and of stories about self-made men and women.

The book concludes with an appendix titled "The Wisdom of Hetty Green." Her business tenets are as relevant today as they were a hundred years ago. Here are some examples:*

"Watch your pennies and the dollars will take care of themselves."
"Before deciding on an investment, seek out every kind of information about it."
"In business, generally, don't close a bargain until you have reflected on it overnight."
"It is the duty of every woman to learn to take care of her own business affairs."
"Common sense is the most valuable possession anyone can have."

* Janet Wallach, ***The Richest Woman in America***, Nan A. Talese / Doubleday, New York, 2012, pp. 229–239

Read more about this woman who triumphed in the male world of business and left her mark beside Carnegie and Morgan, Vanderbilt and Rockefeller. Check out *The Richest Woman in America* by Janet Wallach at any Hayner library or online. (Call number B GREEN)

## Books, Books, More Books!

Certainly, if someone asks, "What is the best book you've ever read?" most readers would find that a question nearly impossible to answer. But if someone asked, "What books have you read more than once?" that would be a much more easily identified list. Polling the staff at The Hayner Public Library District with this question brought many interesting responses and identified yet more titles to add to my "must read" list! —Ed.

**Books Read at Least Twice (no age or genre restrictions):**

*Lauren E.*
Where the Sidewalk Ends – Shel Silverstein
Anne of Green Gables – L. M. Montgomery
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest – Ken Kesey
The Secret Garden – Frances Hodgson Burnett
When You Are Engulfed in Flames – David Sedaris

*Patty M.*
Gone with the Wind – Margaret Mitchell

*Beth P.*
Lord of the Rings Trilogy – J. R .R. Tolkien

*Mary Kay S.*
The Little Prince – Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

*Bernadette D.*
Something of Value – Robert Ruark
Rebecca – Daphne Du Maurier
Nam – Mark Baker
Social Studies – Fran Leibowitz

*Mary C.*
The Death of Vishnu – Manil Suri
The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay – Michael Chabon
The Wonder Boys – Michael Chabon
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer – Mark Twain
To Kill a Mockingbird – Harper Lee
White Teeth – Zadie Smith
Invisible Man – Ralph Ellison
Never Cry Wolf – Farley Mowat
Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy – John Le Carre

*Pam B.*
A Time to Kill – John Grisham
Marley & Me: Life and Love with the World's Worst Dog – John Grogan

*Katie S.*
Little Women – Louisa May Alcott
East of Eden – John Steinbeck
The Shepherd of the Hills – Harold Bell Wright
Cold Sassy Tree – Olive Ann Burns
A Day No Pigs Would Die – Robert Newton Peck

*Lacy M.*
All 7 Harry Potter books
White Oleander – Janet Fitch
The Importance of Being Earnest – Oscar Wilde
Jellicoe Road – Melina Marchetta
High Tide in Tucson – Barbara Kingsolver

*Jan H.*
The Source – James Michener
Sacajawea – Anne Waldo

*Kristina S.*
Born on a Blue Day: Inside the Extraordinary Mind of an Autistic Savant – Daniel Tammet
Saving Max – Antoinette van Heugten

*Amanda P.*
The Kate Daniels series – Ilona Andrews
Any selections in the series by Patricia Briggs and Shelly Laurenston
Jolly Postman Series – A. & J. Ahlberg
The Fruit Basket Series (graphic novels) – Natsuki Takaya

*Cathie Lamere*
Hawaii – James Michener
The Idiot – Fyodor Dostoevsky
Walden Pond – Henry David Thoreau

## Hayner Library Presents Summer Jazz Series

The Hayner Public Library District, in partnership with the North Alton–Godfrey Business Council, Lewis & Clark Community College, Liberty Band, and McDonald's Restaurants, will provide sponsorship for the "Expressions—a Musical Experience" (formerly, Jazz in the Park) Concert Series to be held May through September, 2013.

All the concerts are free of charge and will be held at either the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College or at the Alton High School auditorium These programs of various jazz performances are a great way to spend a summer evening.

All concerts start at 7:00 p.m. The schedule includes:

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|---|---|---|
| May 1 | "One Voice" – Millikin University | Benjamin Godfrey Chapel |
| June 13 | Session Jazz Band | Alton High School |
| July 11 | Ensemble – Jazz at the Bistro | Alton High School |
| August 8 | I-70 Jazz Ensemble | Alton High School |
| September 12 | St. Louis Symphony Ensemble | Benjamin Godfrey Chapel |

## Don't Miss Friends of the Library Book Sale

In May, the Friends of the Library will hold their regular spring book sale. Thursday, May 9, there will be a preview sale from 6:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. There will be a $5.00 admission charge this day only. Friday, May 10, the sale will run from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday, May 11, from 9.00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. This sale will be held at 327 State Street, Alton. For additional information, contact the Friends at 462-4396.

# *New & Forthcoming Books*

## —NON-FICTION

**Allende, Isabel.** Maya's Notebook
**Amen, Tana.** The Omni Diet
**Angelou, Maya.** Mom & Me & Mom
**Anka, Paul.** My Way: An Autobiography
**Armstrong, Jennifer.** Mary and Lou and Rhoda and Ted: And all the Brilliant Minds Who Made the Mary Tyler Moore Show a Classic
**Atkinson, Rick.** The Guns at Last Light: The War in Western Europe, 1944–1945
**Barra, Allen.** Mickey and Willie: Mantle and Mays, The Parallel Lives of Baseball's Golden Age
**Bedford, Scott.** Made by Dad: 67 Blueprints for Making Cool Stuff
**Brinkley, Dannion.** Ten Things to Know Before You Go: How the Secrets of the Afterlife Can Transform Your Life Now
**Burnett, Carol.** Carrie and Me: A Mother-Daughter Love Story
**Carey, Thomas.** Inside the Real Area 5: The Secret History of Wright Patterson
**Connors, Jimmy.** The Outsider: A Memoir
**Coyle, Marcia.** The Roberts Court: The Struggle for the Constitution
**Cyrus, Billy Ray.** Hillbilly Heart
**Easlea, Daryl.** Cher: All I Really Want to Do
**Eggers, Dave.** The Visitants
**Ehrgott, Roberts.** Mr. Wrigley's Ball Club: Chicago and the Cubs during the Jazz Age
**Flay, Bobby.** Bobby Flay's Barbecue Addiction
**Fleming, Thomas.** A Disease in the Public Mind: A New Understanding of Why We Fought the Civil War
**Frank, Lee.** Ultimate Nachos: From Nachos and Guacamole to Salsas and Cocktails
**Friedman, Daniel L.** The Strange Case of Dr. Doyle: A Journey into Madness and Mayhem
**Hand, Becky.** The Spark Solution: A Complete Two-Week Diet Program to Fast-Track Weight Loss and Total Body Health
**Harper, Bob.** Jumpstart to Skinny: The Simple 3-Week Plan for Supercharged Weight Loss
**Johnson, Bea.** Zero Waste Home: The Ultimate Guide to Simplifying Your Life by Reducing Your Waste
**Koppel, Lily.** Astronaut Wives Club: A True Story
**Kyle, Chris.** American Gun. A History of the U.S. in Ten Firearms
**Meyer, G. J.** The Borgias: The Hidden History
**Mort, T. A.** Wrath of Cochise: The Bascom Affair and the Origins of the Apache Wars
**National Geographic.** National Geographic Guide to Scenic Highways and Byways, 4th Edition: The 300 Best Drives in the U.S.
**Philbrick, Nathaniel.** Bunker Hill: A City, a Siege, a Revolution
**Pollan, Michael.** Cooked: A Natural History of Transformation
**Pomroy, Haylie.** The Fast Metabolism Diet: Eat More Food and Lose More Weight
**Rubin, Richard.** The Last of the Doughboys: The Forgotten Generation and Their Forgotten World War
**Sedaris, David.** Let's Explore Diabetes with Owls
**Serling, Anne.** As I Knew Him: My Dad, Rod Serling
**Shearer, Stephen Michael.** Gloria Swanson: The Ultimate Star
**Sherman, Gabriel.** The Loudest Voice in the Room: Fox News and the Making of America
**Smith, Patrick.** Cockpit Confidential: Everything You Need to Know About Air Travel. Questions, Answers, and Reflections
**Society for American Baseball Research.** Drama and Pride in the Gateway City: The 1964 St. Louis Cardinals
**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Favorite Crafts for Kids
**Streissguth, Michael.** Outlaw: Waylon, Willie, Kris, and the Renegades of Nashville
**Vardalos, Nia.** Instant Mom: I Thought I Knew Love, and Then I Met My Daughter
**Von D, Kat.** Go Big or Go Home: Taking Risks in Life, Love, and Tattooing
**Yarrow, Peter.** Peter, Paul and Mary: Fifty Years in Music and Life
**Zuckoff, Mitchell.** Frozen in Time: An Epic Story of Survival and a Modern Quest for Lost Heroes of World War II

## —FICTION

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Widow's Tears
**Andrews, Mary Kay.** Ladies' Night
**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Lost Prince
**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B. Parker's Wonderland
**Baldacci, David.** The Hit
**Barnes, Linda.** The Perfect Ghost
**Berg, Elizabeth.** Tapestry of Fortunes
**Berry, Steve.** King's Deception
**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** Secrets from the Past
**Clark, Mary Higgins.** Daddy's Gone A Hunting
**Coonts, Stephen.** Pirate Alley: A Novel
**Cussler, Clive.** Zero Hour
**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Kill Room: A Lincoln Rhyme Novel
**Delinsky, Barbara.** Sweet Salt Air
**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** Decadence
**Dietrich, William.** Barbed Crown: An Ethan Gage Adventure
**Evanovich, Janet & Lee Goldberg.** The Heist
**Evans, Richard Paul.** A Step of Faith: A Novel (Walk Series)
**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** The Last Original Wife
**Gross, Andrew.** No Way Back
**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Affliction
**Hannah, Kristin.** Fly Away
**Harris, Charlaine.** Dead Ever After: A Sookie Stackhouse Novel
**Hiaasen, Carl.** Bad Monkey
**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Beautiful Day
**Hill, Joe.** NOS4A2
**Hosseini, Khaled.** And the Mountains Echoed
**Johansen, Iris.** Taking Eve
**Johnstone, William W.** Butch Cassidy: The Lost Years
**King, Stephen.** Joyland
**Le Carre, John.** Delicate Truth
**Lescroart, John.** The Ophelia Cut
**Lindsey, Johanna.** One Heart to Win
**Lowell, Elizabeth.** Dangerous Refuge
**Macomber, Debbie.** Starting Now: A Blossom Street Novel
**Margolin, Phillip.** Sleight of Hand
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** Trains and Lovers
**Michaels, Fern.** The Blossom Sisters
**Michaels, Fern.** Gotcha!
**Parker, T. Jefferson.** The Famous and the Dead: A Charlie Hood Novel
**Patterson, James.** 12th of Never
**Patterson, James.** Second Honeymoon
**Pearson, Ridley.** Choke Point
**Perry, Anne.** Midnight at Marble Arch: A Charlotte and Thomas Pitt Novel
**Quick, Amanda.** Mystery Woman
**Roberts, Nora.** Whiskey Beach
**Roby, Kimberla Lawson.** A House Divided
**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Stirs Up Trouble
**Rutherfurd, Edward.** Paris: The Novel
**Sandford, John.** Silken Prey
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Don't Go
**Shaara, Jeff.** A Chain of Thunder: A Novel of the Siege of Vicksburg
**Strout, Elizabeth.** The Burgess Boys: A Novel
**Tanenbaum, Robert K.** Echoes of My Soul
**Walls, Jeannette.** The Silver Star
**Willig, Lauren.** The Ashford Affair
**Winspear, Jacqueline.** Leaving Everything Most Loved: A Maisie Dobbs Novel
**Wolitzer, Meg.** The Interestings
**Woods, Stuart.** Unintended Consequences

In December of 2012, the Friends of Hayner Library presented The Hayner Public Library District with a check for $9,000! This represented money the Friends raised through quarterly book sales and also purchases from the "For Sale" book carts at the Downtown and Alton Square Mall libraries. In fact, of the $9,000 donation, $7,500 was generated by sales from the book carts!

The carts display very gently used items that have been donated to the Friends and are being offered for sale for various prices, most $2 or less. The carts are stocked with a wide variety of books from popular fiction and nonfiction to cookbooks, coffee table books, and kids' books, as well as CDs, videotapes, and more. Over 10,000 items were sold off the carts last year, the bulk of which came from the cart at the mall (9,000). Keeping the carts stocked with merchandise is accomplished by Friends volunteer Carole Conley for downtown and the husband-and-wife team of David and Jane Zimmermann for the mall cart.

The Friends' book sales (held in February, May, August, and October) are popular events and recently have been expanded to quarterly events from the previous biannual schedule. These sales are held in the Friends' building at 327 State Street in Alton. The question arose, however, "How can we continue to move inventory throughout the year with a finite number of volunteers to facilitate sales?"

Jane Zimmermann met with Stephanie Munson (Hayner Library Volunteer Coordinator) in 2010 and, with a subset of other Friends volunteers, initiated the practice of using book carts to sell the Friends' inventory from the library locations year-round. Books were soon flying off the shelves.

Today, David and Jane restock the carts three times a week, keeping the shelves full of ever-changing selections. They have been active volunteers for the Friends for six years, and like other Friends volunteers, are great supporters of the Hayner libraries as well as our community.

Godfrey residents, David was born and raised in Alton, and Jane grew up in Grafton and Jerseyville, where her father was Grafton Elementary School principal. David retired last year from the phone company after 39 years of service. In fact, he did most of the phone wiring work for the library facility at the Alton Square Mall. Jane was a stay-at-home mom for the Zimmermanns' three children.

The couple's oldest daughter, Andrea, recently returned from working for the Peace Corps, spending three years in Ukraine. She works for the Dept. of Education in Washington, D.C. Their middle child, Amy, is married, resides in Alton, and works as a dental assistant. Their youngest, Timothy, is in the U.S. Navy, currently on his second deployment to the Persian Gulf.

David and Jane were foster parents, caring for several children over the years. Today, they are members of Calvary Baptist Church in Alton and both are involved in a variety of areas of charity work. Jane is an avid seamstress, and in spring 2005 she started making blankets for various charitable organizations. She has made over 1,200 blankets that have gone to veterans homes, homeless shelters, Ronald MacDonald House, Shriners Hospital, Pregnancy Resource Centers, and victims of Hurricane Katrina. Jane has also made more than 100 dining scarfs to allow Alzheimer's patients to "dine with dignity" and over 150 pairs of shorts for children in Haiti.

David volunteers for the Missouri Veterans Home, helping with recreational activities and events. The well-being of veterans is a high priority for David. This summer he was a guardian for his own father on an Honor Flight to Washington, D.C., where his dad was recognized for his service during the Korean War. David and Jane also sent personalized Christmas greetings to over 600 service people deployed on ships overseas.

David and Jane greatly enjoy their volunteer work for the Friends, especially the camaraderie and friendships shared among the volunteers. There is always plenty of work to be done. Last year they sold more than 25,000 books, all of which had to be inspected, sorted, and shelved. The group meets in the Friends building each Monday from 9:30 a.m. to noon to do this work. David and Jane note that they often find interesting memorabilia left in the books, such as letters (including love letters), postcards, bills, and so forth.

The Friends accept donations of books at their

building on State Street, or you can drop off donations at any library location. There is a limited capacity for pickup, which can be arranged by calling 618-462-4396.

Of the donations that come to the Friends, those books that go through several sale cycles without selling are sometimes donated to veterans homes, homeless shelters and other charitable groups. Some books are not usable due to mold or other damage, and these are all 100 percent recycled.

If you have questions about the Friends organization or are interested in volunteering, call 618-462-4396. Leave a message on the machine, and David Strasser, Friends president, or another volunteer will call you back. The Friends are always anxious to welcome new members.

We send a great thank-you to Jane and David and all the members of the Friends of Hayner Library who provide such a valuable service to the district.

## *eBook Help*

Need help downloading the OverDrive® eBooks to your reader from the library catalog? Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, April 20, on the basics of downloading eBooks.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m until 11.00 a.m. Jean will review the basics of downloading eBooks and will demonstrate the process on multiple platforms, including the Nook, Kindle, and iPad.

This class is free of charge, but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

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Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Wed., 12:00 noon–8:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

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April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month, and in commemoration of this, Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and Hayner Downtown Library will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 As Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals.

From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.

Please help our friends at the 5 As—they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected, or abused animals brought to the shelter. The shelter is located at 4530 N. Alby Road, Godfrey, and can be reached at 466-3702. Stop by and visit this wonderful facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever). And, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

## *Our Hayner volunteers are great!*

From January 2012 to December 19, 2012, our volunteers have put in 2,158 hours for Hayner Library. We have volunteers who greet patrons in the Genealogy & Local History Library. Many have adopted sections of books to keep in order. Other volunteers deliver books to the homebound. Some take care of the book drop during the summer. We have volunteers who help with the children's programs and a couple who come in once a month and just check with the manager to see what needs to be done.

We at Hayner Library are so blessed to have our volunteers. We appreciate each and every one.

We would like to recognize the following Hayner volunteers:

Bill and Carol Ackerman
Andy Allen
David Allen
Linda Allen
Bev Ambrosi
Margie Barban
Alice Barnard
Connie Clayton
Melissa Durie
Shirley Durie
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Congratulations to all!!

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township

## *Share your story.....Branching Out*

It is natural to wonder about our past and just where we came from. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library in Alton, Illinois, is embarking on a new adventure. Collectively, our staff has over fifty years of experience doing genealogy research. In order to assist the most people in finding their family roots, we have put together a set of classes to teach just how to get the most out of your research time. These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher.

There are twelve classes in all, and you can sign up for one or all of them. The classes will be taught on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. with the same class being offered on the following Saturday morning at 10:30. This will give everyone the opportunity to attend one of the two different days, depending on which is most convenient for them. Class size will be small, and seating is limited, so reserve your seat early. Be sure to specify which class and day you want to attend.

Each session will last for approximately one hour, depending on how many questions are asked. Questions will be answered as time permits. Remember, you can always schedule an appointment for more in-depth research. There is never a charge for an appointment, and we are happy to help

When you arrive, you will receive an "Uncover Your Roots" handbook along with a folder to use as you go through the classes offered here at Hayner. Each class will have handouts for you to keep in your folder. You will find these forms helpful as you go through your research. We will share tips and tricks with you, so be sure to bring your questions. Also bring along your folder with you for each session.

Those of you who attend all classes will receive a "Family Tree" print (as quantities allow) that you can fill in. It is very attractive and suitable for framing. If you need help filling it in, we can help you with that, too. Just call us to schedule an appointment,462-0677, ext. 2865.

Our upcoming classes will take place at the 401 State Street location on the following dates.

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| 1. | Beginner/Illinois Room | August 14, and August 17, 2013 |
| 2. | Heritage Quest Online | September 11, and September 14, 2013 |
| 3. | Digitization | October 9, and October 12, 2013 |
| 4. | Census | November 13, and November 16, 2013 |
| 5. | Courthouse/Vital Records | December 11, and December 14, 2013 |
| 6. | City Directories | January 8, and January 11, 2014 |
| 7. | Family Search Web Site | February 12, and February 15, 2014 |
| 8. | Maps | March 12, and March 15, 2014 |
| 9. | Military | April 9, and April 12, 2014 |
| 10. | Ancestry Library Edition | May 14, and May 17, 2014 |
| 11. | Property Research | June 11, and June 14, 2014 |
| 12. | Immigration/Naturalization | July 9, and July 12, 2014 |

**Classes are free of charge but do require reservations. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please be sure to identify the classes for which you wish to enroll.**

**The man who enters a library is in the best society this world affords; the good and the great welcome him, surround him, and humbly ask to be allowed to become his servants.**

***—Andrew Carnegie, 1895***

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 1 & 2


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## Hayner Library Supports Summer Jazz Series

The Hayner Public Library District, in partnership with the North Alton–Godfrey Business Council, Lewis & Clark Community College, Liberty Band, and McDonald's Restaurants, will provide sponsorship for the "Expressions—a Musical Experience" (formerly, Jazz in the Park) Concert Series to be held May through September, 2013.

All the concerts are free of charge and will be held at either the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College or at the Alton High School auditorium. These programs of various jazz performances are a great way to spend a summer evening.

All concerts start at 7:00 p.m. The schedule includes:

June 26 "Shades of Blue" Alton Senior High School
The world-renowned jazz ensemble from Scott Air Force Base

July 3 "A Swing of Hearts" Alton Senior High School
A 36-piece orchestra with vocalists performing heartfelt songs.

August 7 "Sentimental Journey Orchestra" Alton Senior High School
A big band swing orchestra

September 11 "St Louis Symphony Ensemble" Benjamin Godfrey Chapel
An evening of surprises by some of the Symphony's best musicians.

For more information, call (618) 779-9735.

## Hit It & Get It!

Parents, students, teachers! Come join us for 15-minute tutorials on Hayner's electronic resources. Learn to navigate and search in Hayner's online resources, learn the basics to download eBooks to eReaders, and find free apps for some of the databases. Pick up a lot in a little bit of time!

Date: Saturday, July 27, 2013
Time: 10 to 11 a.m.
Location: Multipurpose Room,
Hayner Public Library at Alton Square Mall

Hayner's online resources offer students articles for papers, a database for the pros and cons of hot topics discussed in debates, a database that covers U.S. and World History, and more. Students can find homework help with a "live" online tutor from Tutor.com. Teachers can find curriculum tools and Common Core Resources in the databases. Come explore the online resources Hayner has to offer students, teachers, and learners of all ages!

To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party. For further information, contact Jean at Hayner Library Reference Department at 462-0677, ext. 2849.

## Babysitting Basics

Summer jobs for kids may be at a premium this year, but there is always a need for qualified and responsible babysitters

If you have a child who is 11 or older, there is a great online course provided by the American Red Cross that will give your child a strong edge as a responsible babysitter This course will prepare students to be better babysitters, and those who complete it will receive a printable diploma they can share with parents and prospective employers, validating their qualifications.

Topics include how to provide care for infants and children; how to stay safe; what to do in an emergency; how to choose age-appropriate activities; and how to recognize and handle a variety of behaviors. Students will also learn the basics of starting a babysitting business.

The course consists of six interactive modules featuring video, activities, games, and tools babysitters can use to build their knowledge and skills and manage their babysitting business.

This course, which includes a final exam at the end, takes about four hours to complete. There is a registration fee of $25. Find the course at redcross.org/sitter. Remember, if you don't have a computer at home, there are plenty of computers at both the Hayner Downtown Library and the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall that the kids can use free, with a Hayner Public Library card.

## Let the Library Come to You!

Love to read, listen to books on CD, watch movies, but don't have transportation to the library? Or are you going to the hospital and need something to read while you recuperate? Well, it can be accomplished by taking advantage of the Hayner Public Library Delivery Service.

The Delivery Service can provide you with any library materials that are currently available in the system—large print or regular print books, audiobooks on CD, magazines, DVDs, and music CDs. The service can be for a short period of time or ongoing—depends on your needs.

Just give us a call at 433-2863, and let us bring the library to your home.

In early April, The Hayner Public Library District, along with all the other SHARE member libraries in the Illinois Heartland Library System, migrated to a new automated platform known as Polaris Polaris allows each SHARE member library to access nearly 10 million items in their online catalog—giving Hayner Library patrons membership in the largest library consortia in the country!

So what are the benefits that come with being a member in the largest library consortia in the country?

- Access to nearly 10 million items available for circulation via interlibrary loan (nearly five times the amount available with our previous platform)
- Access to the collections of 427 libraries
- Quicker turnaround for interlibrary loan requests from other libraries in our new, expanded library consortia
- Access to your library account 24/7 at www.haynerlibrary.org : request items, renew items, maintain your reading history, save searches, view your fines and fees, and much more
- You can use your library card at any public library in Illinois

## *Pathfinders* at the Genealogy & Local History Library

One meaning of the word ***path*** is: "a course of action, conduct, or procedure."

The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library has put together an extraordinary book to help genealogists and local history buffs get on the right path to quickly locate information on specific topics. This book is appropriately titled ***Pathfinders***, and it has been organized in handy, quick reference sections to help guide you in achieving success in your family or history research. Various subjects are divided into individual sections, and each section is chock-full of helpful tips, Web sites, outside contact information, and bibliographies. Individual sections include subjects such as: cemetery research, military information, locating vital records, the history of Alton funeral homes, and finding genealogical societies in Illinois.

The information we have gathered for our ***Pathfinders*** book is to be used as a quick guide to learn what resources are available and easily accessed through Hayner Library, surrounding counties, and the states of Illinois and Missouri. In the vital records section, we have included the forms needed to request copies of birth, marriage, and death certificates. No need to drive to the courthouse!

In our newspaper section, we have a complete listing of the newspapers kept on microfilm at libraries, societies, and academic schools in the surrounding counties. These include some of the small-town newspapers, like the *White Hall Register* that was published from 1869–1917. These small older publications were full of local history, news, and gossipy family stories.

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library wants to invite you to come downtown to our 401 State Street location and look through this gem of a book. Our ***Pathfinders*** book is updated annually by staff, assuring that the information contained in each section is up to date with the most useful, reliable, and readily available resources. Unfortunately, ***Pathfinders*** isn't a miracle guide or an all-inclusive problem solver. ***Pathfinders*** is a quick reference guide on a wide variety of genealogy and local history subjects. Subjects that will help researchers understand a specific topic more clearly and locate what is available to the public.

This one-of-a-kind book is only available at the Genealogy & Local History Library location at 401 State Street, Alton, Illinois. Our ***Pathfinders*** book does not circulate, but individual pages can be copied. If you need assistance in getting on the right path in your research, or you just want to take a look at what subjects are available to scope out, come see our ***Pathfinders*** book. It may be your first step forward in the right direction for your research!

### LOOK WHAT'S NEW IN OUR ILLINOIS ROOM

150 Years of Post Offices, Postmasters, Mail Carriers in Calhoun County, Illinois, 1833–1983 IR 977.3853 ONE
Biographies & Genealogical Abstracts from Hardin County, Illinois, Newspapers, 1872–1938 IR 977.398 FER
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Complete Guide to Heraldry IR 929.6 FOX
Famous People of Calhoun County, Illinois IR 977.3853 RIN
In Search of Your Asian Roots IR 929.1089 CHA
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Slaves, Sailors, Citizens: African Americans in the Union Navy IR 973.758 RAM
The North Western IR 385.065773 GRA
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You Can Write Your Family History IR 929.1 CAR
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## *History of the Swedes of Illinois, Parts I and II*

***Edited by Ernst W. Olson***

A large number of Swedish immigrants migrated to Illinois in the 1800s. Many of these pioneers settled in Chicago, while others formed settlements throughout the Prairie State. *History of the Swedes of Illinois* describes the material development, religious life, artistic and literary contributions, and military and political accomplishments of these early pioneers. Pictures and biographies describe the struggles and triumphs of these resourceful, talented people.

Read this history in The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library.
IR 977.30397 HIS

## *Book Review*

*Divorces and Separations in Missouri (1808-1853)* is a small, 35-page, soft-cover book with a bold yellow cover. Unfortunately, it may be overlooked because of its size, but the information contained within its pages can be a genealogist's dream come true. Early divorces and especially separations are not the easiest records to locate, but when we do find something relating to family disputes and marital breakups, we get a glimpse of our families in a little different light. If you have Missouri ancestors who you think may have had a marital matter resolved through divorce or separation during the years covered in this book, you will want to look at this little yellow genealogical gem. It just may hold the information you need to locate the missing link in your ancestry. (IR 977.8667 STA) PB

## *New Displays on The Nature Institute and John M. Olin*

***By Lacy S. McDonald, Museum Display Coordinator***

The Genealogy & Local History Library's newest history display was set to debut near Earth Day this year, which inspired me to choose The Nature Institute as my topic. The Nature Institute (TNI) is a nonprofit land conservation and environmental education organization based in Godfrey, Ill. Much of the land that is now part of TNI was owned by businessman and philanthropist John M. Olin. At first I planned to incorporate information on Olin into the Nature Institute display, but it quickly became apparent that there was enough material to create a whole display on Olin himself. Olin expert and local radio host Larry Reid was coming to give a talk at the library in April, so the timing was perfect.

Founded in 1980, TNI now owns and manages over 450 acres of protected land in Godfrey and Alton, including the Olin Nature Preserve, the Mississippi Sanctuary, the Kemp and Cora Hutchinson Bird Sanctuary, and the Heartland Prairie Project at Gordon Moore Park. Over the last 150 years, portions of the land have belonged to the Long family, who helped escaping slaves on the Underground Railroad; the YWCA for use as Camp Talahi; Jim and Aune Nelson, whose legacy continues with the Nelson Foundation; and John M. Olin. Historic landmarks like Hop Hollow and the Blue Pool lie within TNI property, and the Discovery Day Camp has been held at TNI's Talahi Lodge since 1982.

TNI's staff was incredibly generous in helping me assemble this display. I walked out of the Talahi Lodge with a mounted fox and groundhog, various animal skulls, beekeeping equipment, and as many photographs and camp lesson plans as I could carry. I also had a chance to examine the souvenirs that Jim and Aune Nelson brought back from their travels, and I borrowed everything from a kangaroo hide postcard from Australia to a salt hammer from Algeria. There wasn't enough room for everything in my trunk, so I left the stuffed fox in my passenger seat. It was quite a shock to find it looking out at me from inside my car the next morning.

I got many of the artifacts for the John Olin display from Larry Reid, but my quest also led me to local taxidermist Steve Bollini. I made an appointment to go by Steve's taxidermy studio and was absolutely floored. Not only is he an impressive artist when it comes to his taxidermy work, but his basement resembles a natural history museum. Pheasants were one of Olin's favorite game animals, and Steve was kind enough to let me borrow a beautiful specimen. It too spent a day greeting other motorists from the passenger seat of my car.

I encourage you to come learn more about the most famous dog in the sporting world, admire the male pheasant's stunning plumage, and see John M. Olin's shooting stick. Come meet Harry Hotdog the groundhog, see the YWCA camp as it was in the 1940s, and look at souvenirs from Aune and Jim Nelson's voyages around the world.

Both displays will be up until April 2014. And, as always, if you have any questions, I am happy to be your tour guide.

## *Hey, Four Eyes!*

Whether they are used for protection or inspection, or just a hipster fashion statement, eyeglasses have been a common sight whose history has been taken for granted.

As a child in the fourth grade, I cursed the person who invented these infernal things that sat heavily on my face. Okay, yes, I could actually see the blackboard now, but that was little consolation to a child whose classmates thought them "uncool."

For years I was led to believe the inventor of my glasses was our own Ben Franklin, but he invented the bifocal lens. In reality, lenses for eyesight originated in 11th-century Arabia. Marco Polo observed elderly Chinese men wearing them in 1270. The idea of our "modern" specs is credited to the 13th-century Italians—possibly a Florentine optical physicist named Salvino Armato, or Friar Alessandro della Spina of Pisa.

Regardless of the inventor, a movement was born. Styles were various (some with stems that were held, some just worn on the nose), and they were heavy (made of actual glass), but the basic design hasn't changed in 600 years.

Find out more interesting tidbits concerning the history of this clever and necessary contraption (colored lenses in the 1800s? What?!) in the November 2012 issue of *American Spirit* magazine at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street. While you're here, check our collection or speak to our friendly staff about genealogy and the area's interesting local history.

*Derek Alford*

## *Rose Lawn Memory Gardens, Bethalto, Illinois*

This compilation of interment records was a patron donation, and it has proven to be a great tool in helping many genealogy researchers locate death information on ancestors buried in this cemetery. The records consist of an alphabetical listing of interments from 1955 to 2007. The information given for each name varies for each listing, but most entries give birth and death dates, as well as lot and plot locations. Other information may include marriage dates and military involvement.

Interment records such as this are a quick way to locate deaths of family members when you are not sure of the cemetery in which they are buried. It is also helpful when you know which cemetery but need the date of death. This book is a part of the Illinois Room collection. It does not circulate, but pages can be easily copied. (IR 977.3865 ROS)

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## Hayner Library Special Events

*Join us for our Summer 2013 semester of events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 218 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**

*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, July 13**
**Saturday, August 10**
**Saturday, Sept. 14**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

*"Cuddle up with a canine."*

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

### *McVicar the Trickster*
### Josh McVicar

**Tuesday, July 9, 6:30 p.m.**

McVicar the Trickster's award-winning magic show is outrageous and mind-blowing! His energetic and comical performance leaves audience members in stitches. Josh's mix of magic and humor will delight the whole family. From Menlo College: "By far the best magic performance any of us have seen. Unique, creative and magical." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Amy Camie

**Saturday, July 20, 1:00- 3:00 p.m.**

Join Healing Harpist Amy (Conrady) Camie for an afternoon of connection, reflection, and renewal. Amy, who has experienced breast cancer twice, will share insights from her new book, *Loving Life…All of It: A Walk with Cancer, Compassion and Consciousness,* answer questions, sign books/CDs, and play inspired music that will relax your body, calm your mind, and gently touch your soul. PLUS…A DVD will be available of the "Seeds of Love" concert cancelled in March.

### Gateway Brass Quintet

**Tuesday, July 23, 6:30 p.m.**

In this program the quintet performs a selection of musical styles that are distinctly American: Sousa marches, jazz, Dixieland, rags, even music of the American West. Along the way the musicians will share the uniqueness of their individual instruments and their roles in creating these American traditions. A great family show! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Buckhannon Brothers
### *Old-Time Music*

**Tuesday, August 6, 6:30 p.m.**

The Buckhannon Brothers (Curtis, mandolin, and Dennis, guitar) have been performing together since childhood. For this performance, they will be playing old-time mandolin and tenor banjo, guitar, and upright bass to round out a program of rags, reels, waltzes, and polkas, and some tunes that are hard to describe. Their music stems from the fiddle tradition, which they have adapted to the nuances and characteristics of the mandolin. They will be joined by local musician John Nell on bass. Any performance by the Buckhannon Brothers always includes lots of laughs. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### George Portz & His Friends of Bluegrass

**Tuesday, August 20, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & His Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two Presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more" . . . and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Wayne Hensley
### *Historical Sites of Alton*

**Wednesday, August 21, 6:30 p.m.**

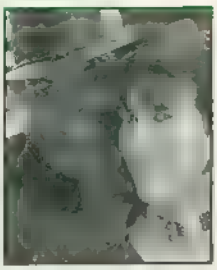
*Note: This program will be held at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

Wayne Hensley is in his eighth year as a history and ghost tour guide in the old Mineral Springs Hotel where he operates the In Zone Barber Shop. His toastmaster work has earned him local and national awards. He has written for and been featured in newspapers and national magazines. His 48 years as a barber in the area have given him rare insight into Alton and its history. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Sparky & Rhonda

**Tuesday, September 3, 6:30 p.m.**



A concert by Sparky and Rhonda Rucker is a gimmick-free, old-style American folk and blues presentation that appeals to all ages. Their program will span over three centuries of African-American history, including slavery, the Underground Railroad, the Civil War, the birth of blues music, and the civil rights movement. Each era is interspersed with stories and popular songs from the time period, celebrating the diversity of the nation's history. They accompany themselves with fingerpicking and bottleneck blues guitar, blues harmonica, old-time banjo, spoons, and bones Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Ruben Gonzalez

### *Culture of the Mayans*

**Tuesday, September 17, 6:30 p.m.**

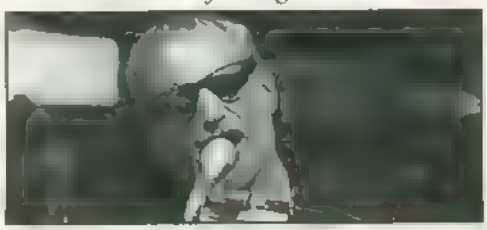
You will be inspired by Ruben Dario Gomez Gonzalez as he presents the Mayan culture through arts and customs. Ruben will give a brief introduction to the country of Guatemala and the origin of the Maya. He will share some of the ancient Mayan customs as they continue to be practiced today by sharing a brief slide show of "El Festival de Barriletes Gigantes," and an explanation of the significance of this event. He will also demonstrate the creation of textiles using a backstrap loom and display examples of some of the 140 native-dress patterns, giving an explanation of the significance of each pattern.

Ruben Dario Gomez Gonzalez was born in the Highlands of Guatemala in the small town of Chichicastenango. At the age of 12 he moved to Guatemala City. With only three years of formal education, he has taught himself Qichean, a Mayan dialect, English, Italian, and some Japanese. He has worked as an archaeological tour guide in Guatemala for over 20 years. He has presented in Rome, the Simi Valley in California, at Rutgers University in New Jersey, and at the University of Houston. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Hey Nineteen*

**Tuesday, September 24, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Hatheway Cultural Center on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College.*



This program is sponsored jointly with the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College

Hey Nineteen is the finest Steely Dan tribute band in the St. Louis area. Top musicians come together to play the music of a band whose timeless classics have no bounds.

*Rolling Stone* called Steely Dan "the perfect musical antiheroes for the Seventies." Steely Dan sold more than 30 million albums worldwide and were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in March 2001. Steely Dan hits include "Hey Nineteen," "Rikki Don't Lose That Number," "Reelin' in the Years," and many more. Get prepared to rock with this twelve-piece band including three female background vocalists and a full horn section. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Terry Fisk

### *Science and the Afterlife*

**Tuesday, October 1, 6:30 p.m.**

This presentation highlights the scientific evidences for the afterlife. Examples include the university studies of mediums, near-death experiences, past-life regressions, and out-of-body experiences. The presentation examines the research of Raymond Moody, M.D., Michael Sabon, M.D., Gary Schwartz, Ph.D., and Ian Stevenson, Ph.D. Fisk also talks about his confrontations with the famous skeptic and debunker James Randi. In addition, he describes his ghost investigations with world-renowned medium Allison DuBois (the real-life inspiration for the hit CBS series *Medium*) and psychic Chip Coffey (from TV's *Paranormal State* and *Psychic Kids*). Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Also Coming in October . . .*

**October 10, Michael Smith, Singer/Songwriter**

**October 15, Kevin Manning.**
***Astronomy for Everyone***

# TEENSPACE

## SUMMER 2013 TEEN ACTIVITIES

* **Teen Advisory Council**

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the Teen Library located at The Riverbender.com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting date is Tuesday, September 17, 2013, at 5 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

* **Teen Movie Nights @ The Riverbender.com Community Center**

Come join the fun after school for Teen Movies@ The Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie date is Tuesday, September 24, 2013. Movies start at 4 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

* **Teen Book Club**

Hey, Teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. First meeting will be held at The Riverbender.com Community Center Library on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 5 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information call Shannon at 433-2872.

# KIDSSPACE

## SUMMER 2013 ACTIVITIES

### Alton Square Activities

* **Bow-wow Pow-wow**

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

Saturday, July 13
Saturday, August 10
Saturday, Sept. 14
10:00–11.00 a.m.

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

* **Movers and Shakers Story Time —** Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, August 12, August 19, September 9, September 16, and September 23, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

* **Mommy and Me Story Time —** This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, August 14, August 21, August 28, September 4, September 11, September 18, and September 25, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881.

* **Spanish Story Time —** Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: August 26 and September 30. Please register at 433-2881.

* **Family Movie Day Event —** Bring the whole family to this G-PG rated new release Wednesday, August 7, at 1:30 p.m. The day will also include movie trivia, pizza, and drinks. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

*New Program!*

* **Legos @ Your Library —** Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will suppy the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are: Thursdays, August 8 and September 12, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please register at 433-2881.

### Downtown Activities

* **Evening Story Time —** Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, August 12, August 19, August 26, September 9, September 16, September 23, and September 30. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

* **Mary Kay's Story Times —** Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Thursdays, August 15, August 22, August 29, September 5, September 12, September 19, and September 26. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

* **After-School Fun —** Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, August 13 and September 10. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

## *What Can Families Do to Keep Children Reading During the Summer?*

As children's first and most important teachers, families have a major role to play in motivating children to read during the summer months. There are many strategies families might employ to encourage summertime reading.

### Combine activities with books.

Summer leaves lots of time for kids to enjoy fun activities, such as going to the park, seeing a movie, or going to the pool. Why not also encourage them to read a book about the activity? If you're going to a baseball game, suggest that your child read a book about a favorite player beforehand. In the car or over a hot dog, you'll have lots of time to talk about the book and the game.

### Visit the library.

If your child doesn't have a library card, summer is a great time to sign up for one. In addition to a wide selection of books to borrow, many libraries have fun, child-friendly summer reading programs.
[The Hayner Public Library District offers kids and teens summer reading programs and great free events both educational and entertaining.]

### Lead by example.

Read the newspaper at breakfast, pick up a magazine at the doctor's office, and stuff a paperback in your beach bag. If kids see the adults around them reading often, they will understand that literature can be a fun and important part of their summer days.

### Talk it up.

Talking with your kids about what you have read also lets them know that reading is an important part of your life. Tell them why you liked a book, what you learned from it, or how it helped you—soon they might start doing the same.

### Help kids find time to read.

Summer camp, music lessons, baseball games, and videos are all fun things kids like to do during the summer. However, by the end of the day, children may be too tired to pick up a book. When planning summer activities with children, remember to leave some time in their schedules for reading. Some convenient times may be before bedtime or over breakfast.

### Relax the rules for summer.

During the school year, children have busy schedules and often have required reading for classes. Summer is a time when children can read what, when, and how they please. Don't set daily minute requirements or determine the number of pages they should read. Instead, make sure they pick up books for fun and help find ways for them to choose to read on their own. You may even want to make bedtime a little bit later if you find that your child can't put down a book.

Have plenty of reading material around. Storybooks aren't the only thing that kids can read for fun. Be sure to have newspapers, magazines, and informational material on hand that might spark the interest of a young reader.

### Use books to break the boredom.

Without the regular school regimen, adults and kids need more activities to fill the hours. Books that teach kids how to make or do something are a great way to get kids reading and keep them occupied. Don't forget to take your kids' favorite reading series along on long road trips.

### Read aloud with kids.

Take your children to see a local storyteller or be one yourself. The summer months leave extra time for enthusiastic read-alouds with children, no matter what their age. Don't forget to improvise different voices or wear a silly hat to make the story that much more interesting!

**Author:** Laura J. Colker, Ed.D.
**Source:** RIF Exchange Show #407.
www.rif.org

Remember, it is critical that kids find books that THEY want to read. Graphic novels, vampire sagas, sporting journals are all great —anything that gets kids reading! There are many online resources that will provide both genre and age-specific reading lists and recommendations. Just a few include ReadKiddoRead.com, DropEverythingandRead.com, www.reading.org/resources/booklists/youngadultschoices.aspx, and www.storytimeforme.com.

Hayner Library also makes available the monthly book review journal *BookList* free of charge for you to pick up at any Hayner location. Besides adult reading recommendations, *BookList* also provides reviews of the latest and best releases of teens' and kids' books. And remember, the librarians at all Hayner Library locations are a great resource for finding books for all ages.

**Miriam L.**
*Moon Over Edisto* by Beth Webb Hart (Christian fiction; family)
*The Storyteller* by Jodi Picoult (fiction; Jewish Holocaust)
*Cross Roads* by William Paul Young (fiction; suspense)

**Stephanie M.**
I love Cozy mysteries for summer. You take them to the pool, or throw them in your bag for a car trip. My favorite cozy authors are Diane Mott Davidson, Joanne Fluke, Sally Goldenbaum, and G. A. McKevett. All write about women sleuths.

**Mary C.**
*Squirrel Seeks Chipmunk* by David Sedaris (nonfiction; humor)
*Fraud: Essays* by David Rakoff (nonfiction; humor)
*The Know-It-All: One Man's Humble Quest to Become the Smartest Person in the World* by A. J. Jacobs (nonfiction)
*Travels with Alice* by Calvin Trillin (nonfiction; humor)
*Paper Lion* by George Plimpton (nonfiction; humor)
*Lonesome Dove* by Larry McMurtry (fiction; Western)

**Theresa M.**
*The Family Man* by Elinor Lipman (domestic fiction/mainstream fiction)
*Intensity* by Dean Koontz (suspense)
*This Time Together: Laughter and Reflection* by Carol Burnett (autobiography)

**Penny N.**
*It Takes a Witch* by Heather Blake (a light paranormal mystery)
*The Trouble with Magic* by Madelyn Alt (a light paranormal mystery)

## How Literate Are You?

We love brain teasers, and as bibliophiles, this is one of our favorites. We will give you the initials of an author and one of his or her books, and you need to list the author's full name and the full title of the book that matches the acronym. Here's an example:

| | Author: WC | Title: TWIW |
|---|---|---|
| Answer: | Wilkie Collins | The Woman in White |

This will be a two-part contest, to be continued in the next newsletter. Let us know how you did. The first three people who answer each clue receive a library tote bag! Submit your answers to any library circulation desk. If you just want the answers, you can pick them up at the circulation desk also.

Ready, set, GO!

| | Author | Book Title |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | SVB | JBB |
| 2. | BS | ATGIB |
| 3 | AL | PL |
| 4. | MP | ROTP |
| 5 | CD | TMOED |
| 6. | RL | HGWMV |
| 7. | LIW | OTBOPC |
| 8 | SW | TMITGFS |
| 9 | JLC | TSWCIFTC |
| 10. | NS | OTB |
| 11. | ADT | DIA |
| 12 | HW | WAR |
| 13. | PGW | JATFS |
| 14 | SG | AIFA |
| 15. | AT | CYFH |
| 16 | DA | TDC |
| 17. | MT | HFATSATI |
| 18. | GE | TMOTF |
| 19 | JDW | TSFR |
| 20. | EB/WL | TUA |
| 21. | AS | K |
| 22 | RD | FMF |
| 23. | NH | THOTSG |
| 24. | FHB | TSG |
| 25. | HBS | UTC |
| 26. | JSM | OL |
| 27. | RFD | GIAE |
| 28 | RF | AIRNTKILIK |
| 29. | AC | MOTOE |
| 30. | JFC | TLOTM |

## Oxymorons

An oxymoron (plural oxymorons or oxymora) (from Greek meaning "sharp dull") is a figure of speech that combines contradictory terms. Jumbo shrimp, fresh dried fruit, invisible ink are popular oxymorons. Comedians such as George Carlin and Steven Wright use oxymorons to demonstrate the absurdity of language translation in the brain.

- Act naturally
- Airline food
- Alone together
- Business ethics
- Butt head
- Clearly misunderstood
- Definite maybe
- Exact estimate
- Extinct life
- Found missing
- Genuine imitation
- Good grief
- Government organization
- Legally drunk
- Microsoft Works
- Military Intelligence
- "Now, then . . ."
- Passive aggression
- Peace force
- Plastic glasses
- Political science
- Pretty ugly
- Rap music
- Resident alien
- Rural Metro (ambulance service)
- Sanitary landfill
- Small crowd
- Soft rock
- Sweet sorrow
- Terribly pleased
- Tight slacks
- Working vacation

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## *New & Forthcoming Books*

### —Nonfiction

**Adams, John M.** The Millionaire and the Mummies: Theodore Davis's Gilded Age in the Valley of the Kings

**Andersen, Christopher.** These Few Precious Days: The Final Year of Jack with Jackie

**Anderson, Scott.** Lawrence in Arabia: War, Deceit, Imperial Folly and the Making of the Modern Middle East

**Berg, A. Scott.** Wilson

**Bowen, James.** A Street Cat Named Bob: And How He Saved My Life

**Butler, Katy.** Knocking on Heaven's Door: The Path to a Better Way of Death

**Carey, Thomas.** Inside the Real Area 51: The Secret History of Wright Patterson

**Clarke, Thurston.** JFK's Last Hundred Days: The Transformation of a Man and the Emergence of a Great President

**Collins, Paul.** Duel with the Devil: The True Story of How Alexander Hamilton and Aaron Burr Teamed Up to Take on America's First Sensational Murder Mystery

**Cook, Crystal.** The Casserole Queens Make-a-Meal Cookbook: Mix and Match 100 Casseroles, Salads, Sides, and Desserts

**Evans, Peter, and Ava Gardner.** Ava Gardner: The Secret Conversations

**Fox, Jessica A.** Three Things You Need to Know About Rockets: A Memoir

**Frankel, Bethenny.** Skinnygirl Solutions: Your Straight-Up Guide to Home, Health, Family, Career, Style, and Sex

**Gardner, Mark Lee.** Shot All to Hell: Jesse James, the Northfield Raid, and the Wild West's Greatest Escape

**Grimes, Martha.** Double Double: A Dual Memoir of Alcoholism

**Gronkowski, Gordon.** Growing Up Gronk: A Family's Story of Raising Champions

**Guinn, Jeff.** Manson: The Life and Times of Charles Manson

**Harding, Thomas.** Hanns and Rudolf: The True Story of the German Jew Who Tracked Down and Caught the Kommandant of Auschwitz

**Hastings, Max.** Catastrophe 1914: Europe Goes to War

**Howard, Clark.** Clark Howard's Living Large for the Long Haul: Consumer-Tested Ways to Overhaul Your Finances, Increase Your Savings, and Get Your Life Back on Track

**Jensen, Dean N.** Queen of the Air: A True Story of Love and Tragedy at the Circus

**Jones, Shirley.** Shirley Jones: A Memoir

**Kelley, Kitty.** Let Freedom Ring: Stanley Tretick's Iconic Images of the March on Washington

**Kolker, Robert.** Lost Girls: An Unsolved American Mystery

**Koppel, Lily.** The Astronaut Wives Club: A True Story

**Leibovich, Mark.** This Town: Two Parties and a Funeral—Plus, Plenty of Valet Parking!—in America's Gilded Capital

**Levin, Jack E.** George Washington: The Crossing

**Luttrell, Sharron Kahn.** Weekends with Daisy

**Martha Stewart Living.** Martha Stewart's Favorite Crafts for Kids: 175 Projects for Kids of All Ages to Create, Build, Design, Explore, and Share

**McRaney, David.** You Are Now Less Dumb: How to Conquer Mob Mentality, How to Buy Happiness, and All the Other Ways to Outsmart Yourself

**Miller, Kimberly Rae.** Coming Clean: A Memoir

**Mixon, Myron.** Everyday Barbecue: At Home with America's Favorite Pitmaster

**Oppenheimer, Jerry.** Crazy Rich: Power, Scandal, and Tragedy Inside the Johnson & Johnson Dynasty

**O'Reilly, Bill.** Killing Jesus: A History

**Oster, Emily.** Expecting Better: Why the Conventional Pregnancy Wisdom Is Wrong—and What You Really Need to Know

**Russell, Mike.** Undercover Cop: How I Brought Down the Real-Life Sopranos

**Schneider, Paul.** Old Man River: The Mississippi River in North American History

**Skaggs, Ricky.** Kentucky Traveler: My Life in Music

**Steiner-Adair, Catherine.** The Big Disconnect: Protecting Childhood and Family Relationships in the Digital Age

**Thompson, Tony.** Outlaws: One Man's Rise Through the Savage World of Renegade Bikers, Hell's Angels, and Global Crime

**Weisman, Alan.** Countdown: Our Last, Best Hope for a Future on Earth?

**Wilson, Robert.** Mathew Brady: Portraits of a Nation

### —Fiction

**Adler, Elizabeth.** Please Don't Tell

**Andrews, Donna.** The Hen of the Baskervilles

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Light in the Ruins

**Box, C. J.** The Highway

**Brandman, Michael.** Robert B. Parker's Damned if You Do (A Jesse Stone Novel)

**Brown, Sandra.** Deadline

**Burke, James Lee.** Light of the World (Dave Robicheaux)

**Cain, Chelsea.** Let Me Go

**Child, Lee.** Never Go Back: A Jack Reacher Novel

**Cook, Thomas.** Sandrine's Case

**Coulter, Catherine.** Bombshell

**Coulter, Catherine.** The Final Cut

**Cussler, Clive.** The Mayan Secrets

**Daheim, Mary.** Gone with the Win

**Davidson, Diane Mott.** The Whole Enchilada: A Novel of Suspense

**Deveraux, Jude.** True Love

**Fairstein, Linda.** Death's Angel

**Ford, Jamie.** Songs of Willow Frost

**Francis, Felix.** Dick Francis's Refusal

**Garwood, Julie.** Hotshot

**George, Elizabeth.** Just One Evil Act: An Inspector Lynley Novel

**Grafton, Sue.** W is for Wasted

**Gregory, Philippa.** The White Princess

**Griffin, W. E. B.** The Last Witness: A Badge of Honor Novel

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Affliction

**Harding, Paul.** Enon

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Tell No Lies

**Jance, J. A.** Second Watch

**Johansen, Iris.** Hunting Eve

**Kava, Alex.** Stranded (Maggie O'Dell)

**Kellerman, Faye.** The Beast: A Becker/Lazarus Novel

**Keneally, Thomas.** The Daughters of Mars

**Krueger, William Kent.** Tamarack County

**Lindsay, Jeff.** Dexter's Final Cut

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Beloved Enemy: A Jack McClure Novel

**Lutz, Lisa.** The Last Word (Izzy Spellman)

**Macomber, Debbie.** Rose Harbor in Bloom

**Mankell, Henning.** A Treacherous Paradise

**McCrumb, Sharon.** King's Mountain

**Michaels, Fern.** Classified (Godmothers)

**Morton, Kate.** The Secret Keeper

**Patterson, James.** Mistress

**Reichs, Kathy.** Bones of the Lost

**Rice, Luanne.** The Lemon Orchard

**Robards, Karen.** The Last Kiss Goodbye

**Siddons, Anne Rivers.** The Girls of August

**Silva, Daniel.** The English Girl

**Slaughter, Karen.** Unseen

**Sparks, Nicholas.** The Longest Ride

**Spindler, Erica.** Justice for Sara

**Steel, Danielle.** First Sight

**Thor, Brad.** Hidden Order

**White, Randy Wayne.** Deceived

In today's world, it seems that proper grammar is a thing of the past. Text messaging and Twitter are leaving an entire generation(s) oblivious to the rules of grammar to which many of us more seasoned folks were subject. If you are frustrated that your kids or friends are grammar-impaired, help is on the way. . . .

## *Fumblerules of Grammar*

Late-1979, *New York Times* columnist William Safire compiled a list of "Fumblerules of Grammar"— rules of writing, all of which are humorously self-contradictory—and published them in his popular column, "On Language." Those 36 fumblerules can be seen below, along with another 18 that later featured in Safire's book Fumblerules: A Lighthearted Guide to Grammar and Good Usage.

Trivia: Safire previously worked as a speechwriter and was, in 1969, responsible for penning Nixon's thankfully unused and incredibly chilling "In Event of Moon Disaster" speech. (Source: Maximum Awesome; Image: William Safire in 1968, courtesy of NYTimes.)

1. Remember to never split an infinitive.
2. A preposition is something never to end a sentence with
3. The passive voice should never be used.
4. Avoid run-on sentences they are hard to read.
5. Don't use no double negatives.
6. Use the semicolon properly, always use it where it is appropriate; and never where it isn't.
7. Reserve the apostrophe for it's proper use and omit it when its not needed.
8. Do not put statements in the negative form.
9. Verbs has to agree with their subjects.
10. No sentence fragments.
11. Proofread carefully to see if you words out.
12. Avoid commas, that are not necessary.
13. If you reread your work, you can find on rereading a great deal of repetition can be avoided by rereading and editing.
14. A writer must not shift your point of view.
15. Eschew dialect, irregardless.
16. And don't start a sentence with a conjunction.
17. Don't overuse exclamation marks!!!
18. Place pronouns as close as possible, especially in long sentences, as of 10 or more words, to their antecedents.
19. Hyphenate between sy-llables and avoid un-necessary hyphens.
20. Write all adverbial forms correct.
21. Don't use contractions in formal writing.
22. Writing carefully, dangling participles must be avoided.
23. It is incumbent on us to avoid archaisms.
24. If any word is improper at the end of a sentence, a linking verb is.
25. Steer clear of incorrect forms of verbs that have snuck in the language.
26. Take the bull by the hand and avoid mixing metaphors.
27. Avoid trendy locutions that sound flaky.
28. Never, ever use repetitive redundancies.
29. Everyone should be careful to use a singular pronoun with singular nouns in their writing.
30. If I've told you once, I've told you a thousand times, resist hyperbole.
31. Also, avoid awkward or affected alliteration.
32. Don't string too many prepositional phrases together unless you are walking through the valley of the shadow of death.
33. Always pick on the correct idiom.
34. "Avoid overuse of 'quotation "marks."'"
35. The adverb always follows the verb.
36. Last but not least, avoid cliches like the plague; they're old hat; seek viable alternatives.
37. Never use a long word when a diminutive one will do.
38. Employ the vernacular.
39. Eschew ampersands & abbreviations, etc.
40. Parenthetical remarks (however relevant) are unnecessary.
41. Contractions aren't necessary.
42. Foreign words and phrases are not apropos.
43. One should never generalize.
44. Eliminate quotations. As Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "I hate quotations. Tell me what you know."
45. Comparisons are as bad as cliches.
46. Don't be redundant; don't use more words than necessary; it's highly superfluous.
47. Be more or less specific.
48. Understatement is always best.
49. One-word sentences? Eliminate.
50. Analogies in writing are like feathers on a snake.
51. Go around the barn at high noon to avoid colloquialisms.
52. Who needs rhetorical questions?
53. Exaggeration is a billion times worse than understatement.
54. capitalize every sentence and remember always end it with a point

(From Listsofnote.com, Editor Shaun Usher, January 20, 2012.)

## *O's Declaration of Reader Independence*

With thousands of books landing in stores [and libraries] every year, it's all too easy to go with the flow and let group-think choose what you'll read and treasure next. But here's one thing about reading: it's very personal (at least if you're doing it right!). In other words, there are no rules beyond the ones you care to make—and choose to follow. With that in mind (and with July Fourth upon us), we propose that you declare your independence from common wisdom, lore, and the opinions of others and that you hold as self-evident your right to:

1. **Not finish a book,** whether you've read to page 10, 50, or 250. (But if it's *Ulysses*, you get points just for getting past page 1.)
2. **See the movie first**—especially if you've heard the book is kind of lousy; the movie just has to be better.
3. **Read two books at once**—and occasionally get the plots mixed up.
4. **Reread a childhood favorite.** But be forewarned: Charlotte still dies.
5. **Judge a book by its cover.** Or its title. We defy you, for example, not to pick up Mary Roach's *Bonk*, which, um, scores on both counts.
6. **Wish that Cormac McCarthy** would use a little punctuation now and then.
7. **Be miffed if your friend** doesn't like a book you recommend. On the other hand, you have our permission to be miffed if she gets miffed when you don't like the one she recommends to you.
8. **Ignore memoirs** by people who have barely cracked their 30s.
9. **Declare yourself unmoved** by the existential struggles of vampires, zombies (even those in league with Jane Austin), talking dogs, or what we worry is the next trend: scary-smart monkeys.
10. **Believe that books** can be magic carpets to enchanted lands, even while realizing that they're inanimate objects made of ink and paper. (Unless they're e-books. And it's okay to love those, too.)

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## *Volunteers Enjoy Luncheon*

A good time was had at My Just Desserts for the annual Volunteer Luncheon. Twenty of our active volunteers were able to attend the party. Everyone was recognized for the hours volunteering at Hayner. From January 2012 to February 2013 the volunteers worked a total of 3,118 hours for the library.

Iris Saaf was honored for her 22 years of volunteer service for Hayner.

I am very honored to have worked with these volunteers for the last eight years. We have developed wonderful friendships along the way.

Congratulations, Hayner Volunteers, for jobs well done. You are all great assets to Hayner Library!

Best to all,
Stephanie Munson
Volunteer Coordinator

"Children are made readers on the laps of their parents."

*—Emilie Buchwald*

## *Board of Trustees Election*

In the April elections, there were two seats open for the Board of Trustees of The Hayner Public Library District. One seat was open due to the end of term for Board President Dan St. Peters, and the other seat was open due to the retirement of Board Trustee Rick Lauschke.

Dan St. Peters won reelection, and Melissa Batchelor was elected to the other seat.

Dan has been a member of the library board for eight years and has served as board president for the last two years. He is co-owner of St. Peters Hardware & Rental in Alton and lives with his wife, Beth, and five children in Alton.

Melissa Batchelor is employed by Lewis & Clark Community College as an Associate Professor and Program Coordinator for Child Development and Education. Melissa and her husband, Matt, and two children are residents of Godfrey, Ill.

Melissa and Dan were both sworn in at the May 23, 2013, meeting of the Board of Trustees.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## *Downtown Library Gets a Facelift . . .*

. . . or more accurately, a floor lift. After more than 30 years (really!) we are replacing the carpeting in the downtown library. The main floor will be entirely re-carpeted in one project period. This will necessitate the closing of the downtown library from Thursday, October 24, through Tuesday, November 5, reopening Wednesday, November 6, at 8:30 a.m. During this period, books that have been ordered and are on hold for pickup will be routed and available for pickup at our Alton Square Mall location. We apologize for any inconvenience, but closing the library is the safest and most expedient way to get this big job done.

Join us on our reopening on November 6 to enjoy our new look!

## *2013 Summer Reading Program "Have Book – Will Travel"*

Young patrons of Hayner Public Library had a wonderful time at this year's Summer Reading Program, "Have Book – Will Travel." The KidsSpace staff kept them busy with craft times, performers, movies, puppet shows, and stories.

The program drew in more than 400 kids over 6 weeks. Each participant was rewarded each week with prizes for their diligent reading. At the end of the program participants were treated to a party held at the Alton High School Commons, where they were entertained by Babaloo Music and Fun. Each participant also received a free book, snacks, and a certificate for all their hard work.

This year's top readers: Birth through five years category, **Leah Maggart**; six- through eight-year-old category, **Mackenzie Jones**; and nine- through eleven-year-old category, **Tristan Turner**.

Congratulations to our winners and all our readers this year! Hope to see everyone again next year at our 2014 Summer Reading Program, "Paws to Read."

## *2013 Teen Summer Reading Program "Have Book—Will Travel"*

The 2013 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Have Book—Will Travel," was a great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on some much-needed reading. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a weekly fun day at the Riverbender.com Community Center. I would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner for the most hours read, **Kristina Shelton-Montez**. I would also like to thank all the participants. We hope to see everyone back for next year's reading program.

Sharon Windham
YA/Youth Manager
Education Liaison

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Veterans Day – Nov. 11
Thanksgiving – Nov. 28
Christmas – Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1

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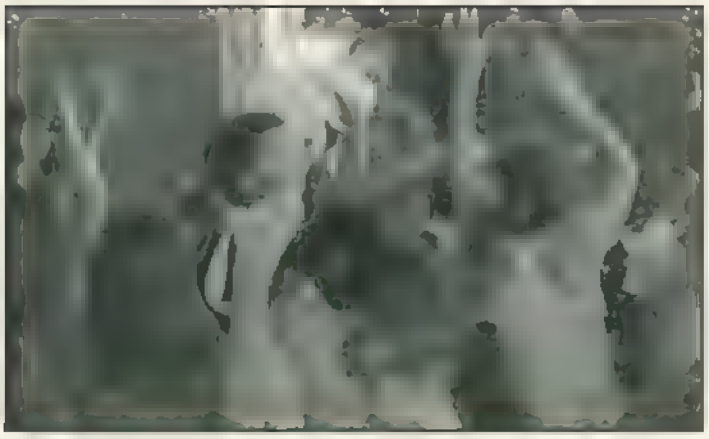


## *"Have Book – Will Travel" Summer Reading Program a Huge Success*

Thank you to our Community Partners for supporting Hayner Library's Summer Reading Program. Two local department stores, Dollar General and Kohl's, have generously donated time and funds for improving literacy in our area.

Dollar General donated $500 to support the weekly incentives, which included travel items, fun activities, and performers.

Celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2013, the Dollar General Literacy Foundation is proud to support initiatives that help others improve their lives through literacy and education. Since its inception in 1993, the Dollar General Literacy Foundation has awarded more than $81 million in grants to nonprofit organizations, helping more than 4.7 million individuals take their first steps toward literacy or continued education.

We also had a great partner in Kohl's Department Store. Kohl's employees volunteered at the End-of-the-Summer Reading party. Kohl's Associates in Action program supports organizations through both the volunteer efforts of their sales associates and through funding. Thank you to Kohl's Associates in Action: Tammy Wagenblast, Mary Ann Morris, Mike Tadlock, Laurel Hollister, and Sheley Doerr! In addition, the Associates in Action program will gift Hayner Library with $500 to support further literacy efforts.

The Summer Reading Program was a huge success, with more than 466 children from birth through high school participating in a travel-themed summer of books and literacy. Of these, 328 children completed all five weeks and achieved and/or exceeded their reading goals.

## *HealthCare.gov*

**Health Insurance Marketplace for Affordable Health Care**
Starting October 1, the Health Insurance Marketplace at **HealthCare.gov** will be the official site for finding health coverage through the Affordable Care Act. A Marketplace (also, called exchanges) will be set up in every state, some run by the state, and others by or in partnership with the federal government. The Illinois Marketplace is run in partnership between the state and federal government, and residents will access the Marketplace at **HealthCare.gov**.

**Open enrollment in the Marketplace starts October 1, 2013, and ends March 31, 2014,** with coverage starting as soon as January 1, 2014. Illinois will have private insurance providers listed on the **HealthCare.gov** site for you to compare their plans.

Plans in the Marketplace will be offered by private companies, and every health insurance plan will cover a core set of benefits called essential health benefits. For example, there will be dental and pediatric plans for children. You'll be able to compare your options based on price, benefits, quality, and other important features. With one application, you can see all your options and enroll.

There are four categories of Marketplace insurance plans to choose from: Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum. The categories offer the same set of essential health benefits. They do not reflect the quality or amount of care the plans provide. The category you choose affects how much your premium costs each month and what portion of the bill you pay. Most plans cover recommended preventive care without cost-sharing.

You can save money in the Marketplace based on your income and family size. You can learn whether you qualify for free or low-cost coverage through Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), or lower costs based on your income. Fill out one Marketplace application, and you'll see all the programs you qualify for. Applications can be filled out online, in person, over the phone, or by mail.

Community Health Centers in all 50 states have received federal grants to help enroll uninsured Americans. The Southern Illinois Healthcare Foundation plans on having in-person enrollment counselors in the Alton area to assist people in enrollment, if help is needed. These enrollment sites include Alton Women's Health Center, SIHF Good Samaritan Health Center, Central Illinois Health Center, and the Bethalto Health Center. The library can refer you to these sites for help in enrolling. More help is available by calling HealthCare.gov at 1-800-318-2596, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. (TTY: 1-855-889-4325.)

Information brochures on the Health Care Marketplace are located at the Reference Desk at the Hayner Library Alton Square location, and at the Downtown library. For more information, you can contact the Reference Desk at 618-462-0677, ext. 2864.

You can learn more about the Affordable Care Act by attending a free seminar in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library at Alton Square on October 22 or November 12 at 6 p.m. The seminar will cover how the Affordable Care Act works, what the marketplace is, the different plan levels, and more. Register for the seminar at 1-800-613-3163. Be sure to specify which date you would like to attend.

Information from https://www.healthcare.gov, www.healthcarereform.illinois.gov, http://www.hhs.gov

## Don't Miss "Vintage Voices"

*This fall, the Alton Little Theater will present the 2013 Vintage Voices, an annual event that has become a favorite fall activity for our community. Much of the actors' research on their characters is conducted at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. We are glad to be a critical resource for this great event.*

The 2013 Vintage Voices program, titled "Faith, Hope & Charity," will be held in the Alton City Cemetery at 6th and Vine Streets on Saturday, October 5, 12, 19 and 26, with tours from 1–3 p.m.

The leisurely guided walking tours will include eight stops that highlight former citizens of Alton who inspired others with their courage, conviction, and compassion. Actors/docents from the theater will range in age from 8 to 80, with four new performers making their debut.

Tickets are just $12 for adults and $6 for students and will be available at the main gate, beginning at 12:30 p.m. each Saturday. Advance tickets can also be purchased at the Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Alton Little Theater will also host two non-walking presentations at the Alton Little Theater Showplace on Sunday, October 13, at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Sixty reservations will be taken for each performance, which will include a dessert buffet. Tickets for these special performances are $15, and reservations must be made at the ALT office at 462-3205.

## Food for Fines

Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period.

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2013, anyone who has an overdue item can pay his or her fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and only Hayner materials are eligible. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

## Wreaths Across America

**Wreaths Across America** is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, Teach," is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies on a specified Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. Through the wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events, the organization spreads its message about the importance of **remembering** our fallen heroes, **honoring** those who serve, and **teaching** our children about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 14, 2013, our community will participate in the national Wreaths Across America ceremony. The ceremony will start at 11 a.m. in the Alton National Cemetery at Pearl Street and Joesting Avenue. Local school children, with the assistance of area veterans, will participate and help lay the wreaths on the veterans' graves. The ceremony will involve a number of other participants and include musical accompaniment. It will last approximately one-half hour.

In 2012, through community financial donations, 540 wreaths were placed on gravesites in our local national cemetery. The fund-raising goal for this year is $5400. Every $30 contributed enables the local organization to purchase three 20-inch live balsam wreaths.

Every dollar you donate helps ensure a wreath at every veteran's gravesite. Help continue the success of this program by sending a financial donation to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton, IL 62002. For more information, or to volunteer, call Margaret Hopkins at 618-474-2005. More information is also available on the Web site www.wreathsacrossamerica.org.

Support our community in carrying forward the mission of "Remember, Honor, Teach." Join the whole country in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own future Christmas celebrations for us.

## A New Cemetery Web Site

Have you heard?? You can now view over 55,000 photos of tombstones from 78 cemeteries in Madison, Macoupin, Jersey, and Greene counties free online! Also included are photos of the Smallpox Island Confederate POW Memorial in West Alton, Mo., and of cemeteries in Leelanau County, Michigan.

Bette Flactiff and Sue Williams both know how vital burial information can be to family historians who are looking for their elusive ancestors. Two years ago they began photographing the Alton City Cemetery, and the project just blossomed! We are grateful to Bette and Sue for spending their time, energy, and money to photograph so many tombstones and share them with us. The Hayner Public Library District has uploaded the photos, and they are now available online.

View the photos by typing the Web site URL (http://graves.haynerlibrary.org/zenphoto/) directly into your browser bar. If you are on the Hayner Library Web site, click on **Our Services** and on **Genealogy Help**. Scroll down to **Illinois Research**, and click on **Regional Cemeteries and Graves**.

There are several ways to search for a gravestone on the Web site. You can click on the county in which the cemetery is located, and then click the name of the cemetery. The tombstone photos are arranged in alphabetical order by last name.

Another option is to search for a tombstone by the name of your ancestor. In the search box at the top of the page, type the person's surname and then their first name. When you click **Enter**, all graves with that name will appear.

You can also search the Military section. Tombstone photos of veterans are organized by the name of the war in which they fought, including the Civil War, World War I, World War II, the Korean Conflict, and the Vietnam War. Burials of veterans who served between wars or who fought in more than one war are also included.

Enjoy searching for your ancestors on this free Web site provided by The Hayner Public Library District!

Do you have a child just entering school? What an exciting time! For many children, school will afford them their first formal experience in learning how to read. Your child's success in developing strong reading skills will be strongly affected by the encouragement to read that he/she receives at home. The following articles are from a terrific Web site, **readingrockets.org**. This site provides tips and information about reading, writing, and language skill development for children ages newborn to teen and is a great resource for both parents and educators.

# *Beginning Readers: Look! I Can Read This!*

As a parent of a beginning reader, it's important to support your child's reading efforts in a positive way and help them along the reading path. Here's a little information about beginning readers, and a few pointers to keep in mind.

It can be so exciting when a child begins to read! Beginning readers are starting to put it all together and are often eager to do it by themselves.

**A beginning reader:**

- can name the letters in the alphabet and can tell you many of the letter sounds
- understands the concept of a "word"
- is beginning to recognize a few words within text or from a list
- is beginning to represent the first and maybe last sound of a word when trying to spell

**When reading with a beginning reader:**

- Model finger-point reading. That means to follow the words with your finger from left to right as you read them. Your beginning reader will do the same thing for a while.
- Practice patience! Beginning readers may read slowly. Give your child time to decode the words, and avoid jumping in too quickly.
- Encourage attention to letters and sounds. If your child is stuck on a word, prompt them to look at the first letter of the word and make the letter's sound. Of course, only do this for words that can be sounded out! If the word can't be sounded out, just supply the word for them.
- Talk about the story. When your child is finished with a book, be sure to talk about what happened in the story, and maybe reread favorite parts.
- Let them know how proud you are! By sharing a book with a child, you're sharing the joys and excitement of reading

# *And for the children still at home... Reading Tips for Parents of Toddlers*

Being a toddler is all about **action**. Encourage continued language development and interest in books and reading by keeping things lively and engaging. Everyday experiences are full of opportunities to engage in conversation and develop language skills. The tips below offer some fun ways you can help your child become a happy and confident reader. Try a new tip each week. See what works best for your child.

**Don't expect your toddler to sit still for a book**
Toddlers need to move, so don't worry if they act out stories or just skip, romp, or tumble as you read to them. They may be moving, but they are listening.

**Recite rhymes, sing songs, and make mistakes!**
Pause to let your toddler finish a phrase or chant a refrain. Once your toddler is familiar with the rhyme or pattern, make mistakes on purpose and get caught.

**Choose engaging books**
Books featuring animals or machines invite movement and making sounds. Books with flaps or different textures to touch keep hands busy. Books with detailed illustrations or recurring items hidden in the pictures are great for exploring and discussing.

**Keep reading short, simple, and often**
Toddlers frequently have shorter attention spans than babies. Look for text that is short and simple. Read a little bit, several times a day.

**Encourage play that involves naming, describing, and communicating**
Set up a zoo with all the stuffed animals. Stage a race with the toy cars. Put your toddler in charge and ask lots of questions.

**Every day is an adventure when you're a toddler**
Choose books about everyday experiences and feelings. Your child will identify with the characters as they dress, eat, visit, nap, and play.

**Ask questions**
Take time to listen to your toddler's answers. Toddlers have strong opinions and interesting ideas about the world. Encourage your toddler to tell you what he or she thinks. You'll build language skills and learn what makes your toddler tick at the same time.

**Play to their favorites**
Read favorite stories again and again. Seek out books about things your toddler especially likes — trains, animals, the moon. These books may extend a toddler's attention span and build enthusiasm for reading

**Not having fun?**
Try a different story or a different time during the day. Reading with a very young child is primarily about building positive experiences with books, not finishing every book you start.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## Hayner Library Special Events

*Join us for our Fall 2013 semester of events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 218 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill*

**Saturday, October 12**
**Saturday, November 9**
**Saturday, December 14**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

*"Cuddle up with a canine."*

### *Science and the Afterlife*
### Terry Fisk

**Tuesday, October 1, 6:30 p.m.**

Terry Fisk is an environmental philosopher who studied religion and philosophy at the University of Wisconsin and is a member of the International Association for Environmental Philosophy. Fisk has also been a paranormal investigator with Unexplained Research LLC for nearly ten years. In this program, Terry highlights the scientific evidences for the afterlife. Examples include university studies of mediums, near-death experiences, past-life regressions, and out-of-body experiences. The presentation examines the research of Raymond Moody, MD; Michael Sabon, MD; Gary Schwartz, PhD, and Ian Stevenson, PhD. Terry also talks about his confrontations with the famous skeptic and debunker James Randi. In addition, he describes his ghost investigations with world-renowned medium Allison DuBois (the real-life inspiration for the hit CBS series *Medium*) and psychic Chip Coffey (from TV's *Paranormal State* and *Psychic Kids*). Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Michael Smith

**Thursday, October 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Michael Smith is a lyricist, composer, playwright, and performer. He has won four prestigious Jeff awards and is the 2010 recipient of the distinguished Hans Christian Andersen Award for his adaptation of *The Snow Queen*, for which he also wrote the musical score. His beloved song "The Dutchman," a signature piece for the late Liam Clancy and Steve Goodman and recently recorded by Celtic Thunder, is considered a classic. *Chicago* magazine wrote of Michael, "One of the best songwriters in the English language . . . an enchanting and riveting performer." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Astronomy for Everyone*
### Kevin Manning

**Tuesday, October 15, 6:30 p.m.**

Kevin is a retired astrophysicist, having worked as a consultant with NASA, the Chandra X-Ray Observatory launched on the space shuttle, the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, and other ground-based observatories. Kevin won national and international awards in his field and did some work with Brookhaven National Laboratory. His program Astronomy for Everyone: Size & Scale of the Universe is an exciting family program for all ages about the universe from the very small to the very large. The program lasts approximately 1½ hours. Following an indoor formal presentation, we will all go outdoors to view celestial objects in the night sky, such as the rings of Saturn, craters on the moon, and more, weather permitting. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Mary Ann Pitchford
### *Tai Chi Classes for Adults/for Families*

**Mondays, October 28, & November 4, 11, & 18**

Last fall's successful Tai Chi classes are returning! This year, we will host a daytime class for adults and an evening class for families.

HealthQuest Tai Chi varies from the martial arts–style; these gentle meditative movements are beneficial to anyone with arthritic joint pain, diabetes circulation problems, and anxiety/depression. This method includes Qi Gong (for mental alertness and memory) and Tae Bo (for upper body strength.) There will be two series of classes, each meeting once a week for four consecutive weeks beginning Monday, October 28, through Monday, November 18. All classes are limited to 35 people. Please sign up for the entire series, not individual dates.

**Series 1: Mondays at 1 p.m.**

Tai Chi for Adults: Meets in the Hayner Library Performance Room, Alton Square Mall, 2nd floor. Great for seniors and enjoyable for all levels of experience and flexibility.

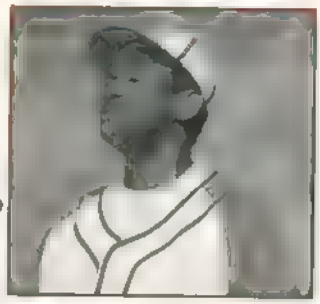
**Series 2: Mondays at 6:30 p.m.**

This class invites the whole family to attend. Kids must be accompanied by an adult (parent, grandparent, legal guardian, etc.) For all levels of experience and flexibility. Enjoy an activity with the whole family together. Learn the wonderful Tai Chi techniques that you can continue at home to develop strength, confidence, and flexibility.

Registration required. Register at 1-800-613-3163. Please be sure to specify the class you wish to register for and the number of people in your party.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Bobby Norfolk
### *Shadowball*
**Tuesday, November 5, 6:30 p.m.**



Bobby Norfolk's latest living history performance takes us on a fascinating journey through the heyday of the Negro Baseball League, a time when this country was segregated by Jim Crow laws, and America's "National Pastime" wore two faces, the whites-only Major Leagues and the upstart Negro National League. In this powerful and riveting performance, Bobby brings to life an important but sometimes forgotten era in baseball history, telling passionate, humorous, and often unbelievable stories of exploits both on and off the field, focusing on the St. Louis Stars' own James "Cool Papa" Bell, and the Kansas City Monarchs' Leroy "Satchel" Paige. Bobby invites his audience to experience the harsh discrimination, adversity, and eventual Hall of Fame triumph for some of these players. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dennis Northcott
### *Finding Your Civil War Ancestors*
**Wednesday, November 20, 6:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton*

Dennis Northcott, Associate Archivist for Reference at the Missouri History Museum, will be our guest speaker. He will present an interesting talk about the most effective way of locating your Civil War (1861–1865) ancestors. Finding genealogical records during that time of our nation's history can be challenging at best. Mr. Northcott will explain what historical records are available for our Civil War ancestors, where to find them, and how to retrieve them for your family history research. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*
**Sunday, December 1, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey, Ill. (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3) There is plenty of easy parking*

A favorite event of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This extraordinary ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. The program is free but does require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
### *A Celtic Christmas at the Chapel*
**Sunday, December 8, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. This year will be particularly festive in the newly renovated Godfrey Chapel. When they have performed for us previously, their program filled up immediately, so don't wait to register for this event. It is a highlight of the year. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *History at Hayner Blog*

If you're looking for local history that goes behind the scenes, check out *History at Hayner*, a new blog by Museum Display Coordinator Lacy McDonald. See photographs of past and present historical displays at Hayner, explore little-known books and resources available in our collection, find recipes from local cookbooks, and discover how current events around the world relate to Alton's past. Call numbers and library locations are included for all book and film titles mentioned. The blog is updated frequently, so make sure to bookmark the Web site address if you enjoy it!
http://haynerlibrarymuseumdisplays.wordpress.com

## *Hayner Library Mystery Book Club*

We have started a Mystery Book Club at our downtown library.

This will not be a regular book club. We won't all be reading the same book. This will be a fun, mystery-loving group who would like to share their favorite mystery authors and books. We will be learning about other mystery writers.

We will be meeting at the downtown library on the second Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. Please call Stephanie at 462-0677 ex. 2844.

# TEENSPACE
## FALL 2013 TEEN ACTIVITIES

### Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the Teen Library at the Riverbender.com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and help make Hayner Library teen sites enjoyable places for teens. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, October 15, November 19, and December 17, 2013, at 5 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun after school for Teen Movies@ the Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates are Tuesdays, October 22, November 19, and December 17, 2013. Movies start at 4 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Book Club

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meetings will be held at the Riverbender.com Community Center Library on Tuesdays, October 8, November 12, and December 10, 2013, at 5 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Project Next Generation

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its seventh year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer programs to emerging fifth graders through exiting eighth graders to give them a special opportunity to learn new skills while having fun.

Scheduled in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program has room for 10–12 tweens/teens. Topics will include learning about using current computer applications like Office Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Publisher. We will also learn how to use an iPad, laptop, and other technology that are so important in today's world.

In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for our September 28, 2013, session, "Safe Social Media for Teens," our October 26, 2013, session, "3D SketchUp by Trimble" and our November 30, 2013, session, "Building with Snap Circuits." There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge! Call 433-2861 for more information or to sign up for one of our fall 2013 sessions.

### Teen Read Week Event

***"Seek the Unknown @ Your Library"***
***October 13–19, 2013***

"Seek the Unknown @ Your Library!" This Teen Read Week™ (Oct. 13–19), YALSA dares you to read for the fun of it! Teen Read Week is a time to celebrate reading for fun and to encourage teens to take advantage of reading in all its forms—books and magazines, e-books, audiobooks, and more—and become regular library users. Teens will also be invited to participate in our Silent Library Game held at the Riverbender.com Community Center. For more information call 433-2872.

## *Alton: A Pictorial History* Is Re-released!

CNB Bank has announced its sponsorship of the publication of *Alton: A Pictorial History* by Charlotte Stetson. The book was originally published in 1986 and prompted a great interest in local history. The new publication will include all of the original book, plus an updated color section.

The history tells of Alton's beginnings in 1836 to the present day. There are numerous historic photographs, many by the late *Telegraph* photographer Robert K. Graul. The book details Alton's beginnings, its industries, and its people.

The new section portrays Alton as we know it now, with new images of the progress led by civic-minded people.

The book will be available in late November . . . just in time for the perfect holiday gift! It will be available at all CNB Bank locations and other sites.

## HAVE YOU HIT A LANGUAGE ROADBLOCK?

Have you spent some time working on your family's genealogy? Did you stop when you needed to go to another country to continue your research? Was language the roadblock that stopped you? We can help you with language issues in your genealogy research.

We have materials to help specifically with genealogy letters to other countries. These materials can help with several languages including Czech and Slovak, Finnish, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish. Materials in the Letter Writing Guides of the Family History Library can help you compose a letter to a foreign country where one of these languages is spoken. Whether you are writing to a church, an individual, a registration office, or a genealogical society, we have the phrases you will need to use to ask for help with your research. In some of the language guides, you will be advised on what you need to do before you write your letter, what questions to ask, how to address your envelope, how to send payment, and what to expect from your inquiry. Information is also given on how to follow up after you receive a response regarding the letter you sent.

This information is enormously helpful for those who do not speak the language of their ancestors; so don't let language be a problem in your genealogy research. The staff of the Genealogy & Local History Library in downtown Alton will be happy to help. Call us at 618-462-0677, Ext. 2865 to schedule an appointment for help.

# KIDSSPACE
## FALL 2013 ACTIVITIES

### ALTON SQUARE ACTIVITIES

• **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, October 7, October 14, October 21; November 4, November 18; December 2, December 9, and December 16, 2013, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

• **Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, October 2, October 16, October 23, October 30; November 6, November 13, November 20, December 4, and December 18, 2013, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881.

• **Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Monday: October 28, 2013. Please register at 433-2881.

• **Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are: Thursdays, October 10, November 14, and December 12, 2013, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please register at 433-2881.

### DOWNTOWN ACTIVITIES

• **Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, October 7, October 14, October 21, October 28; November 4, November 18; December 2, December 9, and December 16, 2013. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

• **Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Thursdays, October 3, October 10, October 17, October 24, October 31; November 7, November 14, November 21; December 5, December 12, and December 19, 2013. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

• **After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, October 8, November 12, and December 10, 2013. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

*(All special activities will be held at Alton Square unless otherwise specified)*

• **Spooky Goofy Magic Show** — Richard and Snowball will perform a scary but fun program that will entertain children of all ages. The fun will begin at 10 a.m. in the Performance Room on the upper level at Alton Square (old Wellness Center) on Monday, October 14, 2013. Please register at 433-2861. Space is limited!

• **Family Reading Day** — Come join in the fun at our annual Family Reading Day Event on Saturday, November 9, 2013. The fun will start at 1 p.m. with Jason Vaughn, balloon artist and storyteller, followed by a fun craft in the KidsSpace. Call 433-2881 to register. Limited space is available.

• **Stories with Santa** — Come join us for a fun-filled day including stories, Santa, refreshments, and a performance by Animal Tales. All the fun begins at 1 p.m. in the Performance Room on the upper level at Alton Square (old Wellness Center) on Saturday, December 7, 2013. This program will be followed by a visit from Santa and cookies in the KidsSpace Multipurpose Room. To register for this program call 433-2881. Parents, don't forget your cameras!

## *How Literate Are You?*

In our summer newsletter, we offered you part one of this brain teaser contest. Patron Jeanne Truckey was able to crack the code and identified every book title and author correctly. Congratulations, Jeanne!

***Here is part two:***

How it works: We will give you the initials of an author and one of his or her books, and you need to list the author's full name and the full title of the book that matches the acronym.

***Here's an example:***

**Author:** WC **Title:** TWIW

*Answer:* Author: Wilkie Collins
Title: The Woman in White

Let us know how you did. If you just want the answers, you can pick them up at the library circulation desk.

***Ready, set, GO!***

| | Author | Book Title |
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| 1. | CPS | SAB |
| 2. | JA | ADITF |
| 3. | JJA | BOA |
| 4. | SL | D |
| 5. | PSB | TGE |
| 6. | HF | THOTJAF |
| 7. | VW | AROOO |
| 8. | KH | NP |
| 9 | JDB | BTK |
| 10. | SC | TRBOC |
| 11. | HA | TEOHA |
| 12 | HRH | SAHOA |
| 13. | WW | LOG |
| 14. | HWL | TSOH |
| 15. | DB | TDVC |
| 16 | GM | TCOT |
| 17 | BO | DFMF |
| 18. | DD | TFAMOTFMF |
| 19 | MS | FOTMP |
| 20 | JU | RR |
| 21 | EMF | APTI |
| 22. | WF | AILD |
| 23 | SR | POVR |
| 24. | DKG | TOR |
| 25. | JG | TFS |
| 26 | JT | TMITQ |
| 27 | RS | TFOCB |
| 28 | RK | TLTF |
| 29. | IS | IW |
| 30 | JH | ATBAB |
| 31. | IK | COPR |
| 32. | IA | TLOR |
| 33. | DLS | MMA |
| 34. | HM | BB |
| 35. | JI | TWATG |

# Free Computer Tutorials

## PC Basics

**October 10, 2013, from 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
**October 26, 2013, from 1:00–2:30 p.m.**

Introduction to personal computing. For those who need to come into the world of computers, this is the class for you! Overcome your fears and gain the skills that can get you ready to use a computer more competently
After this class you will be able to:

- Identify basic computer components and operating system features
- Execute basic mouse techniques
- Perform basic keyboard strokes and functions
- Identify and navigate the features of the Desktop
- Open and exit software programs
- Identify and navigate the various toolbars of the Windows environment
- Identify and navigate the Windows environment of Microsoft software applications

To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

*Please note: This program will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square Mall.*

## Social Media – Getting Started

**Oct. 17, 2013, from 6:30–8:00 p.m.**
**Nov. 16, 2013, from 10:30–12:00 Noon**

We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. Then we'll cover getting set up with Facebook, and then move on to Twitter and Pinterest. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. There will be a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site as well as one on how to interact with other users.

Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

*Please note: This program will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square Mall.*

## Meet & Greet the Executive Director

On November 7, 2013, The Hayner Public Library District will host a reception for you to meet the new Executive Director, Bernadette Duvernoy. The reception will be held in the Hayner Library of Genealogy and Local History between the hours of 5 and 7 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

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## eBook Help

Need help downloading the OverDrive eBooks to your reader from the library catalog? Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, October 19, on the basics of downloading eBooks.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Jean will review the basics of downloading eBooks and will demonstrate the process on multiple platforms, including the Nook, Kindle, and iPad.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

## New Social Media Outlets

We are delighted to announce that Hayner is now on Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest!

Our Facebook page is full of events, announcements, information, history, and fun stuff like quotes and cartoons.

The Twitter account provides a link to authors and news outlets, as well as announcements and information from Hayner.

Our Pinterest page is full of all kinds of fun projects, games, recipes, historical pictures of Alton and Godfrey, and numerous book suggestions. Our Staff Picks boards link the book or movie suggested directly to the item on SHARE, our card catalog, so you can request it right away.

With the addition of the social media platforms, we hope to broaden Hayner's reach within the community by providing information and inspiration at your fingertips. Please join us in making our social media outlets a success by liking and following our pages. The links to each page can be found on our Web site.

# Trinity Lutheran Church, ELCA of Alton, Illinois

In May of 2012 the Trinity Lutheran Church at 801 Blair Street, Alton, closed its doors after 110 years of dedicated service. Over the years, the Trinity Lutheran Church provided spiritual guidance to their members and established a kinship with the community. They stood out as a welcoming beacon.

Through a generous donation from a local resident, the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library has been able to compile a book titled *Trinity Lutheran Church, ELCA, Alton, Illinois* with photos (black and white as well as color) of pastors and confirmation classes that span the last 110 years.

Church records are commonly overlooked when researching family history. Putting together a book with such significance can help genealogists in a number of ways. Locating photos of family members is always a rewarding treat but can also help determine age, and offers information about the religious affiliation of our ancestors.

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library gladly accepts donations such as local church registers, photos, or items that contribute to local ancestry or community history. The historic Illinois Room collection located at 401 State Street holds other church books of various denominations that may help in finding more information about your Alton ancestors. Trained staff is available and always willing to help guide you through the exciting world of genealogy!

# *New & Forthcoming Books*

**—Nonfiction**

**Bradlee, Ben.** The Kid: The Immortal Life of Ted Williams
**Brennan, Chrisann.** The Bite in the Apple: A Memoir of My Life with Steve Jobs
**Bryson, Bill.** One Summer: America, 1927
**Bushkin, Henry.** Johnny Carson
**Caputo, Theresa.** There's More to Life Than This: Healing Messages, Remarkable Stories, and Insight About the Other Side from the Long Island Medium
**Conroy, Pat.** The Death of Santini: The Story of a Father and His Son
**Conway, Tim.** What's So Funny? My Hilarious Life
**Cramer, Jim.** Jim Cramer's Get Rich Carefully
**De Laurentiis, Giada.** Giada's Feel Good Food: My Healthy Recipes and Secrets
**Drummond, Ree.** The Pioneer Woman Cooks: A Year of Holidays: 140 Step-by-Step Recipes for Simple, Scrumptious Celebrations
**Eaton, Rebecca.** Making Masterpieces: 25 Years Behind the Scenes at Masterpiece Theatre and Mystery! on PBS
**Forward, Susan.** Mothers Who Can't Love: A Healing Guide for Daughters
**Frye, Soleil Moon.** Let's Get This Party Started: DIY Celebrations for You and Your Kids to Create Together
**Fuhrman, Joel.** Eat to Live Cookbook
**Gladwell, Malcolm.** David and Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants
**Goleman, Daniel.** Focus: The Hidden Driver of Excellence
**Guiliano, Mireille.** French Women Don't Get Facelifts
**Hoffman, Alice.** Survival Lessons
**Holmes, Richard.** Falling Upwards: How We Took to the Air
**Jackson, Reggie.** Becoming Mr. October
**Katz, Jon.** The Second-Chance Dog: A Love Story
**Keillor, Garrison.** O, What a Luxury: Verses Lyrical, Vulgar, Pathetic & Profound
**MacLaine, Shirley.** What If . . .: A Lifetime of Questions, Speculations, Reasonable Guesses, and a Few Things I Know for Sure
**Martha Stewart Living.** Martha Stewart's Cakes
**McRobbie, Linda Rodriguez.** Princesses Behaving Badly: Real Stories from History Without the Fairy-Tale Endings
**Meltzer, Brad.** History Decoded: The 10 Greatest Conspiracies of All Time
**Morey, Carrie.** Callie's Biscuits and Southern Traditions: Heirloom Recipes from Our Family Kitchen
**Musser, Rebecca.** The Witness Wore Red: The 19th Wife Who Brought Polygamous Cult Leaders to Justice
**Nicholl, Katie.** Kate: The Future Queen
**Overy, Richard,** Ed. The New York Times Complete World War II 1939–1945: All the Coverage from the Battlefields and the Home Front with Access to All 96,327 Articles
**Pilley, John W.** Chaser: Unlocking the Genius of the Dog Who Knows a Thousand Words
**Ray, Rachael.** Week in a Day
**Robinson, Patrick.** Honor and Betrayal: The Untold Story of the Navy SEALs Who Captured the "Butcher of Fallujah"—and the Shameful Ordeal They Later Endured
**Rowley, Emma.** Behind the Scenes at Downton Abbey
**Scarborough, Joe.** The Right Path
**Seinfeld, Jessica.** The Can't Cook Book
**Shenon, Philip.** A Cruel and Shocking Act: The Secret History of the Kennedy Assassination
**Smart, Elizabeth.** My Story
**Smith, Ian K.** Super Shred: The Big Results Diet. 4 Weeks 20 Pounds Lose It Faster!
**Steel, Danielle.** Pure Joy: The Dogs We Love
**Ventura, Jesse.** They Killed Our President: 63 Reasons to Believe There Was a Conspiracy to Assassinate JFK
**Walsch, Neale Donald.** What God Said. The 25 Core Messages of Conversations with God That Will Change Your Life and the World
**Weir, Alison.** Elizabeth of York: A Tudor Queen and Her World
**Winchester, Simon.** The Men Who United the States: America's Explorers, Inventors, Eccentrics and Mavericks, and the Creation of One Nation, Indivisible

**—Fiction**

**Albom, Mitch.** The First Phone Call from Heaven: A Novel
**Andrews, Donna.** Duck the Halls
**Baldacci, David.** King and Maxwell
**Bass, Jefferson.** Cut to the Bone: A Body Farm Novel
**Block, Lawrence.** Catch and Release
**Brown, Rita Mae.** The Litter of the Law
**Carl, JoAnna.** The Chocolate Book Bandit
**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Spymistress
**Child, Lee.** Inherit the Dead
**Childs, Laura.** Gilt Trip
**Connelly, Michael.** The Gods of Guilt
**Cornwell, Patricia.** Dust
**Cussler, Clive.** Mirage
**Dallas, Sandra.** Fallen Women
**Deaver, Jeffery.** The October List
**Evanovich, Janet.** Takedown Twenty
**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Four Doors
**Fielding, Helen.** Bridget Jones: Mad About the Boy
**Flagg, Fannie.** The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion: A Novel
**Fletcher, Jessica & Bain, Donald.** Close-Up on Murder
**George, Elizabeth.** Just One Evil Act: An Inspector Lynley Novel
**Gilbert, Elizabeth.** The Signature of All Things
**Griffin, W.E.B.** Hazardous Duty
**Grisham, John.** Sycamore Row
**Hart, Carolyn.** Ghost Gone Wild
**Higgins, Jack.** The Death Trade
**Hooper, Kay.** Hostage
**Jackson, Lisa.** Sinister
**Johansen, Iris.** Silencing Eve
**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Retribution
**Macomber, Debbie.** Starry Night: A Christmas Novel
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Minor Adjustment Beauty Salon (No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency)
**McDermid, Val.** Cross and Burn
**Meier, Leslie.** Christmas Carol Murder
**Michaels, Fern.** Blindsided (Sisterhood)
**Miller, Linda Lael.** A Proposal for Christmas
**Paretsky, Sara.** Critical Mass
**Parker, Robert B.** Silent Night
**Patterson, James.** Gone
**Patterson, Richard North.** Loss of Innocence
**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Hope
**Preston, Douglas.** White Fire
**Rendell, Ruth.** No Man's Nightingale: An Inspector Wexford Novel
**Rice, Anne.** The Wolves of Midwinter: The Wolf Gift Chronicles
**Robards, Karen.** Hunted
**Roberts, Nora.** Dark Witch
**Sandford, John.** Storm Front
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Accused: A Rosato & Associates Novel
**Steel, Danielle.** Winners
**Tan, Amy.** The Valley of Amazement
**Thayer, Nancy.** A Nantucket Christmas
**Trigiani, Adriana.** The Supreme Macaroni Company (Valentine Trilogy)
**Turow, Scott.** Identical
**Wiggs, Susan.** Candlelight Christmas
**Woods, Sherryl.** A Seaside Christmas
**Woods, Stuart.** Doing Hard Time

## *Iris Saaf interview*

**By Stephanie Munson**
***Volunteer Coordinator***

Iris Saaf has been volunteering for Hayner Library for 23 years. She began by working for our new Homebound program in 1990 She delivered books for many years to our homebound patrons.

Later the library started a program called Readers to Go. We had a few volunteers who went to nursing homes to read and have discussions with some of the patients. Iris started reading to residents at the Eunice Smith Nursing Home when her mother was still alive and living in a nursing home in North Carolina. She hoped that others would do the same for her mother. Iris is still going to Eunice Smith each month to read, sing, and visit with the residents. She is very fond of them and is thankful to be able to give something back.

In past years Iris has helped the library with the Great Move to the mall library and by sorting books for soldiers, and until recently she worked as a greeter in the new Genealogy & Local History Library.

Iris was raised in North Carolina. She earned her teaching degree from Meredith College in Raleigh, N.C. As a young southern girl Iris did pretty much the normal things a young person would do. She was very active in her church. She played the organ for evening services. She sang in her high school choir. She loved to read, sew, and knit, as she has done throughout her life.

Iris and her husband, Arnie, have two grown sons, Len and Michael. They also have two granddaughters in Albany, Calif., whom they try to visit a couple of times a year.

Iris retired twice from teaching, once when she and Arnie wanted to start a family. Arnie was transferred to McDonnell Douglas in St. Louis. They moved to our area, and she began teaching at Evangelical School in Godfrey. She retired from Evangelical after teaching a total of 15 years. Some of her best teaching experiences came from watching six-year-olds learning to read, knowing that some of their parents could not. In the 29 years that she taught, she says she had fun going to work every day! Each new day was an adventure.

Since retirement, Iris is still active in church activities. She loves to bake and really enjoys a good mystery. She has become quite interested in nature, getting a kick out of the birds and deer in her backyard. She says the best thing about being retired is the freedom to do whatever pleases her.

I asked her what she would tell someone about her experience as a volunteer for Hayner. She said, "To use a familiar phrase . . . 'try it—you'll like it.' I sure do!"

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French-American Genealogical Research IR 944.9 SMI
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History of the Eighty-Sixth Regiment Illinois IR 973.7473 KIN
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Walking with Your Ancestors, a Genealogist's Guide to Using Maps and Geography IR 929.1072073 KAS
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Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m

Alton Square Library
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## DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" OPEN HOUSE EVENT

**Saturday, November 2, 2013**
**1:00-4:00 p.m.**
**401 State Street, Alton, Illinois 62002**

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a volunteer service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children.

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to a special Open House event for anyone interested in researching their genealogy and interested in becoming a DAR member.

Last year's event was a huge success, and we are pleased to be able to offer this great opportunity again this year. Feel free to look around our beautiful facility and see our many excellent resources to help you with your research.

We will once again have experienced researchers available to help you get started or to help you conclude your search for the Revolutionary War patriot in your family. These researchers can also help guide you through the application process for joining DAR.

One success story from last year's event involves Elizabeth Bauer. She came to the event after seeing it advertised in the Hayner newsletter and was hoping to learn how to go about joining DAR. Elizabeth's mother had been a member, so it was a fairly easy task to connect Elizabeth to the previously completed research. Since that time just one year ago, Elizabeth's connection was approved by the National Society of DAR in Washington, D.C., and she has been inducted into our local Ninian Edwards Chapter. Congratulations, Elizabeth!

Admission to this event is free, and registration is not necessary. If you have questions, please call us at 462-0677, Ext. 2865. All are welcome to join us for this event. We hope to see you there

## Libraries are changing and dynamic places.

Today's libraries go beyond books. While still offering traditional print resources, CDs, DVDs, and eBooks, libraries have free computers, access to the Internet, free wi-fi, special programming and entertainment for children, teens, and adults, free databases for research and reference, and more. Plus, libraries offer the trained professional services of librarians.

## Libraries are places of opportunity.

Libraries are places for education and self-help. And because they offer free and open access to all, they bring opportunity to all.

## Libraries change lives.

Libraries have more than information. They have the power to transform lives.

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# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Winter 2014 Vol. XXII, No. 4

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About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Dr Martin Luther King Day, Jan. 20
Presidents' Day, Feb. 17

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## *eRead Illinois*

The Secretary of State and Illinois State Library awarded a $985,219 grant to the Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS) and the Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS) for the *E-books for Illinois* Project, named *eRead Illinois*. The two-year grant project will increase access to e-books for Illinois residents and grow e-book expertise among library staff, library system staff, and Illinois residents. It includes an e-book collection and the 3M Cloud Library software platform for IHLS SHARE members (of which Hayner is one).

What does this mean to you? Now when you use the online card catalog, you will see titles that are marked with the 3M icon. This indicates that this title is an e-book that can be downloaded from the 3M Cloud Library. These titles will augment the e-book selections that you already have access to through OverDrive. Downloading is extremely quick and easy, and step-by-step directions are available at the circulation desks. 3M Cloud Library e-books are compatible with PCs, Macs, iOS devices, NOOK Tablets, Android devices, and the Kindle Fire. Users can download the app on up to six devices and can easily move from reading on a phone, to a tablet, to a laptop.

*The 3M Cloud Library application is an innovative way to browse, borrow, and read popular fiction and nonfiction e-books from your library. You will need a valid Hayner library card to use 3M Cloud Library e-books. With your Hayner library card, you will then have access to thousands of e-book titles.*

## *e-Book Help – 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive e-Books*

**Get e-book help for the new 3M Cloud Library e-books and for OverDrive e-books! Now with the addition of 3M Cloud Library e-books, you will have more e-books to choose from!**

For help downloading these e-books to your reader from the library catalog, Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, January 18, on the basics of downloading e-books.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Jean will review the basics of downloading e-books and will demonstrate the process on multiple platforms, including the Nook, Kindle Fire, and iPad.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

## *Hayner Downtown Gets New Carpeting*

It was a big, sweaty, dusty job, not just for the carpet layers but also for the Hayner Library staff who disassembled and then put the library back together again! Preparing the library shelving and books, moving furniture, disassembling security gates—these are just some of the tasks that needed to be accomplished before the carpeters could start removing the old carpet.

After the new carpet was down, the process was repeated in reverse. Shelving went back up, books were re-shelved and dusted, all the furniture was moved back in, computers were reconnected, security was reinstalled—and it all went forward without a hitch. Hayner staff used teamwork and elbow grease to ensure that the downtown library reopened in time with its sparkling new look.

And sparkle it does! The new carpet looks great It brings warmth and brightness to the facility. Stop by and see for yourself.

We want to thank all our patrons for your patience and cooperation while the downtown library was closed. We hope when you see the new carpeting you will agree that it was worth any inconvenience.

# *Over 50 Ways to Love Your Library*

Visit any branch of The Hayner Public Library District with your children and teens and sign up for a library card. For residents of Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township, library cards are free and quick to procure. Just bring a valid photo ID with your current district address. If your photo ID does not have your current address, you will need to provide a piece of business mail (utility bill, bank statement, etc.) dated within the last 30 days as proof of residency. A parent or guardian is required to sign up children under 18 years of age. If you live outside the library district but pay taxes to the Alton school district, you can procure a fee-based nonresident card.

There are so many benefits to having a library card; and remember, a library card is a key resource in achieving academic success. The library also is the perfect place to spend quality family time together. Check out these great ways to use your library card at The Hayner Public Library District:

1. Your library is where you can get e-books and other digital content. Download now.
2. Not sure how to download an e-book to your new device? A librarian can show you how, or you can take a workshop offered by The Hayner Public Library District on downloading to your e-reader device
3. Save money and get the latest best seller, DVD, or music CD.
4. Use a computer to finish a school project.
5. Use free Wi-Fi.
6. Send your teens to Teen Movie Night.
7. Take classes in Tai Chi.
8. Sign up for a study room for group study sessions.
9. Have a test proctored.
10. Don't have your own laptop? Use one of ours while you're in the library (laptops do not check out).
11. Sign up for a computer to check your e-mail.
12. Send the kids to free programs featuring various entertainers from magicians to singer/storytellers and much more.
13. Save money while spending quality time: plan a family afternoon at the library—it's all free!
14. Research the latest products with Consumer Resources database.
15. Attend preschool story time during the day or in the evening
16. Bring your 5–10-year-olds to After-School Fun—always fun crafting going on.
17. Librarians are early literacy experts—they can help you find just the right book to read to your kids at night for enjoyment and learning.
18. Launch your future. Use free computers for job searches, résumé writing, and interviewing tips.
19. Become an entrepreneur—learn how to write a business plan.
20. Get help with homework. Logon to tutor.com for a real live tutor to help solve those nasty math problems.
21. Research your term paper.
22. Explore new opportunities and research technical schools, community colleges, and universities.
23. Learn about the Affordable Care Act or Social Security at a library seminar.
24. Join the Hayner Library Friends group—be an active volunteer or just a supporting member.
25. Join the Teen Advisory Council.
26. Join the Teen Book Club.
27. Check out your favorite graphic novel.
28. Trek to another planet in a sci-fi novel.
29. Talk mysteries with other people who like mysteries—join Hayner's Mystery Book Club.
30. Use free online tools to research your family tree.
31. Don't know how to get started in genealogy? Make an appointment with a Hayner librarian for one-on-one help.
32. Check out a fishing pole.
33. Play Legos.
34. Register to vote, or get your important documents notarized.
35. Check out the latest fashion magazine; or perhaps your interest is cooking, architecture, or sports—whatever your interest, we subscribe to over 300 magazines and newspapers for you to enjoy.
36. Check out an audiobook for your next long drive or to listen to while you are working out.
37. Check out the latest CD, or explore new genres in music.
38. Check out your favorite movies for your at-home date night.
39. Attend an evening program of music and entertainment at one of our many free cultural programs featuring a wide variety of musical performers (truly something for everyone), actor/scholars, comedy, and more. All free, all the time!
40. Learn how to replace your car's engine or just change a tire from one of our 29 free databases.
41. Never too early to develop a second language. Bring your preschooler to Spanish Story Time for stories and songs in Spanish and English.
42. Learn more about our local history—view the great museum-quality displays in the Genealogy & Local History Library.
43. Access the Bob Graul database and view thousands of digital images of our local history recorded by this renowned *Telegraph* photographer.
44. Use your Hayner library card at libraries throughout the state—you have reciprocal privileges.
45. Stuck at home with a broken leg? Call our Homebound Service to have door-to-door delivery of your favorite library materials.
46. Looking for an obscure title? Can't find it on Hayner's shelves? Our card catalogue links to over 500 Illinois libraries for a total of over 10 million items available to you. Still can't find it? Ask a librarian, and we will search nationwide for your item.
47. Become a library volunteer—lots of fun opportunities and a great group of people to work with.
48. Meet local authors at book signings.
49. Go back in time and access digital issues of the *Telegraph* back to 1836.
50. Find a quiet spot to plug in your laptop and begin your own novel.
51. Use a library computer or check out materials to help study for SAT, ACT, ASVAB, GED, or certification exams.
52. Build your young reader's self-esteem by letting him or her read to a certified therapy dog at the library.
53. Enroll in the Summer Reading Program (either youth or teen programs).
54. Find a quiet spot, curl up with a good book, and enjoy.

*Excerpted in part from http://atyourlibrary.org/sixty-ways-use-your-library-card-2013*

## *2013 Library Card Drive*

This fall, The Hayner Public Library District partnered with local businesses in Alton, Godfrey, and Fosterburg to hold a library card drive. From Saturday, November 30, to Saturday, December 7, these businesses offered a discount or other incentive to customers showing their Hayner library cards We wanted to encourage more people to get library cards and to show current library card holders that their card is worth even more than they might have realized. We're thrilled with the level of participation this year and hope to make this an annual event. A big thank-you to all of these businesses for supporting The Hayner Public Library District!

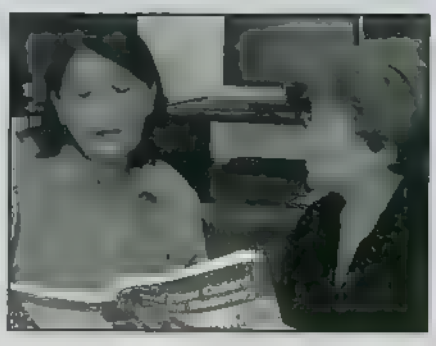
Alexander's Jewelry and Gifts
Amarillo Tex's Steakhouse
Black's Sporting Goods
Blockbuster Video
Cleta's Nutrition
Crown Vision Center
Dick's Flowers
Frew's Bridal
The Gift Box
Godfrey Meat Market
Halpin Music
The Hive
J & K Trash to Treasures
JMC Design Gallery Co-Op
Jacoby Arts Center
Johnson's Corner
Kinzels Flower Shop
LuciAnna's Pastries
Make Me an Offer
Market Basket
Mississippi Mud Pottery
Mister Donut
Olive Oil Marketplace
Picture This & More
Rib City Alton
S & S Sandwich Shop
Second Reading Book Shop
Something Lovely
St. Peters Hardware & Rental, Inc.
State Street Market
White Birch
Wild Trak Bikes

## *Share the Joy of Literacy*

Did you know that the American Community Survey found that more than 14% of Illinois residents do not have high school diplomas? Did you know that 45% of our residents who speak a language other than English in their homes report that they speak English less than well, or that 19% of Illinois residents could benefit from adult literacy instruction?

Project READ, a volunteer adult literacy program, is looking for volunteer tutors in our area. If you enjoy reading or math or would like to help someone improve their English language skills, it can be incredibly rewarding to serve a community member requesting support in one of those areas.

Our tutoring requirement is that you have at least a high school diploma or GED certificate, be a minimum of 17 years of age, attend a stimulating and informative group training, and have a willingness to share the joy of learning with someone in need for an hour a week.



This project is made possible by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library (ISL), a division of the Office of the Secretary of State, using funds designated for literacy.

Please call 468-4153 for information about our Project READ tutor training schedule, and share the joy of literacy.

Sheila Vaughn
Project READ Coordinator

## IN MEMORIAM

The staff of The Hayner Public Library District mourns the passing of one of the library's staunchest friends and longest-serving Foster Grandparents, Minnie Lee Hutchinson, who passed away at the age of 82 on August 20, 2013.

Minnie, who came to us through the Senior Services Plus program, started at Hayner Children's Library in the spring of 1997, working until health issues forced her retirement in 2012. She assisted the staff in a wide variety of ways, including participating in children's programming and community outreach activities, reading and cleaning shelves, "weeding" out old and duplicate books, and determining whether titles contained in lists of best children's books were a part of Hayner's holdings.

A great favorite of the children, Minnie loved most the story hours when she read to a rapt audience of little ones in her warm, lilting voice She also excelled at puppet shows, taking on various personalities and voices that delighted the kids.

Minnie is fondly remembered by staff members for her unfailing optimism and ready smile. She could always be depended upon to find the best in any situation and to leave anyone she encountered with a sense of well-being and gratitude.

Born in Earl, Arkansas, Minnie moved to Alton as a child and attended Alton High School She married here, had two daughters, and worked for a number of years at Campbell's Pharmacy.

A woman of rock-solid faith, Minnie served in a number of positions in the two churches with which she was affiliated through the years, including director of the Hallelujah Glory Singers and founder of the Touched by Angels praise dance team.

Minnie is survived by a daughter, Karen Hughes of Alton, still a devoted Hayner patron, and three grandchildren.

For her quiet humor and sense of fun, her unfailing willingness to help, her generosity, her joyful spirit—for all these attributes and more, Minnie will be missed at Hayner.

In the words of the old song, "Thanks for the memories."

***We are saddened to announce the passing of another good friend of The Hayner Public Library District. Marylin Bromaghim, 89, passed away on Monday, November 4, 2013.***

Marylin was born in Alton, Illinois, on May 5, 1924, the daughter of the late Everett F. and Mary Harriett (Vedder) Butler. She married Andrew Richardson in 1944 in Alton. He preceded her in death in 1946. She married Harry Leon Bromaghim in 1949 in Alton. He preceded her in death in June 1955.

She received her Bachelor's degree at Shurtleff College and her Master's degree at Washington University. Marylin was a librarian for the Alton Public School District, a position from which she retired before coming to work as a part-time Library Assistant in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

Marylin was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Alton. She played trombone in the Civic Orchestra, was active in the Alton Area Business and Professional Women's Organization, was the head of the Health Education Program at YWCA, and was actively involved with the Oasis Women's Center, sitting on their board from its inception. She loved working at The Caravan Resale Shop.

She is survived by two sons, Robert Andrew Richardson (wife, Barbara Jean) of Bethalto and David Charles Bromaghim (wife, Jacqueline) of Godfrey; one daughter, Ann Bromaghim of Alton; one sister, Gladys Virginia Butler of Godfrey; one sister-in-law, Bea Butler of North Hills, Calif.; four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Marylin's wit and warm personality made her a favorite of Hayner staff and patrons alike. She will be greatly missed.

## *New Function Added to Card Catalog*

There is now a new feature available to you on the online card catalog. When you go to the catalog, either from a Hayner computer or from your home, you will now see a tab labeled "Hayner Online Resource Links." Click on the "+" sign and you can link to all of our databases, Facebook, Pinterest, Twitter, History at Hayner blog, eReader instructions, and Overdrive (to order e-books). Remember, when you are accessing these links from your home computer, you will need your Hayner library card.

## *Reflections*
## Agnes Millen Richmond (1870–1964)

By Lacy S. McDonald

The Hayner Public Library District has existed in some form since 1852, and construction of the Hayner Memorial Library, today the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, was completed in 1891. The library has had many generous benefactors over the years, and there have been several major donations of artwork. Because the library has been around for so long, sometimes the provenance of that artwork gets lost in the passage of time.

This year, I assisted Robert Morrissey, proprietor of Clark Graves Antiques in St. Louis, in completing an appraisal of our art collection for insurance purposes. There were several wonderful discoveries, and you can hear about all of them at the Highlights of the Hayner Art Collection program being held in March (see the Events section of this newsletter for more information), but the most exciting for Robert and me was realizing that we had a painting by Agnes Millen Richmond.

The painting in question was signed "A. M. Richmond," so we searched an online art database for an artist named Richmond, and Agnes Millen was the third entry we checked. It was a light bulb moment. The example painting was clearly done by the same hand as our painting, and the first line of the biography read "Born in Alton, Illinois, Agnes Richmond was a specialist in portraits of women in a variety of social strata."

Armed with this new information, and with the help of the staff of the Genealogy & Local History Library, we were able to find a letter from Richmond that had accompanied the painting when it was donated to the Hayner Library in 1941. This letter gave us the painting's title: *Reflections* Richmond wrote in the letter, "The figure reflected is a self-portrait so I will be again in Alton & I hope you will all like it."

Born in Alton, Illinois, in 1870, Agnes Millen Richmond was considered one of the key women artists who taught art students in New York in the early 20th century. Richmond began her training at the St. Louis School of Fine Arts prior to moving to New York in 1888. In New York she studied at the Art Students League under John Twachtman, Walter Appleton Clark, and Kenyon Cox. She then taught at the League from 1910 until 1914.

Richmond and her husband, artist Winthrop Duthie Turney (1884–1965), settled in Brooklyn. Turney was a realist painter and WPA muralist who was noted for his Brooklyn themes—backyards, waterfront scenes, portraits on the subway, and streets of Brooklyn In the summers, Richmond and Turney painted in Mountainville, New York, and Gloucester, Massachusetts. Richmond is best known for portraits of women and children in pastoral scenes in Gloucester and Mountainville as well as more urban New York interiors.

Richmond exhibited extensively, including regular showings at the National Academy of Design from 1908 to 1927. Her paintings were also featured at a World's Fair· the 1915 Panama–Pacific International Exposition in San Francisco. The 1914–15 *Woman's Who's Who of America* notes that Richmond "favors woman suffrage," and her portraits and figure paintings from the 1910s and 1920s reveal her subjects' sense of pride and confidence. Richmond died in Brooklyn, New York, in 1964.

In recent years, Richmond's paintings have gone up for auction at many famous auction houses, including Sotheby's New York, Christie's New York, and Christie's London. Her paintings appear in several leading collections of art by American women artists, including the Edgemarle Collection, the Neville-Strass Collection, and the Sellars Collection. The Huntsville Museum of Art recently acquired the Sellars Collection, and Richmond's painting *A Young Friend* resides there now.

We are happy to report that *Reflections* is on display at the Genealogy & Local History Library, and Agnes Millen Richmond will be forever in Alton.

## *Whitney Howland, Volunteer*

Whitney Howland has been coming in to the Downtown library for many years. I really just got to know him in the last year. As our friendship grew, I decided to ask him if he would like to volunteer. He accepted right away. He has been straightening and keeping the mystery section in order. He also has been our house detective, searching for lost books on our shelves.

Ironically, Whit is an author of pulp fiction and crime novels. He publishes e-books. The mystery section is a great fit for Whit.

Whit was born in Pasadena, California. His family moved to Connecticut when he was five. He spent his high school years at a boarding school in Greenwich. He was a quiet child. Always busy reading and building and inventing things. He loved board games and played a lot of *Dungeons & Dragons*.

He played stick ball, capture the flag, kick the can, and flashlight tag with the neighborhood children. His childhood was very much like mine right here in Alton.

Whit spent summers at Camp Owatonna in Maine. When he wasn't camping he was visiting his father in Los Angeles. His mother was a lawyer, and his dad and stepmom were teachers.

Whit had three sisters, two brothers, and one step-brother, who passed away. What he remembers most about his siblings is the fun at Christmastime. It was the one day when his brothers and sisters were all happy for one another and supporting one another and sharing the joy of Christmas. His most memorable gift was a disguise kit his father gave him.

I asked Whit what the difference was between growing up when he did and growing up in the 21st century. He remembers that he and his siblings were easily entertained. He thinks they had more of a sense of wonder. They believed the world to be a much better place than kids do today. He was allowed to roll in the dirt. He thinks that children today aren't allowed to fail and learn from their mistakes. He says our children are too sheltered.

Whit wanted to be a Magnate of Industry or a weatherman on TV. He went to Principia College, and in his junior year he took an American Literature class and discovered poetry. That summer his dreams of the Magnate and weatherman flew away. An aspiring writer was born.

While at work he met his wife, Kimberly, and discovered they had gone to college together. I wanted to know what his wife was like. He told me that she is beautiful, strong, and puts up with his silly, absurd humor. She fully supports his desire to write and helps him by editing for him.

Whit's favorite book is *The Nick Adams Stories* because Ernest Hemingway wrote it. His favorite movies are the *Godfather Trilogy* because he loves sagas and Mario Puzo. His favorite things to do are writing, going to the movies, and getting together with his friends.

In my interview with Whit, I asked him to name three people in history that he admired. He chose George Washington because he wasn't a natural leader and had to demand that of himself. Whit also respects Abraham Lincoln because he was the right President for the right time in history. He also has great respect for Walt Disney and his creative and brilliant mind.

Not only does Whit write, but he also has a love for acting and the theater. One of his highest honors was getting best supporting actor for his performance in a college play.

I found Whit to be a warm, funny, creative, and witty person. He carries with him a great sense of wonder. You can see his mind working through his eyes.

My last question for Whit was how you define a good and successful life. I leave you with Whit's profound advice:

"Surround yourself with people who bring out the best in you  Write down what it is you hope to achieve every day. And work on having a positive effect on others."

–Stephanie Munson, Volunteer Coordinator

## *Harold "Bud" Meisenheimer*

Devoted library patron and lifelong Alton resident Harold "Bud" Meisenheimer must have listened intently in kindergarten when the teacher taught the class about sharing. There is no doubt about it; this gentleman has a knack for sharing!

The Hayner Public Library District has benefited greatly from Harold's unselfish nature  He is a consistent patron, and on most visits he comes bearing some sort of "special treat." That treat can be anything from a handful of newspaper articles to be used in our vertical file collection, to a paper bag bursting with fresh garden vegetables. No matter the gift, the intent is to share.

With every visit, Harold walks through the door with a smile and a willingness to help. His time, talents, and amazing knowledge of local history have aided staff in serving patrons for many years.

Born, raised, educated, and employed in Alton, Harold is a tried and true Altonian. When talking with him, one quickly realizes he is very proud of his community. But Harold doesn't just talk about his passion to maintain history, he puts actions into words. For many years he has preserved the history of Alton and her citizens by collecting newspaper clippings, artifacts, and memorabilia. He has assembled volume upon volume of "scrapbooks" documenting many subjects of both local and national interest. Harold doesn't compile these books and then lay them on a shelf to collect dust. He shares them!

To date, Harold Meisenheimer has donated a total of 136 scrapbooks that he has compiled by his own hand. But those astounding 136 scrapbooks aren't all he has donated. He has also presented the library with artifacts, published books, and many photographs on a variety of subjects too numerous to list.

On many of his visits to Hayner, Harold has been known to stop his own research to assist patrons with their questions. His enthusiasm on any particular subject is contagious, and when he is "on the hunt" for research information, he can easily engage staff to help him research and compile his newest scrapbook.

The 136 scrapbooks in our Illinois Room collection range through a wide variety of subjects. Just to name a few, there are books about military veterans, Alton schools, businesses of the past including the larger industries such as Owens-Illinois and Duncan Foundry, multiple volumes of Alton histories, cemeteries, local legends, citizens, and mayors. These scrapbooks cannot be checked out but are available for use at Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street.

A patron recently used some of Harold's scrapbooks for personal research, and upon leaving she expressed her thoughts about this remarkable and generous man by simply stating, "He is a treasure!" The staff agrees! Through many years he has helped to fill our bookshelves and brighten our workdays.

We look forward to countless more visits from Harold. Whether he arrives bearing special treats or empty-handed, his visits are always welcome and much enjoyed!

–Pam Bierman

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our winter 2014 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 218 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**REMINDER**
Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

***Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library,132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.***

*"Cuddle up with a canine."*

Saturday, January 11
Saturday, February 8
Saturday, March 8
10:00–11:00 a.m.
Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## Liz Brookshire
## *Affordable Care Act*

**Tuesday, January 21, 5:00 p.m.**
Liz Brookshire from the Southern Illinois Healthcare Foundation will present the basics of the Affordable Care Act. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Gary Jackson
## *The Real James Bond*

**Tuesday, January 28, 6:30 p.m.**
The story of the REAL GUY who was the REAL SPY that inspired Ian Fleming to create James Bond. This is the TRUE STORY of the man whose exploits made him a legend in British Intelligence and a bogeyman to the Communists. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## John Dunphy
## *The Lincoln-Shields Duel*

**Wednesday, February 5, 6:30 p.m.**
***To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton, Ill.***
The Lincoln-Shields duel is as much a part of American history as it is an Alton legend, and it will be told in a fascinating and entertaining way by Alton resident and local history buff John Dunphy. Mr. Dunphy will weave the story of what brought about this confrontation involving two outstanding and up-and-coming Illinois politicians and how the duel ended on a peaceful note instead of in a bloody close. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Root Diggers

**Tuesday, February 11, 6:30 p.m.**
Join us for an evening of old-time string music. Presenting a blend of Ozark and Appalachian music, the Root Diggers will have the place jumping with duets featuring guitar and fiddle, fiddle and banjo, and fiddle and mandolin. The band's purpose is to carry on the old time musical tradition as they continue to dig up the roots of this American music and preserve it for generations to come. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Ben and Kari Bedford

**Tuesday, February 25, 6:30 p.m.**
Ben Bedford delivers intriguing sketches of America, its individuals, their victories, and their struggles. Poignant, but never sentimental, Bedford's portrait-like songs capture the vitality of his characters and draw the listener deep into the narratives. During Ben's performance, he will be accompanied by his wife, Kari Bedford, on harmony vocals. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz & You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
## *Celebrate Fat Tuesday*

**Tuesday, March 4, 6:30 p.m.**
***Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill.***
Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great venue, the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College. This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

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## Donna Pierce
## *Meals on Wheels: Great Migration Recipes Ride the Rails North*

**Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.**
Before the Great Migration, 90 percent of all African Americans in the U.S. lived in the southern states. Between 1915 and the Civil Rights Movement of the 1970s, six million black people changed their addresses from the segregated South to the urban North. Several Illinois cities have come to be known as destinations of the Great Migration, including Alton, Peoria, and Chicago. Using cookbooks and oral histories, Donna Pierce explores migrated recipes such as

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smothered chicken, chitterlings, black-eyed peas, barbecue, biscuits, caramel cake, and more. She discusses how these recipes transport many people back to a South (with ties to Africa) they have never known. Donna is a Road Scholar with the Illinois Humanities Council. This event is being produced in part by the Illinois Humanities Council's Road Scholars Speakers Bureau, a program that provides organizations statewide with affordable, entertaining, and thought-provoking humanities events for their communities. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Robert Morrissey
### *Highlights of the Hayner Art Collection*
**Wednesday, March 12, 10 a.m.**
**Tuesday, March 18, 6:30 p.m.**
***To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton, Ill.***
Robert Morrissey, proprietor of Clark Graves Antiques in St. Louis and accredited appraiser, will give a presentation on the highlights of The Hayner Public Library District's art collection. The presentation will focus on five paintings, all of which are on display at the Genealogy & Local History Library. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Dennis Stroughmatt with the Swing'N'Country Band
### *The Western Swinging Sound of Legendary Fiddler Wade Ray*
**Tuesday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.**
Western Swing is a music that continues to influence musicians across the planet, and southwestern Illinois was home to one of the most influential of Western Swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray. Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, and was well known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows. Fiddler, vocalist, and historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with Wade His performance and presentation will include many of those songs, and Dennis will be joined by the Swing'N'Country band from Benton, Illinois. Like his mentor Wade, Dennis will make you want to swing! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Free Computer Tutorials*
Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square Mall.

### PC Basics (Class limit: 10)
**Saturday, January 18, 2014**
**Tuesday, February 4, 2014**
**Tuesday, March 4, 2014**
**10:00–11:30 a.m.**
Introduction to personal computing. For those who need to come into the world of computers, this is the class for you! Overcome your fears and gain the skills that can get you ready to use a computer more competently After this class you will be able to:
- Identify basic computer components and operating system features
- Execute basic mouse techniques
- Perform basic keyboard strokes and functions
- Identify and navigate the features of the Desktop
- Open and exit software programs
- Identify and navigate the various toolbars of the Windows environment
- Identify and navigate the Windows environment of Microsoft software applications

To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

### Social Media Basics
**(Class limit: 15)**
**Wednesday, January 22, 2014**
**6:30–8:00 p.m.**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users.
Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Facebook Revealed
**(Class limit: 10)**
**Saturday, February 22, 2014**
**10:30 a.m.–12:00 noon**
This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the various applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings.
Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Exploring Pinterest and Twitter
**(Class limit: 10)**
**Saturday, March 22, 2014**
**10:30 a.m.–12:00 Noon**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people.
Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# TEENSPACE
## WINTER 2014 TEEN ACTIVITIES

• **Teen Advisory Council**
Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month at the Teen Library located at Riverbender.com Community Center.

Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and help make the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, January 21, February 18, and March 18, 2014, at 4:30 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

• **Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center**
Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie Event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG–13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movies start at 4 p.m. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, January 28, February 25, and March 25, 2014. Buses are available to transport after school from Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School. To register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

• **RBCC Teen Book Club**
This book club is for the teens attending the Riverbender.com after-school program and teens in our community. Teens will choose a book each month to read and will bring it back to discuss the following month. This book club gives students a chance to read and discuss all genres. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, January 14, February 11, and March 11, 2014, at 5 p.m.

### *Special Events*

• **Teen Tech Week**
***"DIY @ Your Library"***
***March 9–15, 2014***

Come join us for a Digital Scavenger Hunt at the Riverbender.com Community Center library location. Teens will have a chance to show off their library knowledge and win some great prizes. For more information about this event or to register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

**Project Next Generation**
In today's world, nearly anything that's done is touched, in some way, by technology; specifically, computers and computer-assisted technology. You want to have that cutting edge; the one that gives your profile the kind of attention it needs to land you wherever it is that you're wanting to be: in a great job that you love, with lots of potential; at the top of the list of people that college you're wanting to attend is considering for admission; or, in a position to start your own business, where you'll be in charge. The Hayner Public Library District has resources available to give you experience, skills in using current cutting-edge technology, and the poise and presence to be able to sell your talents to others.

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its sixth year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer Saturday workshops once per month using the newest technologies. Our winter and spring workshops are filling up fast, so don't wait to sign up! Meeting dates are Saturday, January 25, 2014, Online Cookbook Maker class #1; Saturday, February 8, 2014, Online Cookbook Maker class #2; and Saturday, March 15, 2014, Inside a Desktop Computer. In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for one of our Saturday sessions! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information or to sign up for our next session! Limited space is available!

• *Funding for this grant project was awarded from the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Secretary of State/Illinois State Library under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).*

## *News from the Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau*

The Alton Regional Convention and Visitors Bureau sponsors great eagle watching activities. Put these events on your calendar and after you've visited the CVB, stop by the Hayner Downtown Library for more information on eagles and eagle watching.

***Be an Official Eagle Watcher***
Join us for an eagle watching adventure and become an "Official Alton Eagle Watcher." Visit the CVB during the Alton Eagle Festival on Saturday, January 4, 2014, to receive your eagle watcher's card. Then come back to see us throughout the season as the eagle counts continue to grow. As you visit the eagle watching hot spots, a Visitors Center representative will initial your card. Fill up your card and return it to the Alton Visitors Center to win an eagle t-shirt, while supplies last.

***What's the prize?*** An eagle t-shirt

***How many eagle watching hot spots will I need to visit?***
You will need to visit five eagle watching hot spots that have visitor centers on-site. These include: Pere Marquette State Park, Two Rivers National Wildlife Center at Swan Lake, Alton Visitors Center, Audubon Center at Riverlands, Melvin Price Locks & Dam/ National Great Rivers Museum or Lewis & Clark Confluence Tower (open Fri.–Sun.).

***Contest Rules***
One t-shirt per person. Contest ends February 28, 2014, or while supplies last.

## *American Spirit Magazine*

If you have not picked up a copy of the DAR *American Spirit* magazine, you are missing quite a treat. This bimonthly publication finds interesting and thought-provoking subject matter to entertain and teach us about our ancestors and the daily life they experienced. The articles are well written and full of information about concerns and issues in the lives of our ancestors You might find articles on fire-fighting, historic homes, mapping, or the Coast Guard, plus many, many more. These magazines are truly a delight for anyone interested in the history of our nation. Stop by the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street to spend a winter afternoon with one of these magazines.

# KIDSSPACE
## WINTER 2014 ACTIVITIES

### *Alton Square Activities*

**Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 6 and 13; February 3 and 10; March 3, 10, and 17, 2014, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

**Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29; February 5, 19, and 26; March 5, 19, and 26, 2014, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881.

**Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: January 27, February 24, and March 31, 2014. Please register at 433-2881.

**Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are: Thursdays, January 9, February 13, and March 13, 2014, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please register at 433-2881.

### *Special Alton Square Events*

***Teddy Bear Sleepover Party*** — Bring your favorite teddy bear or stuffed animal to a sleepover at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. Owners may drop off their teddy bears any time before 5 p.m. on Monday, February 24, 2014, at the Information Desk located in the KidsSpace at our Alton Square location. While in our care, your teddy bear will enjoy some fun activities such as crafts, movies, and a special story time just for them. Come back Tuesday, February 25, at 6:30 p.m., when the fun continues with you and your teddy bear. Wear your favorite jammies and enjoy a few stories and a bedtime snack. Each participating bear will have a keepsake to take home to remember the fun! Space is limited. Register at 433-2881.

***KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt*** — Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on April 12, 2014. All children will receive an Easter bag, hear a few stories with the Bow-wow Pow-wow dogs, and have a chance to sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents, don't forget your cameras! Register at 433-2881.

### *Downtown Activities*

***Evening Story Time*** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to The Hayner Downtown Library KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, January 6, 13, and 27; February 3, 10, and 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2014. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

***Mary Kay's Story Times*** — Come join Panda Bear and Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Thursdays, January 9, 16, 23, and 30; February 6, 13, 20, and 27; March 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2014. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

***After-School Fun*** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library Downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 14, February 11, and March 11, 2014. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### *Special Downtown Events*

***Edwardsville Children's Museum Visit*** — Come join the fun as the Edwardsville Children's Museum comes to Hayner Downtown KidsSpace. The Museum will host two free one-hour workshops for children 3–5 years. The first will be on Thursday, March 20, 2014, at 10 a.m. The second will be on Thursday, April 17, 2014, at 10 a.m. These two programs will meet in the KidsSpace area at our Downtown location. Registration is very limited, so don't delay. To register call 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**PROGRAM ONE – MARCH 20, 2014**
The Solar System – How many planets are in our solar system? How far apart are they? Do they move? How do they move? Is the moon made of cheese? Discover the answers as your class becomes the solar system.

**PROGRAM TWO – APRIL 17, 2014**
Frogs – What is a polliwog and how does it turn into a frog? Are all frogs green? Where do they live in the winter? Create your own frog puppet after learning these and more interesting facts.

### *Attention!! Coming This Spring*

This spring, The Hayner Public Library District will hold its first raffle. Two brand-new Apple iPad Air tablets have been generously donated to the library. We will be raffling off each of these tablets in March 2014. Please watch for more information in the Spring 2014 newsletter, and we hope everyone takes a chance!

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

**—Nonfiction**

**Allen, Jonathan.** HRC: State Secrets and the Rebirth of Hillary Clinton

**Axelson, Jeffrey.** Axe: A Brother's Search for an American Warrior, Navy SEAL Matthew Axelson

**Barry, Dave.** You Can Date Boys When You're Forty: Dave Barry on Parenting and Other Topics He Knows Very Little About

**Bischoff, Dan.** James Gandolfini: The Real Life of the Man Who Made Tony Soprano

**Carville, James, and Mary Matalin.** Love & War: Twenty Years, Three Presidents, Two Daughters and One Louisiana Home

**DiSpirito, Rocco.** The Pound a Day Diet: Lose Up to 5 Pounds in 5 Days by Eating the Foods You Love

**Dobbs, Lou.** Upheaval

**Dodson, John.** The Unarmed Truth: My Fight to Blow the Whistle and Expose Fast and Furious

**Dyer, Dr. Wayne W.** I Can See Clearly Now

**Gallo, Carmine.** Talk Like TED. The 9 Public-Speaking Secrets of the World's Top Minds

**Gates, Robert M.** Duty: Memoirs of a Secretary at War

**George, Nelson.** The Hippest Trip in America: Soul Train and the Evolution of Culture & Style

**Gross, Michael.** House of Outrageous Fortune: Fifteen Central Park West, the World's Most Powerful Address

**Gutfeld, Greg.** Not Cool: The Hipster Elite and Their War on You

**Hampton, Dan.** Lords of the Sky: How Fighter Pilots Changed War Forever, from the Red Baron to the F-16

**Handler, Chelsea.** Uganda Be Kidding Me

**Harris, Mark.** Five Came Back: A Story of Hollywood and the Second World War

**Hoffman, Carl.** Savage Harvest: A Tale of Cannibals, Colonialism, and Michael Rockefeller's Tragic Quest for Primitive Art

**Hyman, Mark.** The Blood Sugar Solution: 10-Day Detox Diet

**Jarvis, Tim.** Chasing Shackleton: Re-creating the World's Greatest Journey of Survival

**Lancer, Harold, M.D.** Younger: The Breakthrough Anti-Aging Method for Radiant Skin

**Levingston, Steven.** Little Demon in the City of Light: A True Story of Murder and Mesmerism in Belle Epoque Paris

**Lillien, Lisa.** The Hungry Girl Diet

**Macur, Juliet.** Cycle of Lies: The Fall of Lance Armstrong

**Medsger, Betty.** The Burglary: The Discovery of J. Edgar Hoover's Secret FBI

**Most, Doug.** The Race Underground: Boston, New York, and the Incredible Rivalry That Built America's First Subway

**O'Rourke, P. J.** The Baby Boom: How It Got That Way (And It Wasn't My Fault) (And I'll Never Do It Again)

**Paul, Alan.** One Way Out: The Inside History of the Allman Brothers Band

**Pauley, Jane.** Your Life Calling: Reimagining the Rest of Your Life

**Pearlman, Jeff.** Showtime: Magic, Kareem, Riley, and the Los Angeles Lakers Dynasty of the 1980s

**Perry, Douglas.** Eliot Ness: The Rise and Fall of an American Hero

**Puck, Wolfgang.** Wolfgang Puck Makes It Healthy: Light, Delicious Recipes and Easy Exercises for a Better Life

**Roberts, Robin.** Everybody's Got Something

**Simmons, Russell.** Success Through Stillness: Meditation Made Simple

**Stark, Peter.** Astoria: Astor and Jefferson's Lost Pacific Empire: A Story of Wealth, Ambition, and Survival

**Stier, Debbie.** The Perfect Score Project: Uncovering the Secrets of the SAT

**Taraborrelli, J. Randy.** The Hiltons: The True Story of an American Dynasty

**Tyson, Ann Scott.** American Spartan: The Promise, the Mission, and the Betrayal of Special Forces Major Jim Gant

**Virgin, JJ.** The Virgin Diet Cookbook: 150 Easy and Delicious Recipes to Lose Weight and Feel Better Fast

**Von Furstenberg, Diane.** The Woman I Wanted to Be

**Wagner, Robert.** You Must Remember This: Life and Style in Hollywood's Golden Age

**Walker, Johnny, and Jim DeFelice.** Code Name: Johnny Walker: The Extraordinary Story of the Iraqi Who Risked Everything to Fight with the U.S. Navy SEALs

**Weinstein, Bruce.** The Great American Slow Cooker Book: 500 Easy Recipes for Every Day and Every Size Machine

**Will, George.** A Nice Little Place on the North Side: Wrigley Field at One Hundred

**Zeitz, Joshua.** Lincoln's Boys. John Hay, John Nicolay, and the War for Lincoln's Image

**—Fiction**

**Alcott, Kate.** The Daring Ladies of Lowell· A Novel

**Allende, Isabel.** Ripper: A Novel

**Beaton, M. C.** Death of a Policeman (Hamish Macbeth)

**Berenson, Alex.** The Counterfeit Agent

**Box, C. J.** Stone Cold (A Joe Pickett Novel)

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** Cavendon Hall

**Bradley, Alan.** The Dead in Their Vaulted Arches: A Flavia de Luce Novel

**Brockmann, Suzanne.** Do or Die

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Mrs. Lincoln's Rival

**Childs, Laura.** Steeped in Evil (A Tea Shop Mystery)

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** I've Got You Under My Skin

**Clark, Mary Jane.** That Old Black Magic

**Coben, Harlan.** Missing You

**Collins, Jackie.** Confessions of a Wild Child

**Cook, Robin.** Cell

**Cornwell, Bernard.** The Pagan Lord (Saxon Tales)

**Crombie, Deborah.** To Dwell in Darkness (Duncan Kincaid/Gemma James)

**Cussler, Clive.** The Bootlegger (An Isaac Bell Adventure)

**Daheim, Mary.** The Alpine Yeoman: An Emma Lord Mystery

**Deaver, Jeffery.** Trouble in Mind: The Collected Stories, Volume 3

**Dorsey, Tim.** Tiger Shrimp Tango: A Novel

**Evanovich, Janet, and Lee Goldberg.** The Chase

**Feehan, Christine.** Dark Wolf (Carpathian)

**Gardner, Lisa.** Fear Nothing: A Detective D. D. Warren Novel

**Garrison, Paul.** Robert Ludlum's The Janson Option

**Grippando, James.** Black Horizon

**Harris, Robert.** An Officer and a Spy: A Novel

**Hoffman, Alice.** The Museum of Extraordinary Things: A Novel

**Horan, Nancy.** Under the Wide and Starry Sky

**Jance, J. A.** Moving Target (Ali Reynolds)

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Killer: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Kidd, Sue Monk.** The Invention of Wings: A Novel

**Knott, Robert.** Robert B. Parker's Bull River (A Cole and Hitch Novel)

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** River Road

**Lippman, Laura.** After I'm Gone

**Mallery, Susan.** Evening Stars

**Margolin, Phillip.** Worthy Brown's Daughter

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Forever Girl

**Mina, Denise.** The Red Road: A Novel (Alex Morrow)

**Oates, Joyce Carol.** Carthage: A Novel

**Patterson, James.** First Love

**Patterson, James.** NYPD Red 2

**Patterson, James.** Private L.A.

**Quindlen, Anna.** Still Life with Bread Crumbs: A Novel

**Rankin, Ian.** Saints of the Shadow Bible (Inspector Rebus)

**Robb, J. D.** Concealed in Death

**Rollins, James.** Innocent Blood

**Rosenfelt, David.** Without Warning

**Steel, Danielle.** Power Play

**Unger, Lisa.** In the Blood

**White, Randy Wayne.** Bone Deep

**Wolf, Dick.** The Execution: A Jeremy Fisk Novel

**Woods, Stuart.** Standup Guy (Stone Barrington)

## How Genealogy Affects Your Health

by F. Clarke Fraser

We all have our own reasons for researching and creating our family tree. As we attempt to trace our roots, we may be trying to find that famous relative or find the country where our family originated. These are good reasons, but there is another aspect to family tree research that many aren't aware exists. Besides family history and places in time, family trees may also offer a greater understanding of your health and that of your family. Along with family traits, health-related predispositions and difficulties may run in families

In *How Genealogy Affects Your Health*, by F. Clarke Fraser, the author blends science and history to give the reader some insight into the family history researcher's past and possible future problems. Using the genetic code of the Human Genome Project as a basis, Fraser delves into the nature of diseases and disorders and our proclivity to receive the traits or tendencies from our ancestors.

The author does more than just mention diseases and disorders; he also discusses the genetic traits that are passed down through generations. Are you right- or left-handed? Do you have perfect musical pitch? What about the direction of the swirl of your hair? Do Alzheimer's disease or mental disorders run in your family? A family tree may help explain some issues one has noticed or should be concerned about in the future.

Although Fraser's scientific information may seem daunting at first, the book is enjoyable to read, with easy-to-follow text. This is a quick and fun read, despite the fact that the subject matter is as complex as the double helix design of DNA. Come visit us at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street to research your family tree today!

## A Special Thank-You!

During a recent "Friend-Raiser" program hosted by the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, the Ninian Edwards Chapter of the DAR donated a three-volume set of books relating to women in the Revolutionary War era. The books are titled *America's Women in the Revolutionary War Era: A History through Bibliography* by Eric G. Grundset. Like African American research, records for women (particularly during this time) can also be hard to locate, so we are extremely pleased to be able to offer this set of books as part of our Illinois Room collection.

## A Graveyard Preservation Primer

by Lynette Strangstad

Have you ever driven by an abandoned rural cemetery and thought to yourself that it would be nice if someone could do something to keep the cemetery up? Upon reading *A Graveyard Preservation Primer* by Lynette Strangstad, one begins to understand that tombstones of yesteryear are important monuments to the past that should be preserved. This book will guide you through all aspects of proper graveyard restoration and maintenance.

The historic preservation process begins with a basic cleanup and assessment of the general condition of the site. Mapping of the cemetery and documentation of the inscriptions are important steps to take. You may have to deal with dislocated stones or some that are so weathered they are illegible Stones such as limestone or sandstone are softer than granite or marble and therefore will need special care when handling, cleaning, and/or rebuilding. During the restoration project the initials or name of the stone carver can often be discovered somewhere on the tombstone.

Some older cemeteries have very interesting motifs decorating the stones, which can give insight into the lives of the early settlers. The book describes the possible meanings of these motifs and speculates on the reasons for the symbols' changing over time.

If you would like to read more about tombstone motifs and cemetery preservation, come to the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street.

## New in Our Illinois Room

Bugle Echoes: The story of Illinois 47th IR 973.7473 BRY
Cherokee Citizenship Commission Docket Books IR 970.0049 CHE
Cherokee Descendants IR 970.0049 BOW
Cherokee Ration Books IR 970.0049 CHE
Dictionary of American Family Names (donation) IR 929.4 SMI
Directory of Genealogical and Historical Societies, Libraries . . . IR 973 DIR
Dressed for the Photographer IR 391.0097309034 SEV
Emigrants from the Principality of Hessen-Hanau, Germany IR 943.9 SMI
Emigrants from Saxony IR 943.9 SMI
Enterprise in Oil (donation) IR 665.5065 BEA
Gone but Not Forgotten: Quinette Cemetery, a Slave Burial Ground IR 977.8655 RAW
Haymarket Tragedy IR 977.311 AVR
He Must Have Been a Prince (patron donation) IR 929.2 SCHULTZ
Indian Place Names IR 970.0049 RYD
Native American Wills and Probate Records 1911–1921 IR 970.0049 BOW
North Carolina Eastern Cherokee Indian Census IR 970.00493 BOW
Prairie Voices (donation) IR 811.54 PRA
Replacement of Locks & Dam 26 at Alton, Ill. (donation) IR 627.80977386 REP
The Great Flood of 1993 (patron donation) IR LOCKED CASES 977.033 GRE
Volunteer Soldiers in the Cherokee War IR 973.57 VOL

## Yearbooks Needed by Genealogy & Local History Library

Our Illinois Room collection, located in the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, contains a wealth of historic information on our local history as well as materials to help you with your genealogical research. One of the things we pride ourselves on is our extensive local yearbook collection. But our collections aren't complete, and we need your help!

We are looking for donations of the following yearbook volumes:

- Alton High School – *Tatler*: 1910, 1960, 1980, 1990, 1993–1997, 2008
- Lewis & Clark Community College – *Trek*: anything after 1974
- Marquette High School – *Explorer*: anything before 1961, 1963, 1976, 2013
- Monticello Seminary College – *Echo*: 1944
- Shurtleff College – *Retrospect*: 1913–1916, 1920, 1923, 1924, 1926, 1927, 1931–1937, 1941–1949, 1952, 1954, 1957
- Western Military Academy – *Recall*: 1923, 1928–1935, 1950, 1962, 1969

We prefer to have two copies of each year, so if you have other years not listed above that you are willing to donate, please let us know. We're also always looking for elementary and middle school yearbooks. If you would like to donate yearbooks or other historical materials for the Illinois Room, please call 618-462-0677, ext. 2865 to discuss your donation.

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Downtown Library
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Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Alton Square Library
Mon.—Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, Noon to 6 p.m.

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Wed., 12:00 noon–8:00 p.m.
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www.haynerlibrary.org

*If you are a "word-junkie" as are many of us bibliophiles, you should enjoy the following:*

## *I Like Words*

When copywriter Robert Pirosh landed in Hollywood in 1934, eager to become a screenwriter, he wrote and sent the following letter to all the directors, producers, and studio executives he could think of. The approach worked, and after securing three interviews he took a job as a junior writer with MGM.

Pirosh went on to write for the Marx Brothers and in 1949 won an Academy Award for his *Battleground* script.

Dear Sir:

I like words. I like fat buttery words, such as ooze, turpitude, glutinous, toady. I like solemn, angular, creaky words, such as straitlaced, cantankerous, pecunious, valedictory. I like spurious, black-is-white words, such as mortician, liquidate, tonsorial, demi-monde. I like suave "V" words, such as Svengali, svelte, bravura, verve. I like crunchy, brittle, crackly words, such as splinter, grapple, jostle, crusty. I like sullen, crabbed, scowling words, such as skulk, glower, scabby, churl. I like Oh-Heavens, my-gracious, land's-sake words, such as tricksy, tucker, genteel, horrid. I like elegant, flowery words, such as estivate, peregrinate, elysium, halcyon. I like wormy, squirmy, mealy words, such as crawl, blubber, squeal, drip I like sniggly, chuckling words, such as cowlick, gurgle, bubble and burp.

I like the word screenwriter better than copywriter, so I decided to quit my job in a New York advertising agency and try my luck in Hollywood, but before taking the plunge I went to Europe for a year of study, contemplation and horsing around. I have just returned and I still like words. May I have a few with you?

Robert Pirosh
385 Madison Ave.
New York, New York

*Source: Letters of Note.com, March 13, 2012*

## *Don't Miss This Contest!*

We at The Hayner Public Library District are excited to announce the first ever FACEBOOK CONTEST! Look for it to run the month of February. The contest will feature a Spot the Difference photo where you can win a $25 Visa gift card! You will have the opportunity to enter twice; once for liking the photo, and once for commenting on the photo. Winning the contest will not be contingent on knowing the correct number of differences; that number will be given to you. The winner will be drawn randomly the first week of March. Our goal with the contest is to boost connectivity with our Facebook fans and our outreach in the community.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 20
Memorial Day, May 25, 26

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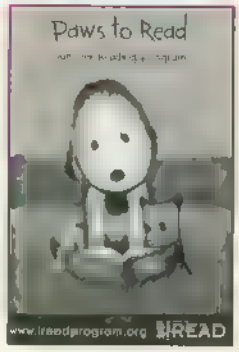
## *The 2014 KidsSpace Reading Program "Paws to Read"*




This year's Summer Reading Program, "Paws to Read," will get your kids excited about reading. The theme will give participants the opportunity to read some fantastic books about our fuzzy, hairy, and feathered friends.

The program kickoff will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 7, 2014. On this day participants will enjoy a visit from the Bow-wow Pow-wow dogs, and some surprise guests will also drop by throughout the day. During the five weeks of the program, participants can expect performers and presenters such as World Bird Sanctuary, Animal Tales, Steve & T.V., White Rabbit Productions, and WildHeart Music. They will also enjoy story times, puppet shows, crafts, movies, and prizes that reflect the theme.

Each week participants will be asked to read at least five books, magazine articles, or newspaper articles, or listen to five books on tape to earn some awesome prizes. This year's program will partner with local animal agencies such as 5A's and TreeHouse Wildlife Center. Participants will have the opportunity to visit the TreeHouse Wildlife Center and will also get a chance to meet some of the wonderful animals that call the 5A's their home. Animal lovers will love this year's theme!

All participants who continue over the five-week program will be invited to our End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party at the Alton High School Commons. There they will enjoy a free book, reading certificate, snacks, and entertainment by WildHeart Music. Emmy Award–winning educators and entertainers Jan & George Syrigos make up the musical group WildHeart. This duo captures young audiences with a strong science message exploring wildlife, habitats, and natural history. WildHeart energizes their original award-winning music with motion, media, and a conservation message for a wild and unforgettable journey through our natural world.

For more information regarding "Paws to Read" and these great programs, call 433-2861

## *Hayner Raffles iPad Air!*

Through the generosity of an anonymous donor, from April 15 through June 3, The Hayner Public Library District will be raffling off two Apple iPad Air tablets, models iPad Air Wi Fi + Cellular for AT&T 128 GB.

The iPad Air device, the latest tablet offered by Apple, offers incredible power, is 7.5 millimeters thin, and weighs just one pound. The device CPU and graphics performance is up to two times faster than its predecessor device. It uses two antennas instead of one, offering twice the Wi-Fi performance.

iPad Air comes with great built in apps for the everyday things you like to do, like checking e-mail and surfing the Web. Also, apps such as iPhoto, iMovie, Garageband, Pages, Numbers, and Keynote are now available free, and there are more than 475,000 iPad apps available through the App Store.

Camera and video recording are also features of the iPad Air. Lightweight and incredibly powerful, the iPad Air is the Cadillac of tablet devices. Retail value for these iPad Air models is $928 apiece.

Raffle tickets are only $10 apiece, 3 for $20, and will be sold at each Hayner Library location. The winner will be drawn on June 3, 2014, during a remote broadcast by WBGZ in the library in Alton Square Mall.

*Support the library district – buy tickets for yourself and as gifts for family and friends.*
*You must be 18 years or older to purchase raffle tickets.

# SELECT SCIENCE

## *$5000 Grant Will Increase Science Resources at Hayner*

Hayner Library Executive Director Bernadette Duvernoy is pleased to announce the reception of a $5000 grant from the Illinois Secretary of State to purchase new books related to science. The Hayner project is called *Select Science* and reflects Hayner's commitment to providing informational resources for students and lifelong learners.

This grant will allow the purchase of approximately 150 nonfiction print books for the library's collection. Recommendations are being sought from science-oriented community organizations, school librarians, science teachers, the general public, and library staff for books to be purchased this spring.

In the future, community organizations that hold seminars and presentations will be encouraged to contact Hayner Library for a display and list of books that relate to their particular activity.

"We hope to engage the community in selecting science as a preferred reading choice and complement the science-related activities of our many community organizations," said Duvernoy.

In addition, as Common Core standards go into effect, it is hoped that the collection will supplement and complement the needs of area students. Particularly helpful will be new or updated books that will provide background information for hundreds of students who participate in science fairs each year. A list of the new books will be distributed to teachers in August.

The library presently provides guided tours of its collection and instruction on how to locate materials. Individuals, students, and community groups may request an information session on the new and present resources, or request a tour by contacting the library.

"Science is exciting. It is the process of exploring things we don't understand. Curiosity and need drive science. We at Hayner are excited about this opportunity to purchase updated science books," Duvernoy said.

The grant, part of "Another Opportunity for Back to Books," was awarded to The Hayner Public Library District by the Illinois Secretary of State, Jesse White, who is also the Illinois State Librarian. Secretary White has always been a strong advocate for the libraries in the state. The grant received is part of the $500,000 *Library Services and Technology Act* funds provided to states by the United States government.

For further information or to suggest a title, please e-mail Jean Shimunek, *Select Science* project coordinator, at jean.shimunek@haynerlibrary.org, or call 462-0677, ext. 2849.

## *Food for Fido*

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month, and in commemoration of this, Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and Hayner Downtown Library will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5A's Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.

Please help our friends at the 5A's—they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected, or abused animals brought to the shelter. The shelter is located at 4530 N. Alby Road, Godfrey, and can be reached at 466-3702. Stop by and visit this wonderful facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever). And, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

## *Cold Memory*

It's a cold memory now, but remember the snowstorm of January 5th? We got up to 10 inches of snow and had subzero temperatures. The Illinois Heartland System that delivers items requested by our patrons from other libraries made no deliveries for two days. On the third day after the storm we received 39 tubs of books, CDs, and DVDs to satisfy your requests—over 800 items were held up in that short period of time. This is an example of the volume of requests we fill for you—and we do it every day!

## *Project Next Generation*

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its eighth year of implementation at Hayner Library. This grant-funded program, originally started to give technology training and life skills to tweens in the sixth through eighth grades, has recently been opened up to fifth graders.

We are excited to be able to offer Saturday workshops for children 10–14 years of age once a month during the fall, winter, and spring in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square facility.

This year's workshops covered a wide variety of technology-based topics. In the fall of 2013 we offered: Social Media Trends for Teens, giving teens information to keep themselves safe while using a number of social media sites; Trimble SketchUp, which gave teens the basics to use a 3D modeling program that could help with architectural, interior, and mechanical or civil engineering design; and Building with Snap Circuits, which gave students the ability to use snap circuitry to build a number of fun and useful magnetic, solar-powered, and computer-interfaced projects.

The fun continued in the winter and spring of 2014 with Online Cookbook Making, which taught students and their parents how to use Matilda's Fantastic Cookbook software This software helped students download, organize, share, and save recipes to their computers; and Inside a Desktop Computer, which gave students a look inside a desktop computer and taught them how each component contributes to its functionality. Each class offered participants practical and useful skills they could use in their daily lives.

These classes have been very successful, and we hope to be able to offer them and new classes in the upcoming year. In addition, we hope to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and other technological equipment.

For more information on upcoming programs, please watch for announcements in The Hayner Public Library District fall 2014 newsletter or on the Hayner website at www.haynerlibrary.org/ TeenSpace.

PROJECT next GENERATION

## *Scouts, Students, and Art Lovers Visit the Genealogy & Local History Library*

For quite some time we have welcomed Scout groups to the Genealogy & Local History Library, but, happily, things have been even busier than usual lately. Tiger Scout Pack 3073 came to the library for a local history scavenger hunt. Cub Scout Pack 3073 earned their heritage belt loops by filling out family trees and doing research in the digitized *Alton Telegraph* newspaper archive and in our collection of city directories. Scouts from Boy Scout Troup 137 have used the library to work on their genealogy merit badges, and Genealogy & Local History Manager Lacy McDonald attended one of their troop meetings to describe the various resources available at the library.

In February we also welcomed a group of middle school students from the City Garden Montessori School in St. Louis. The students are completing a term-long project on their individual heritages and came to do research. The students are creating scrapbooks that include things like photos, illustrations, newspaper articles, letters, pressed flowers, material swatches, and other family information such as maps of countries, cities, or towns in which their ancestors lived, and recipes of heritage foods While they were on this Alton field trip, the students also got to see the Rocky Fork exhibit at Lewis & Clark Community College.

The Genealogy & Local History Library also got lucky enough to be put on the Alton tour of the Saint Louis Art Museum docents. Forty docents came to the library to tour the building and see some of our artwork. It was a mutually beneficial visit; we mentioned that the fireplace tiles are original to the building, but that since the building is over 120 years old and comprehensive records were not kept from construction, we have had trouble figuring out the provenance of these tiles. One member of the docent group knew quite a bit about historic tile and gave us the name of a possible tile maker. We were at a dead end in our research, so it's nice to have a new prospect. The docents also gave us a book as a thank-you for the tour: *Saint Louis Art Museum Handbook of the Collection*, which is now available to read in the Illinois Room.

We have really enjoyed our time with all of these groups, so please get in touch with us if you'd like to bring your group to the library. If you're interested in local history, genealogy, art, architecture, or food (we have an extensive cookbook collection, after all), we're happy to plan something special for you.

**Visiting Docents from the St. Louis Art Museum**

## *E-reading Rises as Device Ownership Jumps*

**Most American adults read a print book in the past year, even as e-reading continues to grow**
The proportion of Americans who read e-books is growing, but few have completely replaced print books for electronic versions.

The percentage of adults who read an e-book in the past year has risen to 28%, up from 23% at the end of 2012. At the same time, about seven in ten Americans reported reading a book in print, up four percentage points after a slight dip in 2012, and 14% of adults listened to an audiobook.

Though e-books are rising in popularity, print remains the foundation of Americans' reading habits. Most people who read e-books also read print books, and just 4% of readers are "e-book only." Audiobook listeners have the most diverse reading habits overall, while fewer print readers consume books in other formats.

Overall, 76% of adults read a book in some format over the previous 12 months. The typical American adult read or listened to 5 books in the past year, and the average for all adults was 12 books. Neither the mean nor median number of books read has changed significantly over the past few years.

**More also own dedicated e-reading devices**
The January 2014 survey, conducted just after the 2013 holiday gift-giving season, produced evidence that e-book reading devices are spreading through the population. Some 42% of adults now own tablet computers, up from 34% in September. And the number of adults who own an e-book reading device like a Kindle or Nook reader jumped from 24% in September to 32% after the holidays.

Overall, 50% of Americans now have a dedicated handheld device—either a tablet computer like an iPad, or an e-reader such as a Kindle or Nook—for reading e-content. That figure has grown from 43% of adults who had either of those devices in September.

In addition, the survey found that 92% of adults have a cell phone (including the 55% of adults who have a smartphone), and 75% have a laptop or desktop computer—figures that have not changed significantly from our pre-holiday surveys.

**People read e-books on other devices, too**
E-book readers who own tablets or e-readers are very likely to read e-books on those devices—but those who own computers or cellphones sometimes turn to those platforms, too. And as tablet and e-reader ownership levels have risen over the past few years, these devices have become more prominent in the e-reading landscape.

—Kathryn Zickuhr and Lee Rainie, Pew Internet, Jan. 16, 2014

**Check out e-books from Hayner**
The Hayner Public Library District offers a wide variety of e-books for you to check out. For help downloading these e-books to your reader from the library catalog, Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, May 3, on the basics of downloading e-books.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10.00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Jean will review the basics of downloading e-books and will demonstrate the process on multiple platforms, including the Nook, Kindle Fire, and iPad.

The class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

## *I Found a "Gandy Dancer" in My Family Tree!*

When researching family history, it is easy to find all sorts of strange terminology that makes you step back and say, "Huh?" This is especially true when we are looking at illnesses, occupations, and any foreign document.

Here is an account of my most recent "Huh?" moment. While researching one of my many family lines a short time ago, I came across an ancestor who had been declared a "Gandy Dancer." Well, being my family's only dedicated genealogist, I had a driven need to find out what it meant to our ancestral line to find someone with such an unusual title. What steadfast ancestor detector doesn't want to find that one oddball ancestor who just might be capable of ruining Grandpa's good ol' family name?

So, with enthusiasm mixed with a little bit of hesitation, I went off to search out exactly who my "Gandy Dancer" had been and, more importantly, what circumstance gave him such a peculiar label. Depending on what I found, I wondered if I would even consider adding such a person to my beautiful untarnished family tree.

For my first stop in search of the infamous "Gandy Dancer," I went straight to Google for an answer, and this is what I learned: a "gandy dancer" is a slang term for an early railroad worker. I also discovered that the "gandy" in this title was the tool used to keep the rails straight as the tracks were being laid. The movements made by the work crews while using the "gandy" effectively resembled the actions of a dance. Combine all this, and what do you have? You have a "gandy dancer."

Whew, big sigh of relief! My Gandy Dancer was not a "Fred Astaire wannabe." He was a hardworking, labor-intensive railroad worker who laid and maintained the tracks that ran across the southern states of the growing countryside.

With this new information, my family tree holds more than just names, dates, and memories. Now, nestled within the branches, it cradles one very special "Gandy Dancer."

Start your genealogical search today at the Genealogy & Local History Library of The Hayner Public Library District. You never know who you may find waiting for you! Now, I am off to hunt for an explanation of how "podagra" caused the pain in Grandma's toes!

—Pam Bierman

## *Free Computer Tutorials*

***Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall.***

### Internet Basics (Class limit: 10)

**Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
**Saturday, May 10, 2014, 2:00–3:30 p.m.**
**Tuesday, June 10, 2014, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

Introduction to Web surfing and e-mailing. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience using the Internet or who feel confused or overwhelmed when attempting to navigate the Web.

**The class will teach you how to:**

- Set up an e-mail account
- Send and receive e-mails and files
- Identify and utilize the features of a Web browser
- Use a search engine to locate desired information

Having a basic familiarity with how to use a mouse and keyboard beforehand is recommended. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

### PC Basics (Class limit: 10)

**Friday, April 4, 2014, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
**Tuesday, May 6, 2014, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
**Friday, June 13, 2014, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
**Friday, July 11, 2014, 10:00–11:30 a.m.** Introduction to personal computing. For those who need to come into the world of computers, this is the class for you! Overcome your fears and gain the skills that can get you ready to use a computer more competently.

**After this class you will be able to:**

- Identify basic computer components and operating system features
- Execute basic mouse techniques
- Perform basic keyboard strokes and functions
- Identify and navigate the features of the Desktop
- Open and exit software programs
- Identify and navigate the various toolbars of the Windows environment
- Identify and navigate the Windows environment of Microsoft software applications

To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

### Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)

**Wednesday, April 16, 2014, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**

We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as how to interact with other users. Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 10)

**Wednesday, May 14, 2014, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**

This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the various applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings.
Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Exploring Pinterest and Twitter (Class limit: 10)

**Wednesday, June 18, 2014, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**

Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *eBook Help – 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive eBooks*

**Get eBook help for the new 3M Cloud Library eBooks and for OverDrive eBooks! Now with the addition of 3M Cloud Library eBooks, you will have more eBooks to choose from!**

For help downloading these eBooks to your reader from the library catalog, Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, May 3, on the basics of downloading eBooks

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Jean will review the basics of downloading eBooks and will demonstrate the process on multiple platforms, including the Nook, Kindle Fire, and iPad.

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## *Get Your Latest Copy of Booklist*

For over 100 years *Booklist* magazine has helped more readers find more titles than any other publication. Published by the American Library Association, *Booklist* magazine delivers over 8,000 recommended-only reviews of books, audiobooks, reference sources, videos, and DVDs each year. Spotlight issues provide coverage on popular genres, topics, and themes such as biography, young adult, multicultural literature, graphic novels, romance, sports, and much more. There is full coverage of the prestigious ALA award winners, the annual Editor's Choice and Top of the List issue, ALA Notables, and other "best" lists. There are also interviews, essays, columns ... a wealth of useful information and lively discussion. The Hayner Public Library District subscribes to *Booklist* for you, our patrons. Pick up a copy each month at any Hayner location and keep current with all the latest titles.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our spring 2014 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: We are in a new location for our performance events. 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**

*Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.*

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

***Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library,132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.***

**Saturday, April12**
**Saturday, May 10**
**Saturday, June 14**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Ian McFeron*

**Tuesday, April 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Ian McFeron's writing has been compared to that of Bob Dylan, John Lennon, and Ryan Adams. Over the course of a decade-long independent music career, he has gained a loyal following and attracted media attention stretching across the Atlantic. He currently tours in support of his 7th album, *Time Will Take You*, recorded in Nashville, Tenn., with Grammy-nominated producer/guitarist Doug Lancio and members of Ryan Adams's band, The Cardinals. For this program, Ian will be accompanied by cellist/fiddle player Alisa Milner. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Silver Bullet St. Louis

**Thursday, April 24, 6:30 p.m.**

*This program will be held in Hatheway Cultural Center on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill. 62035.*

Members of several great St. Louis area–based bands have come together to form **Silver Bullet: A Tribute to Bob Seger** and his music. From the '60s to the present day, the history of America has been written with the music of Bob Seger as a backdrop. Come hear this eight-piece Seger tribute hauntingly sung by Steve Tinnon, whose voice is uncannily reminiscent of Bob's. Remember all the great tunes: Like a Rock, Travelin' Man, Main Street, Night Moves, Katmandu . . . don't miss this opportunity for a great night of old-fashioned rock 'n' roll! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bill Nunes *Book Signing*

**Saturday, April 26, 1–2:30 p.m.**

*This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall.*

Glen Carbon author Bill Nunes will be at the Alton Library on April 26 from 1–2:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 26. He will discuss his two latest books —*The Buster Wortman Story* and *An Illustrated History of the St. Louis Cardinals*. These books are currently holding the number one and three sales spots at Barnes & Noble Books in Fairview Heights. *Buster Wortman* was the area's top representative of the Chicago Capone mob for southern Illinois. He held sway over gambling and other activities from 1943 to 1968. The St. Louis Cardinals are second only to the NY Yankees as the most storied team in baseball. Nunes will regale the audience with fascinating stories and tidbits from both books.

Along with Nunes will be James Cochran, a notorious St. Louis bank robber who knew both Wortman and St. Louis mob boss John Vitale. Cochran was on J. Edgar Hoover's personal TEN MOST WANTED list and served 26 years at Leavenworth. He is now a born-again Christian and is a good friend of Albert Pujols. You will not want to miss this exciting afternoon. Autographed copies of Nunes's books will be available afterward. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mike Blakely

**Tuesday, April 29, 6:30 p.m.**

Award-winning singer/songwriter Mike Blakely has released 11 CDs, performed all over the U.S., and made 16 tours to Europe. His songs have been recorded by Gary P. Nunn, Red Steagall, Flaco Jimenez and Raul Malo, John Arthur Martinez, Randy Brown, Geronimo Trevino III and Johnny Rodriguez, Johnny Bush, Pauline Reese, and others. Also an author, Mike has published 18 books released by major New York City publishers. His last two books were co-writes: one with Willie Nelson (*A Tale Out of Luck*), the other with Kenny Rogers (*What Are the Chances*), which was released in September. Mike is a two-time winner of Western Writers of America's Spur Award—once for best Western novel of the year, and once for best Western song of the year. He also has been nominated several times for "Entertainer of the Year" by the Texas Music Awards. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mark Dvorak

**Tuesday, May 13, 6:30 p.m.**

A favorite performer in the Hayner Library Music Series, Mark has a nationwide reputation for singing the folk songs of the American people, following in the footsteps of Woody Guthrie,

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Pete Seeger, and Carl Sandburg. Audiences delight in his nimble guitar and banjo playing, his broad repertoire, his obvious affection for his music, and the charisma radiating from his somewhat offbeat, but warm personality. If you've never enjoyed an evening of Mark's music and humor, don't miss this opportunity. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Steve Davis
### *Elvis! Live!*

**Tuesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m.**

Elvis (yes, THE Elvis) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don't miss this chance to see The King, live, onstage! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## David Massengill

**Thursday, June 5, 6:30 p.m.**

By birth a Tennessean, David Massengill "emigrated" to the Greenwich Village folk scene in the mid-'70s, walking the same streets and playing the same storied coffee houses as Dylan and Van Ronk. Thirty years later, he's still walking those streets—but now he's recognized universally for his pivotal role in keeping the American folk music tradition alive. "A gem of thinking man's romanticism"—*Rolling Stone*; "David Massengill possesses a pure brilliance that is difficult to ignore"—*Boston Globe*; "David's . . . lyrical facility is the most astounding to appear since that of Elvis Costello. He can be wickedly funny and deeply touching in the same line."—*The All American Music Guide*. Don't miss an opportunity to hear a great balladeer who has been compared to Mark Twain and Garrison Keillor. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Suzanne & Jim
### *Song Chasers*

**Tuesday, June 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Suzanne and Jim are musicians who explore new directions by looking back into the roots of Americana music and lore. The husband and wife team blend their voices and instruments in songs of an earlier time. The stories told by these old songs (and the stories behind the songs) not only relate tales of a bygone era but open a window into the origins of our modern culture. The duo's performances are designed from their research into archived collections of historic music and are presented in an informative, yet engaging manner. Each show involves the audience from the first note to the last applause in a memorable entertainment experience. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# TEENSPACE
## (SPRING 2014 TEEN ACTIVITIES)

### April and May Events 2014

Tuesday, April 8 – RBCC Teen Book Club 5:00 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Tuesday, April 15 – Teen Advisory Council 4.30 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Tuesday, April 29 – Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Tuesday, May 13 – RBCC Teen Book Club 5.00 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Tuesday, May 20 – Teen Advisory Council 4:30 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Tuesday, May 20 – Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center (Riverbender.com Community Center)

### Summer Reading Program Events

Saturday, June 7 – Summer Reading Kickoff
Wednesday, June 11 Movie 2:00–4:00 p m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Wednesday, June 18 – Craft: Making homemade pet treats 2:00–4:00 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Wednesday, June 25 – Craft: Easy shelter blankets for pets 2 00–4:00 p m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Wednesday, July 2 - Free Play Day at RBCC 2:00–4:00 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
**Thursday, July 3, LAST DAY TO TURN IN SHEETS**
Friday July 4 – **Happy 4th of July – Library Closed**
Wednesday, July 9 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party with Karaoke 2:00–4:00 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)

To register for any of our spring and summer programs, please call 618 433-2872.

# KIDSSPACE
## SPRING 2014 ACTIVITIES

### April and May KidsSpace Events:

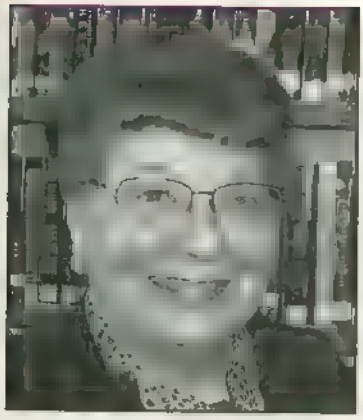
Wednesday, April 2 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 years (Alton Square)
Thursday, April 3 – Mary Kay's Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Downtown Kids)
Monday, April 7 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Alton Square)
Monday, April 7 – Evening Story Time 6:30 p.m. Ages 2–6 years (Downtown Kids)
Tuesday, April 8 – After-School Fun 3:30 p.m. Ages 5–12 (Downtown Kids)
Wednesday, April 9 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 years (Alton Square)
Thursday, April 10 – Mary Kay's Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Downtown Kids)
Thursday, April 10 – Legos @ Your Library 3:30 p.m. Ages 5–10 years (Alton Square)
Saturday, April 12 – Easter Party 10 a.m. Ages Birth–10 years (Alton Square)
Monday, April 14 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Alton Square)
Monday, April 14 – Evening Story Time 6:30 p.m. Ages 2–6 years (Downtown Kids)
Wednesday, April 16 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 years (Alton Square)
Thursday, April 17 – Mary Kay's Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Downtown Kids)
Monday, April 21 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Alton Square)
Monday, April 21 – Evening Story Time 6:30 p.m. Ages 2–6 years (Downtown Kids)
Wednesday, April 23 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 years (Alton Square)
Thursday, April 24 – Mary Kay's Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Downtown Kids)
Monday, April 28 – Spanish Story Time 10 a.m Ages 3–5 years (Alton Square)
Monday, April 28 – Evening Story Time 6:30 p.m. Ages 2–6 years (Downtown Kids)
Wednesday, April 30 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 years (Alton Square)
Thursday, May 1 – Mary Kay's Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Downtown Kids)
Monday, May 5 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Alton Square)
Monday, May 5 – Evening Story Time 6:30 p.m. Ages 2–6 years (Downtown Kids)
Wednesday, May 7 –Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 years (Alton Square)
Thursday, May 8 – Mary Kay's Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Downtown Kids)
Thursday, May 8 – Legos @ Your Library 3:30 p.m. Ages 5–10 years (Alton Square)
Monday, May 12 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Alton Square)
Monday, May 12 – Evening Story Time 6:30 p.m. Ages 2–6 years (Downtown Kids)
Tuesday, May 13 – After-School Fun 3:30 p.m. Ages 5–12 (Downtown Kids)
Wednesday, May 14 – No Programs
Thursday, May 15 – Mary Kay's Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Downtown Kids)
Monday, May 19 – Movers and Shakers Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Alton Square)
Monday, May 19 – Evening Story Time 6:30 p.m. Ages 2–6 years (Downtown Kids)
Wednesday, May 21 – Mommy and Me Story Time 10 a.m. Ages Birth–2 years (Alton Square)
Thursday, May 22 – Mary Kay's Story Time 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 years (Downtown Kids)
Monday, May 26 – Friday, May 30 – **No programs this week**

### Summer Reading Program Events:

Saturday, June 7 – Summer Reading Kickoff
Monday, June 9 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Tuesday, June 10 – Stories and Craft 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 (Downtown)
Tuesday, June 10 – Family Movie Matinee 2 p.m. (Alton Square)
Wednesday, June 11 – Wild Bird Sanctuary "Sing-along" 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Thursday, June 12 – Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11 (Alton Square)
Monday, June 16 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Tuesday, June 17 – Stories and Craft 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 (Downtown)
Tuesday, June 17 – Family Movie Matinee 2 p.m. (Alton Square)
Wednesday, June 18 – Animal Tales Animal Science 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Thursday, June 19 – Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11 (Alton Square)
Monday, June 23 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Tuesday, June 24 – Stories and Craft 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 (Downtown)
Tuesday, June 24 – Family Movie Matinee 2 p.m. (Alton Square)
Wednesday, June 25 – Reading Is Paws-itively Magic 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Thursday, June 26 – Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11 (Alton Square)
Monday, June 30 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Tuesday, July 1 – Stories and Craft 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 (Downtown)
Tuesday, July 1 – Family Movie Matinee 2 p.m. (Alton Square)
Wednesday, July 2 – **No Performer**
Thursday, July 3 – Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11 (Alton Square)
Friday, July 4 – **Happy 4th of July – Library CLOSED!**
Monday, July 7 – Stories and Puppets 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Tuesday, July 8 – Stories and Craft 10 a.m. Ages 3–5 (Downtown)
Tuesday, July 8 – Family Movie Matinee 2 p.m. (Alton Square)
Wednesday, July 9 – Steve and T.V. 10 a.m. (Alton Square)
Thursday, July 10 – Summertime Craft 10 a.m. Ages 5–11 (Alton Square)
Friday, July 11 – LAST DAY TO TURN IN SHEETS
Thursday, July 17 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party with WildHeart, by invitation only

To register for any of our spring or summer programs, please call Alton Square at 433-2881 or Downtown Kids at 618-462-0677, ext. 2836.

# VOLUNTEER PROFILE



*June Weinrich has been a volunteer with Hayner Library since 1989. She has been a wonderful asset and friend to me and the library. I gave her some questions to answer about her life. Below are her answers. We thank June for her long friendship and dedication to our library.*

*—Stephanie Munson, Volunteer Coordinator*

I was born in Alton and have always lived in Alton or Godfrey. I had just one sister, who was 12 years older than I, and in many ways she was like a second mother to me during my early years. No doubt I was spoiled by her and my parents, as well as by a grandmother and other family members who lived nearby.

I was rather shy and quiet as a child. I liked to play with dolls and paper dolls and have tea parties, serving make-believe food. I remember making little mud pies and serving flower seed pods that looked like green beans to my dolls, on little tin plates. I also liked to roller skate on the sidewalks, jump rope, and ride bikes.

Life today is very different for young children and teens. I think it is unfortunate that children don't seem to play outdoors as much as we did. So much time is spent texting rather than communicating face-to-face with friends and family that I think they are missing the pleasure of personal contacts.

My mother chose the unusual name of Ilda (pronounced with a long I) as my first name because she had a childhood friend named that, and she thought it was pretty. The only other time I have ever seen that name was in the credits before an old movie that read "Costumes by Ilda." My family usually called me by both names, Ilda June, or by a nickname my grandmother gave me. I was told that after I was born she said, "Isn't she a cute little Butzie" (which I think was an old German endearment), and Butzie became my nickname.

Throughout my years in elementary school, I used my first name, but because it is unusual, it was often misspelled and mispronounced, so I decided when I entered junior high school, I would be called by my middle name, June. I dearly loved one of my elementary teachers, and when she learned of my plan to change my name, she said something to me I will never forget because it was such a sweet comment. She said, "June is a pretty name, but Ilda is a fairy princess name." This teacher married and moved to the Chicago area, but she often wrote to me, and we stayed in touch for years.

I learned early from my parents to be considerate of others, particularly elderly people. My mother always prepared food to take to families when there was illness or a death. She was a good cook, and I got my enjoyment of cooking from her. I got my love of Cardinals baseball from my Dad. We used to listen together to the games on the radio when I was a child, and he would tell me about some of the great players of that era.

Holiday celebrations were always spent with family members. I especially remember 4th of July barbecues in my uncle's backyard, with lots of barbecued ribs. He was my mother's brother, and his birthday was on July 4th and my mother's was July 3rd, so Independence Day was also a big birthday party. Since my immediate family was small, we also spent Christmas and other holidays with extended family. After she was married, my sister lived in another state, so we often traveled there or her family came to be with us.

Although my husband, Gail, and I grew up in this community, we didn't meet until after high school. We became acquainted at a young couple's club at the YMCA called the Co-Ed Club. The group held a lot of parties, picnics, and cookouts that we attended, and before long we became a "steady couple."

Shortly after, Gail was inducted into the Army during the Korean War. We knew he would be going overseas soon, and we decided we wanted to be married before he left, so we were married later that year. He spent 17 months in Japan and when he returned, he resumed his college education and we started our family. We were blessed with three daughters and now have two granddaughters. Gail has always been loving and attentive to our children and grandchildren. Since retirement, he volunteers much of his time to several service organizations. I especially appreciate how supportive and encouraging he is to me in anything I do. We have been married for 62 happy years.

My favorite movie is *To Kill A Mockingbird*. It is hard for me to choose a favorite book—there are many that I love, such as *Gone With the Wind* and *Sarah's Key*; and as a mother and grandmother, I am very fond of all the Dr. Seuss books. I have saved our old copies and hope someday to read them to a great-grandchild when we have one. I like to read mysteries and legal/courtroom stories. For fun, in addition to reading, I enjoy sewing and doing craft projects of various kinds and researching family history. I also like to travel, and we have been fortunate to travel to a number of countries.

I enjoy volunteering with several organizations. My favorite volunteer job has been delivering books from Hayner Library to homebound people. Many of those people became very dear to me, and my life has been enriched by the visits and conversations I have had with them. I learned about this service many years ago when I was visiting a disabled friend and while I was there she received a box of books delivered to her by Dr. DuVivier. I inquired about it and learned this was a service provided by Hayner. Immediately, I knew this was something I would like to do, so I went to the library and volunteered and have been doing it ever since.

One honor I have received was being appointed to serve as chairperson of a pastor search committee for my church and being asked to participate in the installation service of that pastor.

The two most difficult things that have ever happened to me were when my father died in an accident when I was 17 and also the unexpected death of my sister when she was only 57.

My best advice for living a good life is to remain as active as possible and participate in organizations and projects that benefit the community. Try to do what you can for others when needed, especially by being a compassionate listener when someone needs a friend to talk to.

## *New & Forthcoming Books*

**—Nonfiction**

**Aczel, Amir.** Why Science Does Not Disprove God

**Bauman, Jeff.** Stronger (Fighting Back After the Boston Marathon Bombing)

**Bittman, Mark.** The VB6 Cookbook: More than 350 Recipes for Healthy Vegan Meals All Day and Delicious Flexitarian Dinners at Night

**Bland, Jeffrey S.** The Disease Delusion: Conquering the Causes of Chronic Illness for a Healthier, Longer, and Happier Life

**Bowen, James.** The World According to Bob: The Further Adventures of One Man and His Streetwise Cat

**Braxton, Toni.** Unbreak My Heart

**Cain, Lisa.** Snack Girl to the Rescue

**Clinton, Hillary Rodham.** Untitled Memoir

**Fieri, Guy.** Guy on Fire: 130 Outdoor Cooking Adventures

**Food Network Kitchens.** The Chopped Cookbook

**Fuhrman, Joel.** The End of Dieting: How to Live for Life

**Goldstone, Lawrence.** Birdmen: The Wright Brothers, Glenn Curtiss, and the Battle to Control the Skies

**Greenwald, Glenn.** No Place to Hide: Edward Snowden, the NSA, and the U.S. Surveillance State

**Keaton, Diane.** Let's Just Say It Wasn't Pretty

**Korda, Michael.** Clouds of Glory: The Life and Legend of Robert E. Lee

**Levitt, Steven D.** Think Like a Freak (From the authors of Freakonomics)

**Lowe, Rob.** Love Life

**Mayes, Frances.** Under Magnolia: A Southern Memoir

**McCullough, David, Jr.** You Are Not Special . . . And other Encouragements

**Meeker, Meg.** Strong Mothers, Strong Sons: Lessons Mothers Need to Raise Extraordinary Men

**Meyer, Joyce.** You Can Begin Again: No Matter What, It's Never Too Late

**Miller, Abby Lee.** Everything I Learned About Life, I Learned in Dance Class

**Morris, Seymour.** Supreme Commander: MacArthur's Triumph in Japan

**Neely, Patrick.** Back Home with the Neelys: Comfort Food from Our Southern Kitchen to Yours

**Padgett, Jason.** Struck by Genius: How a Brain Injury Made Me a Mathematical Marvel

**Pembroke, Greg.** Reasons My Kid Is Crying (Humor)

**Ramsey, Dave.** Smart Money Smart Kids: Raising the Next Generation to Win with Money

**Rivera, Mariano.** The Closer

**Ryan, Nolan.** The Nolan Ryan Beef & Barbecue Cookbook: Recipes from a Texas Kitchen

**Saget, Bob.** Dirty Daddy: The Chronicles of a Family Man Turned Filthy Comedian

**Spencer, Lara.** I Flip for Flea Markets

**Thomas, Marlo.** It Ain't Over . . . Till It's Over: Reinventing Your Life—and Realizing Your Dreams—Anytime, at Any Age

**Todd, Chuck.** The Stranger: Barack Obama in the White House

**—Fiction**

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Death Come Quickly

**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Wishing Well

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B. Parker's Cheap Shot (Spenser)

**Baldacci, David.** The Target

**Barr, Nevada.** Destroyer Angel

**Berry, Steve.** The Lincoln Myth: A Novel (Cotton Malone)

**Binchy, Maeve.** Chestnut Street

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** Cavendon Hall

**Brown, Dale.** Starfire

**Coonts, Stephen.** Saucer

**Cussler, Clive.** Ghost Ship

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Skin Collector (Lincoln Rhyme)

**De Rosnay, Tatiana.** The Other Story

**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** A Wanted Woman

**Donoghue, Emma.** Frog Music

**Evanovich, Janet.** Top Secret Twenty-One

**Evans, Richard Paul.** Walking on Water

**Fairstein, Linda.** Terminal City

**Finder, Joseph.** Suspicion

**Fletcher, Jessica and Donald Bain.** Murder, She Wrote: Aloha Betrayed

**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** The Hurricane Sisters

**Furst, Alan.** Midnight in Europe: A Novel

**Gardiner, Meg.** Phantom Instinct

**Giffin, Emily.** The One and Only

**Grimes, Martha.** Vertigo 42

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** The Matchmaker

**Iles, Greg.** Natchez Burning

**Johansen, Iris.** Live to See Tomorrow

**King, Stephen.** Mr. Mercedes

**Lescroart, John.** The Keeper

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Last Bride

**Lindsey, Johanna.** Stormy Persuasion

**Lowell, Elizabeth.** Night Diver

**Lustbader, Eric.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Ascendancy

**Macomber, Debbie.** Blossom Street Brides

**McDermid, Val.** Northanger Abbey

**McMurtry, Larry.** The Last Kind Words Saloon

**Michaels, Fern.** A Family Affair

**Miller, Sue.** The Arsonist

**Nesbo, Jo.** The Son: A Novel

**Palmer, Michael.** Resistant

**Patterson, James.** Invisible

**Patterson, James.** Unlucky 13

**Pearson, Ridley.** The Red Room

**Perry, Anne.** Death on Blackheath

**Quick, Amanda.** Otherwise Engaged

**Roberts, Nora.** The Collector

**Roby, Kimberla Lawson.** The Prodigal Son

**Rollins, James.** The Kill Switch: A Tucker Wayne Novel

**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia's Marvelous Makeover

**Sandford, John.** Field of Prey

**Scottoline, Lisa.** Keep Quiet

**See, Lisa.** China Dolls

**Slaughter, Karin.** Cop Town

**Thayer, Nancy.** Nantucket Sisters

**Weiner, Jennifer.** All Fall Down

**Woods, Stuart.** Carnal Curiosity

## *Facts About America's Libraries*

There are more public libraries than McDonald's in the U.S.—a total of 16,766 including branches

Americans spend nearly three times as much on candy as they do on public libraries

Americans go to school, public, and academic libraries more than three times more often than they go to the movies

Fifty-eight percent of adults in the U.S. have public library cards

Reference librarians in the nation's public and academic libraries answer nearly 6.6 million questions weekly

Americans check out more than eight books a year, on average

Almost 89% of public library outlets now offer wireless Internet access

—American Library Association, ALA Office for Research & Statistics

## EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT

Cathie Lamere, a longtime employee of The Hayner Public Library District, retired this past January 2014. Cathie worked as the Manager of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, a department that Cathie built from one part-time person to a staff of two full-time people and three part-timers.

Cathie first joined Hayner Library in 1996 as a part-time Library Assistant in the Children's Library and after a year took a full-time position working at the circulation desk in the Downtown Library. While working the circ desk, Cathie was asked by her manager if she would also take over genealogy, a fledgling service.

Cathie remembers that initially most of her time was spent looking up obituaries for patron inquiries. Soon she was spending half her day answering genealogy inquiries and half her day on a cataloging project. Then, in 2001, Cathie was asked by management to take on genealogy full time and grow it. Cathie's only question was "How big?"

Grow it, she did. Cathie started taking appointments with patrons to help them with their genealogy research, using the tools available through the library. Word of mouth spread quickly, and soon Cathie had more appointments than she could handle She also had plans for the department to extend its services into the community.

Cathie's responsibilities also grew to include the management and growth of Hayner's local history collections and overseeing the large project of digitizing past issues of the *Telegraph* back to 1836.

By 2011, the services provided by Cathie and her staff were relocated to the refurbished Hayner Building at 401 State Street. Built in 1891, this beautiful building was restored to its original grandeur in 2011. Today it houses museum-quality displays featuring various facets of the Riverbend's local history. It also houses all of Hayner's local history research collections and is home to the Genealogy staff. Here, the staff meets with patrons to provide one-on-one training in completing genealogy research.

Quarterly programs feature talks by local historians and researchers. Tours of the library and museum displays are provided for the public. There is a gallery that features the digitized photographs of Bob Graul, renowned photographer for the *Telegraph* for 42 years. Computers allow free public access to online databases, including Ancestry Library Edition, Sanborn Maps, and Heritage Quest as well as the *Telegraph* archives.

Cathie also designed and implemented an ongoing series of monthly classes that teach different aspects of building your family tree, suitable for beginners to advanced researchers. Along with many outreach community programs, the staff has also partnered with Lewis & Clark Community College and the Ninian Edwards Chapter of DAR to train the public in researching tools and skills.

Upon retirement, Cathie looks forward to traveling the country with her husband, Frank, and enjoying spending more time with her three married children and seven grandchildren. She also is an avid quilter.

Cathie's position will be filled by Lacy McDonald, previously Hayner's Museum Display Coordinator. Lacy has a Bachelor's degree from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota, a Master of Library Science from University of Illinois, and a graduate certificate in Special Collections Librarianship. Lacy and her husband live in Godfrey, Ill.

Cathie will be missed by staff and patrons alike. We wish her a happy and healthy retirement!

## *Cookbook Display at the Genealogy & Local History Library*

*"If you really want to make a friend, go to someone's house and eat with him . . . the people who give you their food give you their heart."— César Chávez*

If there's one thing that brings people together, it's food. In March, we welcomed Donna Pierce, a Road Scholar with the Illinois Humanities Council, for her program "Meals on Wheels: Great Migration Recipes Ride the Rails North." This event was produced in part by the Illinois Humanities Council's Road Scholars Speakers Bureau, a program that provides organizations statewide with affordable, entertaining, and thought-provoking humanities events for their communities. Ms. Pierce's program description is provided below:

> Before the Great Migration, 90 percent of all African Americans in the U.S. lived in the southern states. Between 1915 and the Civil Rights Movement of the 1970s, six million black people changed their addresses from the segregated South to the urban North. Several Illinois cities have come to be known as destinations of the Great Migration, including Alton, Peoria, and Chicago. Using cookbooks and oral histories, Donna Pierce explores migrated recipes such as smothered chicken, chitterlings, black-eyed peas, barbecue, biscuits, caramel cake, and more. She discusses how these recipes transport many people back to a South (with ties to Africa) they have never known.

The Genealogy & Local History Library possesses many cookbooks compiled locally. The most recently acquired cookbook is the *Black Pioneer Cookbook*, which tied in nicely with Donna Pierce's talk. The Committee on Black Pioneers, through the Alton Museum of History and Art, published the *Black Pioneer Cookbook* in the late 1980s, and it was recently reprinted. The cookbook contains recipes for all of the foods mentioned in Ms. Pierce's program description above (and much more) and also includes household hints, information about the Underground Railroad and Rocky Fork, and photographs and biographies of prominent black citizens from years past. The Alton Museum of History and Art generously donated a copy of the *Black Pioneer Cookbook* to the Genealogy & Local History Library, but if you'd like your own, it is available to purchase for $12 at the Museum.

All of our cookbooks are housed in the Illinois Room, but several, including the *Black Pioneer Cookbook*, will be on display through July. If you come into the Genealogy & Local History Library while the display is up, we will provide you with free copies of the recipes featured in the display. After all, cooking from traditional recipes is a wonderful way to connect to ancestors and others who lived here long ago.

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Downtown Library
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Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Alton Square Library
Mon.—Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, Noon to 6 p.m.

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Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Wed., 12:00 noon–8:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

American Passenger Arrival Records IR 929.1072073 TEP
Architects of Rural Progress (donation) IR 334.681 SEV
Big Book of St. Louis Nostalgia IR 977.866 NUN
Chicago Postal History (donation) IR 383.0977311 TWE
Courthouse Research IR 929.1 ROS
Family Pride (donation) IR 929 BEA
Farm Plat Book and Business Guide, Madison County, Illinois 1950 IR 912.77386 FAR
Frontier Illinois IR 977.303 DAV
Historical Map of Illinois IR 977.3 BLA
History of Logan County, Illinois (donation) IR 977.357 HIS
How to Search American Indian Blood Lines IR 929.108997 CAR
Lewis and Clark Expedition 1803–1806, a Bicentennial Calendar IR 917.8042 LEW
Organized Crime in Illinois (donation) IR 364.106773 IIT
Presbytery Reporter (Lippincott) IR B LIPPINCOTT
Rand McNally Road Atlas 1998 (donation) IR 912.73 ROA
The Riverton Culture (donation) IR 977.3 WIN
They Came in Ships IR 929.1 COL
Township School Trustees and Treasurers in Illinois 1819–1980 (donation) IR 371.20068 CLA
Twenty-Seven Chicago Designers (donation) IR 741.60977311 TWE
We Are the Church Together (patron donation) IR 287677386 SAA
Western Military Academy Athletics IR 796.0420977386 WES
Where to Look for Hard-to-Find German-Speaking Ancestors IR 929.108931 WHE
Wood River IR 977.386 REA

## *Performance Room Has a New Location*

Many of you enjoy the ongoing programs presented by the Hayner Library Performance Series. These programs range from a wide spectrum of musical genres to actor/scholar presentations and Community Services informational events. All the programs are offered free to the general public. Funding for our programs is provided through private endowment or grants. As of January 1, 2014, the location of these programs has been moved. The new programming space is in the Alton Square Mall on the second floor on the east side of the mall. The space is located midway between J.C. Penney and the mall escalators. Please check our Calendar of Events in this newsletter and online (www.haynerlibrary.org) for the current programming schedule, and join us in our new space for this great series of entertaining and informative programs.

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## Hayner Library Databases Provide Help to All Ages

Hayner Library has a wide array of online resources to help teachers, students, and anyone interested in topics for research or for self-improvement. Library databases, sometimes called online resources or online databases, are organized collections of electronic information that allow you to search for a particular topic, article, or book in a variety of ways (e.g., keyword, subject, author, title). When you search one of these databases, you are not searching the Web; you're searching pre-selected material that is the equivalent of what you might find on a library shelf in print format.

Subscription databases consist of published journals, magazines, documents, newspapers, books, image collections, and more. Hayner Library has purchased subscription access to a variety of online databases. These resources are accessed online through the Hayner Library website at www.haynerlibrary.org.

***Why do libraries subscribe to databases?***

- To help students doing research papers by providing accurate, authoritative articles on a wide variety of topics. Each article found is cited and can be converted to a selected citation style (MLA, APA, etc.), making it easy for students to copy and paste the citation into their papers.
- To offer access to thousands of articles from hundreds of journals and magazines, many more than a library could physically have on hand.
- To offer patrons a quick, easy way to obtain reliable information on topics of interest.

Hayner Library subscribes to more than 20 subscription databases. Some of these databases are as follows:

- **Biography Reference Center** is a comprehensive collection of full-text biographies.
- **Literary Reference Center** offers book summaries, author information, and more.
- **Academic Search Premier** offers peer-reviewed, full-text journal articles from many academic areas, including biology, chemistry, physics, psychology, and religion.
- **History Reference Center** offers articles, images, videos, and primary source documents on American and world history.
- **Science Reference Center** includes biology, chemistry, Earth and space science, environmental science, health, medicine, life science, physics, scientists, and technology.
- **Points of View Reference Center** provides students with a series of controversial essays that present multiple sides of a current issue.
- **Auto Repair Reference Center** has repair information for model years 1954 to 2010.
- **NoveList Plus** is a reader's advisory for fiction and nonfiction. **NoveList K-8 Plus** is designed for teachers and kids. Features Grab and Go book lists, Picture Book Extenders
- **ConsumerReports.org** provides the most current reviews of consumer products.
- **Hobbies & Crafts Reference Center** offers detailed "how-to" instructions and creative ideas for hobby enthusiasts provided from leading hobby and craft magazines.
- **Home Improvement Reference Center** has articles, videos, and images to help homeowners tackle home repairs safely.
- **Legal Information Reference Center** provides full text for many of the top consumer legal reference books and contains thousands of legal forms.

These reliable, accurate information sources are free with your Hayner Library card number. You can access them from home or within the library at www.haynerlibrary.org by clicking Online Resources on the home screen.

*To learn more about Hayner Library databases and how to use them, attend the **Database Class/Library Tour** held on **Saturday, September 20, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.** in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. For group database classes and library tours, please contact Sharon Windham at 433-2861.*

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

### MAILING LIST UPDATE

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, August 31 & September 1

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## Staff Development Day

On April 11, all Hayner Library locations were closed so that staff could attend our annual Staff Development Day event. This is a day set aside to bring the entire staff together for educational and skills development presentations and activities. This year's agenda featured three keynote speakers.

Detective Dustin Christner of the Alton Police Department presented a session on Workplace Safety highlighting considerations and the appropriate actions staff must take in a threatening situation to protect both themselves and our patrons.

Anne Craig, Director of the Illinois State Library, presented "The Community as Collection: The Future of Illinois Libraries." Her talk focused on the need to follow the community's lead in developing the best services that libraries can offer. Today's world is divided into users "before" and "after" the Internet. The "before" group are those people who remain in a world largely without technology. "After" users are wrapped in a world where there is nothing but technology. Libraries must address the needs of both these groups, making sure that services are relevant, convenient, and useful. There is also a need to provide guidance in the area of self-service, a growing sphere of interest for patrons today.

Chris Dawdy, SHARE staff Services Manager, Illinois Library Heartland System, discussed Zinio, a new product offering for library patrons. Zinio offers a digital database of over 100 popular magazines for patrons to check out onto their computers, tablets, or smartphones. This service will be available through The Hayner Public Library District online catalog starting in August 2014.

The event was held at the Riverbender.com Community Center, the space generously donated by owner John Hentrich.

## In memory of my dear friend, Dr. Ned DuVivier

Dr. Edward DuVivier of Alton passed away on May 21, 2014. He was a retired Alton pediatrician and a volunteer at Hayner Library for twenty years.

Our life is a long journey. Along the way we meet people who change us in the best way. They have something to teach us about life. Dr. Ned was one of my best teachers. He taught me how to grow old with dignity. He taught me we are never too old to learn. He showed me how to accept getting older. He understood why our bodies do what they do. He taught me to look at aging as one of life's many roads we must take on our journey.

When Dr. Ned retired from being a pediatrician, at 70 years old, he called me at the library and asked if he could deliver books for me. He was one of the first volunteers to deliver books for Hayner. He came every week to pick up boxes of books to go to nursing homes and senior high-rise apartments. He volunteered for me for twenty years.

Dr. Ned was a huge advocate for AARP. He fought for senior citizens. He made many trips to the capital in Springfield to stand up for the rights of seniors. At 90, his eyesight began to fail, and he had to quit volunteering for us.

I stayed in contact with him these last few years. I would see him at church every Sunday, moving slowly but always ready for a kiss and hug from me. Even though his body slowed down, his brain kept working and was always ready to learn something new. If I had a problem, I knew I could go to him and he would give me good advice.

My last visit with him was this winter. My granddaughter, Brooklyn, and I made cookies and delivered them to a few friends who were under the weather. We stopped by Dr. Ned's. He was in his wheelchair reading. He looked up and saw Brook and right away wanted to know all about her. He had so many questions for Brooklyn. He talked with her as if he had known her forever. He wanted to know about her school, what she liked best in school. He talked about where she lived. He asked if she played sports. We left him with a kiss and hug from both of us.

So when you meet those special people on your journey, take time to listen to them. They will touch your life in ways you never dreamed possible.

I will always have Dr. Ned's lessons tucked away for ready reference. I am so happy to have known this kind and gentle man . . . Ned.

Stephanie Munson
Volunteer Coordinator

## Congratulations to Michelle

Our Facebook Contest Winner is Michelle Murray. Michelle has lived in the Godfrey area since 2007 and is an avid library patron. She frequents the Mommy & Me Story Times at Alton Square with her two young sons.

"I really like the library; I'm here all the time. Reading is so important to me."

## See What's Coming Out in DVD!

Curious about what new DVDs we're adding to our collections? Now it's easier to keep current on new releases. At each circulation desk, we can provide you with a catalog featuring the jacket covers of our latest additions. Just page through the catalog and order the titles you are interested in. Ask for the book at the circulation desks of the Downtown Library and the Alton Square Mall Library.

Did you know that you can access our card catalog on your mobile device by visiting The Hayner Public Library District's website? Key "Hayner Public Library" into your favorite mobile search engine and browse our collection by clicking on "search the catalog." You can also find our catalog by visiting www.illshareit.com on your smartphone or tablet and entering your ZIP code. Because of the accessibility and ease of use of these websites on mobile devices, Hayner will no longer be supporting the BOOPSIE app after June 28, 2014. Patrons will still be able to check availability and place requests on any item while using these catalogs.

## Hayner Library Supports Summer Jazz Series

The Hayner Public Library District, in partnership with the North Alton–Godfrey Business Council, Greater Gateway Association of Realtors, Andy's Auto Body, Senior Services Plus, Liberty Bank, Strategic Consulting, Inc., and Tony's North of Jerseyville, will provide sponsorship for the "Expressions—a Musical Experience" (formerly Jazz in the Park) Concert Series to be held May through September 2014.

All the concerts are free of charge and will be held at Alton Senior High Performing Arts Auditorium except the August 13 concert, which will be held at Hatheway Cultural Center, Lewis & Clark Community College. These programs of various jazz performances are a great way to spend a summer evening.

All concerts start at 7:00 p.m. The remainder of the summer schedule includes:

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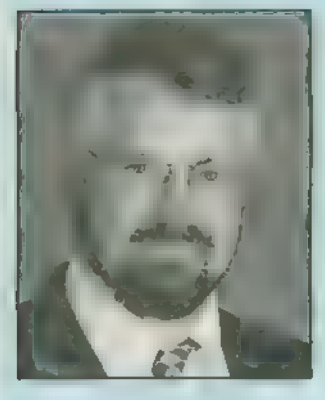
| July 9 | "A Tribute to the Rat Pack" featuring the Little Big Band and vocalist Steve Shinunger |
| August 13 | "Sentimental Journey Dance Band" |
| September 10 | "St. Louis Symphony Ensemble" |
| September 24 | "Shades of Blue Jazz Big Band" featuring the world-renowned jazz ensemble from Scott Air Force Base. |

For more information, call (618) 779-9735.

## STEM Learning @Hayner Library



**Meet with Dr. Brad Noble for an open discussion on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) on Wednesday, September 10, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library Alton Square.**

Dr. Noble is an Associate Professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at SIUE. A native of Illinois, he obtained a B.S. and an M.S. from SIUE before he earned his Doctorate of Science from Washington University in St. Louis. His areas of expertise include embedded systems, network engineering, signal processing, interfacing, and the design and fabrication of innovative circuitry. Since joining the faculty at SIUE in 1996, Dr. Noble has taught seventeen different subjects, three of which he developed. He is the recipient of the SIUE 2007–2008 Teaching Excellence Award and, most recently, the 2011 SIUE Alumni Association Great Teacher Award.

Getting students interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, and improving STEM education is a national priority. STEM education fosters a love of science by encouraging and inspiring learners to understand how we relate to science in our everyday lives. Hayner Public library is pleased to provide an opportunity for the community to meet with STEM professional Dr. Brad Noble for an open discussion on these science topics.

To support STEM learning, The Hayner Public Library District has enhanced its science collection through a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library from funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the federal Library Services and Technology Act. The project, called ***Select Science***, features new STEM books showcased in displays throughout the Hayner libraries. Come join us for an interesting discussion, and check out some new science books!

## Reported by the Illinois Library Association, March 2014

The **Institute of Museum and Library Services** is the primary source of federal support for the nation's 123,000 libraries and 17,500 museums. In first quarter 2014 the IMLS released a preview of the 24th Annual (FY 2011) Public Library Survey.

Some of what was reported:

- In fiscal year 2011 (FY 2011), there were 8,956 public libraries in the United States, which served 299.9 million people (95.3% of the US population).

*[The Hayner Public Library District serves a population of over 49,000 people. This includes Alton, Godfrey, and Foster townships. Of this 49,000 over 26,000 have a library card.]*

- There were 1.53 billion in-person visits to public libraries, the equivalent of more than 4.2 million visits each day (not including virtual visits).

*[The Hayner Public Library District averages over 35,000 in-person visits to its library locations per month.]*

- Attendance at public library programs increased for the eighth year with 89 million people attending 3.81 million programs.

*[The Hayner Public Library District had an attendance of over 10,000 people to library programs in fiscal year 2013.]*

- There were 341.5 million usage sessions on public access Internet computers at public libraries, a decrease of 7.2% since FY 2006.

*[There were over 75,000 in-house usage sessions on the public access Internet computers in The Hayner Public Library District in FY 2013. This does not include remote access sessions.]*

- There were 3.8 million programs offered at public libraries, an increase of 46.7% since FY 2004. Most programs (70.0%) were targeted to children.

*[The Hayner Public Library District offered over 300 free library programs in FY 2013.]*

- There were 261,413 public access Internet computers available at public libraries throughout the United States, a 1-year increase of 6.8% and 10-year increase of 86.2%.

*[The Hayner Public Library District has 95 Internet computers available for free public access.]*

- Public libraries have seen a decrease in the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) staff since the recession. There were 137,103 FTE staff—11.4 FTEs per 25,000 people. This is a decrease of 5.5% since FY 2008.

*[The Hayner Public Library District employs 28 full-time staff and 32 part-time staff.]*

- The number of public librarians has remained stable over 10 years, averaging 4.0 public librarians per 25,000 people. Librarians comprise one-third of the overall public library staff.

*[The Hayner Public Library District employs 4 MLS-qualified librarians.]*

## *Our Local History — The Great River Road*

Warmer weather is finally here. Time to get out the shorts and tee shirts, dust off our bikes (motorized as well as chain-driven) and hit the Great River Road for some fun in the sun! Most of us have driven down, ridden over, or walked along that beautiful stretch of pavement, but do you know the history of this scenic highway? Here are some amazing facts!

Beginning at the headwaters of the "Big Muddy" in Lake Itasca State Park, Minnesota, the Great River Road ends at the mouth of the "Old Man" in Venice, Lousiana, giving it nearly 3,000 miles of highway through ten states. The Great River Road winds its way through all sorts of terrain, coursing across state parks and through vibrant metropolises. It runs alongside lush prairies, thick forests, and towering limestone bluffs. Few realize that this beautiful "highway" is not one stretch of continuous road, but segments of designated routes that follow the Mississippi River. The road changes direction often, crosses over the river in many places, and lingers in small towns and down dusty paths other roads have forgotten.

The construction of the 13-mile strip between Alton and Grafton began as a Works Progress Administration (WPA) project in 1940. WPA was a national work relief program aided by state and local governments to generate jobs for the unemployed between 1935 and 1943. The road was officially named the McAdams Memorial Highway, in honor of John D. McAdams, the man responsible for its inception. The opening of this expanse of road in 1964 brought the small touristy villages and towns between Alton and Grafton together and made traveling to them a pleasant experience.

Clifton Terrace Park is a charming little rest area off the Sam Vadalabene Bike Trail. The small park boasts a playground, memorial trees, and a stone kiosk with the story of the Christopf Louis Stiritz family. Visitors at the park can also get a glimpse inside the remnants of the family's underground wine cellar.

Elsah, a quaint, charming, and quiet little community nestled between the towering bluff walls of Mt. Radiance and Mt. Pisgua, is rich in history, architecture, and beauty. In 1973 the entire village was placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Sometimes referred to as "a town that time forgot," this little hamlet dances to a much slower life

Chautauqua is a small private community near Elsah. During the late 1800s it was a summer resort destination for the upper classes and only accessible by steamboat.

Most travelers along this stretch of the Great River Road are destined for the river town of Grafton. Located at the confluence of the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers, the town is full of character and appeal. Founded in 1836, the community provides an indulgence of entertainments packed together in a small walkable area. Visitors find enough attractions to satisfy all ages, from antique shopping and parasailing to fish sandwiches and wine.

Leaving Grafton, a stretch of the Great River Road loses sight of the water as the highway begins to tighten, with disarranged curves and more frequent glimpses of wildlife. The Marquette Monument, a large white cross made from a solid piece of dolomite, sits along a bluff between Grafton and Marquette State Park. This monument was constructed in 1929 to honor the site where European explorers Marquette and Joliet crossed the river to enter into the present state of Illinois in 1673.

If you do not take the Brussels Ferry across the Illinois River into Calhoun County, the Pere Marquette State Park comes into view. This is a magnificent 8,050-acre park with attractions such as miles of hiking trails and an impressive limestone and timber lodge built during the Great Depression by the Civilian Conservation Corps. The park is also the residence of Native American burial mounds, a substantial visitor center, picnic areas, and a campground.

Continue on until you reach the small town of Kampsville, and you have completed the entire ride along our area's portion of the 3,000-mile Great River Road. The 50-mile span between Alton and Kampsville received national recognition in 1998 by the Federal Highway Administration when it was designated a "National Scenic Byway," making it one of only 21 roads in the United States with this title.

To learn more about this remarkable road or the history of the area in which we live, visit the historic Illinois Room in the Genealogy & Local History Library at the 401 State Street location.

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

**The Africa News Cookbook** (patron donation) IR 641.5 AFR
**Bitter Brew** IR 338.76634 KNO
**Black Pioneer Cookbook – Alton Museum of History & Art** (donation from the Museum) IR 641.59 BLA
**Children of Orphan Trains from New York to Illinois and Beyond** IR 362.734 CHI
**Continental Drug Company Alton, Illinois** IR 977.386 CON
**Early Massachusetts Marriages Prior to 1800** (patron donation) IR 974.4 EAR
**Eastern Kentucky References** (patron donation) IR 976.9 JAC
**Echo: Monticello College Bulletin, Final Edition** (patron donation) IR LOCKED CASES 378.77386 ECH
**Free Black Communities and the Underground Railroad** IR 973.7115 LAR
**Genealogical Dictionary of Maine and New Hampshire** (patron donation) IR 974 NOY
**Handbook of the Collection – Saint Louis Art Museum** (donation from the Saint Louis Art Museum docents) IR 708.73 SAI
**Lincoln Lore: Titles of Bulletins and Indexes for Bulletins One to Five Hundred** April 15, 1929, to November 7, 1938 IR B LINCOLN FWI INDEX
**Medal of Honor: Portraits of Valor Beyond the Call of Duty** (patron donation) IR 355 1 COL
**Medical Care in Pioneer Illinois** IR 362.109773 CRE
**Noteworthy Recipes – Alton Band and Orchestra** (patron donation) IR 641.5 NOT
**Searching for John Ball** (patron donation) IR 973.781 HAN
**St. Anthony's Hospital Alton, Illinois** IR 725.130977386 STA
**St. Mary's Church Alton, Illinois 1994 Church Directory** (patron donation) IR 282.977386 STM
**Start to Finish Soups and Desserts: My Just Desserts Cookbook** IR 641.5 BAD
**The Surnames of Ireland** (patron donation) IR 929.42 MAC
**Veterans of Madison County and Surrounding Areas, Books #7 and #8** IR 977.3865 VET

## *African American Allegiance in the Revolutionary War*

Throughout the course of American history, African Americans have had a long, hard struggle in the fight for freedom. Not many people realize this struggle stretched all the way back to the Revolutionary War (1775–1783). Both slaves and freemen fought during this war with the hope of gaining freedom for their people while making a monumental change in history.

The well-known painting of George Washington crossing the Delaware on Christmas Day in 1776, by German American artist Emanuel Gottlieb Leutze, shows a black patriot helping to row the boat. Historians dispute the question of whether this figure represents any one particular person or patriot, but the artist's choice to include an African American figure is historically important in that it supports the significant role they played in the American Revolution.

African American men served in a wide range of positions while helping to carry on the war. Positions included combat soldiers, spies, laborers, and cooks. Free and enslaved blacks served alongside white patriots as well as serving in all-black militia units of the Continental Army and the Navy.

They not only served with American forces as patriots of the Continental Army; after Great Britain promised freedom for all African Americans who enlisted for wartime service, many risked death as they made their way to the English lines to enlist with the British Army. After the war's end, these eager Loyalists were surprised to find that this was nothing more than an empty promise.

It is no surprise that not all African American males were eager to enlist and serve an administration that denied them the right to free citizenship, and some did not enlist by their own choice. Some states allowed a slave owner who had been drafted to send a substitute in his place. With little hesitation, many of these men sent slaves to be their replacements during the war

African Americans were part of many key events during the war. As early as April 1775 black Minutemen were fighting at Lexington and Concord, they participated in the Battle of Bunker Hill, and many died during the harsh winter at Valley Forge.

Black troops fought in most of the major battles, their devotion and loyalty earning them honor and praise from their commanders. Some have been recognized in other ways throughout history. In October 1968, Peter Salem, an African American patriot of the American Revolutionary War, was depicted on a postage stamp, portraying his valor during the Battle of Bunker Hill.

African American genealogy can be challenging to say the least, but it is not impossible. When you know where, and more importantly how, to search, it can become less confusing. The book *Forgotten Patriots*, published by the Daughters of the American Revolution, identifies more than 5,000 men, either slave or freemen, who may have been patriots during the Revolutionary War. In 2010, this book was honored with the prestigious Donald Lines Jacobus Award from the American Society of Genealogists.

The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library has a copy of this book, along with others in the collection that may help locate African American Revolutionary War patriots in your ancestry. The library is located at 401 State Street, and the staff will be happy to assist you in all areas of your genealogical research!

During our last "Friend-Raiser" program hosted by the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, the Ninian Edwards Chapter of the DAR donated a three-volume set of books relating to women in the Revolutionary War era. Like African American research, records for women (particularly during this time) can also be hard to locate, so we are extremely pleased to be able to offer these books as part of our historic Illinois Room collection.

—Pam Bierman

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Following the success of the 2013–2014 Branching Out classes, the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library in Alton, Illinois, is continuing the program this year. These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher.

There are twelve classes in all, and you can come to one class or as many as you like. The classes will be taught on the second Thursday of the month at 10 a.m. with the same class offered on the following Saturday at 10 a.m. This gives you the opportunity to attend whichever one of the two days is most convenient. Class size will be small, and seating is limited, so reserve your seat early. Be sure to specify which class and day you want to attend. Each session will last for approximately one hour, depending on how many questions are asked. We will share tips and tricks with you, so be sure to bring your questions. Remember, you can always schedule an appointment for more in-depth research. There is never a charge for an appointment, and we are happy to help.

Each class will have handouts for you to keep and refer to later as you go through your research. The classes will cover beginning genealogy and the Illinois Room, Heritage Quest Online, Newspaper Archive research, the census, courthouse research and vital records, city directories and maps, the Family Search website, organizing your family history, military research, Ancestry Library Edition, property research, and immigration and naturalization. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street. Make sure to check the Special Events section of each newsletter to see what classes will be offered that quarter. We look forward to seeing you in class!

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our summer 2014 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: We are in a new location for our performance events. 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill*

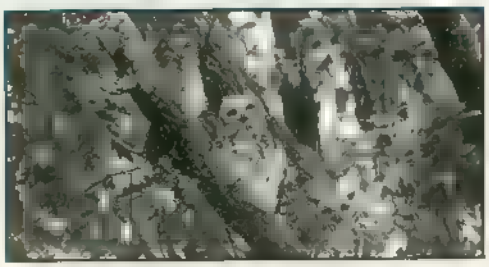
**Saturday, July 12**
**Saturday, August 9**
**Saturday, September 13**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## Mark Glenshaw
## *Forest Park Owls: Hiding in Plain Sight*

**Tuesday, July 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Mark H. X. Glenshaw is an award-winning, amateur naturalist who has closely observed and documented the lives of a mated pair of Great Horned Owls in Forest Park in St. Louis, Missouri, since December 2005. During this time, he has observed and documented a vast range of behaviors including hunting, mating, nest-site selection, and rearing of young. He shares his work on his blog, Forest Park Owls, http://forestparkowls.blogspot.com/. His work has been featured in *The St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, *St. Louis Magazine*, *St. Louis on the Air* on KWMU 90.7, KTVI Fox 2, *The West End Word*, and *Show-Me Missouri*. He frequently leads tours, called owl prowls, of the owls' territory for interested individuals and small groups as well as for formal events and groups such as the St. Louis BioBlitz, Wonders of the Outdoor World–St. Louis, Missouri Department of Conservation, Fontbonne University, and Washington University in St. Louis. Mark also regularly gives talks on the owls and his work with them and has done so for several Audubon Society chapters in Missouri and Illinois, the Webster Groves Nature Study Society, and Missouri Nature & Environmental Photographers, as well as schools and public libraries in the St. Louis area, among others. He was awarded the Citizen Scientist Award for the 2006 St. Louis BioBlitz by the Academy of Science–St. Louis. Mark is a certified Missouri Master Naturalist and a volunteer for Forest Park Forever.



Mark's talk, Forest Park Owls: Hiding in Plain Sight, will cover how he found these owls, basic facts about the species, and the various behaviors he has been able to see and document with photos and videos to illustrate these behaviors. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback

**Sunday, July 13, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." FitzGerald and Martin McCormack showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Rick Pickren
## *Songs of Love and Romance*

**Tuesday, July 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Singer-songwriter-actor Rick Pickren is a descendant of Buffalo Bill Cody. He is a two-time winner of the Marlboro Country Music Round-Up and has shared stages with Merle Haggard, the Judds, Dolly Parton, and others. Rick has also costarred in feature films including *Major League* and *While You Were Sleeping*, and on television in *ER* and *Early Edition*. Sing along with Rick to classic love songs like "Love me Tender," "Annie's Song," "You Are My Sunshine," "Crazy," "Make the World Go Away," and many more. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Ron Wenzel
## *Vonnegut's Ghost* – Book Signing

**Saturday, July 26, 1:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall.*

Experience the book the Riverbend is buzzing about! There's trouble in "Almost" Illinois, when electricity appears gone forever and ghosts of famous people are appearing around town. In one of 24 stellar reviews on Amazon, Alton resident Ruth Bell wrote that *Vonnegut's Ghost* is "a most excellent book . . . like great classic literature, yet it is fun to read and difficult to put down. . . . The characters are

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realistic and feel like people I know." Local author Ron Wenzel will sign copies of his book from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. after a reading from the first chapter at 1:00 p.m. Join us!

## Dennis Northcott
### *Civil War Eyewitnesses*

**Tuesday, August 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Join Missouri History Museum associate archivist Dennis Northcott for a look at the Civil War through the eyes of those who witnessed this turbulent period in our history. Hear firsthand accounts of the war on the battlefield and the home front from letters, diaries, and other documents in the Missouri History Museum Archives. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Branching Out

*Note: Branching Out classes are held the second Thursday of each month with the same class offered on the following Saturday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street*

***Beginning Genealogy and the Illinois Room***

**August 14 or August 16, 2014**

***Heritage Quest Online***

**September 11 or September 13, 2014**

**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. For more details, see the article on Branching Out contained in this issue of the newsletter. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass

**Tuesday, August 19, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery Bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical

group's enthusiasm, top notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two Presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more" . . . and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Ralph Bowles
### *Changing Funeral and Burial Customs*

**Wednesday, August 20, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton. Ralph Gent Bowles of Gent Funeral Home in Alton will discuss changes in funeral and burial customs over the last fifty years. Ralph has been a licensed funeral director/embalmer in Alton for 26 years, and his grandfather, Ralph A. Gent, started Gent Funeral Home in 1935. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Miss Jubilee

**Tuesday, September 9, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill*

Miss Jubilee has been entertaining audiences around St. Louis and beyond since the beginning of 2007 with their exciting blend of authentic Hot Jazz, Swing, Rhythm & Blues, and R 'n' R spanning the 1920s–1950s. Fronted by a high-energy female vocalist and backed up by a swingin' horn-fueled rhythm section, Miss Jubilee is a favorite among Swing Dancers and fans of all ages who enjoy uplifting and energetic music! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dr. Brad Noble
### *STEM Learning @Hayner Library*

**Wednesday, September 10, 6:30 p.m.**

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Getting students interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, and improving STEM education is a national priority. STEM education fosters a love of science by encouraging and inspiring learners to understand how we relate to science in our everyday lives.

Hayner Public Library is pleased to provide an opportunity for the community to meet with STEM professional Dr. Brad Noble for an open discussion on these science topics. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bill & Kate Isles

**Tuesday, September 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Bill & Kate Isles are a nationally touring singer/songwriter duo based in Duluth, Minn. In 1993 Bill was a rare survivor of sudden cardiac

arrest. Instead of ending his life, it jump-started his creative energies, resulting in a 150-show-per-year itinerary, presenting his profoundly meaningful songs. He is joined by his wife, cowriter, and musical collaborator, Kate. Her gentle presence, luscious vocals, and intuitive harmonies have endeared her to audiences. Words like "transcendent" and "mesmerizing" and "slapstick" are among the descriptions of their concerts, and fans of all ages tell of listening to their albums over and over again. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Annette Harrison
### *The Founding of St. Louis*

**Tuesday, October 7, 6:30 p.m.**

In this exciting historical storytelling program you will be taken back in time to 1764 when Pierre Laclede declared that "St. Louis will become one of the finest cities in America." Meet the founding families, including a 14-year-old who supervised the building of this early French settlement west of the Mississippi. Learn about the multicultural community that allowed the daughters of a freed slave, a Native American, and a French settler to be best friends! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

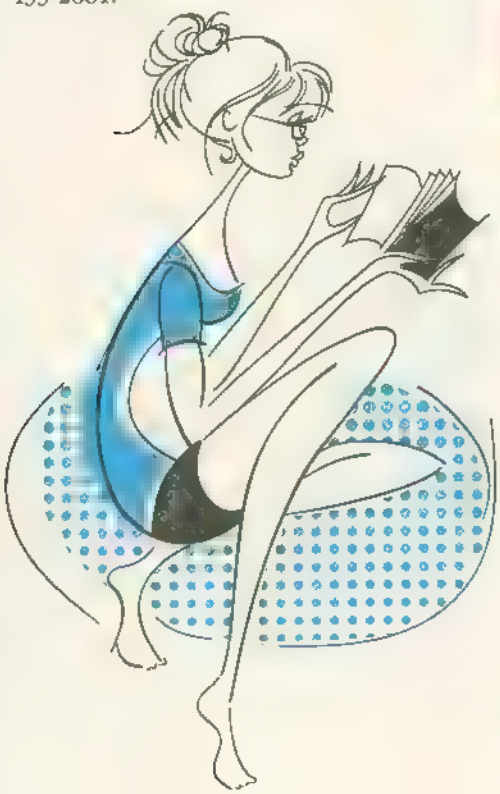
# KIDSSPACE
## SUMMER 2014 ACTIVITIES

## Alton Square

➤**Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, August 11, August 18, September 8, September 15, and September 22, 2014, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➤**Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, August 13, August 20, August 27, September 3, September 17, and September 24, 2014, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881.

➤**Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3–5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: August 25 and September 29, 2014. Please register at 433-2881.



➤**Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are: Thursdays, August 14 and September 11, 2014, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please register at 433-2881.

## Special Events

➤**Mario Kart Gaming Tournament** — Come join us and Big Screen Games for a fun morning of Mario Kart. Big Screen Games will host a video gaming tournament on Wednesday, August 6, 2014, from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. This tournament will be for kids ages 5–12 years of age and will be held in the Performance Room (on the east side upper level) at Alton Square. **Registration is required to attend this event!** To register call 618-433-2881.

## Downtown

➤**Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, August 11, August 18, August 25, September 8, September 15, September 22, and September 29, 2014. Please register at 462-0677, Ext. 2836.

➤**Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Thursdays, August 14, August 21, August 28, September 4, September 11, September 18, and September 25, 2014. Please register at 462-0677, Ext. 2836.

➤**After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, August 19 and September 23, 2014. Please register at 462-0677, Ext. 2836.

# TEENSPACE
## AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2014 ACTIVITIES

➤ **Teen Advisory Council**
Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the Teen Library located at Riverbender.com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are to be determined. Please call for dates. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

➤ **Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender.com Community Center**
Come join the fun after school for Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates will be determined Movies start at 4 p.m. To register or for dates call Shannon at 433-2872.

➤ **Teen Book Club**
Hey, Teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meetings will be held at Riverbender com Community Center Library at 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information or to get dates call Shannon at 433-2872.

## *Free Computer Tutorials*

*Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square Mall*

### PC Basics (Class limit: 10)

**Friday, July 11, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
**Friday, August 8, 2014, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

Introduction to personal computing. For those who need to come into the world of computers, this is the class for you! Overcome your fears and gain the skills that can get you ready to use a computer more competently.

After this class you will be able to:

- Identify basic computer components and operating system features
- Execute basic mouse techniques
- Perform basic keyboard strokes and functions
- Identify and navigate the features of the Desktop
- Open and exit software programs
- Identify and navigate the various toolbars of the Windows environment

*If you already use your computer and mouse, this class is not for you.

To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

### Database Class/Library Tour

**(Class limit: 10)**
**Saturday, September 20, 2014, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Introduction to Hayner's subscription databases. This class is designed for the general public, students, and teachers.

You will learn:

- To access and search in our databases
- What the different databases have to offer
- To use key features of them, such as e-mailing articles

To register, call 1-800-613-3163.

### Social Media Basics

**(Class limit: 15)**
**Wednesday, July 16, 2014, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**

We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 10)

**Wednesday, August 20, 2014, 6:30–8 p.m.**

This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the various applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Exploring Pinterest and Twitter

**(Class limit: 10)**
**Wednesday, September 17, 2014, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**

Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Internet Basics (Class limit: 8)

Introduction to Web-surfing and e-mailing. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience using the Internet or who feel confused or overwhelmed when attempting to navigate the Web. The class will teach you how to.

- setup an e-mail account
- use basic e-mail features
- identify and utilize the main functions of a Web browser
- use a search engine to locate desired information

Having a basic familiarity with how to use a mouse and keyboard beforehand or prior attendance of a PC Basics course is required.

To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

**Saturday, July 12, 3 p.m.**
**Tuesday, August 12, 6 p.m.**
**Saturday, September 13, 3 p.m.**

## *Check Out – 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive eBooks*

Get eBook help for the 3M Cloud Library eBooks and for OverDrive eBooks! Now with the addition of 3M Cloud Library eBooks, you will have more eBooks to choose from!

For help downloading these eBooks to your reader from the library catalog, Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, September 27, on the basics of downloading eBooks.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The process of downloading eBooks will be demonstrated on multiple platforms, including the Nook, Kindle Fire, and iPad.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party.

## *Herbie's Game*

***Herbie's Game,*** by Timothy Hallinan, is a lighthearted crime fiction tale. It is about a career house burglar, Junior Bender, who is hired by a crime boss named Wattles to recover an important document that was stolen from his office safe. This list contains the names of those that Wattles uses in what he calls his disconnect, which is a very convoluted chain of communication. It is designed to ensure that the assassinations and other crimes he orders are not traced back to him. So, with that in mind, it is very important that this list does not fall into the wrong hands.

This assignment sends Junior on a wild caper where he meets all sorts of colorful characters and finds out a lot about his own past and ends up questioning the choices he has made in his life.

Hallinan is schooled in all of the great popular crime mystery authors. While the Elmore Leonard, Donald Westlake, and Chandler influences are quite obvious, there is also quite a bit of Damon Runyon in there as well.

This book is very engaging, and I think it is a great summer read; one to have on your lap at the beach or up at the lake.

—Whit Howland
Library Volunteer

## *Nonfiction—*

**Ballantyne, Sarah.** The Paleo Approach Cookbook: A Detailed Guide to Heal Your Body and Nourish Your Soul

**Barbree, Jay.** Neil Armstrong: A Life of Flight

**Dean, John W.** The Nixon Defense: What He Knew and When He Knew It

**Dudgeon, Piers.** Maeve Binchy: The Biography

**Evans, Colin.** The Valentino Affair: The Jazz Age Murder Scandal That Shocked New York Society and Gripped the World

**Food Network Magazine.** Sweet: Our Best Cupcakes, Cookies, Candy, and More

**Grant, Lee.** I Said Yes to Everything

**Halber, Deborah.** The Skeleton Crew: How Amateur Sleuths Are Solving America's Coldest Cases

**Halper, Daniel.** Clinton, Inc.: The Audacious Rebuilding of a Political Machine

**Harvey, Steve.** Act Like a Success, Think Like a Success: Discovering Your Gift and the Way to Life's Riches

**Heymann, C. David.** Joe and Marilyn

**Jans, Nick.** A Wolf Called Romeo

**Jenner, Emma.** Keep Calm and Parent On

**Kessler, Ronald.** The First Family Detail: Secret Service Agents Reveal the Hidden Lives of the Presidents

**Kieffer, Katie.** Let Me Be Clear: Barack Obama's War on Millennials, and One Woman's Case for Hope

**Kluger, Jeffrey.** The Narcissist Next Door: Understanding the Monster in Your Family, in Your Office, in Your Bed—in Your World

**Kurlansky, Mark, and Talia Kurlansky.** International Night. A Father and Daughter Cook Their Way Around the World *Including More than 250 Recipes*

**Levitin, Daniel J.** The Organized Mind: Thinking Straight in the Age of Information Overload

**Lewis, Damien.** The Dog Who Could Fly: The Incredible True Story of a WWII Airman and the Four-Legged Hero Who Flew at His Side

**Macintyre, Ben.** A Spy Among Friends: Kim Philby and the Great Betrayal

**Mills, Marja.** The Mockingbird Next Door: Life with Harper Lee

**Morton, Michael.** Getting Life: An Innocent Man's 25-Year Journey from Prison to Peace

**Nolte, Nick.** Rich Man, Poor Man: A Memoir

**Rappaport, Helen.** The Romanov Sisters: The Lost Lives of the Daughters of Nicholas and Alexandra

**Rivers, Joan.** Diary of a Mad Diva

**Robertson, Phil.** unPHILtered. The Way I See It

**Schmidt, Eric.** How Google Works

**Scottoline, Lisa, and Francesca Serritella.** Have a Nice Guilt Trip

**Sheehy, Gail.** Daring: My Passages: A Memoir

**Swanson, Doug J.** Blood Aces: The Wild Ride of Benny Binion, the Texas Gangster Who Created Vegas Poker

**Tomlinson, Chris.** Tomlinson Hill: The Remarkable Story of Two Families Who Share the Tomlinson Name—One White, One Black

**Ward, Geoffrey, and Ken Burns.** The Roosevelts: An Intimate History

**Waters, John.** Carsick: John Waters Hitchhikes Across America

## *Fiction—*

**Adler, Elizabeth.** Last to Know

**Bohjalian, Chris.** Close Your Eyes, Hold Hands

**Box, C. J.** Shots Fired: Stories from Joe Pickett Country

**Brooks, Terry.** The High Druid's Blade: The Defenders of Shannara

**Brown, Sandra.** Mean Streak

**Burke, James Lee.** Wayfaring Stranger

**Cain, Chelsea.** One Kick

**Castillo, Linda.** The Dead Will Tell

**Child, Lee.** Personal. A Jack Reacher Novel

**Coelho, Paulo.** Adultery: A Novel

**Coleman, Reed Farrel.** Robert B. Parker's Blind Spot (Jesse Stone)

**Coulter, Catherine.** The Lost Key

**Coulter, Catherine.** Power Play: An FBI Thriller

**Cussler, Clive.** The Eye of Heaven

**Deveraux, Jude.** For All Time

**Follett, Ken.** Edge of Eternity

**Garlock, Dorothy.** Take Me Home

**Garwood, Julie.** Fast Track

**Goodwin, Daisy.** The Fortune Hunter: A Novel

**Gregory, Philippa.** The King's Curse

**Griffin, W. E. B.** Deadly Assets

**Grippando, James.** Cane and Abe

**Hannah, Sophie, and Agatha Christie.** The Monogram Murders: The New Hercule Poirot Mystery

**Harbison, Beth.** Driving with the Top Down

**Harkness, Deborah.** The Book of Life

**Hoag, Tami.** Cold Cold Heart

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Don't Look Back

**Johansen, Iris.** Sight Unseen

**Jance, J. A.** Remains of Innocence

**Kellerman, Faye.** Murder 101: A Decker/Lazarus Novel

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** The Golem of Hollywood

**Koontz, Dean.** The City

**Krueger, William Kent.** Windigo Island

**Macomber, Debbie.** Love Letters: A Rose Harbor Novel

**Maron, Margaret.** Designated Daughters

**McCullough, Colleen.** Bittersweet

**Moriarty, Liane.** Big Little Lies

**Mosley, Walter.** Rose Gold: An Easy Rawlins Mystery

**Moyes, Jojo.** One Plus One

**Muller, Marcia.** The Night Searchers

**O'Dell, Tawni.** One of Us

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** Full Measure

**Patterson, James.** Burn

**Patterson, James.** Private Down Under

**Patterson, Richard North.** Eden in Winter

**Perry, Anne.** Blood on the Water: A William Monk Novel

**Preston, Douglas.** The Lost Island: A Gideon Crew Novel

**Reichs, Kathy.** Bones Never Lie

**Robards, Karen.** Her Last Whisper

**Rosenfelt, David.** Hounded

**Rucka, Greg.** Bravo

**Siddons, Anne Rivers.** The Girls of August

**Silva, Daniel.** The Heist

**Steel, Danielle.** A Perfect Life

**Taylor, Brad.** Days of Rage

**Thor, Brad.** Act of War: A Thriller

**Todd, Charles.** An Unwilling Accomplice

**Vreeland, Susan.** Lisette's List

**White, Randy Wayne.** Haunted

**Wiggs, Susan.** The Beekeeper's Ball

**Woods, Sherryl.** Swan Point

**Woods, Stuart.** Cut and Thrust

# VALUABLE VOLUNTEER
# John Gibbons

John Gibbons started volunteering for Hayner in 2005, though he had put in numerous hours in the Genealogy Library before he became my Jack-of-all-trades volunteer.

He originally worked in the so-called "Mouse Hole," an area in Hayner's storage building, which was the old Hudson Jewelry Store next to the downtown library. We processed and discarded old books, getting ready for our big move into the Alton Square Mall library. John came down every day, Monday through Friday, to work with me and other volunteers. He kept statistics for us and processed the books.

John also volunteered to help me with Operation Soldiers. We received hundreds of donations for our soldiers overseas, which we boxed and mailed. Through the generous contributions of our community and Hayner's wonderful volunteers, we sent more than 300 boxes to the soldiers.

John then helped tag hundreds of books with sensor tags. The next big job for him was helping us move books from downtown to the new library downstairs at Alton Square. John never turned me down for any project that I needed help with.

I knew how much he loved genealogy, and with the new genealogy building, we were going to need volunteers to help at the desk. John was a perfect match. He not only helps the librarians, but he also is working on Alton parochial schools and their historical trails. He has used the *Alton Telegraph* to find information and pictures about schools. He has finished with St. Patrick's School and is now working on St. Matthew's School. He also has done the family histories of the Gibbons, Fritsche, Rynders, and Berghoff families. Along with the family history books, he also wrote a thesis on the legend of the Piasa Bird. These can be found in our Genealogy & Local History Library.

Now I am sure you can understand why I call John my Jack-of-all-trades volunteer. Maybe I should call him my John-of-all-trades!

John grew up in Alton, living on Virginia Avenue with his parents and siblings. He tells me he had a very normal childhood. He had a paper route, cut grass, and played in the fields of St. Anthony's Hospital. He walked to school, built model airplanes, and really enjoyed street sports. He feels lucky that his childhood was in simpler times. There were families with lots of children to play with in his neighborhood, and the kids made their own fun.

John went to St. Mary's grade school in Alton. He was a good student. He loved music and attributes his love for choral music to Sister Theona, his music teacher.

John thought he wanted to be a priest. During his youth, if you chose to go into the priesthood you started preparing in your first year of high school. He was sent to the Pontifical College Josephinum in Ohio. After seven years he decided not to become a priest.

He came back to the Alton area and spent two years at St. Louis University. He graduated in 1959 with a degree in English and a minor in philosophy. In 1990 he went to Lewis & Clark College and received a Library Technician degree. He actually interned a semester for Hayner Library.

John was in the service from July 1959 to December 1962 He was in the Reserves from January 1963 to September 1967. He is a graduate of Officer Candidate School and served as Air Intelligence Officer for Attack Squadron 42 (VA-42) at Oceana Naval Air Station in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

John went to work for McDonnell Douglas in 1963. His jobs included editing Engineering Flight Text reports; acting as an administrator for contracts and pricing; and working in the Law Department–Government Regulations. He retired in 1998.

John married Barbara Ann Rynders in 1959. They will have been married for 55 years this coming November. They have three children, two boys and a girl. I asked John what made his marriage so special. He said that Barbara is very talented. She plays the piano, paints, sews, and has a beautiful soprano voice. He loves her energy and dedication to family and friends.

For relaxation John reads novels and works on genealogy. He and Barbara both enjoy going to the St. Louis Symphony and Alton Little Theater. One of the most special experiences in his life was singing in St. Ambrose Parish adult choir for 30 years. It gave him great joy but also gave him one of the saddest times in his life. He had to step down from the choir when his tenor voice stopped working the way he thought it should.

One of John's greatest honors was being elected president of the old Riverbend United Way. It was a position he took great pride in. I think whatever John does, whether it is work or family or volunteering in his community, he gives it his all!

I asked John what advice he would give for living a good life. He told me to know yourself, your strengths and your weaknesses. A good life to John is to have been faithful to the promises you have made and have provided for the needs of your family, all with a solid moral and religious basis.

The last thing that I asked John was what he liked about volunteering for Hayner Library. He said, "Good books, good people."

We are so lucky to have John Gibbons as a volunteer.

Stephanie Munson
Volunteer Coordinator

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Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

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Sunday, Noon to 6 p.m.

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## *Select Science Books Have Arrived*

The new ***Select Science*** books have arrived at Hayner Public Library! ***Select Science*** is a library program emphasizing interest and resources in the sciences with books purchased through a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library. Area educational and science organizations as well as the staff at the library all contributed suggestions for new books.

Local organizations such as the National Great Rivers Museum, Army Corps of Engineers, Alton School District, the Center for American Archeology, and The Nature Institute each contributed suggestions for books that bring real-life applications of biology, ecology, chemistry, and engineering, to name a few, that pertain to the many scientific endeavors in which the Riverbend area is involved.

According to Hayner Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek , and Assistant Director Katie Schrimpf, the ***Select Science*** books also include books on technology and engineering, math, AP study guides for math and biology, SAT and ACT math subject test books, a set of pro and con books on the future of renewable energy, a set of books on the issues of the environment, electronics, makerspace books (tinkering), and more.

Two exciting sets of books, Core Concepts, involve the basic blocks of science. Not only do they conform to Common Core State Standards initiatives, they are intriguing and well written with great illustrations and examples for projects. Shimunek expects that these books will interest not only students, but many adults.

Come to the library to explore the new books in the ***Select Science*** collection, on display throughout the libraries. Although all the books have not yet been delivered, many are available for checkout now!

These science books were purchased by Hayner Library through a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Division of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), under the federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

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# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Veterans Day - Nov. 11
Thanksgiving - Nov. 27
Christmas - Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Year's - Dec. 31, Jan. 1

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## *Summer Reading Is a Great Success!*

Young patrons of Hayner Public Library had a wonderful time at this year's Summer Reading Program, "Paws to Read." The KidsSpace staff kept them busy with craft times, performers, movies, puppet shows, and stories.

The program drew more than 500 kids over 6 weeks. Each participant was rewarded each week with a prize and a raffle ticket for one of three grand prizes. At the end of the program participants were treated to a party held at the Alton High School Commons, where they were entertained by Wild Hearts Music and Mike Morten, balloon artist. Each participant also received a free book, snacks, and a certificate for all their hard work.

At the End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party three tickets were drawn for each of the three grand prizes. The winner of the American Girl® doll was Natalie Stevenson. The winner of the *Star Wars* Lego® set was Laney Spaulding. The winner of the Family Zoo Membership was Ryan Davison. In addition, Virginia Linley won the pet donation basket. Congratulations to our winners!

***Natalie Stevenson***

***Laney Spaulding***

***Ryan Davison***

***Virginia Linley***

We were pleased with the success of this summer's program and hope to see everyone again next year at our 2015 Summer Reading Program, "Read to the Rhythm."

We also would like to thank our sponsors, The 5 A's Animal Shelter, Liberty Bank, and Dollar General.

## *Hayner Has a Busy Year!*

The Hayner Public Library District runs on a fiscal year of July 1 through June 30 the following year. In FY 2013/2014 we were certainly busy, as the following statistics demonstrate:

...We held 310 free programs of entertainment and education for adults/children and teens. More than 10,000 of you attended these programs
..Over 27,000 Hayner library cards are in effect.
..We circulated over 692,000 items.
. We brought in over 68,000 items from other libraries to satisfy patron requests.
.. We circulated over 25,000 eBooks
...We subscribed to 319 newspapers and magazines for you.
...We subscribed to 47 databases for you, which you can access from your home
...Over 360,000 people passed through our doors—an average of 30,000 people per month.
...We provided 95 free public access computers for your use.
...We provided over 245,000 items for you to check out, including books, eBooks, CDs, DVDs, magazines, games, and even fishing rods!
...We answered over 5,000 reference questions for you.
...We participated in a network of over 500 libraries in Southern Illinois, with access to all their collections, for a materials inventory of over 10,000,000 items
...Annual views of our home page were over 4,879,000

## Project Next Generation

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its eighth year of implementation at Hayner Library We are excited to announce that Hayner Library was awarded, in addition to our regular grant of $12,500, a $3,500 bonus to upgrade our existing laptops with new hard drives and RAM

Scheduled in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program offers emerging fifth graders through existing eight graders the opportunity to learn new skills while having fun. Topics for the coming year will include Snap Circuitry, Photo Booth on Your iPad, Robotics, and How to Use a 3D Printer

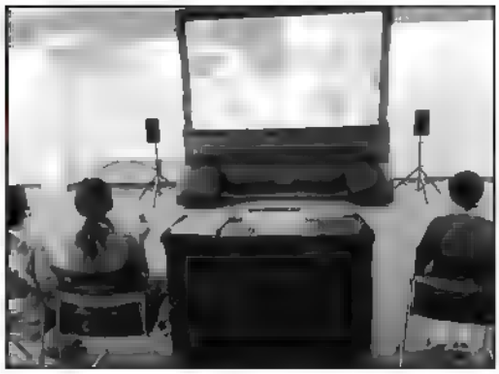
In addition, we are hoping to develop a group of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and other technological equipment.

This year, in addition to our many fun classes, students of the program were invited to a Project Next Generation Picnic at the State Library in Springfield, Illinois. The students enjoyed lunch catered by KFC, a photo opportunity with Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White, entertainment by the Jesse White Tumbling Team, and Peoria TSO, Teens Speaking Out/Teens Stepping Out.

***Secretary of State Jesse White addresses PNG participants.***

## Summer Gaming

This summer kids ages 5 to 12 were invited to participate in a Mario gaming tournament at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The gaming tournament was hosted by Big Screen Games of Edwardsville, Illinois Big Screen Games is a company that has been in existence since 2009 providing a variety of gaming tournaments and outdoor movies



***Gaming Tournament***

The 20 participants were divided into groups of four that competed for the highest score. Each winner from each bracket moved on to the next bracket until we were down to the top four. This group raced to give us our top four winners.

First place winner was Jayden W., second place went to Josiah S., Jack S. was in third place, and fourth place winner was Elizabeth B Congratulations to all the winners and all the participants in this event.

## Food for Fines

Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period.

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2014, anyone who has an overdue item can pay his or her fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and only Hayner materials are eligible. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

## Smile for Hayner!

Amazon has introduced a new program called AmazonSmile, which will automatically donate 0.5% of the value of your purchases to the charity you select. The Hayner Public Library District is one of the available organizations you can select to receive these donations. It costs you nothing, and it's just like shopping on Amazon normally. Just log on to smile amazon com and start shopping—make sure you identify Hayner as your charity of choice!

Remember also to participate in the eScrip program at our local Schnucks markets, and Schnucks will donate up to 3% of all your purchases to The Hayner Public Library District. You can pick up an eScrip card at any Schnucks location and register at escrip.com/schnucks

## Coming Soon!

This summer, The Hayner Public Library District started work on developing a new website. We anticipate the site will be available this fall. Be sure to be watching for it—we're really excited about it and we think you will be too!

## *Alton Student in PBS Show Filmed at Hayner*

In August, the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library hosted a production team from PBS while they filmed an episode of their nationally syndicated television show *The Genealogy Roadshow*.

The subject of their filming was 14-year-old James Taylor, a sophomore at Alton High James has been involved in researching his own family's genealogy since he was eight years old, when he first started questioning his mother and father about his family's background. Over the years, through contact with extended family members and his own genealogical research, James has been able to trace his family origins back to Mali, a country in West Africa. James was picked to tell his story on *The Genealogy Roadshow* from over 1,000 other applicants.

In addition to the Genealogy & Local History Library, the production team filmed at My Just Desserts in Alton and at Union Station in downtown St. Louis

This program will air in November 2014. Watch the Hayner website for the exact date

## *DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Open House Event*

**Saturday, November 1, 2014, 1:00–3:00 p.m.**
**401 State Street, Alton, Illinois 62002**

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a volunteer service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children.

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our third annual Open House event for anyone interested in researching their genealogy and interested in becoming a DAR member.

We will once again have experienced researchers available to help you get started or to help you conclude your search for the Revolutionary War patriot in your family. These researchers can also help guide you through the application process for joining DAR

One success story from last year's event involves Barb Hinson. She came to the event after seeing it advertised in the Hayner newsletter and hoped to learn how to join DAR. With the help of the active DAR members and research done by Barb's uncle, Ray Luken, Barb did find her Revolutionary War patriot ancestor. William Taylor served under Capt. William Fullwood in the militia of South Carolina and was a member of the Committee of Safety. Barb was inducted into the Ninian Edwards Chapter in September. Congratulations, Barb!

Admission to this event is free, and registration is not necessary. If you have questions, please call us at 462-0677, Ext. 2865 All are welcome to join us for this event We hope to see you there

## *Sisterhood of the Traveling Book*

Hayner Library Assistant Miriam Lozano was chosen by author Lisa Wingate to take part in Wingate's advertising campaign for her new book, *The Story Keeper*, which is coming out in September.

Wingate calls the campaign the Sisterhood of the Traveling Book. Wingate selected people from her mailing list and created groups of five people per group (10 groups in all). She sent the book to the Big Sister for each group.

Miriam, her group's Big Sister, read it, making notations and commenting on different parts of the book. When she was finished, she sent it on to the next sister, and when all five had read it, the annotated book was sent back to Lisa. It was Miriam's job as Big Sister to make sure the other sisters read and moved the book forward so all the groups were finished prior to the September 1 deadline.

Lisa then used the stories or comments to promote her book via Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, and other media. Lisa posted Miriam's personal story to Lisa's website, and Miriam's comments were posted to Lisa's Facebook page.

Read Miriam's story, "*A Little Publishing Miracle*," on Lisa's website, http://theuntoldstory.guru/

This summer, many of you commented on the flower bed of beautiful petunias that runs across the front of the Downtown Library on Belle Street. Library staff maintains these beds, but we also want to thank John Stephan, who works at Mac's Time Out Lounge, for daily watering of these flowers while he is watering the beds that Mac's has planted Thanks to John and Mac Lenhardt for helping keep Downtown beautiful!

## *iPad Air Winners*

**On June 3, during a live radio broadcast by WBGZ from the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, the winning raffle tickets were drawn for two iPad Air tablets. Congratulations to the winners, Penny Noble and Barbara Gearing, and thank you to all our patrons who participated in the raffle!**

Research shows that the more words parents use when speaking to an 8-month-old infant, the greater the size of their child's vocabulary at age 3. The landmark Hart-Risley study on language development documented that children from low-income families hear as many as 30 million fewer words than their more affluent peers before the age of 4. *Hart, B.and Risley, T., Meaningful Differences in the Everyday Experiences of Young American Children (1995), Paul H Brookes Publishing Co.*

## *Hayner Library Architect Theodore Link*

When John E. Hayner decided to donate the money to build the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library, famed Alton architect Lucas Pfeiffenberger submitted a proposal. Pfeiffenberger had designed homes for many prominent Altonians, including the library's benefactor John E Hayner, and public and commercial buildings such as Alton National Bank, Garfield School, St. Mary's Catholic Church, and the Madison Hotel. However, the Library Association decided to accept plans proposed by a competing architect, Theodore Link of St. Louis

A distant cousin of Pfeiffenberger, Link is best known for St. Louis's Union Station. Link designed the main building at Monticello Seminary, now Lewis & Clark Community College in Godfrey, after a fire destroyed the original buildings in 1888 The key Link presented to Harriet Haskell, president of Monticello College, at the original dedication ceremony in 1889, is now on display in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. Link also designed the Harriet Newell Haskell Memorial Gate at Monticello after Miss Haskell died in 1907. The gate is said to be the first national monument erected in the memory of a woman

Several other buildings in the Alton area are also Link's work. In 1891, he designed a mansion at the southwest corner of Third and Alton Streets for Captain Henry Leyhe, who, with his brother, founded the Eagle Packet Company The mansion was torn down in 1940 to make way for an Illinois Bell Telephone Company building. Link also designed the First Presbyterian Church at the corner of Fourth and Alby, whose cornerstone was laid on July 5, 1897. Link drew up plans for a house for John E Hayner's grandson, John A. Haskell, on Henry Street in 1905 and for the Benjamin L. Dorsey mansion, later known as The Castle, on East Fourth Street in 1908.

Born in Heidelberg, Germany, in 1850, Theodore C. Link studied engineering and architecture at the University of Heidelberg and l'Ecole Centrale in Paris before immigrating to the United States in 1870. He worked for railroads in New York, Philadelphia, and Texas, before coming to St. Louis in 1874 as a draftsman for the bridges and building department of the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad Company The following year, he left the railroad to help draw up plans for the city's new Forest Park

In 1877 Link moved to Pittsburgh but came back to St. Louis in 1882 to open a civil engineering office and by 1886 was listed in the St. Louis City Directory as an architect. In 1891 St. Louis's Terminal Railroad Association invited ten architectural firms from around the country to submit designs for a new train station. Link and his partner at the time, Edward Cameron, won the contest. Twenty thousand people turned out on Sept. 1, 1894, to dedicate Union Station, which at the time was the largest railroad station in the world

In 1899 Link was elected a national board member of the American Institute of Architects. St. Louis had just been selected to host the 1903 World's Fair Link bought $25,000 worth of stock in the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company and became one of five local architects appointed to the Fair's Committee on Architecture (there were also several out-of-town architects from New York and Boston). Link designed the Mines & Metallurgy Building as well as the Mississippi State Building. His design for the actual Mississippi State Capitol was being constructed at the same time in Jackson, Mississippi

Link made his mark all over St. Louis His buildings encompassed many styles, so it can be difficult to picture them all imagined by one architect Second Presbyterian Church (1899), St. John's United Methodist Church (1901), and the first Carnegie Library in St. Louis, the Barr Branch (1905), all boast his designs Link designed three mansions on Delmar Boulevard in University City that now make up the Theodore Link Historic District. The International Shoe Company Headquarters (1909), Link's tribute to Louis Sullivan's Wainwright Building, is now part of the spectacular City Museum.

Outside of the St. Louis area, Link designed a campus master plan and several buildings for both Washington and Lee University (1904) and Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge (1919). Link worked with Wilbur Tyson Trueblood, another St. Louis architect, on the Louisiana State University project.

Theodore Link died in Baton Rouge on November 12, 1923, and is buried at Bellefontaine Cemetery in St. Louis.

## *Wreaths Across America*

Wreaths Across America is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, Teach," is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies on a specified Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. Through the wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events, the organization spreads its message about the importance of remembering our fallen heroes, honoring those who serve, and teaching our children about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 13, 2014, our community will participate in the national Wreaths Across America ceremony. The ceremony will start at 11 a.m. in the Alton National Cemetery at Pearl Street and Joesting Avenue Fourth grade students from St. Mary's Catholic School, with the assistance of area veterans, will participate and help lay the wreaths on the veterans' graves. The ceremony will involve a number of other participants and include musical accompaniment. It will last approximately one-half hour.

In 2013, through community financial donations, 560 wreaths were placed on gravesites in our local national cemetery. The fund-raising goal for this year is $5600. Every $30 of contributions enables the local organization to purchase three 20-inch live balsam wreaths

Every dollar you can donate helps ensure a wreath at every veteran's gravesite. Help continue the success of this program by sending a financial donation to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton IL 62002 For more information, call Margaret Hopkins at 618-474-2005. More information is also available on the Web site www wreathsacrossamerica.org.

Support our community in carrying forward the mission of "Remember, Honor, Teach." Join the whole country in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own future Christmas celebrations for us.

## Vintage Voices

Alton Little Theater is showcasing the 13th Annual Vintage Voices tour every Saturday in October: October 4, 11, 18, and 25, with guided walking tours from 1 to 3 p.m , originating at the east gate of the Alton City Cemetery.

This year's tour, directed by Mark Hilgert (who often appears as Elijah P. Lovejoy), is aptly called "Voices of Courage" and features nine stops along the beautiful wooded paths of the cemetery, and eleven historian/ actors. Seven new actors will be making their debuts in portraying Alton's former citizens. Hilgert was successful in attracting new players in the community who love history and love Alton's history in particular.

With two exceptions, all the actors portray characters living in the first quarter of the 1900s and represent those who took up novel activities or pioneered new fields or advocated for change that furthered human rights. Some examples include Melissa Van Zant, a suffragette who traveled from California to settle in Alton and cast her vote in Illinois; Ambrose Bibb, who became the symbol of desegregating schools in Illinois; Hannah and Joachim Scarritt, who envisioned Alton and the Mississippi as "national treasures" and held the ideals of education above all else.

The characters run the gamut of amusing individuals like the "hoo-doo" sect who did anything and everything to de-haunt their homes from unwelcome spirits to Ruthie Hapwood, whose family achieved much in the literary world but who nevertheless knew heartache and disaster.

The tour includes the stories of two young people whose brief lives touched the history of our state and the nation. Emma Surgent will portray a young girl who attended the State Fair in Alton in 1856; she will be joined in looking back at Alton's role in history by a young man, Jerrell Williams, who will portray an African American soldier (Thomas Riley) who fought and died for the union he so loved. Other performers include: Jeff Pruett, Patti Kruegel, Loretta Williams, Morgan Ruden, Lynn Carter, Don Harlan, Amy Miller, John Meehan, and Jacob Henderson.

Tickets for the hour-long tour are $12 for Adults and $6 for students through high school; tickets will be available for pre-purchase at the Alton Area Regional Convention and Visitor's Bureau and WBGZ Radio after Sept. 1. Tour guests will have the opportunity to purchase tickets at the main gate of the cemetery, beginning each Saturday at 12:45 p m., and to register for a raffle for tickets to ALT's 81st Season shows and the Holiday Bonus Show, ALWAYS PATSY CLINE

Call 462-3205 for more information, and look for additional photos and information on the ALT Website: www.altonlittletheater.org

## New in Our Illinois Room

Dreams of Glory: Women of the Old West IR 978.0099 UND
The Eads Bridge (patron donation) IR 977.866 EAD
The Family of William Philip Meisenheimer IR 929.2 MEISENHEIMER
Farmers' Markets of the Heartland (patron donation) IR 381.410977 MAC
Finding Italian Roots IR 929.108951 COL
Graveyard Preservation Primer IR 736.50288 STR
Historical Atlas of the United States IR 911.73 HAY
History of Macoupin County IR 977.383 HIS
How to Research Your House: Every Home Tells a Story IR 728.0722 BRO
Illinois Wild Flowers (donation) IR 582.1309773 VOS
Indian Villages of the Illinois Country (patron donation) IR 970.1 TEM
Lincoln and the Decision for War IR 973.7 MCC
Lincoln Land Cookery (donation) IR 641.59773 LIN
Madison County Farm Directory 1935 IR 977.386 MAD
Memories of the Neighborhood Grocery Stores, Wood River (patron donation) IR 977 386 MEM
Mississippi Lime Company IR 666.93 MIS
Old Southern Bible Records IR 929 375 LES
Outlaws of Cave-In Rock IR 977 398 ROT
Prehistoric Life on the Mississippi Floodplain IR 977.389 YER
Reading Early American Handwriting IR 929.1 SPE
Recipes and Reminiscence: My Just Desserts Cookbook IR 641 5 BAD
Soldiers Back Home, The American Legion in Illinois 1919–1939 IR 369.1861 LIT
The United States in Old Maps and Prints IR 912.73 ERM

## Eliminating the Digital Divide

Executive Director Bernadette Duvernoy is pleased to announce Hayner Library's partnership with four area organizations in "Eliminating the Digital Divide," a grant-funded project designed to increase computer literacy throughout our area. Hayner Library presently offers three computer classes; this grant allows an increase in the number and type of classes offered. The class offerings and descriptions are available in this newsletter

Sponsored by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, the project seeks to not only provide Internet access to the 31% of the population that does not have such access, but to supply training in basic computer skills and to increase educational and employment opportunities in 256 technology center locations throughout the state

Lewis & Clark Community College will administer the grant and, with its newest Community Learning Center and campus computer labs, acts as a hub for the other organizations. Participating organizations include Senior Services Plus, IMPACT CIL, Inc., Madison County Employment and Training Department's Southwestern Illinois WorkNet Center (including job centers in Jerseyville and Greene County), and The Hayner Public Library District.

## Friends Book Sale

The Friends of the Library will be holding their fall book sale on October 9–11. Thursday, October 9, is the preview night, and the sale will run from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p m. For this night only, there is a $5 admission charge. The sale continues on Friday, October 10, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. There is no admission charge. The sale concludes on Saturday, October 11, 9 a.m. to 3 p m. No admission charge Books, magazines, music, films all at great prices!

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

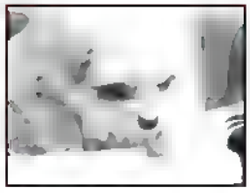
*Join us for our Fall 2014 Semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: We are in a new location for our performance events. 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*



*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill*

**Saturday, October 11**
**Saturday, November 8**
**Saturday, December 13**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Branching Out*

*Note. Branching Out classes are held the second Thursday of each month with the same class offered on the following Saturday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

***Newspaper Archive Research***
**October 9 or October 11, 2014**
***Census***
**November 13 or November 15, 2014**
***Courthouse/Vital Records***
**December 11 or December 13, 2014**
**All classes scheduled 10 a.m. –11 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Annette Harrison
## *The Founding of St. Louis*

**Tuesday, October 7, 6:30 p.m.**

In this exciting historical storytelling program you will be taken back in time to 1764 when Pierre Laclede declared that "St. Louis will become one of the finest cities in America." Meet the founding families, including a 14-year-old who supervised the building of this early French settlement west of the Mississippi. Learn about the multicultural community that allowed the daughters of a freed slave, a Native American, and a French settler to be best friends! Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Jared Hennings
## *The Music of Broadway*

**Tuesday, October 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Local vocalist Jared Hennings returns to the Hayner Performance Series performing a program of your favorite Broadway show tunes. Jared will be accompanied by a trio of musicians, performing hits from renowned musicals like *Brigadoon, Showboat, The Desert Song,* and *Porgy and Bess.* Sprinkled with jazz standards and melodic ballads, the familiar music will have you tapping your toes and singing along. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Around the World for a Song*

**Saturday, October 25, 7:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will take place at the Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL 62035.*

This program is made possible through the cooperation and support of The Hayner Public Library District, Lewis & Clark Music Department, Lewis & Clark Diversity Council, and the NEH Grant/Mannie Jackson Endowment for the Humanities

This program will present words, music, and instruments from cultures spanning the globe to touch your heart, mind, and soul. This will be a unique and remarkable opportunity for the entire community to enjoy a multicultural, multitalented, multifaceted experience.

As a part of his North American tour, Doug Smith's outstanding musicianship as both a vocalist and percussionist will be showcased as he performs commissioned compositions and arrangements of words/music from around the world. The combination of his rich and warm voice, interwoven with the range and depth of the five-octave marimba, come together to create gorgeous layerings of tonality and blending of sound colors. World-class performers on violin, cello, and a variety of percussion instruments round out the sound of the ensemble (affectionately known as "The Vunderkids"). Beverages and a cash bar will also be available throughout the evening. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Mary Ann Pitchford
## *Tai Chi Classes for Adults/for Families*

**Mondays, October 27 & November 3, 10, & 17**

Last fall's successful Tai Chi classes are returning! This year, we will host a daytime class for adults and an evening class for families. HealthQuest Tai Chi varies from the martial arts–style; these gentle meditative movements are beneficial to anyone with arthritic joint pain, diabetes circulation problems, and anxiety/depression. This method includes Qi Gong (for mental alertness and memory) and Tae Bo (for upper body strength). There will be two series of classes, each meeting once a week for four consecutive weeks beginning Monday, October 27, through Monday, November 17. All classes are limited to 35 people. Please sign up for the entire series, not individual dates.

**Series 1: Mondays at 1 p.m.**

**Tai Chi for Adults:** Meets in the Hayner Library Performance Room, Alton Square Mall, 2nd floor. Great for seniors and enjoyable for all levels of experience and flexibility.

**Series 2: Mondays at 6:30 p.m.**

This class invites the whole family to attend. Kids must be accompanied by an adult (parent, grandparent, legal guardian, etc.) For all levels of experience and flexibility. Enjoy an

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activity with the whole family together. Learn the wonderful Tai Chi techniques that you can continue at home to develop strength, confidence, and flexibility. Registration required. Register at 1-800-613-3163 Please be sure to specify the class you wish to register for and the number of people in your party.

## Beth McGlasson
### *Dr. Silas Hamilton and George Washington: Breaking the Bonds of Slavery*

**Wednesday, November 5, 6:30 p.m.**

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton. George Washington was born a slave but lived a life of freedom, thanks to Dr. Silas Hamilton. Beth McGlasson of the Jersey County Historical Society shares the extraordinary tale of these men and how their generosity has benefited thousands of children. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Michael Smith & Anne Hills

**Tuesday, November 18, 6:30 p.m.**

Michael Smith is a lyricist, composer, playwright, and performer. He has won four prestigious Jeff awards and is the 2010 recipient of the distinguished Hans Christian Andersen Award for his adaptation of *The Snow Queen*, for which he also wrote the musical score. His beloved song "The Dutchman," a signature piece for the late Liam Clancy and Steve Goodman and recently recorded by Celtic Thunder, is considered a classic. *Chicago* magazine wrote of Michael, "One of the best songwriters in the English language . . . an enchanting and riveting performer."

Tom Paxton says, "Anne Hills is such an exquisite singer that it's understandable that people might be swept up in the pure beauty of her voice and thereby overlook her writing. That would be a mistake For me, Anne's writing, in songs like 'Follow That Road' and many others, is as direct, melodic and deep as any work being done today She is quite simply one of my absolute favorite songwriters." Don't miss this unique opportunity to hear these collaborators together. Onstage, they bring dynamic instrumental and harmonic dimensions to their co-written songs and favorites of their individual repertoires. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*

**Sunday, November 30, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3) There is plenty of easy parking.*

A favorite event of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This extraordinary ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. The program is free but does require registration.
Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
### *A Celtic Christmas in the Chapel*

**Sunday, December 7, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. This year will be particularly festive in the newly renovated Godfrey Chapel. When they have performed for us previously, their program filled up immediately, so don't wait to register for this event. It is a highlight of the year Register at 1-800-613-3163

# Computer Training Classes

**All classes are free of charge**

## PC Basics: Introduction to Computers

**(Class limit: 12)***
**Section A: September 30 and October 7, 6–8 p.m.**
**Section B: November 18 and 25, 6–8 p.m.**

An introduction to personal computers: Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars. To register, call 1-800-613-3163 Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section for which you are registering.

**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

## Internet Basics: Internet for e-Mail and Job Application

**(Class limit: 12)**
**Section A: October 2 and 9, 6–8 p.m.**
**Section B: November 6 and November 20, 6–8 p.m.**

An introduction to Web-surfing, e-mail, and online job search and application. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, use a search engine to locate information and search for employment, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section for which you are registering.

## Beginning Microsoft Word (Class limit: 12)

**Fall Section meets 6 times: October 14, 16, 21, 28, 30, and November 4, 6–8 p.m.**

This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It is a total of 6 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section for which you are registering.

# Social Media Classes

***Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.***

## Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)

**October 15, 6:30 p.m.–8 p.m.**

We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site as well as one on how to interact with other users Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 10)

**November 15, 9:30 a.m.–11 a.m.**

This class will start with the creating of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Exploring Pinterest and Twitter (Class limit: 10)

**November 15, 2:30 p.m.–4 p.m.**

Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# *eBook Help – 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive eBooks*

**Get eBook help for the 3M Cloud Library eBooks and for OverDrive eBooks! Now with the addition of 3M Cloud Library eBooks, you will have more eBooks to choose from!**

For help downloading these eBooks to your reader from the library catalog, Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, October 18, on the basics of downloading eBooks

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The process of downloading eBooks will be demonstrated on multiple platforms, including the Nook, Kindle Fire, and iPad.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the number in your party

# *Last Winter, We Parted*

**by Fuminori Nakamura**

This is a psychological thriller by the popular Japanese crime writer Fuminori Nakamura. The plot is very reminiscent of Truman Capote's *In Cold Blood* in that it deals with a writer who is interviewing a murderer and in the process of doing so goes crazy The prose is very spare, which creates a cold and clinical atmosphere throughout the book.

Along with that, this book almost felt like I was reading a true crime book in that the author told half of the story through letters that the main character and the villain wrote to each other, as well as the epistles that the villain wrote to his sister

As interesting as this was, it also made the story a bit tedious, and I would not recommend this if you are looking for a fast read. It requires patience and the desire to wade through what I call minutiae. But if you are looking for something challenging, then give this one a try.

*Whit Howland*

## *Don't Miss This Extraordinary Program!*

### "Around the World for a Song"

**Presented by The Hayner Public Library District and Lewis & Clark Community College**
**Saturday, October 25, 7:00 p.m.**
**Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, IL 62035**
**This program is free of charge, but registration is requested. To register, call 1-800-613-3163.**

Words, music, and instruments from cultures spanning the globe to touch your heart, mind, and soul.

This program is made possible through the cooperation and support of The Hayner Public Library District, Lewis & Clark Music Department, Lewis & Clark Diversity Council, and the NEH Grant/Mannie Jackson Endowment for the Humanities.

This will be a unique and remarkable opportunity for Lewis & Clark Community College students, faculty, and the entire community to enjoy a multicultural, multitalented, multifaceted experience

As a part of his North American tour, Doug Smith's outstanding musicianship as both a vocalist and percussionist will be showcased as he performs commissioned compositions and arrangements of words/music from around the world The combination of his rich and warm voice, interwoven with the range and depth of the five-octave marimba, come together to create gorgeous layerings of tonality and blending of sound colors World-class performers on violin, cello, and a variety of percussion instruments round out the sound of the ensemble (affectionately known as "The Vunderkids"). The wonderful acoustics and unique energy of the historic Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel on the beautiful Lewis & Clark Godfrey campus will provide the perfect setting for the performance Beverages and a cash bar will also be available throughout the evening.

In brief, the concert will include:
*World-class performers from Utah Valley University and Dickinson College-Carlisle, Pa., as well as the St. Louis area
*String/vocal/percussion instrumentation
*Singing in French, Latin, Spanish, German, English
*Female composers, commissioned works, traditional/contemporary composers
*Poetry by e.e. Cummings, Pablo Neruda, Paul Eluard, Goethe, and others

**PERFORMER BIOS:**
Doug Smith is assistant professor and Percussion Area Coordinator at Utah Valley University and an active freelance musician in Salt Lake City with groups like the Utah Symphony and Utah Opera.

Blanka Bednarz enjoys a versatile career as a soloist, recitalist, chamber musician, concertmaster, and teacher She has concertized in the U.S.A., United Kingdom, Poland, Germany, Sweden, Finland, the Netherlands, and Lithuania.

Cheung Chau is director of orchestral studies at Utah Valley University He is music director of Utah Valley Youth Symphony and music director of Sinfonietta Polonia in Poland.

Peter Hussey is a music/percussion educator and performer in the St. Louis area and is currently a tenured associate professor of music/percussion studies at Lewis & Clark Community College in Godfrey, Ill , where he received the nomination for the 2014 ICCTA Outstanding Full-Time Faculty Member Award.

## *Own or Manage a Local Business? We Need Your Help!*

The Hayner Public Library District is planning a library card drive leading up to a week when businesses in Alton, Godfrey, and Fosterburg will offer a discount or other incentive to customers showing their Hayner library cards We are planning it for the week starting on Small Business Saturday (Sat., Nov. 29 – Sat., Dec. 6) to encourage residents to shop locally for the holidays We would love to include your business in this event. If you would like to participate or just want more information, please contact Lacy McDonald at 618-433-2859 or lacy.mcdonald@haynerlibrary.org.

## *Second Annual Library Card Drive*

Make sure to check our website for the list of local businesses who are offering discounts for showing your Hayner library card during the week of Saturday, November 29 – Saturday, December 6 Don't have a library card? Come get one at the Downtown or Alton Square library before the end of November! You will need to fill out a short library card application and provide a photo ID—a valid driver's license or state ID with your current residence If your photo ID does not have your current address, you will need to provide a piece of business mail (utility bill, bank statement, etc.) dated within the last 30 days as proof of residency.

# KIDSSPACE
## FALL 2014 ACTIVITIES

### ALTON SQUARE ACTIVITIES

**Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds Meeting dates are Mondays, October 6, October 13, October 20; November 3, November 10, November 17; December 1, December 8, and December 15, 2014, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881

**Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, October 1, October 8, October 15, October 22, October 29; November 5, November 19; December 3, and December 17, 2014, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

**Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Monday: October 27, 2014 Limited space is available Please register at 433-2881.

**Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. This program is for kids 5 to 11 years of age Meeting dates are: Thursdays, October 9, November 13, and December 11, 2014, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Limited space is available Please register at 433-2881.

### DOWNTOWN ACTIVITIES

**Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, October 6, October 13, October 20, October 27; November 3, November 10, November 17; December 1, December 8, and December 15, 2014. Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Thursdays, October 2, October 9, October 16, October 23, October 30; November 6, November 13, November 20, December 4, December 11, and December 18, 2014. Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age The fun begins at 3:30 p.m on Tuesdays, October 21, November 18, and December 16, 2014. Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

(All special activities will be held at Alton Square unless otherwise specified)

**Storyteller Annette Harrison** — A multitalented storyteller, performer, author, and educator, Annette draws her listeners in with her amazing dramatic abilities Her high energy, sometimes over-the-top, and always heartfelt delivery has earned her the title of "kid-magnet." The children shout, "You're funny!" and she is, but serious and important messages are hidden within the stories. Annette feels strongly about teaching through storytelling, whether it be character education, important events in history, or giving insights into the diverse cultures of the world. Annette will perform in the Performance Room, upper level at Alton Square on Monday, October 20, 2014, at 10 a.m. No registration necessary

**Stories with Santa** — Come join us for a fun-filled day including stories, Santa, refreshments, and a performance by Richard Landry and Snowball. All the fun begins at 1 p.m. in the Performance Room on the upper level at Alton Square on Saturday, December 6, 2014. This program will be followed by a visit from Santa and cookies in the KidsSpace Multipurpose Room. To register for this program call 433-2881 Parents, don't forget your cameras!

***Star Wars* Reads Day** — *Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. This is Hayner Library's first time participating in this event. The kids' staff will present a day full of *Star Wars* fun The fun begins at 1 p.m. on Saturday, October 11, 2014. We will have a costume contest (no pre-made costumes please), crafts, games, and more. . . . To register please call 433-2881. This program is for ages 5 to 12.

## —*Nonfiction*

**Ackroyd, Peter.** Charlie Chaplin
**Andersen, Christopher.** The Good Son: JFK Jr. and the Mother He Loved
**Asbridge, Thomas.** The Greatest Knight: The Remarkable Life of William Marshal, the Power Behind Five English Thrones
**Baer, Robert B.** The Perfect Kill: 21 Laws for Assassins
**Batali, Mario & Jim Webster.** America—Farm to Table: Simple, Delicious Recipes Celebrating Local Farmers
**Beck, Glenn.** Dreamers and Deceivers: True Stories of the Heroes and Villains Who Made America
**Binchy, Maeve.** Maeve's Times: In Her Own Words
**Bittman, Mark.** How to Cook Everything Fast: A Better Way to Cook Great Food
**Bradley, James.** The China Mirage: The Hidden History of American Disaster in Asia
**Bragg, Rick & Jerry Lee Lewis.** Jerry Lee Lewis: His Own Story
**Cavett, Dick.** Brief Encounters: Conversations, Magic Moments, and Assorted Hijinks
**Chopra, Deepak.** The Future of God: A Practical Approach to Spirituality for Our Times
**Cleese, John.** So, Anyway...
**Couch, Dick & William Doyle.** Navy SEALs: The Untold Story
**Cowin, Dana.** Mastering My Mistakes in the Kitchen: Learning to Cook with 65 Great Chefs and Over 100 Delicious Recipes
**Cumming, Alan.** Not My Father's Son: A Memoir
**Davidson, Andrew.** A Doctor in the Great War: Unseen Photographs of Life in the Trenches
**De Pape, Baptist.** Power of the Heart: Finding Your True Purpose
**Downey, Kirstin.** Isabella: The Warrior Queen
**Elwes, Cary.** As You Wish: Inconceivable Tales from the Making of *The Princess Bride*
**Gaffigan, Jim.** Food: A Love Story
**Garten, Ina.** Make It Ahead: A Barefoot Contessa Cookbook
**Harris, Neil Patrick.** Neil Patrick Harris: Choose Your Own Autobiography
**Heavey, Bill.** You're Not Lost if You Can Still See the Truck: The Further Adventures of America's Everyman Outdoorsman
**Hitchens, Christopher.** Why Religion Is Immoral: And Other Interventions
**Huston, Anjelica.** Watch Me
**Isaacson, Walter.** The Innovators: How a Group of Hackers, Geniuses, and Geeks Created the Digital Revolution
**Jones, Dan.** The War of the Roses: The Fall of the Plantagenets and the Rise of the Tudors
**Katz, Jon.** Saving Simon: How a Rescue Donkey Taught Me the Meaning of Compassion
**Krist, Gary.** Empire of Sin: A Story of Sex, Jazz, Murder, and the Battle for Modern New Orleans
**Lanchester, John.** How to Speak Money: What the Money People Say—And What It Really Means
**Laurino, Maria.** The Italian Americans: A History
**Leaming, Barbara.** Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy Onassis: The Untold Story
**Lear, Norman.** Even This I Get to Experience
**Lopez, Jennifer.** True Love
**Loren, Sophia.** Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow: My Life
**Maciariello, Joseph A.** A Year with Peter Drucker: 52 Weeks of Coaching for Leadership Effectiveness
**Maier, Thomas.** When Lions Roar: The Churchills and the Kennedys
**Martha Stewart Living Editors.** Clean Slate: A Cookbook and Guide: Reset Your Health, Detox Your Body, and Feel Your Best
**McCain, John & Mark Salter.** Thirteen Soldiers: A Personal History of Americans at War
**McCurley, Lt. Col. T. Mark with Kevin Maurer.** Hunter Killer: Inside America's Unmanned Air War
**McPherson, James.** Embattled Rebel: Jefferson Davis as Commander in Chief
**Oliver, Jamie.** Jamie's Comfort Food
**Owen, Mark with Kevin Maurer.** No Hero: The Evolution of a Navy SEAL
**Poehler, Amy.** Yes Please
**Pomroy, Haylie.** The Burn, Why Your Scale Is Stuck and What to Eat About It
**Risen, James.** Pay Any Price: Greed, Power, and Endless War
**Ritz, David.** Respect: The Life of Aretha Franklin
**Santana, Carlos.** The Universal Tone: My Life
**Simmons, Gene.** Me, Inc.: Build an Army of One, Unleash Your Inner Rock God, Win in Life and Business
**Von Furstenberg, Diane.** The Woman I Wanted to Be
**Williams, Kate.** Ambition and Desire: The Dangerous Life of Josephine Bonaparte
**Wilson, A. N.** Victoria: A Life
**Wright, Lawrence.** Thirteen Days in September: Carter, Begin, and Sadat at Camp David
**Zamperini, Louis.** Don't Give Up, Don't Give In: Lessons from an Extraordinary Life (Hero of Laura Hillenbrand's bestselling biography *Unbroken*)

## —*Fiction*

**Andrews, V. C.** Christopher's Diary: Secrets of Foxworth
**Baldacci, David.** The Escape
**Brown, Rita Mae.** Let Sleeping Dogs Lie
**Chamberlain, Diane.** The Silent Sister
**Childs, Laura.** Gossamer Ghost
**Clark, Mary Higgins & Alafair Burke.** The Cinderella Murder
**Connelly, Michael.** The Burning Room
**Connolly, John.** The Wolf in Winter: A Charlie Parker Thriller
**Cornwell, Patricia.** Flesh and Blood: A Scarpetta Novel
**Crais, Robert.** The Promise: An Elvis Cole and Joe Pike Novel
**Cussler, Clive & Dirk Cussler.** Havana Storm
**Dallas, Sandra.** A Quilt for Christmas
**Davidson, Mary Janice.** Undead and Unwary
**Deveraux, Jude.** Change of Heart
**Evanovich, Janet & Lee Goldberg.** The Job
**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Mistletoe Promise
**Ford, Richard.** Let Me Be Frank with You
**Francis, Felix.** Dick Francis's Damage
**Gerritsen, Tess.** Die Again: A Rizzoli & Isles Novel
**Griffin, W.E.B.** Deadly Assets
**Grisham, John.** Gray Mountain
**Higgins, Jack.** Rain on the Dead
**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Winter Street
**Johnson, Craig.** Wait for Signs: Twelve Longmire Stories
**Johnson, Denis.** The Laughing Monsters
**Jones, Darynda.** Seventh Grave and No Body
**King, Stephen.** Revival
**Kinsella, Sophie.** Shopaholic to the Stars
**Koontz, Dean.** Saint Odd: An Odd Thomas Novel
**Landvik, Lorna.** Best to Laugh
**Lowell, Elizabeth.** Love Song
**Macomber, Debbie.** Mr. Miracle: A Christmas Novel
**Margolin, Phillip.** Woman with a Gun
**McCaig, Donald.** Ruth's Journey: The Authorized Novel of Mammy from Margaret Mitchell's *Gone with the Wind*
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Handsome Man's Deluxe Café: No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency
**McCarthy, Cormac.** Gardener's Son
**McCrumb, Sharyn.** Nora Bonesteel's Christmas Past: A Ballad Novella
**McDermid, Val.** The Skeleton Road
**Patterson, James.** Hope to Die
**Picoult, Jodi.** Leaving Time
**Preston, Douglas & Lincoln Child.** Blue Labyrinth
**Rendell, Ruth.** The Girl Next Door
**Rice, Anne.** Prince Lestat: The Vampire Chronicles
**Robards, Karen.** Hush
**Roberts, Nora.** Blood Magick (Cousins O'Dwyer)
**Robinson, Marilynne.** Lila
**Roby, Kimberla Lawson.** A Christmas Prayer
**Sandford, John.** Deadline
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Betrayed
**Sheldon, Sidney & Tilly Bagshawe.** Sidney Sheldon's Chasing Tomorrow
**Smiley, Jane.** Some Luck
**Smith, Wilbur.** Desert God: A Novel of Ancient Egypt
**Steel, Danielle.** Pegasus
**Tademy, Lalita.** Citizens Creek
**Tóibín, Colm.** Nora Webster
**VanLiere, Donna.** The Christmas Light
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# TEENSPACE
## FALL 2014 ACTIVITIES

### Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the Teen Library at the Riverbender.com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and help make Hayner Library teen sites enjoyable places for teens. Meeting dates are Wednesdays September 10; October 8; November 12; and December 10, 2014, at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun after school for Teen Movies@ the Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates are Wednesdays, September 17; October 15; November 19; and December 17, 2014. Movies start at 3:45 p.m. To register call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Book Club

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meetings will be held at the Riverbender.com Community Center Library on Wednesdays, September 24; October 22; November 19; and December 17, 2014, at 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Read Week Event

"Turn Dreams into Reality!" This Teen Read Week™ (Oct. 12–18), YALSA dares you to read for the fun of it! Teen Read Week is a time to celebrate reading for fun and to encourage teens to take advantage of reading in all its forms—books and magazines, e-books, audiobooks, and more—and become regular library users. To celebrate this event, Hayner Library will have special programming during this week. For more details call Shannon at 433-2872

### 2014 Teen Summer Reading Program "Paws to Read"

The 2014 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Paws to Read," was another great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on some much-needed reading. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a weekly fun day at the Riverbender.com Community Center. We would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner for the most hours read, Kristina Shelton-Montez. We would also like to thank all the participants. We hope to see everyone back for next year's reading program.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Christmas—Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Year's—Dec. 31, Jan. 1
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—Jan. 19
Presidents' Day—Feb. 16

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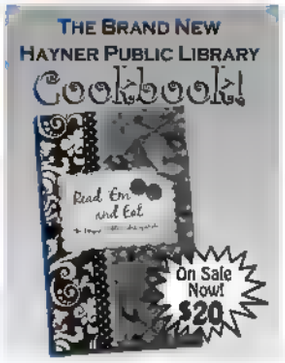



## *The Cookbook Is Here!*

Hayner Library's first cookbook is now on sale at all Hayner locations. Titled "Read 'Em and Eat," it features over 900 unique and delicious recipes along with helpful kitchen hints and tips. Recipes were compiled from library patrons, community members, Hayner Library Board and staff, and various authors.

This project was spearheaded by Stephanie Munson, longtime library employee, and cochaired by library volunteer Marcia Sivia. Stephanie and Marcia led a team of invaluable volunteers who were critical to the completion of the book. Great thanks and appreciation go out to Shirley Noble, Sherry Rexford, and Martha Steiner for all their hard work. Also, thanks to Hayner Library staff members Theresa McDonald, Marilyn Stewart, Michele Kelly, and Teressa Heafner for their contributions in the compilation process. A special thanks to Kate Rose for copyediting the book.

The cookbook is available for sale at all Hayner Library locations and costs $20. Proceeds from the cookbooks will go toward supplementing our material collections. Buy them for family and friends!

## *Check Out Wowbrary!*

The Hayner Public Library District buys thousands of new books, movies, and CDs each year, and now we have a great way for you to keep up with the new arrivals.

We at The Hayner Public Library District are excited to offer our patrons free "Wowbrary" e-mail alerts that showcase the library's newest items each week. The alerts feature the latest bestsellers, movies, music CDs, audiobooks, children's titles, cookbooks, mysteries, travel guides, health books, science fiction, and more purchased by the library.

The free Wowbrary alerts are extremely convenient and quickly show what's new, whether checked out or not, for all Hayner Public Library District branches, all from the convenience of one's home, work, or school computer.

Go to wowbrary.org, click on sign up, and you will receive weekly e-mail newsletters alerting you to the latest new materials that the library is adding to our collection. You will be able to reserve these materials directly from the Wowbrary newsletter, and any hold can be picked up at a branch of your choice.

The weekly newsletters show covers, descriptions, popularity, ratings, and/or reviews for the preponderance of new books, DVDs, music CDs, audiobooks, e-books, and e-audios. Check it out today!

### *We Want to Hear from You!*

**In order to best provide you the services and materials most important to you, we would like your input. The last page of this newsletter is a survey asking about your personal library usage and experience. Please help us in our planning process and take a few minutes to fill it out. You can drop off the completed survey at any Hayner Library location, or mail it to Hayner Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL 62002, or fax it to 618-462-4919.**

## *Our New Website*

If you haven't already done so, log on to www.haynerlibrary.org and check out our new website. We are really excited about it—it is full-function and incredibly easy to navigate. Whether you are searching our catalog to order library materials, checking your account, getting help with your eReader, searching the events calendars, or catching up with the quarterly newsletter—these functions and much more are available in a keystroke. Come visit us through your computer, iPad, or phone.

## *10 Things You Can Do to Raise a Reader*

Parents are a child's first teachers, and there are many simple things you can do every day to share the joy of reading while strengthening your child's literacy skills.

1. **Read from day one.** Start a reading routine in those very first days with a newborn. Even very young babies respond to the warmth of a lap and the soothing sound of a book being read aloud.
2. **Share books every day.** Read with your child every day, even after he becomes an independent reader.
3. **Reread favorites.** Most children love to hear their favorite stories over and over again. Rereading books provides an opportunity to hear or see something that may have been missed the first time, and provides another chance to hear a favorite part
4. **Send positive messages about the joys of literacy.** Your own interest and excitement about books will be contagious!
5. **Visit the library early and often.** Public libraries are great resources for books, helpful advice about authors and illustrators, story times, and more. Make visiting the library part of your family's routine
6. **Find the reading and writing in everyday things.** Take the time to show your child ways that adults use reading and writing every day. Grocery lists, notes to the teacher, maps, and cooking all involve important reading and writing skills
7. **Give your reader something to think and talk about.** There are many different types of books available to readers Vary the types of books you check out from the library, and seek out new subjects that give you and your reader something to think and talk about
8. **Talk, talk, talk.** A child's vocabulary grows through rich conversations with others No matter your child's age, narrate what you're doing, talk in full sentences, and sprinkle your conversations with interesting words.
9. **Know your stuff.** Parents don't need to be reading specialists, but it is important to understand the basics about learning to read.
10. **Speak up if something doesn't feel right.** Parents are often the first ones to recognize a problem. If you have concerns about your child's development, speak with your child's teacher and your pediatrician. It's never too early to check in with an expert.

**L**ook for new books and authors that your child may enjoy
**O**rganize an area dedicated to reading and writing tools
**V**isit the library for story time and book recommendations
**E**ncourage your child to talk about what he's read

**T**alk to your child, and sprinkle interesting words into your conversation.
**O**ffer a variety of books to read.

**R**ead with your child every day
**E**xpand your home library to include magazines and nonfiction.
**A**sk questions if you're concerned about your child's development.
**D**ecide to raise a reader!

*From Readingrockets.org (2012)*

## *Local Yearbooks Needed for Digital Scanning Project*

The Genealogy & Local History Library has been invited to participate in the OCI yearbook project conducted by the Record Conversion Department at Oklahoma Correctional Industries (OCI) in Lexington, Oklahoma.

After hearing that high schools and local libraries were losing their historical collections of yearbooks through natural disasters, fires, and vandalism, OCI decided that it could help preserve these books and their historical content in Oklahoma. The project was so successful that now the state agency is contacting libraries in other states with offers, at no cost, to digitize the covers and every page of their yearbooks by scanning at 300 dpi, saving in a jpeg format, and then storing on a DVD. Because they are done in publisher quality, the books can be reprinted from the disk.

The Records Conversion Department has been in business for 30 years and does records conversion for every state agency in Oklahoma, including the Department of Education, Department of Human Services, Department of Labor, the Oklahoma Supreme Court, and the Attorney General's Office.

We have an extensive collection of local high school yearbooks in the Genealogy & Local History Library, but we don't have everything We would love to have a complete run to send to be digitized, and we need your help to complete our collection!

We are looking for donations of the following yearbook volumes:

- Alton High School – *Tatler*: 1910, 1960, 1980, 1990, 1993–1997, 2008
- Marquette High School – *Explorer*: anything before 1961, 1963
- Monticello Seminary College – *Echo*: 1944
- Shurtleff College – *Retrospect*: 1913–1916, 1918, 1920, 1923, 1924, 1926, 1927, 1931, 1933–1937, 1941–1949, 1954, 1957
- Western Military Academy – *Recall*: 1923, 1928–1935, 1950, 1962, 1969

If you would like to donate yearbooks or other historical materials for the Illinois Room, please call 618-462-0677, ext. 2865, to discuss your donation.

## *Get Linked!*

The Hayner Public Library District has introduced a new service called "Associated Library Cards." This function will allow library card accounts to be associated, or linked, between members of the same household This relationship allows a patron to present his own card to pick up holds or renew items on accounts associated with his card. This function applies ONLY to holds or renewals and cannot be used for checking out new items.

To establish an association, the requesting patron must present all library cards that are to be associated. Cards can be associated only between patrons residing at the same residence.

Once associated (linked), it is the responsibility of the patron to request a transaction for an associated account (library staff members will not assume association, and our system does not automatically display associated accounts).

Per current fine policy, no transactions will be placed on any account that has a fine over five dollars. This applies to individuals as well as associated accounts

Associations may be terminated by presenting all associated library cards that were previously linked.

Questions? Just check with the staff at any Hayner Library location or call 462-0677.

## Stephanie Munson Retires

This past December, longtime employee Stephanie Munson retired after almost 30 years of service to the library.

Stephanie has been a wonderful member of the Hayner staff and served in many different capacities. She first started working at the library in 1985 at the circulation desk. The following year she was put in charge of the bookmobile, an assignment she loved. The bookmobile would make its rounds of schools and neighborhoods five days a week. The summers were especially busy when kids were out of school. Steph remembers on many occasions putting a blanket out on someone's lawn and telling stories to the neighborhood kids.

The bookmobile was eventually disbanded due to rising costs, and Stephanie was put in charge of establishing a Homebound Program This program delivered library materials to patrons who were confined to their homes. Steph organized the program and enlisted a set of volunteers who would visit patrons every week. Equally important as the delivery of library materials was the time Steph and her volunteers spent visiting with the patrons, providing company and brightening their days. When Stephanie started Homebound, she delivered 25 items a month. When she left the program in 2005, she and her volunteers were delivering over 1500 items.

In 2006 Stephanie was put in charge of managing the volunteer program for the library district. As Volunteer Coordinator, Steph managed the recruitment, scheduling, and activities of 56 volunteers Some volunteers were active on a weekly schedule, and some were involved in special projects. Stephanie also involved herself in special projects. In 2013 she instituted a program to send books to military service men and women. She ended up mailing over 350 boxes of books overseas.

In 2014 Steph took on the job of project manager to help create the first cookbook published by The Hayner Public Library District. She solicited recipes from the community, Facebook friends, Hayner staff and board members, and even authors With the help of volunteers, she sorted and formatted over 900 recipes into a terrific book, Read 'Em and Eat (available for purchase at any Hayner Library location, $20).

In her spare time, when not working, Stephanie was often engaged as a storyteller and has entertained many audiences, children and adults alike. She also was involved with Alton Little Theater, both onstage and behind the scenes, for 15 years

Stephanie plans to keep very busy in retirement. She and her husband, Harry, look forward to traveling the country and already have a trip planned for the spring, driving from Seattle, Wash., down the coast to San Diego, Calif. Stephanie also has an antique booth at the Alton Exchange that she will continue to maintain Most importantly, however, Stephanie looks forward to spending time with her three grandchildren, Brooklyn, Soren, and Elin

Stephanie's kindness, bubbly personality, and ready smile have touched many hearts, patrons and staff alike, so we are happy to announce that she will not be fully gone from the library She intends to keep working several hours per week managing her staff of volunteers. Congratulations, Stephanie, on your retirement and great thanks for your many years of wonderful service

### A Message from Stephanie...

As I look back on my 30-year journey at Hayner, the word *people* stands out in my mind. I have developed such strong friendships with patrons and coworkers. It is these friendships that have kept me going through the good times and the rough ones.

I have been so lucky to be able to initiate some programs for Hayner. The Homebound program is what I am most proud of. In the twenty years that I delivered to the homebound, it was the people that made it a joy to do. What better job for me than to be out and about, visiting the homebound. I am so grateful for that opportunity

I learned a lot in those twenty years, and I have many fond memories to cherish I was given a chance to develop a volunteer program for Hayner. That has been a great experience, too. We have so many wonderful people volunteering for Hayner

Thank you, Hayner Library, staff, and patrons for such wonderful years. *–Stephanie*

## Hayner Provides Extensive Homebound Delivery Services

The Hayner Public Library District supports an extensive Homebound program that delivers library materials to patrons throughout our community. Staffed by Delivery Service Manager Esther Gillespie and Library Assistant Hector Lozano, the department delivers new library materials to patrons at their residences every two to four weeks.

The service currently delivers to eleven residential facilities, including Rosewood Care Center, Skyline Towers Apartments, Hillcrest Apartments, Extended Care Facility at St. Clare's Villa, Weston Terrace–United Methodist Village, Addus Adult Day Services, St. Clare's Villa, St. Clare's Rehabilitation Services, United Methodist Village, Fountains IV, Provision Living at Godfrey, Glenhaven Gardens of Alton, and Marian Heights Apartments

The service also delivers directly to patrons' homes on either an extended or temporary basis A patron can receive a full selection of library materials including books, audiobooks, CDs, and DVDs If the item the patron requests is not available from Hayner's collections, it will be ordered from another library

To sign up for the service, just call 433-2863 You will be asked what kind of materials you would like, how many, and how frequently you would like delivery. Materials will be selected for you based on your personal preferences (fiction, nonfiction, mysteries, biographies, etc.). Esther, Hector, and three volunteers select and deliver hundreds of items a month Homebound Services also maintains three satellite library locations at Senior Services Plus, Provision Living at Godfrey, and Glenhaven Gardens of Alton

You don't have to forgo using your library. Let Homebound Delivery Services bring Hayner Library to you!

# Star Wars *Reads Day 2014*

*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars* It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm.

If you came out to join us for *Star Wars* Reads Day 2014, you were greeted by characters from the Garrison 501st Legion from Scott Air Force Base. The day started with activities ranging from designing your own X-wing fighter to battling with our homemade light sabers

Kids enjoyed a *Star Wars*–themed cookie from The Cookie Factory Café and had their picture taken with one of our three *Star Wars*–themed characters.

To end the day we had a costume contest, and the winner took home a $25 gift card from Walmart Each participant also took home a souvenir from our souvenir table. The day was a big success, and we are looking forward to next year's events!

# TEENSPACE
## WINTER 2015 ACTIVITIES

- ***Teen Advisory Council***

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month at the Teen Library located at Riverbender com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and help make the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 14, February 11, and March 11, 2015, at 4: 30 p m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

- ***Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center***

Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie Event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender com movie theater exclusively for teens The movie will be a PG–13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movies start at 3:45 p.m. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 21, February 18, and March 18, 2015. Buses are available to transport after school from Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School. To register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

- ***RBCC Teen Book Club***

This book club is for the teens attending the Riverbender.com after-school program and teens in our community. Teens will choose a book each month to read and will bring it back to discuss the following month. This book club gives students a chance to read and discuss all genres. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 28, February 25, and March 25, 2015, at 5 p.m.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

- ***Teen Tech Week***

***"Libraries Are for Making"***
***March 8–14, 2015***

Come join us for some really cool arts and crafts at the Riverbender.com Community Center library location. For more information about this event or to register, call Shannon at 433-2872

- ***Project Next Generation***

In today's world, nearly anything that's done is touched, in some way, by technology; specifically, computers and computer-assisted technology. You want to have that cutting edge; the one that gives your profile the kind of attention it needs to land you wherever it is that you're wanting to be· in a great job that you love, with lots of potential; at the top of the list of people that college you're wanting to attend is considering for admission; or in a position to start your own business, where you'll be in charge. The Hayner Public Library District has resources available to give you experience, skills in using current cutting-edge technology, and the poise and presence to be able to sell your talents to others.

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its eighth year of implementation at Hayner. We are excited to be able to offer Saturday workshops once per month using the newest technologies. Our winter and spring workshops are filling up fast, so don't wait to sign up! Meeting dates are Saturday, January 24, 2015, 3-D Printing Class #1; Saturday, February 28, 2015, 3-D Printing Class #2; and Saturday, March 28, 2015, 3-D Printing Class #3. Each class will be held from 9 a.m. to noon in our Multipurpose Room at Hayner Alton Square In addition, we are hoping to develop a cadre of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and technological equipment.

Come join us for one of our Saturday sessions! There is no cost involved, and the payoffs are huge. Call 433-2861 for more information or to sign up for our next session! Limited space is available!

❖ *Funding for this grant project was awarded from the U S. Institute of Museum and Library Services to the Secretary of State/Illinois State Library under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA)*

# KIDSSPACE
## WINTER 2015 ACTIVITIES

## Alton Square Activities

***Bow-wow Pow-wow*** — Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! January 10, February 14 and March 14 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

***Movers and Shakers Story Time*** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 5 and 12; February 2 and 9; March 2, 9, 16, and 23, 2015, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

***Mommy and Me Story Time*** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 7, 21, and 28; February 4, 18, and 25; March 4, 18, and 25, 2015, at 10 a.m Please register at 433-2881

***Spanish Story Time*** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be there at 10 a.m on the following Mondays: January 26, February 23, and March 30, 2015 Please register at 433-2881.

***Legos @ Your Library*** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 8, February 12, and March 12, 2015, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please register at 433-2881

***KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt*** — Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on March 14, 2015. All children will receive an Easter bag, hear a few stories with the Bow-wow Pow-wow dogs, and have a chance to sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents, don't forget your cameras! Register at 433-2881.

## Downtown Activities

***Evening Story Time*** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library Downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p m. on Mondays, January 5, 12, and 26; February 2, 9, and 23; March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2015. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

***Mary Kay's Story Times*** — Come join Panda Bear and Ms Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Thursdays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29, February 5, 12, 19, and 26; March 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2015 Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

***After-School Fun*** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library Downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age The fun begins at 3:30 p m. on Tuesdays, January 20, February 17, and March 17, 2015 Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

***The Children's Museum of Edwardsville*** — Come join us for one of the fun programs The Children's Museum of Edwardsville will have at our KidsSpace downtown location. Program one, Thursday, February 19, 2015; Program two, Thursday, March 19, 2015; Program three, Thursday, April 16, 2015. All the fun starts at 10 a.m. Limited space is available, so call now and make your reservation! Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

***PROGRAM ONE – Musical Instruments, Thursday, February 19, 2015*** — What can be a musical instrument? How are they played? Why do they sound different? Create your own instrument as we discover the world of music

***PROGRAM TWO – Global Art, Thursday, March 19, 2015*** — Explore different artistic techniques from various countries and cultures. See how people use the same materials yet create different patterns. Create your own masterpiece using some of the methods and materials discovered.

***PROGRAM THREE – Seeds, Thursday April 16, 2015*** — Where are seeds found? What is a seed? Is there something inside a seed? Discover what is waiting to emerge from a seed.

## *Thank You for Your Generosity*

This past October we collected food for fines throughout the month. You could pay your current fine on Hayner materials with a contribution of a non-perishable food item We collected 16 boxes of canned goods and four boxes of other miscellaneous items. Thank you for such a successful campaign! All items have been delivered to the Alton Crisis Food Center

# Special Events at Hayner

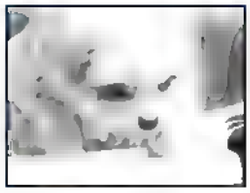
All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Winter 2015 Semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*



*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, January 10**
**Saturday, February 14**
**Saturday, March 14, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are held the second Thursday of each month with the same class offered on the following Saturday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

***City Directories/Maps***
**January 8 or January 10, 2015**
***Family Search Website***
**February 12 or February 14, 2015**
***Organizing Your Family History***
**March 12 or March 14, 2015**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Fiddlin' Banjo Billy and The Old Time Players

**Tuesday, January 20, 6:30 p.m.**

The Old Time Players is a unique group of dedicated old-time musicians, committed to the preservation of our American musical heritage. This group plays a wide variety of traditional American music, old-time fiddle and dance tunes, and folk songs from our great Western expansion. This was the popular music of the day, and American musical expression continued to grow through such modes as the Minstrel Show, Vaudeville, Burlesque, and Ragtime. These tunes represent over 100 years of our musical diversity and the development of American popular culture. This music is incredibly high-spirited and hard-hitting yet rhythmically sophisticated. It is energetic and fun. Let us show you how much fun it can be for you! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz & You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band *Celebrate Fat Tuesday*

**Tuesday, February 17, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill.*

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great venue, the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College. This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Spook Handy *Remembering Pete Seeger*

**Tuesday, February 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Spook Handy performed alongside Pete Seeger at festivals and concerts over 50 times from 2003–2014, learning many of Pete's songs and the stories behind them. Now, Spook is touring throughout the U.S. and Canada (and soon Europe and Australia) sharing these songs and stories, celebrating Pete's life and legacy. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Cynthia Hanson *Unbreakable Bonds: Building Family Ties Through Ancestral Research*

**Wednesday, February 25, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton, IL.*

Cynthia Hanson will give a talk based on her experience with her father after they rediscovered a forgotten packet of Civil War letters in the attic. As they began to unravel the life of a remarkable ancestor and soldier, they realized that if someone didn't transcribe the aging packet soon, a valuable historic contribution could be lost to future generations. The experience bonded them in a common goal that continued for many years and led to Ms. Hanson's publishing *Searching*

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*for John Ball: A Father and Daughter's Inspiring Journey Researching the Life and Letters of a Civil War Ancestor*, Galloping Hills Publishing, 2013. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Paddy and Jon Lynn
## *Spoon River Anthology*

**Tuesday, March 10, 6:30 p.m.**

No other literary work from Illinois has ever had the radical impact of Edgar Lee Masters' *Spoon River Anthology*, published in 1915 In Masters' 243 thinly-veiled epitaph-poems, people from all walks of life come forward from their graves and share compelling stories of their hopes, dreams, tragedies, and joys, not to mention their advice and warnings to those still living. The uproar that this book created because of its unique free verse style and its portrayal of characters with blunt, brutal honesty caused a scandal upon its debut. As a result, it was banned from the Spoon River area schools and libraries until 1974. The stories capture all aspects of life—irony, comedy, failure, success. These dramatized monologues portrayed by Paddy and Jon Lynn, accompanied by musician Patti Ecker, will not only reflect on the life and times of those living in 1915, but also offer universal lessons to Illinoisans living today. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

*The event is being produced in part by the Illinois Humanities Council's Road Scholars Speakers Bureau, a program that provides organizations statewide with affordable, entertaining, and thought-provoking humanities events for their communities*

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## Double Play

**Wednesday, March 18, 6:30 p.m.**

The world's only tuba and flute duo are always entertaining and amaze us with their remarkable musical combination. Join us for a program of Irish music for a late St. Pat's celebration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Off the Shoulder

**Tuesday, March 31, 6:30 p.m.**

Four Alton musicians put their unique spin on a great variety of hits from Adele to Alanis, Coldplay to country, the Beatles to Bonnie Raitt, and much more With Gigi Darr on keyboard, Christine Banda Banks on violin, Randy Banks on drums, and Sharon Spence Korn on vocals, this group brings a fresh, exciting energy to songs you know and love. Don't miss it! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Alton Cemetery – History, Rules, and Regulations adopted 1950 IR 977.3865 ALT
Alton YWCA Scrapbook Volumes 1–3: 1953–1956, 1956–1958, 1959–1962 IR 977 386 ALT
Calhoun County Cemeteries 2011 (patron donation) IR 977.38535
Capone's Cornfields IR 364.106 CHU
Early Families of Eastern and Southeastern Kentucky and Their Descendants IR 929 3769 KOZ
Flags of the Confederacy IR 929.920975 CAN
Flags of the Union IR 929.20973 CAN
From Bremen to America in 1850: Fourteen Emigrant Ship Lists IR 929.3 SMI
Genealogical Resources in English Repositories IR 929 341 WEL
Godfrey–Mason School P.T.A. Yearbook 1966–1967 (patron donation) IR 372.77386 GOD 1966–67
Great American Tradition Clydesdales IR 636.15 DIE
Historic Illinois Potteries (donation from the Center for American Archeology) IR 738 309773 MOU
History for Genealogists: Using Chronological Time Lines to Find and Understand Your Ancestors IR 929 1 JAC
The Illinois Governors: Mostly Good and Competent (patron donation) IR 977.30430922 HOW
Lives of Matthias Hoover and His Children (patron donation) IR 929 2 HOOVER
The Memorable Month: Minor League Baseball in Staunton, Illinois IR 796.357 EME
Poor Relations: The Children of the State in Illinois, 1818–1990 IR 362.709773 GIT
Proceedings of the Illinois Anti-Slavery Convention IR 973.7114 ILL
Saint Ambrose Parish Dedication April 29, 1979 IR 282 977386 SAI
St. Mary's Church 150th Anniversary Cookbook (patron donation) IR 641.5977366 SAI
Testament: A Soldier's Story of the Civil War IR 921 BOB
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## —NONFICTION

**Adams, Mark.** Meet Me in Atlantis: My Obsessive Quest to Find the Sunken City

**Anastasia, George.** Gotti's Rules: The Story of John Alite, Junior Gotti, and the Demise of the American Mafia

**Bagans, Zak.** I Am Haunted: Living Life Through the Dead

**Barry, Dave.** Live Right and Find Happiness (Although Beer Is Much Faster): Life Lessons and Other Ravings from Dave Barry

**Browder, Bill.** Red Notice: A True Story of High Finance, Murder, and One Man's Fight for Justice

**Close, Jessie.** Resilience: Two Sisters and a Story of Mental Illness

**Cordain, Loren.** The Real Paleo Diet Cookbook: 250 All-New Recipes from the Paleo Expert

**DiSpirito, Rocco.** Cook Your Butt Off!: Lose Up to a Pound a Day with Fat-Burning Foods and Gluten-Free Recipes

**Doidge, Norman, M.D.** The Brain's Way of Healing: Remarkable Discoveries and Recoveries from the Frontiers of Neuroplasticity

**Flay, Bobby.** Brunch at Bobby's: 140 Recipes for the Best Part of the Weekend

**Fuller, Alexandra.** Leaving Before the Rains Come

**Gibson, David.** The Jesus Code: Six Relics That Tell the Remarkable True Story of the Gospels

**Goodman, Marc.** Future Crimes: Everything Is Connected, Everyone Is Vulnerable and What We Can Do About It

**Green, Lisa.** On Your Case: A Comprehensive, Compassionate (and Only Slightly Bossy) Legal Guide for Every Stage of a Woman's Life

**Harden, Blaine.** The Great Leader and the Fighter Pilot: The True Story of the Tyrant Who Created North Korea and the Young Lieutenant Who Stole His Way to Freedom

**Hari, Vani.** The Food Babe Way: Break Free from the Hidden Toxins in Your Food and Lose Weight, Look Years Younger, and Get Healthy in Just 21 Days

**Henderson, Bruce.** Rescue at Los Baños: The Most Daring Prison Camp Raid of World War II

**Huckabee, Mike.** God, Guns, Grits, and Gravy

**Irving, Nicholas.** The Reaper: Autobiography of One of the Deadliest Special Ops Snipers

**Larson, Erik.** Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania

**Matheny, Mike.** The Matheny Manifesto: A Young Manager's Old-School Views on Success in Sports and Life

**McBride, Karyl.** Will I Ever Be Free of You?: How to Navigate a High-Conflict Divorce from a Narcissist and Heal Your Family

**Mercola, Joseph, M.D.** Effortless Healing: 9 Simple Ways to Sidestep Illness, Shed Excess Weight, and Help Your Body Fix Itself

**Mitchell, Andie.** It Was Me All Along: A Memoir

**Montillo, Roseanne.** The Wilderness of Ruin: A Tale of Madness, Boston's Great Fire, and the Hunt for America's Youngest Serial Killer

**Morin, Amy.** 13 Things Mentally Strong People Don't Do: Take Back Your Power, Embrace Change, Face Your Fears and Train Your Brain for Happiness and Success

**Morton, Andrew.** 17 Carnations: The Royals, the Nazis, and the Biggest Cover-Up in History

**Myers, Amy, M.D.** The Autoimmune Solution: Prevent and Reverse the Full Spectrum of Inflammatory Symptoms and Diseases

**Nolte, Nick.** Rich Man, Poor Man: A Memoir

**Paulson, Henry M., Jr.** Dealing with China: An Insider Unmasks the New Economic Superpower

**Pillemar, Karl.** 30 Lessons for Loving: Advice from the Wisest Americans on Love, Relationships, and Marriage

**Pilon, Mary.** The Monopolists: Obsession, Fury, and the Scandal Behind the World's Favorite Board Game

**Ruben, Gretchen.** Better Than Before: Mastering the Habits of Our Everyday Lives

**Russell, Jan Jarboe.** The Train to Crystal City: FDR's Secret Prisoner Exchange Program and America's Only Family Internment Camp During World War II

**Segersten, Alissa.** The Elimination Diet: Discover the Foods That Are Making You Sick and Tired–And Feel Better Fast

**Smith, Ian K.** The Shred Diet Cookbook

**Standiford, Les.** Water to the Angels: William Mulholland, His Monumental Aqueduct, and the Rise of Los Angeles

**Suzuki, Wendy.** Brain Healthy: A Personal Program to Make You Fitter, Smarter, and Happier

**Tack, Karen.** Cake My Day!: Easy, Eye-Popping Designs for Stunning, Fanciful, and Funny Cakes

**Ury, William.** Getting to Yes with Yourself: (And Other Worthy Opponents)

## —FICTION

**Alcott, Kate.** A Touch of Stardust

**Andrews, V.C.** Christopher's Diary: Echoes of Dollanganger

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Mightier Than the Sword

**Barry, Steve.** The Patriot Threat

**Beaton, M.C.** Death of a Liar

**Berenson, Alex.** Twelve Days

**Box, C. J.** Endangered

**Boyle, T. C.** The Harder They Come

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** The Cavendon Women

**Bradley, Alan.** As Chimney Sweepers Come to Dust

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Mrs. Grant and Madame Jule

**Coben, Harlan.** The Stranger

**Cook, Robin.** Host

**Cornwell, Bernard.** The Empty Throne

**Cussler, Clive.** Assassin

**Dorsey, Tim.** Shark Skin Suite

**Evanovich, Janet.** Wicked Charms: A Lizzy and Diesel Novel

**Fielding, Joy.** Someone Is Watching

**Gardner, Lisa.** Crash & Burn

**Grahame-Smith, Seth.** The Last American Vampire

**Grippando, James.** Cane and Abe

**Hannah, Kristin.** The Nightingale

**Hoag, Tami.** Cold Cold Heart

**Hornby, Nick.** Funny Girl

**Jance, J. A.** Cold Betrayal: An Ali Reynolds Novel

**Kava, Alex.** Breaking Creed

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Motive: An Alex Delaware Novel

**King, Laurie R.** Dreaming Spies: A Novel of Suspense Featuring Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Chasing Sunsets

**Koontz, Dean.** Saint Odd: An Odd Thomas Novel

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Trust No One

**Lehane, Dennis.** World Gone By

**Lippman, Laura.** Hush: A Tess Monaghan Novel

**Michaels, Fern.** In Plain Sight

**Miller, Linda Lael.** The Marriage Charm

**Moning, Karen Marie.** Burned: A Fever Novel

**Mosley, Walter.** Inside a Silver Box

**Muller, Marcia.** The Body Snatchers Affair

**Oates, Joyce Carol.** The Sacrifice

**O'Nan, Stewart.** West of Sunset

**Patterson, James.** NYPD Red 3

**Patterson, James.** Private Vegas

**Pelecanos, George.** Martini Shot

**Perry, Anne.** The Angel Court Affair

**Perry, Thomas.** A String of Beads

**Peterson, Traci.** Steadfast Heart

**Robb, J. D.** Obsession in Death

**Rosenberg, Joel C.** The Third Target

**Russell, Mary Doria.** Epitaph: A Novel of the O.K. Corral

**Steel, Danielle.** Prodigal Son

**Todd, Charles.** A Fine Summer's Day: An Inspector Ian Rutledge Mystery

**Tyler, Anne.** A Spool of Blue Thread

**Weber, Carl.** The Family Business 3: The Return of Vegas

**White, Randy Wayne.** Cuba Straits

**Winspear, Jacqueline.** Dangerous Place

**Woods, Stuart.** Insatiable Appetites

# VOLUNTEER BIO

*...Jan Harnetiaux...*

Jan has worked at Hayner Library since 1986, part-time and full-time She also is one of Hayner's most valuable volunteers. She is a "Yes, I can" person. I know that I can always count on her for many of our volunteer projects. She delivers books to The Fountains IV and also keeps track of library materials at Senior Services Plus

Jan has always been an avid reader She has been a patron of the library most of her life When her boys went to school all day, Jan decided to go back to school herself. She was working toward her associate degree in Library Science and heard that Hayner was looking for a part-time assistant librarian.

Jan was hired to work part-time in 1986. She worked part-time in many facets of the library. She worked in the children's area and at the front desk in the adult library, and you might have seen her filling in at the branch library

When Jan started at the library we still had card catalogs. You would look up the title or author or subject in a giant card catalog with thousands of cards in alphabetical order. There were no computers. You would use the card catalog and use a typewriter to write your papers for school.

Jan became a full-time cataloger about 10 years later. She worked in that position until she retired in 2001. In 2003, after being home with her retired husband all day, she decided she needed to get out more and came back to the library in a part-time capacity. She takes care of all new patron cards and overdue books

Jan is really a Minnesota girl at heart. She was born in Wadena, Minnesota, 75 years ago. Jan was an only child for seven years before her other siblings came along. She has three younger sisters and a brother. Her aunts and uncles spoiled her rotten, she says

She spent many weekends at her paternal grandparents' farm because they had her aunt, who was only three years older than Jan. She really liked to be at the farm the week the threshers came to harvest and she and her grandmother and aunt would cook for them.

Her aunts and uncles played several instruments by ear, so they had many evenings with plays and songfests Jan's parents were children of the 1930s, and both knew how to work hard. Her father always had several jobs at once. Her mother worked at the Ben Franklin store during the war Jan has come by her work ethic naturally

Jan's full name is Janice Rose Mary Kern. Her middle names were given to her in honor of both her grandmothers

Jan has three sisters; Judy, Jackie, and JoAnn, and one brother, Jim. They came from Minnesota to Illinois in 1949 when Judy was 3 and Jackie was 1. They traveled by train and met their Dad in Joplin, Missouri. In March that year her brother, Jim, was born, and a year later her sister JoAnn arrived Jan was the babysitter for her brother and sisters and even took them on her dates

Jan went to Catholic schools in Alton and Minnesota. She went to St. Patrick's grade school in Alton and graduated from Marquette high school. She says she was an okay student Her parents always made sure they lived within walking distance of schools because they didn't have a car. She enjoyed school but felt that she didn't fit in with other students. She worked after school for her tuition to Marquette, mostly in shops downtown. She dreamed of going to nursing school, but it was too expensive.

Her first job after high school was as bookkeeper at Foster's Drug store. She also assisted Dr. Pierce and worked in the Alton Children's Clinic for several years.

She married her husband, Rex, in 1959. Rex worked at Laclede Steel. He was offered a job with their riggers, and loved it. Jan and Rex felt it was dangerous. So they decided that Jan would go to LPN school at Alton High's campus, to have some backup if they needed it. After graduation she worked in Pediatrics at St Joseph's Hospital in Alton and also worked for Dr. Ray Ward and the VNA.

She and Rex hoped for a large family, but that was not to be. So they applied to adopt and within months received their son Michael They also took in foster children and were able to adopt their youngest son, Eric.

They had many fun vacations. They traveled to Florida, St Thomas, Hawaii, Minnesota, and Arizona. One road trip was 5,000 miles. They went to Oregon, Utah, San Francisco, Idaho, and Washington State

One of Jan's special memories is when Rex bought a pony and a cart. The family had many enjoyable rides down Seiler Road

Jan and Rex also liked to play golf. They loved movies, musicals, and stage productions. They attended many shows at the Mississippi River Festival in Edwardsville.

Jan's husband passed away a couple of years ago. Jan says if there is anything that is good about his passing, it is that she has a strong family relationship and really good friends to keep her busy. Of course she has her library job and the Hayner Family!

I always ask when writing biographies of my volunteers, What do you think constitutes a "Good Life"?

Jan's advice is to treat others as you want to be treated. Have a good relationship with God or your concept of a Higher Power. If a stranger makes eye contact with you, smile! She considers success in life as having a job that you enjoy and family and friends to love.

I am so blessed to have Jan in my life as a friend, coworker, and volunteer. Thank you for always looking out for me

*—Stephanie Munson*
*Volunteer Coordinator*

## *Gift Certificates Now Available*

Even though the holidays are over, there are still plenty of occasions where you need a creative gift idea. How about the gift of books? Both the downtown library and the library at Alton Square Mall keep well-stocked carts of books for sale from the Friends of Hayner Library. Gift certificates to purchase these books are available at the circulation desks Buy them for family and friends—it's a great way to support the library!

# *Computer Class Offerings Winter/Spring 2015*

***The following classes are offered from 6–8 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square Mall library location.***

Although the courses are free, registration is requested Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section for which you are registering.

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers (Class limit: 12)***
**Section A: Feb. 3 (A1) and Feb. 10 (A2)**
**Section B: Feb. 17 (B1) and Feb. 24 (B2)**

An introduction to personal computers· Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally

After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars

- Sessions A1 and B1· Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse
- Sessions A2 and B2· Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start menu/Open files/Save files/ Flash drive/Print documents

**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

**Internet Basics: Internet for e-Mail and Job Application (Class limit: 12)**
**Section A: Feb. 5 (A1) and Feb. 12 (A2)**
**Section B: Feb. 19 (B1) and March 5 (B2)**

An introduction to Web-surfing, e-mail, and online job search and application. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, use a search engine to locate information and search for employment, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications.

- Sessions A1 and B1 Internet Basics/ Searching the Internet/Creating & navigating e-mail
- Sessions A2 and B2: Review e-mail basics/ Job searches/ Job applications (actual job application does not occur)

**Beginning Microsoft Word (Class limit: 12)**
**Winter/Spring Sections:**
**March 3, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24**

This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 6 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for all six sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the six sessions. For a more complete description of what will be offered at each session, you may pick up a handout at the Alton Square Mall library or access the website at www.haynerlibrary.org

- March 3: Getting Started
- March 10: Saving Documents/Page Formatting
- March 12: Printing/Indenting/Tabs
- March 17: Spacing/Columns/Using Shapes/ Text Boxes
- March 19: Clip Art/Formatting Pictures
- March 24: Templates

**Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)**
**Jan. 14 @ 6:30-8, Alton Square Library**

We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site as well as one on how to interact with other users Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate

**Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 10)**
**Feb. 21 @ 10:00-11:30,**
**Alton Square Library**

This class will start with the creating of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate.

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter (Class limit: 10)**
**March 21 @ 10:00-11:30,**
**Alton Square Library**

Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate.

## *eBook and eAudio Help for 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive*

Get help for the 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive! 3M Cloud Library has recently added eAudiobooks to its digital collection Along with OverDrive's existing eAudiobook collection, you will now have more access to eAudios. For help downloading these eBooks and eAudios to your reader from the library catalog, Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek will conduct a class on Saturday, January 17, on the basics of downloading eBooks and eAudios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10 00 a.m until 11·00 a.m The process of downloading eBooks and eAudios will be demonstrated on multiple platforms, including Nook, Kindle Fire, and iPad.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

*Please take a few minutes to fill out our patron survey and drop it at the circulation desk of any Hayner library location.*

# *Patron Survey*

About you:
Hayner cardholder? __Yes __No
Age Group: __0-17 __18-29 __30-39 __40-49 __50-59 __60 or over
Gender: __M __F

How often do you visit the library?
__At least once a week
__Once a month
__Once every few months
__Once a year
__Never

How do you find out about the library's services and programs?
(Please check all that apply.)
__Library newsletter
__Library website and website calendar
__Library Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest
__Library flyers and posters
__Library staff
__Friends and family
__Information screen in library
__Newspaper
__Other_____

What are your main reasons for using the library?
(Please check all that apply.)
__Check out books
__Check out DVDs
__Check out audiobooks
__Check out CDs
__Check out eBooks or eAudiobooks
__Check out magazines
__Use library computers
__Use library WIFI
__Use newspapers/magazines
__Use reference/research
__To get information for school assignments
__Genealogy and local history research
__Use copy machine/fax
__Use quiet space/study space
__Attend children's programs
__Attend teen programs
__Attend adult programs
__Use voter's registration
__Use notary service
__Use AARP income tax help
__Use Homebound services
__Attend computer classes
__Request staff assistance with a question

The library subscribes to online databases you can access from home that let you: learn about books and authors; research products using Consumer Reports online; do auto repairs; get small business information; do hobbies, crafts, and home repairs; do research for elementary and high school assignments; do academic research; prepare legal forms; search magazines and newspapers. How useful are these databases and topics to you?
__Very—use some of them often
__Somewhat—use one or more occasionally
__Somewhat—use them for school and academic reports only
__Not very useful—can find the information elsewhere if needed
__Never think to use them
__Did not know the library offered them

Please describe the service of the library staff
__Staff greeted me when I entered the library
__Staff was considerate and thoughtful
__Staff was knowledgeable and helpful
__Staff communicated inappropriately or unclearly
__Staff was too busy to help
__Staff took too long to help
__Staff was discourteous and uncooperative
__I did not ask for help
__Other_____

How do you search for the materials that you are interested in?
(Please check all that apply.)
__Card catalog computers at the library
__Card catalog on the library website (at home)
__Browse
__Ask staff to assist

If you chose "browse" as the answer, how do you rate the ease of finding what you are looking for?
(1 being extremely easy and 5 being very difficult)
1 2 3 4 5
Please explain your choice: _____

Which of the following services would you like to see expanded to better suit the needs of the community? (Please check all that apply.)
__Quiet reading space
__Study areas
__More computer stations
__Community meeting space
__More children and teen activities
__More adult programming
__More audio/visual materials
__More downloadable materials
__Better signage
__More computer classes
__Job search/employment training
__Other _____

If you don't use the library regularly, why not?
__Don't need to use it
__I use my own computer at work/home
__The library is too far from my home
__Don't have any transportation
__Don't know where the library is located
__Don't have a library card
__I use the library at my school/college
__I use a neighboring public library
__I buy my own books/magazines/recordings
__I don't know what the library has to offer me
__Other _____

What do you value most about the library?
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How could the library or its services be improved?
_____
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Optional:
Name _____
Phone _____
E-mail _____

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Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Alton Square Library
Mon.—Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Sunday, Noon to 6 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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www.haynerlibrary.org

## *2014 Library Card Drive*

Last fall, The Hayner Public Library District partnered with local businesses in Alton, Godfrey, and Fosterburg to hold our second annual library card drive. From Saturday, November 29, to Saturday, December 6, these businesses offered a discount or other incentive to customers showing their Hayner library cards. We wanted to encourage more people to get library cards and to show current library card holders that their card is worth even more than they might have realized. A huge thank-you to all of these businesses for supporting The Hayner Public Library District!

Amarillo Tex's Steakhouse
Black's Sporting Goods
Cleta's Nutrition
Crown Vision Center
Dick's Flowers
Duke Bakery
Enchanted Finds
Godfrey Meat Market
The Grapevine of Alton
Halpin Music
The Hive
J & K Trash to Treasures
JMC Design Gallery
Jacoby Arts Center
Johnson's Corner
Kinzels Flower Shop
LuciAnna's Pastries
Market Basket
Mary Beth Siampos –
Stylist at Rumours Salon
Mississippi Mud Pottery
Mister Donut
Mosaic's
My Just Desserts
Olive Oil Marketplace
Picture This & More
Rib City Alton
S & S Sandwich Shop
Second Reading Book Shop
St. Peters Hardware & Rental, Inc
Tweet Cheeks
Wild Trak Bikes

## *Now Available! eAudio in the 3M Cloud Library*

The 3M Cloud Library announces the launch of the newest innovation in its digital lending system—eAudio. The addition of eAudiobooks to its collection is available through an update on their app. The 3M Cloud Library has provided a seamless transition for readers, with the existing apps updated and optimized to include discovery, checkout, and listening capabilities. You now have over 500 eAudio titles to choose from, and the eAudio collection will continue to grow.

As always, you only need to register to use the 3M Cloud Library through your library the first time you sign in. Your library sign-in will be Illinois Heartland Library System. Every eAudio title will soon be compatible on all devices using 3M Cloud Library applications; you will not have to differentiate which formats work on which devices. Once the eAudiobook is checked out, you can immediately start listening.

For more information, you can call Hayner Library Reference at 618-462-0677, ext. 2849.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Easter Sunday, April 5
Memorial Day, May 24, 25

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## *Summer Reading 2015 "Read to the Rhythm"*

This year's Summer Reading Program, "Read to the Rhythm," will get kids excited about reading. The theme will give participants the opportunity to read some fantastic books!

Participants can expect performers such as Bobby Norfolk, a Frozen Sing-Along, Mad Science, Josh Routh, and Blaque Berry Puppets. Participants will also enjoy story times, puppet shows, crafts, and prizes that reflect the theme.

Each week participants will be asked to read at least five books, magazine articles, or newspaper articles, or listen to five books on tape to earn some awesome prizes. For this year's program, we will partner with Kindermusik, Halpin Music, and Alton Marching 100.

All participants who continue over the five-week program will be invited to our End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party at the Alton High School Commons There they will enjoy a free book, reading certificate, snacks, and Music with Leonardo for all their hard work. Kickoff and registration for the Summer Reading Program is Saturday, June 6, at 10·00 a.m. in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

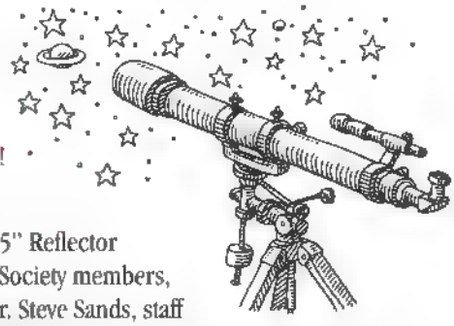
## *Teen Summer Reading Program 2015*

Come join in the fun this summer at our "Read to the Rhythm" Summer Reading Program. Kickoff starts on Saturday, June 6, 2015, at 10 a.m. in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Each teen who attends on Kickoff Day will be entered to win a $50 gift card.

Teens will win some awesome prizes for their diligent reading this summer. The summer is also packed full of fun programming, including Cereal Box Speakers, How to Edit Music Videos, Movie and Pizza/Free Play, and Song Pop @ Your Library, all to be held at Riverbender.com Community Center.

All participants will also be invited to an End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party at Riverbender.com Community Center.

## *Climb to the Stars with Hayner!*



This spring, Hayner will be adding some surprising new materials to our collections for you to check out . . . telescopes!

Yes, telescopes The library has an agreement with the St. Louis Astronomical Society for the purchase of two Orion StarBlast 4.5" Reflector Telescopes Two Alton astronomers and St. Louis Astronomical Society members, Mr. Eddie Agha, staff astronomer at The Nature Institute, and Mr. Steve Sands, staff astronomer for the Watershed Nature Center, have each purchased a telescope to donate to the library collection, as has Ms. Patti Brown, Education Director at The Nature Institute, bringing the total number of available telescopes to five.

The SLAS Library Telescope Program seeks to foster scientific literacy, stimulate an interest in astronomy, and provide people who have never looked through a telescope the chance to experience the excitement that comes from discovery The program takes advantage of the public library system infrastructure to place telescopes in local public libraries for circulation just like a book.

Hayner, as a participant in this program, will be offering these telescopes to patrons to check out for a loan period of one week. Patrons must have a valid Hayner Library card and be 18 years of age or older. The telescopes will come with a zoom lens, a National Audubon Society pocket guide, and a book on constellations

Watch our website (www.haynerlibrary.org) for further news on this terrific new offering

## Hayner Presents Trivia Night July 25!

Save this date . . . The Hayner Public Library District will be holding a great Trivia Night on Saturday, July 25, 2015, at Marquette Catholic High School, 219 E. 4th Street, Alton, Ill. Join us for an evening of fun and friendly competition. There will be a cash bar, 50/50, games, a silent auction, and more! The doors open at 6 p.m. and the fun starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are only $10 per person, and tables are a maximum of eight. You or your business can also help support our Trivia Night by registering for a sponsorship. Available sponsorship levels include:

**Round Sponsor:** $250 (name mentioned and logo displayed on screen during one round)
**Table Sponsor:** $100 (name and logo displayed on signage at one table)
**Player:** $80 per table / $10 per person
**Refreshment Sponsor:** $50 (name and logo displayed on signage near refreshment table)

For more information, to reserve your tables, or to provide a sponsorship call 618-433-2871.

Please join us on July 25 for a great time while benefiting The Hayner Public Library District. All proceeds from this event will support collection development at all Hayner locations.

## A Message from the Friends of Hayner Library

Exciting news from the Friends of Hayner Library: We are letting our Friends and our community know that we are now meeting on Tuesday nights from 6:00 to 8.00 to sort books. This is a great chance for those of you who can't meet in the daytime to come and help get our donated books sorted and shelved and generally get ready for our book sales.

As you know, the money collected from book sales helps the library purchase things to help make it the best library around!

Please consider joining us on Tuesday evenings or on Monday mornings from 9:30 until noon. It's lots of fun, and you'll find friendly people who share a love of books. The Friends of Hayner Library building is located at 327 State Street, Alton.

A change of officers includes Carole Conley as President, Susan Wilkinson as Secretary, and David Zimmerman as Treasurer.

Also, we are busy getting ready for our spring book sale on May 8 and 9.

We look forward to meeting all of you at the sale and hopefully joining in to help sort books on Monday mornings and Tuesday evenings. For more information about sorting, volunteering, or donating books, please call 618-462-4396.

## Food for Fido

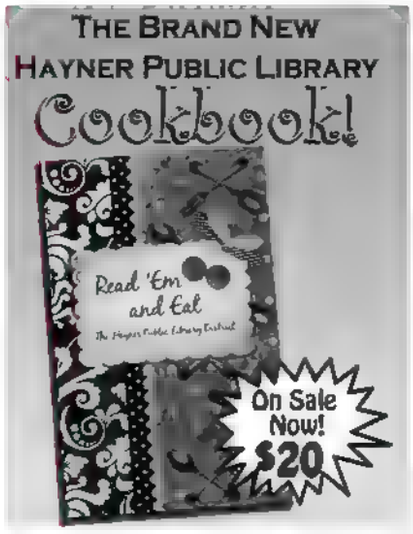
April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month, and in commemoration of this, Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and Hayner Downtown Library will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.

Please help our friends at the 5 A's—they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected, or abused animals brought to the shelter. The shelter is located at 4530 N. Alby Road, Godfrey, and can be reached at 466-3702. Stop by and visit this wonderful facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever). And, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

## Remember Mom on Mother's Day!

The perfect gift for the Moms in your life is a copy of the Hayner Library cookbook, *Read 'Em and Eat*. The cookbook features over 900 unique and delicious recipes along with helpful kitchen hints and tips. Recipes were compiled from contributions of library patrons, community members, Hayner Library Board and staff, and various authors.

This project was spearheaded by Stephanie Munson, longtime library employee, and cochaired by library volunteer Marcia Sivia. Stephanie and Marcia led a team of invaluable volunteers who were critical to the completion of the book. Great thanks and appreciation go out to Shirley Noble, Sherry Rexford, and Martha Steiner for all their hard work. Also, thanks to Hayner Library staff members Theresa McDonald, Marilyn Stewart, Michele Kelly, and Teressa Heafner for their contributions in the compilation process. A special thanks to Kate Rose for copyediting the book.




The cookbook is available for sale at all Hayner Library locations and costs $20. Proceeds from the cookbooks will go toward supplementing our material collections. It makes a perfect gift for Mother's Day, spring birthdays, or just a special treat!

## Don't Forget to Smile!

When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Hayner Public Library. Bookmark the link http://smile.amazon.com/ch/37-6016039 and support us every time you shop!

## A Donation That Grew

In 2004 The Hayner Public Library District was fortunate to become the recipient of an extraordinary donation from the Alton Area Landmarks Association. This donation included information on approximately 300 Alton addresses, along with a fireproof file cabinet and archival folders in which to store these wonderful historical documents. Since the very beginning of this project, the staff of the Genealogy & Local History Library has continually updated and appended additional addresses to this collection as things became available.

Of course, we don't have every street address in Alton, but our files are definitely growing larger with every addition!

Information compiled on a particular address may contain items such as newspaper clippings, photos, or a variety of documents relating to the property, business, or owner. We also have house abstracts for a few area homes. Abstracts are a wonderful resource for anyone researching the history of a house or property. They can also be a genealogical gem for someone researching a family tree. Unfortunately, locating an original abstract for your house can be a daunting, if not impossible, task, so we are extremely grateful for the abstract donations we have received over the past years.

With this collection we have also compiled an extensive index. Using the index helps locate a particular address, business, or family name quickly and easily.

In January we finished inventorying every address in each street folder, and then we began updating each street folder with articles and photos we had collected while working on the inventory. The project took 17 months to complete.

This project never truly ends, for we are continually researching and collecting new information to add.

After the inventory was completed and all the updates were added, we found that we had approximately 2,863 addresses and 258 streets in the Property Files. That is 2,563 more entries than the original 300 we received when this collection came to us for housing. It is a donation that continues to grow and serve more people with every new entry we add.

The index includes 1,149 listings for businesses in the Alton/Godfrey area, 675 entries for miscellaneous listings such as parks, churches, schools, house tour listings, Sears homes, landmark buildings, and sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places. We have listings for many properties that are no longer in existence. Properties such as the Mansion House that served as a hospital during the end of the Civil War, the old City Hall building where Abraham Lincoln gave his last speech during his senatorial debate in 1858, and the old Comet Drive-In restaurant on Broadway, where many Altonians ate their lunches during the week and took their dates on Friday nights!

We extend a very special thank you to Mr. Terry Sharp, Mr. Harold Meisenheimer, and staff in the Alton Assessor's Office who, over the years, have helped us gather information, find photos, and research numerous addresses to add to this collection.

If you would like to research your home or business, please come see us! This collection is archived in the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street. We also have Alton City directories from 1858 to 2013, and *The Telegraph* newspapers have been digitized and are keyword searchable back to 1836. Both of these resources can be helpful in locating information about the homes, businesses, and families in our local neighborhoods.

If you have information, an abstract, or photos of your home or business, please consider donating copies to our property files. By doing so, you will be helping to preserve our local history while supporting your hometown library. The staff of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library will be happy to copy your originals and promptly return them to you.

## Teenagers and Reading

Perhaps the teenagers in your family were once avid readers but now hardly ever open a book, or perhaps they never liked reading in the first place.

As an adult, you know that reading is important, and you obviously want to make sure that the teenagers in your life grow into adulthood with all the skills they need to succeed.

Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) suggests how parents can help teenagers decide for themselves that reading is important to their lives.

### Try to avoid . . .

Before we list ways to encourage teen reading that work, here are a few tactics that don't:

- **Pressuring, nagging, or bribing.** Encourage teens to read, but don't hound them.
- **Criticizing what teens read.** Explain what troubles you about certain types of reading materials after reading them yourself. Forbid as little as possible. And whenever you can, accept differences of opinion as just that.
- **Lavishing too much praise.** If you catch your teenagers reading, show interest, but don't make a big deal out of it. Teens need to know that they're reading for their own pleasure—not for your approval.

### Ways to encourage teens to read . . .

- **Set an example.** Let teens see you reading for pleasure.
- **Furnish your home with a variety of reading materials.** Leave books, magazines, and newspapers around. Check to see what disappears for a clue to what interests your teenager.
- **Give teens an opportunity to choose their own books.** When you and your teen are out together, browse in a bookstore or the library. Go your separate ways and make your own selections. A bookstore gift certificate is a nice way of saying, "You choose." Also, make sure your teen has their own library card.
- **Build on your teen's interests.** Look for books and articles that feature their favorite sports teams, rock stars, hobbies, or television shows. Give a gift subscription to a special interest magazine.
- **View pleasure reading as a value in itself.** Almost anything your youngsters read—including the Sunday comics—helps build reading skills.
- **Read some books written for teens.** Young adult novels can give you valuable insights into the concerns and pressures felt by teenagers. You may find that these books provide a neutral ground on which to talk about sensitive subjects.
- **Make reading aloud a natural part of family life.** Share an article you clipped from the paper, a poem, a letter, or online—without turning it into a lesson.
- **Acknowledge your teen's mature interests.** Look for ways to acknowledge the emerging adult in your teens by suggesting some adult reading you think they can handle.
- **Keep the big picture in mind.** For all sorts of reasons, some teenagers go through periods without showing much interest in reading. Don't panic! Time may help rekindle their interest.

***Source:*** *RIF Parent Guide Brochure, www.rif.org*

## *SCORE Makes Generous Donation to The Hayner Public Library District*

SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business, is a volunteer organization of businesspeople that offers free confidential counseling to small business entrepreneurs. The Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423 serves seven counties of the Riverbend area and has helped many local businesspeople achieve success in planning and operating their own business ventures For more information, log on to the SCORE website at www.swillinois.score.org or call 618-467-2280

The Hayner Public Library District and SCORE have partnered through the years to develop resources and programs supporting our communities' small business development.

SCORE also has provided generous funding to The Hayner Public Library District, contributing to the development of a premier small-business reference collection You can find the collection in the Reference Department of the library at Alton Square Mall.

In February 2015, SCORE again made a significant contribution to Hayner's small-business reference collection in memory of the late Andy Batchelor Andy was a member of SCORE from 2003 until 2011 He was a self-employed business owner for thirty years with multiple businesses across Southern Illinois, including Andy's Auto Body in Alton As a SCORE counselor, his areas of expertise included business/finance, acquisition/liquidation, business start-ups, training, management, consulting, and retail trade Andy did a tremendous amount of both cyber counseling and face-to-face counseling In 2006, Andy accounted for over 25 percent of the total face-to-face counseling conducted by the entire SCORE Chapter 423 Andy never refused to take a case when asked; and his successful experiences of owning, managing, buying, and selling businesses made him an invaluable counselor and a highly respected member of the business community

On behalf of SCORE, Southwestern Illinois, Chapter 423, Alton-Godfrey, the following titles have been added to the small-business collection of The Hayner Public Library District:

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| Abrams, Rhonda | Successful Business Plan: Secrets & Strategies |
| Belew, Shannon | Starting an Online Business All-in-One for Dummies, 4th ed. |
| Blanchard, Ken | The Secret: What Great Leaders Know and Do, 10th Anniversary Edition |
| Entrepreneur Media, Inc. | Start Your Own Business, Sixth Edition: The Only Startup Book You'll Ever Need |
| Entrepreneur Press | Start Your Own Senior Services Business: Adult Day-Care, Relocation Service, Home-Care, Transportation Service, Concierge, Travel Service (StartUp Series) |
| Epstein, Lita | Bookkeeping for Dummies, 2nd Edition |
| Fishman, Stephen, J.D. | Deduct It!· Lower Your Small Business Taxes |
| Fortier, Jean-Martin | The Market Gardener: A Successful Grower's Handbook for Small-Scale Organic Farming |
| Gallo, Carmine | Talk Like TED: The 9 Public-Speaking Secrets of the World's Top Minds |
| Greiner, Lori | Invent It, Sell It, Bank It!: Make Your Million-Dollar Idea into a Reality |
| Kawasaki, Guy | The Art of the Start 2 0: The Time-Tested, Battle-Hardened Guide for Anyone Starting Anything |
| Kawasaki, Guy | The Art of Social Media: Power Tips for Power Users |
| McKeever, Mike | How to Write a Business Plan |
| McKeown, Greg | Essentialism· The Disciplined Pursuit of Less |
| Pakroo, Peri H. | The Small Business Start-Up Kit· A Step-by-Step Legal Guide |
| Steingold, Fred S. | Legal Forms for Starting & Running a Small Business |
| Thiel, Peter | Zero to One: Notes on Startups, or How to Build the Future |
| Walker, Jeff | Launch: An Internet Millionaire's Secret Formula to Sell Almost Anything Online, Build a Business You Love, and Live the Life of Your Dreams |
| Yate, Martin | Knock 'em Dead 2015: The Ultimate Job Search Guide |
| Yate, Martin | Knock 'em Dead Resumes: A Killer Resume Gets More Job Interviews! |

With SCORE's support, The Hayner Public Library District has developed the premier business reference collection in Southern Illinois Thank you, SCORE, for your unstinting support of The Hayner Public Library District as well as the entire Riverbend community.

# KIDSSPACE
## APRIL & MAY 2015 ACTIVITIES

Wednesday, April 1, 2015 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Thursday, April 2, 2015 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 6, 2015 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 6, 2015 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p m.
Wednesday, April 8, 2015 – No Programming
Thursday, April 9, 2015 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 9, 2015 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m
Friday, April 10, 2015 – Staff Development Day –Library Closed
Monday, April 13, 2015 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Monday, April 13, 2015 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p m
Wednesday, April 15, 2015 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 16, 2015 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 20, 2015 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 20, 2015 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p m
Tuesday, April 21, 2015 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3 30 p.m
Wednesday, April 22, 2015 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 23, 2015 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 27, 2015 – Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 27, 2015 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p m.
Wednesday, April 29, 2015 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 30, 2015 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 4, 2015 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 4, 2015 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 6, 2015 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 7, 2015 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 11, 2015 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 11, 2015 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m
Wednesday, May 13, 2015 – No Programming
Thursday, May 14, 2015 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m
Thursday, May 14, 2015 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
Monday, May 18, 2015 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 18, 2015 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m
Tuesday, May 19, 2015 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p m.
Wednesday, May 20, 2015 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Thursday, May 21, 2015 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m

**Summer Reading Program 2015 "Read to the Rhythm"**
Summer Reading Program Kickoff Saturday, June 6, 2015 – 10 a.m
Monday, June 8, 2015 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-5
Tuesday, June 9, 2015 – Stories and Craft (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 3-5
Wednesday, June 10, 2015 – Mad Science of St. Louis – 10 a.m. – All ages
Thursday, June 11, 2015 – Kindermusik with Ellen Singh – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-5
Thursday, June 11, 2015 – Summertime Craft (Downtown) – 2 p.m. – Ages 5-11
Monday, June 15, 2015 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-5
Tuesday, June 16, 2015 – Stories and Craft (Downtown) – 10 a.m. –Ages 3-5
Wednesday, June 17, 2015 – Frozen Sing-Along – 10 a.m. – All ages
Thursday, June 18, 2015 – Kindermusik with Ellen Singh – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-5
Thursday, June 18, 2015 – Summertime Craft (Downtown) – 2 p.m. – Ages 5-11
Monday, June 22, 2015 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-5
Tuesday, June 23, 2015 – Stories and Craft (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 3-5
Wednesday, June 24, 2015 – Singer, Storyteller Bobby Norfolk – 10 a.m. – All ages
Thursday, June 25, 2015 – Kindermusik with Ellen Singh – 10 a.m., Ages 2-5
Thursday, June 25, 2015 – Summertime Craft (Downtown) – 2 p.m., Ages 5-11
Monday, June 29, 2015 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m., Ages 2-5
Tuesday, June 30, 2015 – Stories and Craft (Downtown) – 10 a.m., Ages 3-5
Wednesday, July 1, 2015 – Juggler, Magician Josh Routh – 10 a.m , All ages
Thursday, July 2, 2015 – Kindermusik with Ellen Singh – 10 a.m., Ages 2-5
Thursday, July 2, 2015 – Summertime Craft (Downtown) – 2 p.m , Ages 5-11
Monday, July 6, 2015 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m , Ages 2-5
Tuesday, July 7, 2015 – Stories and Craft (Downtown) – 10 a.m., Ages 3-5
Wednesday, July 8, 2015 – Performer Blaque Berry Puppets – 10 a.m., All ages
Thursday, July 9, 2015 – Kindermusik with Ellen Singh – 10 a.m., Ages 2-5
Thursday, July 9, 2015 – Summertime Craft (Downtown) – 2 p.m , Ages 5-11
Thursday, July 16, 2015 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party – 5-7 p m
Performer Leonardo Music

***To register for any of our spring programs, please call Alton Square at 433-2881 or Downtown Kids at 462-0677, ext. 2836. Summer registration will begin on Saturday, June 6, 2015, at our Alton Square location.***

# TEENSPACE
## SPRING 2015 ACTIVITIES

**April and May Events 2015**
**Wednesday, April 8** – Teen Advisory Council 4:30 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
**Wednesday, April 15** – Teen Movies @ the Riverbender com Community Center (Riverbender.com Community Center)
**Wednesday, April 22, 2015** – RBCC Teen Book Club 5:00 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
**Wednesday, May 13** – Teen Advisory Council 4:30 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
**Wednesday, May 20** – Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center (Riverbender.com Community Center)

**Teen Summer Reading Program Events 2015**
**Saturday, June 6** – Summer Reading Kickoff
**Wednesday, June 10** – Cereal Box Speakers (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2-4 p.m.
**Wednesday, June 17** – How to Edit Music Videos (Riverbender com Community Center) 2-4 p.m.
**Wednesday, June 24** – Movie and Pizza / Free Play (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2-4 p.m.
**Wednesday, July 1** – Song Pop @ Your Library (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2-4 p.m.
**Friday, July 3, LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS**
**Wednesday, July 8** – End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party 2-4 p.m.

**To register for any of our spring programs, please call 618-433-2872. Registration for summer programming starts on Saturday, June 6, 2015, at our Alton Square location.**

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

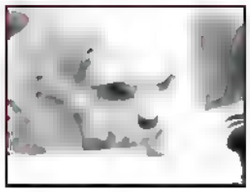
*Join us for our Spring 2015 Semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**Note: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*



**Saturday, April 11**
**Saturday, May 9**
**Saturday, June 13**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are held the second Thursday of each month with the same class offered on the following Saturday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

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| **Military** | **April 9 or April 11, 2015** |
| **Ancestry Library Edition** | **May 14 or May 16, 2015** |
| **Property Research** | **June 11 or June 13, 2015** |
| **Immigration/Naturalization** | **July 9 or July 11, 2015** |
| | **10:00–11:00 a.m.** |

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Buckhannon Brothers
## *Old-Time Music*

**Tuesday, April 14, 6:30 p.m.**

The Buckhannon Brothers (Curtis, mandolin, and Dennis, guitar) have been performing together since childhood. For this performance, they will be playing old-time mandolin and tenor banjo, guitar, and upright bass to round out a program of rags, reels, waltzes, and polkas, and some tunes that are hard to describe. Their music stems from the fiddle tradition, which they have adapted to the nuances and characteristics of the mandolin. They will be joined by local musician John Nell on bass.

Any performance by the Buckhannon Brothers always includes lots of laughs. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Josh McVicar
## *McVicar the Trickster*

**Tuesday, April 28, 6:30 p.m.**

McVicar the Trickster's award-winning magic show is outrageous and mind-blowing! His energetic and comical performance leaves audience members in stitches. Josh's mix of magic and humor will delight the whole family. From Menlo College: "By far the best magic performance any of us have seen. Unique, creative, and magical." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Andina & Rich

**Tuesday, May 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Recipe: mix Sandy Andina (Chicago's resident singing/guitar-and-dulcimer-slinging smart aleck) with Stephen Lee Rich (Madison, Wisconsin's, friendly neighborhood yodeling cowboy), add harmony and humor, then shake and stir. Result: Andina and Rich! Join us for this laughter-filled musical performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## George Provenzano
## *War and Peace on the Mississippi: 1812–1815*

**Wednesday, May 20, 6:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

The conclusion of the War of 1812 opened Illinois and Missouri Territories to settlement. Native American tribes that sided with the British in the war agreed in peace treaties to end attacks against settlers who encroached on their lands. George Provenzano, Adjunct Professor of Economics at Lewis & Clark Community College, will discuss the War of 1812 on the Mississippi River from Cahokia to Prairie du Chien and the 1815 Treaties of Portage des Sioux to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the signing of the treaties.
Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Ben Bedford
## *The American Struggle: Experience in the Land of the Free*

**Tuesday, May 26, 6:30 p.m.**

With the release of his third album, *What We Lost*, Bedford establishes himself as a songwriter in the tradition of musical icons ranging from Bill Morrissey to Woody Guthrie, casting individual people in the theater of the American landscape. A true son of the heartland, Bedford dips into the deep inkwell of classic American literature and writes with the "old soul" quality of his literary idols, such as John Steinbeck and Toni Morrison. Register at 1-800-613-3163

# Special Events at Hayner

## Dave Ehlert
### *Everybody Loves…Dean!*
**Tuesday, June 16, 6:30 p.m.**

Come and enjoy impersonator Dave Ehlert as the incomparable Dean Martin. He will perform all your favorite Dean Martin songs and include some of Dean's hilarious comedy routines. This is a great opportunity to enjoy an evening out at one of the great nightclub shows of the past! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Misty Ridge
**Tuesday, June 30, 6:30 p.m.**

Misty Ridge is a family group that plays a combination of bluegrass, folk, and acoustic oriented music. The music is combined with stories of history, tradition, and light-hearted banter that keep the performance moving and the audience engaged Come enjoy this performance-seasoned group as it displays multi-instrument variety and three-part vocal harmonies. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Coming in July . . .*

## Switchback
**Sunday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." FitzGerald and Martin McCormack showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Bringing Cemeteries Back to Life*
***Could you possibly have the information we need?***

With the generous help of two very dedicated volunteers, Bette Flactiff and Sue Williams, The Hayner Public Library District is trying to locate several old cemeteries in Madison County Hayner Library and these two ladies are working on a unique project, a project that preserves the history of local cemeteries through photography. These two wonderful volunteers are diligently working to photograph and record the inscriptions for each tombstone in every available cemetery in Madison County

When they finish documenting a cemetery, the photos and information they have collected are submitted to Hayner Library, where the data is digitally recorded and made available at no charge through a link on the library website. This project is a valuable genealogical resource that can help family historians from anywhere locate the graves of ancestors who died in our area. With your help, we can bring these cemeteries back to life. So far, these two ladies have photographed over 92,000 tombstones, and they are still going strong. They not only photograph the large city cemeteries; they also take their cameras into small rural cemeteries, and they happily trudge through overgrown patches of land just to locate family cemeteries or old church burial grounds that may have been forgotten, abandoned, or unkempt. On one excursion to find a small abandoned cemetery they had a face-off with a large bull just to get photographs of a few tombstones lying against a tree. These ladies have shown an inflexible determination to succeed with this project

***And here is where we are sending out an SOS for your help!***

We need information on the exact location of the following list of family cemeteries in Madison County:

ANDERSON in St. Jacob Township
BALLARD in Edwardsville Township
BARTLETT in Pin Oak Township
CRANDALL in Marine Township
DAMMEYER in Collinsville Township
FRUIT in Pin Oak Township
GULLICK in Helvetia Township
HOYT in Helvetia Township
RENFRO in Collinsville Township
RIETMANN in Helvetia Township
SEYBERT in Alhambra Township
SMART-HAGLER in Pin Oak Township
SPRINGER in Fort Russell Township
WEDER in Marine Township
WOOD in Alhambra Township
WIDICUS in Jarvis Township

Photographing and recording the information in our local cemeteries preserves their history and makes them accessible to everyone.

If you have any knowledge of the cemeteries we are looking for, especially the locations and directions on how to find them (even if they are being guarded by a bull or a bear!) we would like to hear from you. Please contact the Genealogy & Local History Library at Hayner at 462-0677, ext. 2865 We can help put you in touch with Bette and Sue so we can get these cemeteries included in this project. Even if the tombstones are no longer standing, or the area is not easily accessible, we would like to document their current status with an accurate location as a testament to those who were laid to rest in their soil

## *Computer Class Offerings Spring 2015*

*The following classes are offered in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square Mall library location.*

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers (Class limit: 12)***
**Section A: March 31 (A1) and April 2 (A2)**
**Section B: April 14 (B1) and April 21 (B2)**
**6:00-8:00 p.m.**

An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally

After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars

- Sessions A1 and B1: Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse
- Sessions A2 and B2: Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start menu/Open files/Save files/ Flash drive/Print documents

***If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.***

**Internet Basics: Internet for e-Mail and Job Application (Class limit: 12)**
**Section A: April 9 (A1) and April 16 (A2)**
**Section B: April 30 (B1) and May 7 (B2)**
**6:00-8:00 p.m.**

An introduction to Web-surfing, e-mail, and online job search and application. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, use a search engine to locate information and search for employment, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications.

- Sessions A1 and B1: Internet basics/ Searching the Internet/Creating & navigating e-mail
- Sessions A2 and B2: Review e-mail basics/ Job searches/ Job applications (actual job application does not occur)

**Beginning Microsoft Word (Class limit: 12)**
**Spring Sections: April 28, May 5, 12, 14, 19, 21**
**6:00-8:00 p.m.**

This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 6 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for all 6 sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 6 sessions. For a more complete description of what will be offered at each session, you may pick up a handout at the Alton Square Mall library or access our website at www.haynerlibrary.org

- April 28: Getting Started
- May 5: Saving Documents/Page Formatting
- May 12: Spacing/Columns/Using Shapes/ Text Boxes
- May 14: Clip Art/Formatting Pictures
- May 19: Templates
- May 21: Printing/Indenting/Tabs

**Social Media Classes**
***Please note class start times.***

**Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)**
**Wednesday April 22**
**6:30-8:00 p.m.**

We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users

Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate

**Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday May 16**
**10:30 a.m.-12 noon**

This class will start with the creating of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings

Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday June 20**
**10:30 a.m.-12 noon**

Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people

Patrons must have a valid e-mail address to participate

## *eBook and eAudio Help for 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive*

Get help for the 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive! 3M Cloud Library has recently added eAudiobooks to its digital collection. Along with OverDrive's existing eAudiobook collection, you will now have more access to eAudios. For help downloading these eBooks and eAudios to your reader from the library catalog, librarians Jean Shimunek and Miriam Lozano will conduct a class on Saturday, April 25, on the basics of downloading eBooks and eAudios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The process of downloading eBooks and eAudios will be demonstrated on multiple platforms, including Nook, Kindle Fire, and iPad.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

# Walnut Grove Dairy Display at the Genealogy & Local History Library

Walnut Grove Dairy began in 1857 on a farm near Fosterburg called Walnut Grove. Casper and Josephine Joehl came to America from Switzerland and took up the dairy business they had known well in their native country. For generations, their descendants carried on this line of work.

The Joehl family started off selling milk door-to-door but, over time, bought out other small local dairies. In 1893, the Joehl family purchased Blair's Dairy and in 1908 purchased a retail milk business from A. A. Penning in Upper Alton and established a dairy at 818 East 2nd Street (the corner of Henry Street and East 2nd Street—now Broadway) in Alton In 1911, Walnut Grove bought a confectionery and began producing ice cream as well.

On August 27, 1913, at a meeting of the Alton Retail Milk Dealers and the city officials, plans were laid to give Alton the most sanitary milk system in the state. Three things for more sanitary milk were agreed upon:
1. More sanitary equipment; 2. All milk to be pasteurized; 3. All retailers shall use bottle milk system. Many local dairies, including Walnut Grove, had already been working toward these standards, and were ready when the ordinance went into effect January 1, 1914.

In 1914, Casper's son Meinrad Joehl and his sons Edward, Fred, and Albert moved the main office and plant to 811 East Broadway.
J. J. Wuellner & Son built the plant, the interior of which was lined throughout with white tile and white enameled woodwork. It cost $20,000 and had all the latest equipment to provide pasteurized milk in glass bottles Customers were invited and encouraged to visit the plant for a tour. Later there were also retail branches located in Upper Alton on Washington Avenue, in Alton on State Street and Central Avenue, in East Alton, and in Wood River

The refrigerating plant at the dairy manufactured all the ice needed to care for the milk but also kept the ice cream rooms at a temperature of two degrees below freezing The milk room in the wholesale department was kept at thirty-six degrees. Soon the demand for buttermilk had grown so strong that Walnut Grove bought a machine in St. Louis that made Hungarian milk, which was made out of skimmed milk instead of all cream but tasted exactly like buttermilk.

Peerless Ice Cream came in a variety of flavors, including vanilla, strawberry, black walnut, chocolate, and raspberry. And the ice cream must have been excellent, because it even influenced the politics of local organizations. In 1928, a *Telegraph* article mentioned that The East End Improvement Association elected Emil Schrimpf as its president after Edward Joehl, also nominated but not wanting the post, offered every member voting against him a gallon of ice cream.

By 1938, Walnut Grove had chocolate milk, bottled and canned buttermilk, sweet cream butter, cottage cheese, orangeade, and seasonal eggnog in addition to milk, cream, and ice cream

The ice cream division, Peerless Wholesale, was sold to Shearburns Ice Cream in 1955 so Walnut Grove could concentrate on their milk division. They still sold Peerless Ice Cream at their six retail locations Walnut Grove was sold to Prairie Farms Dairy in 1960, and previous owner Ralph Joehl stayed with the dairy under the new owners. The East Broadway dairy buildings were demolished in November 1965 to make space for Hoefert Dodge used car lot.

Walnut Grove worked hard to advertise their products and services on their bottles and in the *Telegraph*, and attributed their success to "good milk, good service, and printer's ink." Many of their bottles have survived and are highly collectible with local glass collectors.

We currently have a display of bottles, photographs, and advertisements from the *Telegraph* at the Genealogy & Local History Library.

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# Curious Cures from the Genealogy & Local History Library

I went to the drugstore yesterday to pick up cold medicine that I hoped contained something for my sinuses in one cure-all dose. What a mistake! I left the drugstore with nothing but the aches and pains I walked in with. The rows and rows of brightly colored boxes proclaiming an antidote for all my ills only added to my confusion and gave me a headache worse than the one I had before my trip to procure a cure began.

I drove home (still sniffling and sneezing) asking myself, "What happened to the old-fashioned cures my parents used during all those middle-of-the-night coughing, sneezing, and nausea episodes during my childhood? Those shrewd home remedies that made everything better so quick?" The medicine cabinet in our house wasn't overflowing with brightly colored boxes from the local drugstore. Our medicine cabinet held a thermometer (not a digital one either!), Band-Aids, tweezers, rubbing alcohol, and Dad's old rusty razors. I imagine he saved those old razors to use somehow in a home remedy situation but I was never privy to that information. I was just told they were not to be touched. Being a respectful daughter, I didn't touch them (too often).

Let's take a step back in time to see if you remember, or worse yet experienced, any of these noted curious cures that were used before all the "new & improved" over-the-counter boxes were so readily available.

Mustard as a medicinal condiment? Apparently congestion could be relieved with a healthy dose of this culinary side-kick. "Mustard Plaster" was made by combining ground mustard with water, then spreading the mixture on a cloth and laying the cloth on your chest. This was believed to be potent enough to break up and relieve the symptoms of congestion. Never having experienced this procedure, I Googled the words "mustard plaster" and sure enough, there it was. Over 900,000 results! Don't believe me? Try it!

Who hasn't had poison ivy at least once in their life? The itch from this despicable plant is supposed to be relieved by rubbing a cut potato over the rash. Has anyone ever actually done this since the discovery of diphenhydramine? I can only wonder why anyone would waste a perfectly good Idaho baking potato when the cure comes in the form of a convenient capsule or spray. Go figure.

Annoying hiccups? Grandpa mixed vinegar and warm water together, then drank this strong and sour brew. Sorry, Grandpa, but considering this stomach-turning remedy, I don't think hiccups are so annoying anymore.

Want a fever reducer with nary a pill hitting your tongue? Just cut up onions and put them in your socks. Yes, you read that correctly, no need to reread the last line. It said to cut up onions and put them in your socks to reduce fever! At this point I should have a remedy for stinky feet, but I don't. My personal advice for onion-scented toes (nothing medical about this one) is simple: soap and water! How hard was that? But wait, I do believe I have a copy of Grandma's recipe for homemade soap!

I will finish with my personal favorite, soothing a cough. Who would argue that Robitussin and DayQuil are better than a combination of whiskey and candy? I have your attention now, don't I? Haven't we all heard an old-timer talk about pouring rye whiskey over rock candy or mixing it with honey and lemon to stop a cough dead in its tracks? Well, I have to admit, I am not sure about the therapeutic effects of using this intoxicating mixture to soothe a cough, but it could quickly make you forget you were sick! Don't believe me? Just ask Jack, Jim or "Old Grand-Dad!"

I am not sure any of these cures actually worked. If they did, I can only imagine they did so because we had strong faith in the person attached to the loving hand administering the dose. I am in no way convinced we were cured because we had onions, mustard, and whiskey in the house. We were cured because we were loved!

If any of these cures made you stop for a moment and reminisce about your own personal family stories, it may be the right time to start building your family tree! You can begin your genealogy research at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library in the historic 401 State Street location. Come let us help you find your ancestors and their fascinating stories.

—Pam Bierman

## Book Page Best

*Book Page* is a monthly periodical available to you free at any Hayner Library location. Each month *Book Page* is published as a selection guide for new books. The editors evaluate and select for reviews the best books published in a variety of categories. Only books the editors highly recommend are featured. *Book Page* is editorially independent and never accepts payment for editorial coverage. The following list represents *Book Page*'s recommendations of the best fiction published in 2014. All these titles are available to you through The Hayner Public Library District. And don't forget to pick up your own free copy of *Book Page* each month.

Best Fiction of 2014 as posted by Trisha on December 1, 2014, for *Book Page*:

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# The Hayner Public Library District

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About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
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## *Hayner to Hold Trivia Night!*

Join us for a night of fun and friendly competition when The Hayner Public Library District holds its inaugural Trivia Night on Saturday, July 25, 2015. The doors will open at 6 p.m., and Trivia will begin at 7 p.m. in the gymnasium of Marquette Catholic High School, 219 E. 4th Street, Alton, Ill

Tickets are only $10 per person, with a maximum of 8 players per table Soda, popcorn, and water will be provided. Feel free to bring your own snacks but no drinks, please. There will be a cash bar, 50/50, a silent auction, and games

Sponsorships are also available at the following levels
- Round Sponsor: $250 (name mentioned and logo displayed on screen during one round)
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Join us on the 25th. Reserve your table now, though walk-ins are welcome. For more information on the event, sponsorship, or to make reservations, call 618-433-2871.

## *Hayner Raffles iPad Air!*

Through the generosity of an anonymous donor, from July 1 through August 14, The Hayner Public Library District will be raffling off an Apple iPad Air 2 tablet Wi-Fi + cellular 128 GB-Gold, retail price $829

The iPad Air 2 is the thinnest, lightest, most powerful Apple tablet in the Apple product line.

Raffle tickets are only $10 apiece, 3 for $20, and will be sold at the Hayner Library Downtown, 326 Belle Street, Alton, and the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Cash or check only, please.*

The winner will be drawn at the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall at 10 a.m. on August 14. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win

***Support the library district—buy tickets for yourself and as gifts for family and friends.***

*You must be 18 years old or older to purchase raffle tickets.

## *Telescopes Now Available for Checkout!*

You can now check out an Orion StarBlast 4.5" Reflector telescope from either the Hayner Downtown Library or the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall The library, through an agreement with the St. Louis Astronomical Society, acquired two of the telescopes in May.

Supplementing the library's purchase, two Alton astronomers and St. Louis Astronomical Society members, Mr. Eddie Agha, staff astronomer at The Nature Institute, and Mr. Steve Sands, staff astronomer for the Watershed Nature Center, have each purchased a telescope to donate to the library collection, as has Ms Patti Brown, Education Director at The Nature Institute, bringing the total number of available telescopes to five.

Each telescope captures the equivalent amount of light of 250 human eyes Each has a zoom eyepiece, which gives a range of magnifications from 20 power to 60 power and provides a large field of view spanning from one degree to over two degrees. You will be able to obtain clear observations of the craters on our Moon, Jupiter and its moons, Saturn and its rings, and the brighter star clusters and nebulae

The telescopes may be checked out for up to seven days by adult Hayner Library card holders. A picture ID must also be presented. A refundable $50 deposit is required for checkout. The telescopes come with a learning kit and everything you need to start your stargazing adventure Enjoy the great outdoors and night skies with your family and friends

## Telescope Workshops Available

Executive Director Bernadette Duvernoy is proud to announce a partnership between The Hayner Public Library District and The Nature Institute Astronomy Association. The Association will host astronomy workshops and activities every third Thursday in the Talahi Lodge at The Nature Institute at 2213 South Levis Lane, Godfrey, Ill

Starting July 16 at 8:30 p.m , the public will now have a chance to learn more about constellations, stars, the moon, and many other aspects of astronomy. Be sure to come to the library and check out some books to brush up on your knowledge

Please note that the workshops are subject to time changes because of sunset. Call 1-800-613-3163 today to reserve your spot

Ms Duvernoy would also like to thank Eddie Agha, Steve Sands, Patti Brown, the St. Louis Astronomical Society, and all their volunteers for all their hard work and for donation of the library's telescopes.

## Senior Services Plus Presentation

Attend the presentation "Learning to Recognize and Resolve Barriers That Prevent Consumers from Accessing Services," which spotlights Senior Services Plus's outreach into surrounding counties, including congregate dining sites, fitness class offerings, homecare services, "Taking It on the Road" with Information & Assistance, and the organization's partnership with the Foster Grandparent Program. The agency's "Pathway to Wellness" Campaign will also be discussed by Development Coordinator Emily Sutton This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall on Thursday, July 9, at 6:30 p.m

Senior Services Plus is a nonprofit organization that has been providing services to seniors for over 42 years Headquartered in Alton, Illinois, Senior Services Plus provides services to the entire St. Louis area in Illinois and Missouri. The agency's services include: Home Care, Meals on Wheels, Wellness Center, Transportation Services, Events & Activities, Travel Program, Foster Grandparent Program, Care Transitions, and Information & Assistance

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## Spotlight on a Fine Alton Lady

A dedicated leader; industrious; conscientious; award winner; devoted teacher; artist; and a friend of many: these are all titles that have been conferred upon a lady who, among many other things, is remembered most for her love of proper English and of theater

Dorothy E. Colonius was born September 1, 1906, in Alton. She was the daughter of George and Minnie (Heide) Colonius Her father was a hard-working businessman who stayed active in civic and social affairs. Her mother, at the time of her death, was one of the oldest members of Grace Methodist Church and for many years had taken an active role within the church ministry Most likely it was Dorothy's parents who introduced the importance of public involvement to their daughter while supporting her efforts in becoming a strong, independent woman

Dorothy began her long and successful career during an era when a woman's seeking a profession was not widely encouraged. It was fortunate for the city of Alton that society's idea of women staying home and keeping house would not stop Dorothy or slow her down in her vocational pursuit.

Dorothy was an educated woman who attended not just one university, but three. Her years of education included studies at Shurtleff College in Alton, the University of Chicago, and the private, Ivy League, Cornell University in New York. In 1931 she received a master's degree in English. With degree in hand, she returned home and began her career, a career that included many years of supervising the Alton High School English Department.

In 1952 she was presented a fellowship through the Ford Foundation established by the late automobile tycoon. This fellowship allowed her to travel the United States touring professional, top-ranked theaters

In 1960 she was chosen and presented with Alton High School's Teacher of the Year award. It was a love of teaching that kept Dorothy active after her retirement in 1967. After many successful years at Alton High School, she returned to teach another two years at Marquette Catholic High School.

She was also deeply involved in local clubs and organizations She stayed active with the Madison County Retired Teachers Association, served as president of the Alton Women's Volunteer League, and the Upper Alton Women's Club during the '70s. She was also a frequent guest speaker for many other social clubs throughout the area.

A tireless advocate of thespianism, she will always be known as the guiding light in the establishment of the Alton Little Theater in November of 1933. Dorothy not only founded the theater, she committed herself to all areas of the undertaking. She was an actress, a producer, a writer, and also the business leader.

As each year passes into another, her many contributions to the theater will never go unappreciated. In 1972 the lobby of the Alton Little Theater at 2450 Henry Street was remodeled and formally dedicated "The Dorothy Colonius Foyer." For over 40 years she labored through countless obstacles and against formidable odds while working at the helm She surrendered her time and tendered her talents to keep the doors open and the ticket holders entertained. Today, due to Dorothy's efforts, the Alton Little Theater continues to be one of the longest-running successes of any such group in the United States.

Dorothy E Colonius died at St. Anthony's Hospital in the early morning of Sunday, September 16, 1979. She was 73. With her passing, she left a legacy that is remembered and honored each time the theater doors are unlocked and with every satisfied clap of hands

*—Pam Bierman*

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

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**Lacy McDonald, Genealogy & Local History Manager, holds a sword recently donated by Western Military Academy graduate Brad Delker. The sword is now on display in the Western memorabilia case in the Genealogy & Local History Library. Lacy is standing beside a portrait of George Eaton, one of the early co-owners of the academy. We are always looking for historical objects, photographs, and other artifacts from the area, so please contact the Genealogy & Local History staff if you have something you'd like to donate.**

## *Thank You to Our Corporate Grantors!*

A huge thank you is due to our corporate partners! Target, Dollar General, Best Buy, Walmart, and Monsanto continue to invest in the local community through grants to our library. Over the past year, The Hayner Public Library District has received more than $7,000 in grants for early childhood reading, youth literacy, teen technology skills, and information on healthy eating for all ages Another $6,000 has been awarded for Educational Resources in Science from the Monsanto Corporation

Target contributed $3,000 this year to the library for our program entitled "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten." This grant enabled the library to purchase more than 150 books, plus incentives and materials to encourage a love of reading early in life

Dollar General has, for the third year in a row, given The Hayner Public Library District $500 to be used for incentives for the Summer Reading Program. The theme for the summer of 2015 is "Read to the Rhythm," emphasizing music and musical themes in books and activities.

The technology purchased with a $3,000 grant from Best Buy enabled the library to purchase a computer, a large monitor, a video Go Pro camera, and video editing equipment for the library branch located in the Riverbender Community Center. Teens will learn to add music to videos this summer, and the equipment will be available for use by teens to create and edit videos for fun or educational use during regular Hayner/ RBCC branch library hours Future plans include some instructional sessions on how to use the equipment and software.

The local Walmart stores have contributed $750 toward the library's collection on health and food. Books will be purchased for children, parents, and adults on eating healthy and preventing health complications caused by poor dietary habits.

The forthcoming grant from Monsanto will be used to purchase new educational DVDs and science kits for use by teachers, parents, and homeschooled children. Many of these will be available in September.

## *Coming this Fall*

Coming this fall to The Hayner Public Library District is a new family program entitled Armchair Traveler. Held every three months, each program will feature a different culture from around the world. A variety of dancing, food, speakers, or other exciting activities will be on tap at the presentations Check back with our fall newsletter for more information on this exciting new program.

If you, or someone you know, would like to be a part of one of the Armchair Traveler programs, please contact Sharon Windham at 618-433-2861 or Penny Noble at 618-462-0677, ext. 2848

## *New Display at the Genealogy & Local History Library: Upper Alton Pottery of the 19th Century*

The first potters of European descent recorded as working in the Alton area were William Pinkard and William Heath. They came to Upper Alton from Ohio with their families and in the spring of 1820 began the manufacture of earthenware pottery, providing dishes, cups, crocks, and other vessels to local settlers.

By 1840, with 23 potters in operation throughout the state, Illinois had become second only to Ohio in ceramic production Potteries were generally situated near accessible clay sources on the outskirts of towns because of the unpleasant emission of kiln fumes and smoke and the risk of accidental fires Tributaries of Wood River and Coal Branch Creek served as sources of both clay and water. An exposed coal seam at the head of Hop Hollow also provided excellent clay, and firewood for the kiln could be easily obtained on local land

Most family potteries had only one kiln, a shop for throwing pots, a drying shed, and a horse-powered pug mill for preparing clay. Early potteries were operated by single families, most of whom were farmers who made pottery on the side. But as demand grew, potters began to specialize and production centers expanded.

Surprisingly, we get a glimpse of what life was like for potters in Upper Alton from *Potters' Examiner and Workmen's Advocate*, a weekly paper first published in 1843 and circulated in the pottery towns around Staffordshire, England Pottery production had been going strong in Staffordshire since the early 17th century, but by the 1840s things were getting more difficult.

At a time of low wages, oppressive employers, and a high rate of unemployment, the *Potters' Examiner* encouraged potters to emigrate to the United States by printing letters from English potters working in the U.S. describing what life was like in their new home Many Staffordshire potters settled near the Mississippi River. The existence of pottery making and the presence of other Staffordshire people in Alton, Chester, and Nauvoo, Illinois, and in St. Louis attracted other immigrants.

A letter from brothers Walter and Thomas Croxton, who were working as potters at Alton in the early 1840s, offers interesting information about their business·

> The first time we drew our kiln, I wish you had been here to have seen the sight. There was such a one that I never expected to see There were three potsellers, with their wagons, waiting for the ware, as it came out of the kiln. All the ware was drawn, packed, and sold before dinner. The weather is milder now than it was at this time last year, for we were obliged then to cease work, from the frost being so severe; but now we are as busy as we can be. Give our love to my father, mother, brothers and sisters; and tell them all, they must come to us as soon as they can for we want them to be with us Tell my father that he must not think of farming for the first twelve months after he comes here, as he will do better by potting, for we often want his assistance. If he were with us, we should do much better than we are doing, although we are in good circumstances as could be expected, from our being but young men, and in a strange land.

The popularity of the area's pottery production is very apparent in local publications at this time as well. An article on Upper Alton in the *Alton Weekly Courier* from March 1856 mentioned eight potteries employing 100 people, and the 1866 *Gazetteer of Madison County* noted that

> The manufacturing business is very considerable, particularly the potter's ware, brickmaking, etc. . . . There are from six to eight potteries in constant blast, three of them do salamander work, and one does terra cotta work; all of which is made profitable to the proprietors.

The decline in pottery production in the second half of the nineteenth century resulted from a number of factors, but one of the biggest was the abundance of glass and metal containers being produced. In the Alton area, the Illinois Glass Company had four factories with 450 employees by the early 1880s In contrast, the Alton City Directory for 1886–1887 lists only four potters.

We currently have a display at the Genealogy & Local History Library of earthenware and stoneware by the potteries Ulrich–Wietfeld (1836–1876), Isaac E. Warnack & Son (1843–1867), George Swettenham (1850–1866), Julius Wilhelms & Company (1855–1887), and W J. Mahar Stoneware Manufacturer (1875–1888) A map of the pottery locations in Upper Alton, advertisements, letterhead examples, daguerreotypes of the Wietfeld family, and an extremely rare early photograph of John Wietfeld round out the display. We also have a copy of *The Potters, Kilns, and Stoneware of Upper Alton,* IR 738 37 MAT, by local pottery expert Greg Mathis on the shelf for anyone who is interested in learning more about early potters of the area.

## *e-Book and e-Audio Help for 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive*

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, librarians Jean Shimunek and Miriam Lozano will conduct a class on Saturday, September 19, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

# KIDSSPACE
## SUMMER/FALL 2015 ACTIVITIES

### ALTON SQUARE ACTIVITIES

➢ **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds Children will hear stories, sing songs, and do crafts that reflect the weekly theme Meeting dates are Mondays, August 17, August 24, August 31, September 14, and September 21, 2015, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ **Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, August 20, August 27, September 3, September 10, September 17, and September 24, 2015, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881

➢ **Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays· August 31 and September 28, 2015. Please register at 433-2881.

➢ **Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos! Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month Meeting date in September is: Thursday, September 10, 2015, from 3·30 to 4:30 p.m Please register at 433-2881.

**SPECIAL EVENTS**

➢ **Wednesday, August 12, 2015, at 10 a.m.**

Animal Avengers will feature live, exotic wildlife from all over the world that possess unique abilities. Enhanced adaptations for sight, sound, touch, strength, and movement allow these animals to overcome impossible barriers. The audience will be asked to interact with the animals through "hands-on" volunteering, question & answer, and crowd participation activities. All are guaranteed an up-close and personal experience. This program will be held in the Hayner Library Performance Room on the upper level at Alton Square Mall. No registration required.

### DOWNTOWN ACTIVITIES

➢ **Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6·30 p.m. on Mondays, August 17, August 24, August 31, September 14, September 21, and September 28, 2015. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

➢ **Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m on Tuesdays, August 18, August 25, September 1, September 8, September 15, September 22, and September 29, 2015. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

➢ **After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3·30 p m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2015. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

# TEENSPACE
## AUG-SEPT 2015 ACTIVITIES

➢ **Teen Advisory Council**

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the Teen Library located at Riverbender com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and aid in making the library a place that teens enjoy. First meeting is Wednesday, September 16, 2015, at Riverbender.com Community Center at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872

➢ **Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender.com Community Center**

Come join the fun after school for Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release, and pizza is on the menu! Our first movie will be Wednesday, September 23, 2015, at 3:45 p.m. To register or for dates, call Shannon at 433-2872

➢ **Teen Book Club**

Hey, Teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meetings will be held at Riverbender.com Community Center Library. Our first club date is Wednesday, September 9, 2015, at 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information or to get dates, call Shannon at 433-2872

## *Star Wars Reads Day 2015*

*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. Since then thousands of educational institutions and libraries have celebrated this event

If you came out to join us for *Star Wars* Reads Day 2014, you were greeted by characters from the Garrison 501st Legion from Scott Air Force Base and activities ranging from designing your own X-wing fighter, to battling with our homemade light sabers, decorating *Star Wars* cookies, and much more

This year we have planned another fun day, including *Star Wars* Clone Wars light saber duels with Big Screen Games of Edwardsville, costumed characters, *Star Wars* board games, refreshments, and more. Please come out and join us on Saturday, October 10, 2015, at 10 a.m. in the Performance Room at Alton Square. This event is for children ages 6–12 years of age To register for this event, call 433-2861 or 433-2881

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our summer 2015 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration To register, call 1-800-613-3163 Unless otheru ise stated, all programs u ill be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

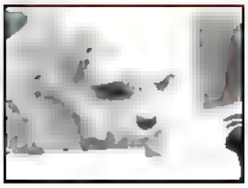
**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library,132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill*



**Saturday, July 11**
**Saturday, August 8**
**Saturday, September 12**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## Switchback

**Sunday, July 12, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." FitzGerald and Martin McCormack showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dave Foraker

**Tuesday, July 28, 6:30 p.m.**

Well known throughout the St. Louis area, Dave pounds the piano, tells stories, and sings the blues. His music is a blend of standards, blues, jazz, and gospel, with each song "bluesified" by his signature vocal style His stories are culled from a 50-plus–year career in music, often working alongside some of the legends of R&B and the blues. His goal with every performance is to provide encouraging and enlightening entertainment for all ages. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Dan Haughey
## *Mr. U. S. Grant: A Man and a Patriot*

**Tuesday, August 11, 6:00 p.m.**

*(Note start time)*

Dan Haughey presents a first-person portrayal of the great general during which U S. Grant comes alive. His sincere loathing of the horrors of war, his compassion and concern for his men, yet his determination to win, are evidenced in this riveting performance. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass*

**Tuesday, August 18, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two Presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more" . . . and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Charlotte Johnson
## *Early African American Churches in the Alton Area*

**Wednesday, August 26, 6:30 p.m.**

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton. Local historian Charlotte Johnson will discuss the history of the Baptist and Methodist churches in the Alton area from 1819 to the late 1930s. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## *Fiddlin' Banjo Billy and The Old Time Players*

**Tuesday, September 8, 6:30 p.m.**

The Old Time Players is a unique group of dedicated old-time musicians, committed to the preservation of our American musical heritage This group plays a wide variety of traditional American music, old-time fiddle and dance tunes, and folk songs from our great Western expansion. This was the popular music of the day, and American musical expression continued to grow through such modes as the Minstrel Show, Vaudeville, Burlesque, and Ragtime. These tunes represent over 100 years of our musical diversity and the development of American popular culture. This music is incredibly high-spirited and hard-hitting, yet rhythmically sophisticated. It is energetic and fun. Let us show you how much fun it can be for you! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## The Original Boneheads

**Tuesday, September 22, 6:30 p.m.**

The original Boneheads, a k.a. The St. Louis Trombone Quartet, was founded in 1998 and has in the years since performed in a myriad of venues to glowing reviews. Each of the players is conservatory trained and experienced in musical settings from symphony orchestras to bar bands The breadth of musical experience is reflected in the quartet's song list, which contains marches, jazz and swing, rock, doo wop, classical, R&B, polkas, blues, Americana, and more. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Maureen Christine *You Raise Me Up— Songs That Inspire Us*

**Tuesday, September 29, 6:30 p.m.**

Celebrated concert vocalist and national recording artist Maureen Christine has delighted Hayner audiences with her romantic ballads and award-winning compositions. Her singing has been hailed by reviewers as "crystal clear" and "a lovely sweet voice with a beautiful way with ballads." This program will feature Maureen's heartfelt renditions of inspiring songs including "Wind Beneath My Wings," "You Raise Me Up," "Because You Loved Me," and "You Light Up My Life." Maureen will also include classic gems such as "Over the Rainbow," "A Wonderful World," "Morning Has Broken," and "You'll Never Walk Alone." Maureen will be accompanied by renowned saxophonist Michael Bazen, who has performed with Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons, Bob Hope, Jerry Lewis, and numerous jazz ensembles and big bands. Don't miss this wonderful performance! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *North Alton Godfrey Business Council Summer Music Series*

The North Alton Godfrey Business Council is pleased to announce a talented lineup of musical entertainment for its 9th annual "Expressions–A Musical Experience" series

These are free public concerts with sounds and appeal for people of all ages, with no reservations required. All performances are held in the beautiful, air-conditioned and acoustically perfect space of the Alton High School Performing Arts Center, 4200 Humbert Road, Alton, Illinois. Concerts start at 7:00 p.m.

The next concert, on July 8th, features a longtime area favorite, "Gary Dammer and His Big Band." Gary's smooth trumpet solos are complemented by 17 of the area's finest musicians, together with vocal renderings by Steve Schiniger. This program features an array of Big Band charts and Frank Sinatra arrangements

The August 12th concert features the Big Band sounds of The Sentimental Journey Dance Orchestra, an 18-piece swinging aggregation playing the charts of Benny Goodman, Harry James, and the Dorseys. This group is truly a sentimental favorite of everyone.

The final concert on September 9th sees the return of a five-piece ensemble from the St. Louis Symphony, a proud part of the concert series for the last three years. This will be a combination of education to students in the afternoon, and an outstanding evening performance

Corporate Sponsors include the Business Council together with the following Council members: AdVantage News; Alton Memorial Hospital; Carvers; First Mid-America Credit Union; Freer Auto Body & Accessories; The Hayner Public Library District; Karen Wilson State Farm Insurance; Liberty Bank; McDonald's Restaurants of Alton, Bethalto, Godfrey, and Hamel; Senior Services Plus; and Strategic Consulting, Inc. The series is a community-inspired event with an appeal to all music lovers. Note the dates on your calendar, come and relax in air-conditioned comfort, and hear great music to soothe the mind and the soul

For additional information call 618-779-9735 or e-mail jabusch1@att.net.

***Good news!*** The DVDs and audio CDs are back in circulation at the Downtown Library. The DVDs and audio CDs have found a temporary new home near the windows of the Downtown Library. We hope you'll come and check it out!

# HAYNER LIBRARY VOLUNTEER

Becky Hogan has been a great asset to our Genealogy volunteers. She has researched her family heritage for many years. I have known Becky off and on for years because of her sister, Libby Kelly. Becky started volunteering for us in 2013. You can see her smiling face on Fridays from 11–2 at our Genealogy & Local History Library. She is always ready to help in many ways.

Becky was born and raised in Alton. She grew up in a neighborhood where everyone watched after all the neighborhood children. They had neighborhood picnics. The children would hang sheets on clotheslines and put on a play for everyone They served Kool-Aid and popcorn. A big treat for the children was going to Wood River swimming pool or taking a trip on the Admiral that cruised up and down the Mississippi. Becky said it was nothing to have a neighborhood Monopoly game go on for three days The children all looked forward to the Carnival at Northside Park. As teens, Becky and her friends would go to Veith's for a coke and French fries. They would go to Northside Theatre for movies or to the Temple, where dances were held for teens

Becky has very fond memories of her mother and father. Her mother was a stay-at-home mom and was a very good cook and housekeeper. Her father was a hard worker. He could make anything He was involved with Northside playground and made all the Christmas decorations for their church. They were not strict parents, but there were rules to abide by. Becky has a sister, Libby Kelly, and there is a five-year difference in their ages. When they were teens they had the usual spats among sisters She and Libby still have good times together, and she considers Libby her best friend!

After Becky graduated from Alton High School, she started classes at St. Joseph's Hospital in Alton and studied to be a laboratory technician. She worked at St. Joe's until 1962 What I find so interesting is Becky's married life She married Francis Joseph Hogan, whom she lovingly calls Bud, in 1962. They moved to Rolla, Missouri, so he could continue studying for his ME degree. Becky worked at Phelps County Memorial Hospital.

Bud graduated with his degree and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army. He went to Fort Belvoir in Virginia for OCS and then to Fort Polk in Louisiana. Becky worked at the Byrd Clinic and Hospital in Leesville while Bud was serving at Fort Polk. Bud was CO of the 578th Combat Engineers. In 1965 most of the base was sent to Cam Rahn Bay in South Vietnam to build airstrips and ports for the influx of American troops

Becky came back to Alton to live with her parents. She was seven months pregnant with their son, Hoagy. The baby was a year old when Bud was discharged and came home. Bud started working for Owens-Illinois Glass Their second son, Patrick, was born in 1968 In 1974 the Hogan family was transferred to Toledo, Ohio. They lived in Sylvania for six months

Again Owens-Illinois transferred the Hogans, this time to the New Orleans plant. They lived in Kenner, Louisiana. Becky thought New Orleans was a fascinating town to live in There was Mardi Gras, St. Patrick's, plantations to see, steamboat races, Jackson Square and Café du Monde One of the best things to do was to go to Tickfaw, Louisiana, and tube down the Tangipahoa River. They would tube so far down and then stop on a sandbar and have lunch

Becky became very involved with her boys' school those five years that they lived in Louisiana. The Hogan family was then transferred to a plant in Mansfield, Massachusetts, which was 30 miles south of Boston. The Hogans visited many historical sites, such as Lexington/Concord, Plymouth Rock and village, the mansions in Newport, R.I., Cape Cod, and Martha's Vineyard. They watched the Boston Marathon. Two of their favorite vacation spots were in Old Orchard Beach, Maine, and in the White Mountains in New Hampshire.

The next transfer was to the plant in Milford, Connecticut. They lived in Madison, a small town on the Long Island Sound with beautiful beaches.

Their last transfer was to a plant in East Brunswick, New Jersey. While living in Somerset, they went to New York frequently They enjoyed the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. They saw the parade for the Olympians in 1984. They visited South Street Seaport, Battery Park, the Statue of Liberty, and Times Square, where you saw it all, Becky says After an accident and rehab, Bud continued to work for Owens-Illinois, and Becky worked part-time in the Personnel Department. They lost their son Patrick in the same accident as Bud's

On their 25th wedding anniversary, Bud hired a limo and took Becky and their son and daughter-in-law to New York. Their destination was the Twin Towers With no idea of the devastation in store for the landmarks, they had dinner at the Windows on the World, which was on the 107th floor of the North Tower. Becky says the elevator ride was an event in itself. She says the view of the city is gorgeous Becky thinks that New York City is not so pretty in the daytime, but when night falls, the city buildings and the bridge all lit up are an amazing sight

The Brunswick plant was sold, and the Hogan family made one last move, back to their hometown of Alton.

Becky has three great-grandchildren: Joe, who works for the state of South Carolina; Elizabeth, who is at the University of Illinois obtaining her masters in biology; and Shaun, who is at the University of Alabama studying physics

Becky says she has had a very interesting life, and one good aspect about moving so frequently is that she doesn't collect a lot of stuff! I think Becky could write a book on how to make many moves in your life. She probably has it down to a science

Her words of wisdom are that one should think positive, laugh with others, and learn to laugh at oneself.

Thank you, Becky, for sharing your time with Hayner Library.

*—Stephanie Munson*

## Computer Class Offerings Summer 2015

**PC Basics • Part 1, July 8, 6 p.m.–8 p.m. • Part 2, July 15, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.***
An introduction to personal computers: Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.
Part 1
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse
Part 2
• Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start menu/ Open files/Save files/Flash drive/Print documents
Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

*If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.

**Internet Basics • Part 1, July 22, 6 p.m.–8 p.m. • Part 2, July 29, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
An introduction to Web-surfing, e-mail, and online job search and application. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, use a search engine to locate information and search for employment, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications
Part 1
• Internet basics/ Searching the Internet/ Creating & navigating e-mail
Part 2
• Review e-mail basics/ Job searches/ Job applications (actual job application does not occur)
Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**Microsoft Word for Beginners • Part 1, Aug. 5, 6 p.m.–8 p.m. • Part 2, Aug. 12, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product.
You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions.
Part 1
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns •Printing/ Indenting/Tabs
Part 2
•Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/ Formatting Pictures • Templates
Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

## Summer 2015 Social Media Classes

*Please note: All classes will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, July 18, 10:30 a.m.–12 noon**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site as well as one on how to interact with other users.
*This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.*

**Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, August 15, 10:30 a.m.–12 noon**
This class will start with the creating of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the various applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings
*This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.*

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, September 12, 10:30 a.m.–12 noon**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people.
*This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.*

## Hayner Library Offers Database Class

**Saturday, September 26,**
**from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.**
**Multipurpose Room,**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**

Students, teachers, learners of all ages! Attend the Database Class for help with exploring the free online databases Hayner Library has to offer for help with school papers, science projects, test taking, and more.

There are databases offering instructions on auto repair and how-to instructions for hobbies and crafts. Along with all these free databases, Consumer Reports online is also available And now Testing and Education Reference Center is back!

Testing and Education Reference Center offers guidance and research tools on careers and education Practice testing for the ACT, SAT, AP test, professional license exams, and more

Come join us and learn how Hayner Library databases can help you in your classroom or in your everyday life. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Staff Picks*

**Magic Rises** by Ilona Andrews
This book is an excellent addition to the Kate Daniels series! Full of magic, fighting, and heartbreak, it's a book you'll find hard to put down! —*Teressa H.*

**The Light Between Oceans** by M. L. Stedman
An excellent and emotional read about good people living with tragic decisions that have an effect on so many characters in the book, and the author is able to make you care about all of them. —*Brenda V.*

**First Grave on the Right** by Darynda Jones
Charley Davidson is both a private investigator and the grim reaper, helping both living and dead clients. —*Penny N.*

**Them Bones** by Carolyn Haines
Meet Sarah Booth Delaney, a Southern belle who becomes an investigator under hilarious circumstances. —*Penny N.*

**Secondhand Spirits** by Juliet Blackwell
When a client of Lily Ivory's vintage clothing shop is murdered, she must use all the skills at her disposal to find a killer, who might or might not be alive. —*Penny N.*

**It Takes a Witch** by Heather Blake
Darcy Merriweather finds out she is a witch, moves in with her aunt, and is soon involved in a murder investigation, all within a short period of time. —*Penny N.*

**Here's Johnny!** by Ed McMahon
Ed McMahon gives a personal look into the long friendship he had with Johnny Carson —*Theresa M.*

**Live: Barefoot at the Symphony** by Idina Menzel
(Music CD) Songs include the jazzy "Life of the Party," the powerful "Asleep on the Wind," and Ms. Menzel's signature, "Defying Gravity." —*Theresa M.*

**Buster Keaton Collection (DVD)**
This two-disc DVD set contains three of the iconic slapstick star's films, including his first talkie, *Free and Easy*. —*Theresa M.*

**The Lost Wife** by Alyson Richman
A beautifully written and inspiring story about first love and the devastating effects of the Nazi invasion in Prague. The story of Lenka and Josef explores the power or love, resilience of the human spirit, hope, and the strength of memories. —*Miriam L.*

**The Thurber Carnival** by James Thurber
Essays, stories, and sketches from one of the finest humorists of the 20th century.—*Mary C.*

**White Teeth** by Zadie Smith
Fantastic debut novel. Set in a north London neighborhood, this novel follows the lives of two Army buddies and their children as they navigate cultural identity, religion, and the clash between the old world and the new, the past and the present. —*Mary C.*

**Take the Cannoli: Stories from the New World** by Sarah Vowell
Smart, engaging, funny, and observant essays from one of the best voices on Public Radio. —*Mary C.*

**Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy** by John LeCarre
Complex and gripping The plot will keep you guessing until the very end. Perhaps the best spy novel ever written. —*Mary C.*

**Delights and Shadows** by Ted Kooser
Winner of the 2005 Pulitzer Prize for Poetry. Tender and poignant, this collection of poems observes and celebrates the beauty in the everyday. —*Mary C.*

**Murder at the Vicarage** by Agatha Christie
The classic whodunit by the Queen of Crime. This is the first full-length mystery novel featuring the sharp observational skills of Miss Jane Marple, resident sleuth of St. Mary Mead. —*Mary C.*

**Cooked** by Michael Pollan
*Cooked* is an enjoyable read about the four elements of cooking—fire, water, air, and earth—where Pollan shares his journey of discovery of the community of grilling with fire, the intimacy of cooking in a pot, the science of baking bread, and the weird world of fermenting foods, all connecting us to a deeper understanding of the natural history of cooking, and how cooking can transform us. —*Jean S.*

**Death Angel** by Linda Fairstein
Mystery, romance, NYC Central Park—what more can you ask for? Death Angel is the 15th in the Alex Cooper series—can't wait for #16. —*Marilyn S.*

**Is Everyone Hanging Out Without Me? (And Other Concerns)** by Mindy Kaling
Mindy Kaling is best known for *The Office* and *The Mindy Project*, but this hilarious memoir also describes her life before network television: the joys and horrors of summer camp, working as a production assistant on a cable TV psychic show, and co-writing and co-starring in an off-Broadway play called *Matt & Ben*, where she played Ben Affleck. —*Lacy M.*

**Me Before You** by Jojo Moyes
An unlikely love story, complicated family dynamics and a moral dilemma that will suck you into caring about the fate of the heroine. —*Esther G*

## *Did You Know?*

**Londoners who wanted to "elope" in the 1600s and 1700s went to the prisons to get married!**

Check out how and why on Ancestry.com in London, England, Clandestine Marriage and Baptism Registers, 1667–1754

View Ancestry Library Edition free in Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street.

**Did your ancestor "do time?" Did he or she spend time in the "insane asylum"?**

The reasons for institutionalizing people in the past were often quite different than they are now

**BlackSheepAncestors.com** has U. S. genealogical prison records and insane asylum records as well as U. K. genealogical prison records.

**Our ancestors followed these rules:**

1) Thou shalt name your male children: James, John, Joseph, Abel, Richard, Thomas, or William

2) Thou shalt name your female children: Elizabeth, Mary, Martha, Maria, Sarah, Ida, or Mae

3) Thou shalt, after naming your children from the above lists, never refer to them by those names again; instead, thou shalt call them by strange nicknames such as: Ike, Eli, Polly, and Sally.

4) Thou shalt learn to sign all documents illegibly so that your surname can be spelled or misspelled in various ways: Tipper, Topper, Hopper, Tucker, or Tapper

## NONFICTION

**Brown, Brené.** Rising Strong
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**Cruz, Ted.** A Time for Truth: Reigniting the Promise of America
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**Dickey, Christopher.** Our Man in Charleston: Britain's Secret Agent in the Civil War South
**Finnegan, William.** Barbarian Days: A Surfing Life
**Gilbert, Elizabeth.** Big Magic: Creative Living Beyond Fear
**Good, Phyllis.** Fix-It and Forget-It Slow Cooker Magic· 550 Amazing Everyday Recipes
**Hake, Terrence.** Operation Greylord: The True Story of an Untrained Undercover Agent and America's Biggest Corruption Bust
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**Neff, James.** Vendetta: Bobby Kennedy Versus Jimmy Hoffa
**Oppenheimer, Jerry.** RFK Jr · Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. and the Dark Side of the Dream
**People Stylewatch.** Your Ultimate Guide to Style: Tips, Tricks and Ideas for Getting Your Best Look Ever
**Posnanski, Joe.** The Secret of Golf: The Story of Tom Watson and Jack Nicklaus
**Prizant, Barry M., Ph.D.** Uniquely Human: A Different Way of Seeing Autism
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**Roker, Al.** The Storm of the Century: Tragedy, Heroism, Survival, and the Epic True Story of America's Deadliest Natural Disaster: The Great Gulf Hurricane of 1900
**Rosenfelt, David.** Lessons from Tara: Life Advice from the World's Most Brilliant Dog
**Schickel, Richard.** Keepers· The Greatest Films—and Personal Favorites—of a Moviegoing Lifetime
**Scottoline, Lisa & Francesca Serritella.** Does This Beach Make Me Look Fat?
**Seek, Amy.** God and Jetfire: Confessions of a Birth Mother
**Theroux, Paul.** Deep South· Four Seasons on the Back Roads
**Thomas, Mathilde.** The French Beauty Solution· Time-Tested Secrets to Look and Feel Beautiful Inside and Out

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**Adler, Elizabeth.** One Way or Another
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**Bell, Ted.** Patriot: An Alex Hawke Novel
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**Coleman, Reed Farrel.** Robert B. Parker's The Devil Wins
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**Coulter, Catherine.** Nemesis
**Cussler, Clive.** The Solomon Curse
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**Lee, Harper.** Go Set a Watchman
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**Reichs, Kathy.** Speaking in Bones
**Robards, Karen.** The Last Time I Saw Her
**Rosenfelt, David.** Who Let the Dog Out
**Silva, Daniel. The English Spy**
**Slaughter, Karin.** Pretty Girls
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**Taylor, Brad.** The Insider Threat
**Thor, Brad.** Code of Conduct
**Todd, Charles.** Pattern of Lies
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## *Whodunit?*

The Hayner Public Library District is excited to announce a new mystery book club–"Whodunit?"! The verdict will come in with the first meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 30, 2015, at 6:30 p m. in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square location, with Penny Noble hosting the club

The evidence shows the book club will feature the book *Murder in the White House* by Margaret Truman. Penny, who is the alleged Customer Service Manager at the Downtown location, has been an avid reader of mysteries for many years and wants to share that murderous passion with the library's patrons

Discussions are going to be interesting and lively as participants discuss the good and bad plot-points, writing style of the author, characters who were liked and disliked, and anything else everyone can come up with

Even if mysteries have never been your favorite genre, read the book and come to the inaugural meeting. Limit for the book club is set to the first 15 people who respond, so don't miss out on this opportunity Call 618-462-0677, ext. 2848, to reserve your spot now!

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Wed., 12:00 Noon–8 p.m.
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www.haynerlibrary.org

## *20 More Great Quotes of Mark Twain*

Mark Twain is, undoubtedly, one of the greatest writers in U.S. history, and he is also well-known for his rapier wit and brilliant quotes.

This is a list of 20 dazzling quotes of Mark Twain.

1. Always acknowledge a fault. This will throw those in authority off their guard and give you an opportunity to commit more.
2. An Englishman is a person who does things because they have been done before. An American is a person who does things because they haven't been done before.
3. Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint.
4. Clothes make the man. Naked people have little or no influence on society.
5. Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. It was here first.
6. Don't part with your illusions. When they are gone you may still exist, but you have ceased to live
7. Facts are stubborn things, but statistics are more pliable.
8. Honesty is the best policy—when there is money in it.
9. I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying that I approved of it.
10. I have a higher and grander standard of principle than George Washington. He could not lie; I can, but I won't.
11. I have been through some terrible things in my life, some of which actually happened
12. I thoroughly disapprove of duels. If a man should challenge me, I would take him kindly and forgivingly by the hand and lead him to a quiet place and kill him.
13. In Paris they simply stared when I spoke to them in French; I never did succeed in making those idiots understand their language
14. It could probably be shown by facts and figures that there is no distinctly American criminal class except Congress.
15. It is better to keep your mouth closed and let people think you are a fool than to open it and remove all doubt.
16. Let us be thankful for the fools. But for them the rest of us could not succeed.
17. Never put off until tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow
18. Often it does seem a pity that Noah and his party did not miss the boat.
19. Suppose you were an idiot, and suppose you were a member of Congress. But I repeat myself.
20. We have a criminal jury system which is superior to any in the world; and its efficiency is only marred by the difficulty of finding twelve men every day who don't know anything and can't read.

*Jamie Frater October 26, 2008, Listverse*

**Jamie Frater**

*Jamie is the founder of Listverse. He spends his time working on the site, doing research for new lists, and cooking. He is fascinated with all things morbid and bizarre*

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About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Veterans Day – Nov. 11
Thanksgiving – Nov. 26
Christmas – Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1

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## *Summer Reading Program 2015*

**Daniel**

**Harper**

**Will**

Young patrons of Hayner Public Library had a wonderful time at this year's Summer Reading Program, "Read to the Rhythm." The KidsSpace staff kept them busy with craft times, performers, movies, puppet shows, and stories.

The program drew in more than 400 kids over six weeks. Each participant was rewarded each week with a prize and a raffle ticket for one of our three grand prizes. At the end of the program participants were treated to a party held at the Alton High School Commons where they were entertained by Leonardo Music. Each participant also received a free book, snacks, and a certificate for all their hard work.

At the End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party a ticket was drawn for each of the three grand prizes. The winner of the guitar was **Daniel Fitzgerald**. The winner of the Muny tickets for *Beauty and the Beast* was **Harper Mathenia**. The winner of the LeapPad 3 was **Will Davitz.** We think everyone had a great time this summer, and we hope to see everyone again next year at our 2016 Summer Reading Program, "Read to Win." Congratulations to our winners!

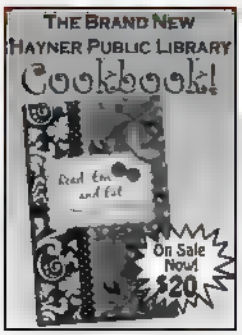
We would also like to thank our sponsors, Kindermusik and Dollar General.

## *2015 Teen Summer Reading Program "Read to the Rhythm"*

**Tristian**

The 2015 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Read to the Rhythm," was another great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on some much-needed reading. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a weekly fun day at the Riverbender.com Community Center. We would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner for the most hours of reading, **Tristian Turner**. We would also like to thank all the participants. We hope to see everyone back for next year's reading program.

## *Don't Forget Cookbooks for Christmas!*




Hayner Library's cookbook, *Read 'Em and Eat!* flew off the shelves last year as a great holiday gift. We are still selling them at only $20 apiece. The cookbooks feature over 600 recipes collected from you, our patrons, the community, library staff, library board, local restaurants, Facebook friends, and even popular authors! Sold at the circulation desk of each Hayner location, they make great gifts for family and friends . . . and buy one for yourself to help you prepare all your holiday meals!

## *Don't Miss Friends of the Library Book Sale!*

The next Friends of the Library Book Sale is scheduled for October 9 and 10, 2015. TONS of books of all genres are available at bargain basement prices. The hours for the sale are Friday, October 9, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m and Saturday, October 10, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Friends building is located at 327 State Street in Alton. Along with books there are also magazines, videos, and music available

## *New Databases at Hayner*

Hayner Library subscribes to many online databases where patrons can find authoritative sources of research materials, full-text articles, and more  Recently, the library has added four new EBSCO databases to help students of all ages. The new databases are **Testing & Education Reference Center**, and **Explora Primary Schools**, **Public Libraries**, and **Secondary Schools**

**Testing & Education Reference Center.** Prepare for tests, plan for college, explore career choices, build a resume, and find job help with this database  You can take practice tests for AP exams, the ACT, SAT, GED, GRE, ASVAB, career tests, and much more. Once you log in, create a username and password to track your progress on tests. Research colleges using the College Search tool, and search for scholarships under *Scholarship Search*, featuring $8 billion in available scholarships or grants  You can create a professional resume using the *Resume Builder* module. The career module covers career change, job search tools, resume basics, and more in *Virtual Career Library*.

**Explora Primary Schools**; **Explora Public Libraries**; and **Explora Secondary Schools**. Find full-text articles on topics for research and classroom assignments with the Explora databases. You have an option to browse topics by categories right from the home page. Categories include: Arts and Literature, Biography, Current Events, Geography and Cultures, History and Social Science, Science and Math, and more. You have easy access to primary source documents, images, and other sources. Other features include Text-To-Speech to read articles aloud to you, and the citation tool, which converts the article citation to the style you choose

Hayner databases can be accessed by going to www haynerlibrary org, then the link Online Resources. For home access, enter your last name and your Hayner library card barcode to log on

For help using these databases and others, contact the Reference Department at Hayner Library, or attend the upcoming Database Class on Saturday, September 26, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square Mall Library location  Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Hayner's First Trivia Night*

On July 25, 2015, The Hayner Public Library District held its first ever Trivia Night, and it was a huge success  Held in the gymnasium of Marquette Catholic High School and emceed by Mike Montgomery, formerly of WBGZ radio, the evening was filled with laughter and fun.

Almost 300 people attended, and more than 30 volunteers from the Hayner Board of Directors, Hayner staff, Marquette students and staff, and the local community made sure the festivities came off without a hitch

Silent auction items were plentiful and varied, and many local businesses provided sponsorships, including· **Round Sponsors:** CNB Bank & Trust, Midwest Tape/Hoopla and WBGZ Radio; **Table Sponsors:** the office of State Representative Dan Beiser, King Air Conditioning & Heating, Riverbend Head Start, Roberts Ford, and Scheffel Boyle Certified Public Accountants; **Refreshment Sponsors:** 1st MidAmerica Credit Union, Altonized Community Federal Credit Union, CNB Bank and Trust, Schwartzkopf Printing, Televend Services, and the YWCA of Alton; **Materials Contributors:** Baxter's, Jim Spain and Donnewald Distributing, Fischer Lumber, Schnucks, The Bank of Edwardsville, Tony's Restaurant in Alton, and the YWCA. Tony's Restaurant in Alton generously contributed the bartender service and donated back to the library fifty cents for every beer sold.

The event's silent auction included amazing items contributed by Jeff Vaughn, Patrick Daily, River Bend Yoga, C. J. Schlosser, Phyllis Hand Bechtold, Penny Noble, Mary Erwin, My Just Desserts, Elijah P's Burgers & Brews, Rib City, Old Bakery Beer Company, LuciAnna's Pastries, Johnson's Corner, White Birch, and Hayner Library Trustees

Proceeds from the event, over $6,000, will go toward purchasing additional materials for the libraries' lending collections

A huge thank-you to everyone who participated!!

### *Thank you, Marquette Catholic High School!*

A special recognition to Marquette Catholic High School administration, staff, and students for their support of the Trivia Night. The Marquette gymnasium was the perfect venue for our event  Marquette staff and students took full responsibility for laying tarps to protect the entire gym floor and setting up 46 tables to accommodate players, the silent auction and registration, and preparing the stage. Marquette custodial staff provided clean-up service at the end of the night, and then the staff and students completed the breakdown of the tables and chairs. What a huge contribution to Hayner Library and our community!

## DAR "FRIEND-RAISER"

### Fourth Annual Open House Event

**Saturday, November 7, 2015**
**1:00–3:00 p.m.**
**401 State Street, Alton, Illinois**

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a volunteer service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history, and securing America's future through better education for children.

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual Open House event for anyone interested in researching their genealogy and interested in becoming a DAR member.

We will have experienced researchers available to help you get started or to help you conclude your search for the Revolutionary War patriot in your family. These researchers can also help guide you through the application process for joining DAR.

One success story from last year's event comes from Genealogy & Local History Library employee Beth Phillips. Beth did not think that she had any ancestors who fought in the Revolutionary War. They were members of the Mennonite church, a Protestant religion which teaches that men are not supposed to kill other men in war. Thanks to Beth's grandfather, who typed up a Bechtel Family History on his old manual typewriter in the 1960s, she knew her Bechtel family members all the way back to their immigrant ancestor, Georg Bechtel, a Mennonite minister in Pennsylvania. As she began searching for records of her ancestors, Beth was surprised to learn that Georg's youngest son, Isaac Bechtel, was a private in the Pennsylvania Militia! Isaac Bechtel served in the 1st Battalion of Capt. Crumrine's Company. He fought in the Battle of Brandywine Creek, in which about 300 Americans were killed. Fortunately, Isaac survived. He became a prosperous farmer and together with his wife raised a large family. Beth is grateful for his service and happy to become a member of the DAR! Congratulations, Beth!

Admission to this event is free, and registration is not necessary. If you have questions, please call us at 462-0677, Ext. 2865. All are welcome to join us for this event. We hope to see you there.

## *Have a Hayner Library Card?*

The following businesses are offering discounts for showing your Hayner library card during the week of Saturday, November 28 – Saturday, December 5 as part of our third annual library card drive.

Are you an Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township resident without a library card? Make sure to come get one at the Downtown or Alton Square library before the end of November! You will need to fill out a short library card application and provide a photo ID—a valid driver's license or state ID with your current address. If your photo ID does not have your current address, you will need to provide a piece of business mail dated within the last 30 days as proof of residency.

A huge thank-you to all of these businesses for supporting The Hayner Public Library District!

### Restaurants

Duke Bakery – 10% off
Godfrey Meat Market – 10% off (excluding alcohol)
LuciAnna's Pastries – $.50 off any pastry
Mister Donut – 10% off
My Just Desserts – 10% off
Johnson's Corner – 10% off
Lovett's Snoots, Fish, Chicken and More – 10% off
Principalli's Café – Spend $20 and receive a free order of cheese bread
S & S Sandwich Shop – 10% off

### Retail

Black's Sporting Goods – 10% off
Cleta's Nutrition – 10% off
Crown Vision Center – Free eye exam w/ purchase of glasses
Dick's Flowers – Free rose
The Grapevine of Alton Children's Boutique – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Halpin Music – 10% off
J & K Trash to Treasures – 20% off
Jacoby Arts Center – 10% off in gift shop and gallery
JMC Design Gallery – 10% off fair trade, essential oils, & art
Kinzels Flower Shop – 10% off
Market Basket – 10% off
Mississippi Mud Pottery – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Mosaic's – Buy one item on sale, second item is 50% off
Picture This & More – 10% off
Olive Oil Marketplace – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
River Bend Yoga – 50% off regular and hot yoga classes
Rumours Salon, Stylist Mary Beth Siampos –10% off all hair services with Mary Beth
Second Reading Book Shop – 10% off all used books
St. Peters Hardware & Rental, Inc. – 10% off regularly priced merchandise
Tweet Cheeks Boutique (located at The Gift Box) – 10% off
Wild Trak Bikes – 10% off

## *Food for Fines*

Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period.

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2015, anyone who has an overdue item can pay his or her fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and only Hayner materials are eligible. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton.

Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

# NEW PROGRAMS AT HAYNER

## Sidewalk Solar Party at Hayner Library – Downtown

Remember when you were told not to look directly into the sun? Well, now you can!

With the generous help and time of Eddie Agha, Staff Astronomer at The Nature Institute, The Hayner Public Library District is hosting a Sidewalk Solar Party on October 12, 2015, at the downtown location Starting at 10:00 a.m., participants will be able to view the sun through a special solar telescope made to view the sun safely. If the weather cooperates, everyone should be able to view the sun and its many wonders, including solar prominences and dark spots. Let Eddie guide you through the special aspects of our great yellow dwarf star, the sun.

As a bonus, an attendance giveaway of solar glasses, one per family, will be handed out. Bring the whole family to see the sun as you have never seen it before! Registration is required at 1-800-613-3163, since space is limited

## Armchair Traveler: Cuba

Every three months, The Hayner Public Library District will host a program entitled Armchair Traveler. Each program will bring to life a different country and its culture through the use of various devices Every presentation will be unique and may include any or all of the following· food, dancing, singers, presentations, slideshows, clothes, and memorabilia. This quarter's presentation will be centered around Cuba.

Cuba, whose official name is the Republic of Cuba, has been recently in the news as the country's travel restrictions have been eased. In June 2015, the U.S. and Cuba reached an agreement to reopen their embassies in each other's capitals, and on July 20, 2015, the embassies did reopen. However, the U.S. embargo on Cuba hasn't been lifted, but it will be relaxed to allow limited commerce, exports, and imports As the countries reestablish diplomatic relations, much more travel is anticipated to and from Cuba.

Participants are invited to join us on November 12 at 6 p.m in the Performance Room on the second floor of Alton Square as Miriam Lozano and Alicia Reilly present in skit format their memories of Cuba along with Cuban pictures and music and their families' memories Also available will be some artifacts of Cuba to view and appreciate. After the skit, there will be samples of Cuban food and drink, a talk, and a question-and-answer session.

Please join us on our armchair traveling trip to Cuba! To reserve your spot for this program, please call 1-800-613-3163, since seating is limited.

## Vintage Voices 2015

The 2015 "Vintage Voices· Citizens of Alton Take Center Stage" will take place at the Alton City Cemetery on October 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th, with continuous tours leaving every 12 minutes from 1-3 p.m A non-walking presentation will take place at the Alton Little Theater (ALT) Showplace on Sunday, October 18, at 2 p.m Tickets for the cemetery historical reenactments are $12 for adults and $8 for students; the cost of the non-walking presentation is $15 (which includes a dessert buffet and needs reservations at 462-3205). Pre-sale tickets for the Cemetery Tours can be purchased at the Alton Visitor Center and WBGZ Radio. Tickets will be sold at the main gate of the cemetery before each Saturday tour, beginning at 12·30 p.m

This year's selection of citizens to showcase includes familiar names such as Lee Cox in the role of Celia Lovejoy (widow of Elijah P. Lovejoy) and Jerome Minks in the role of Henry Guest McPike (well known for many reasons in Alton and noted for orchestrating the last Lincoln-Douglas debate) Alton Mayor Brant Walker will be making his acting debut in the role of Mr. Frank Tesson (a doomed passenger on the *Lusitania*). Chrissy Harders will join Mayor Walker, playing Frank Tesson's wife, Alice Women will fill the cast of actors/docents with showcases of a scientific researcher, Demoy Wilson Schultz, played by Loretta Williams; an early "Rosie the Riveter" character named Angelica Kauffman played by Diana Kay; an Alton woman, Barbara Dunevant, who disguised herself to join the Union Army, alternately played by Pat Kulish and Diana Enloe; and a woman who fought for housing and safety reform, Virginia Nancy Duncan, played by Patti Kruegel.

Gail Drillinger will create a "History Stop" commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Voting Rights Act. Gail will be joined by gravestone historian John Meehan in giving guests a fascinating review of the symbols and artistry portrayed on the cemetery headstones (some of the oldest in the Midwest).

The Vintage Voices Annual Production will coincide with downtown Alton's all-day festivities and commemoration of the tour of Lincoln's casket (October 17th). Some additional ALT actors, including Amy Miller and Michael Cox (portraying Mary Todd and Robert Lincoln) will join shuttles going back and forth between downtown and the Alton Cemetery. Mary Todd Lincoln and Celia Lovejoy will also make appearances at local downtown restaurants after 4 p.m

A special guest will join Cemetery Tour guests on October 24th: Joe Wiegand is the "world premiere Theodore Roosevelt reprisor." He astounded audiences when he was in the area last year, and he will be presenting two shows at the ALT Showplace, Saturday evening, October 24, at 5 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available through the ALT website: altonlittletheater.org or by calling 462-3205 during box office hours, Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m to 2 p m. His two-hour show includes humor and wonderful storytelling about one of our country's most fascinating Presidents—and an auction for a "Teddy" bear will conclude his presentation

ALT PR Director Lee Cox hopes that people will come out in big numbers to stroll through "Vintage Voices" and join all the festivities going on in Alton and at the ALT Showplace. Additional questions can be directed to Lee at psychmkt@att.net.

# KIDSSPACE
## FALL 2015 ACTIVITIES

### ALTON SQUARE

❋ **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds Meeting dates are Mondays, October 5, October 12, October 19; November 2, November 9, November 16; December 7, December 14, 2015, at 10 a.m. ***Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.***

❋ **Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, October 1, October 8, October 15, October 22, October 29; November 5, November 12, November 19; December 3, December 10, December 17, 2015, at 10 a.m ***Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.***

❋ **Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: October 26, and November 30, 2015. ***Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.***

❋ **Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. This program is for kids 6 years to 11 years of age. Meeting dates are: Thursdays, October 8, November 12, and December 10, 2015, from 3:30 to 4:30 p m. ***Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.***

### DOWNTOWN

❋ **Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5 This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, October 5, October 12, October 19, and October 26; November 2, November 9, November 16, November 23, and November 30; December 7, and December 14, 2015. ***Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.***

❋ **Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Tuesdays, October 6, October 13, October 20, October 27; November 3, November 10, November 17; December 1, December 8, and December 15, 2015. ***Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.***

❋ **After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 6–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m on Tuesdays, October 20, November 17, and December 15, 2015. ***Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.***

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❋ **Stories with Santa** — Come join us for a fun-filled day including stories, Santa, refreshments, and a performance by Hugo Kringle, Santa's little brother! All the fun begins at 1 p.m. in the Performance Room on the upper level at Alton Square on Saturday, December 12, 2015. This program will be followed by cookies and a visit from Santa in the KidsSpace Multipurpose Room To register for this program call 433-2881. Parents, don't forget your cameras!

❋ ***Star Wars* Reads Day**—*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. This is Hayner Library's second year participating in this event. The kids' staff will have a day full of *Star Wars* fun The fun begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 10, 2015. We will have a costume contest (no pre-made costumes, please), gaming tournament, board games, and more. This program is for ages 6 to 12. To register, please call 433-2881. Limited space available for gaming tournament!

## *A Generous Gift from the Monsanto Fund*

Bernadette Duvernoy, Executive Director of The Hayner Public Library District, is excited to announce the availability of *Science Resources for Education*, a gift from the Monsanto Fund New DVDs covering biology, chemistry, ecological topics, space, and physics are now available for checkout! Many topics for grade levels K-3 and 4-6 are covered in the series "Show Me Science" and "Science I Need to Know," among other excellent instructional and informative DVDs Most DVDs in the above series are 15 minutes in length, appropriate complementary or introductory content for classroom or homeschool use Young adults, grades 7-12, have access to DVDs from Nova and PBS A list of resources can be found on the Hayner Library website, www.haynerlibrary.org

In addition, the Monsanto Fund grant funded 30 science kits for K-8th grades involving many STEM topics "Learning Science" activity tubs cover a myriad of topics and projects in the sciences, along with "A Simple Machine Lab," an anatomy model, a stethoscope, and a microscope. Hayner had purchased a set of "Core Concepts" books covering STEM topics last year, and the Monsanto Fund allowed us to complete the series with ten books on physics

The Monsanto Fund awarded the library $6000 toward the purchase of resources Feedback from teachers, parents, and library staff contributed to the selection of DVDs and science kits The DVDS, therefore, contain the most current, up-to-date information available on each topic in this format. The published list represents about two-thirds of the resources to be purchased. The library will continue to purchase resources recommended by teachers from area high schools through December These additional resources will be added to the list as we acquire them. The DVDs will be on display in the Alton Square Mall library through the 2015–2016 school year

# Special Events at Hayner

**All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.**

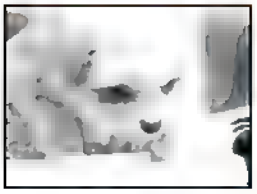
*Join us for our fall 2015 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE:** 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*



*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, October 10**
**Saturday, November 14**
**Saturday, December 12**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## Chad Elliot

**Tuesday, October 13, 6:30 p.m.**

Averaging over 200 shows per year, Chad Elliott has been on the road for more than a decade performing a blend of Americana, roots, and country music. This show will be a part of the release tour for his 20th album, *Wreck and Ruin*, produced by Ken Coomer of Wilco. Elliott traveled to Nashville to record the pivotal album Elliott has shared the stage with R. L. Burnside, Odetta, Tom Paxton, and Loudon Wainwright III, among many others. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Mary Ann Pitchford
## *Tai Chi Classes for Adults/for Families*

**Mondays, October 19, 26 & November 2, 9**

Last fall's successful Tai Chi classes are returning! This year, we will host a daytime class for adults and an evening class for all ages.

HealthQuest Tai Chi varies from the martial arts–style; these gentle meditative movements are beneficial to anyone with arthritic joint pain, diabetes circulation problems, and anxiety/depression. This method includes Qi Gong (for mental alertness and memory) and Tae Bo (for upper body strength). There will be two series of classes, each meeting once a week for four consecutive weeks beginning Monday, October 19, through Monday, November 9. All classes are limited to 35 people. Please sign up for the entire series, not individual dates.

**Series 1: Mondays at 1 p.m.**

**Tai Chi for Adults:** Meets in the Hayner Library Performance Room, Alton Square Mall, 2nd floor. Great for seniors and enjoyable for all levels of experience and flexibility.

**Series 2: Mondays at 6:30 p.m.**

This class invites all ages to participate. Kids must be accompanied by an adult (parent, grandparent, legal guardian, etc.) For all levels of experience and flexibility. Enjoy an activity with the whole family together. Learn the wonderful Tai Chi techniques that you can continue at home to develop strength, confidence, and flexibility.

Registration required. Register at 1-800-613-3163. Please be sure to specify the class you wish to register for and the number of people in your party.

## David Fisher
## *The Rope Warrior*

**Tuesday, October 27, 6:30 p.m.**

Guinness World Record Holder David Fisher, a.k.a. The Rope Warrior, has jumped his way into books, TV shows, countless live shows, and now a series of energetic music

albums and his own instructional books. David Fisher's incredible jump rope tricks, stunts, extraordinary speed, and record-breaking jumps have been seen on over 100 national television programs, including the *Today Show, Good Morning America, NBC Nightly News, Sportscenter,* and *CNN*. His amazing agility and skill have won him the title of World's Greatest Rope Jumper by *Ripley's Believe It Or Not!* as well as a Guinness World Record. The Rope Warrior shows aspiring jump ropers how they can become rope stunt men and record holders themselves and amaze friends and family with incredible speed and agility. Join us for this unique program. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Brad Myrick Band

**Wednesday, October 28, 7:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

The Hayner Public Library District and Lewis & Clark Community College Music Department will present the Brad Myrick Band featuring L&C faculty member Tim Fischer. This concert will be an international, cross-cultural musical experience, since the Brad Myrick Band features two Italian musicians, Nicola Cipriani and Samuele Rossin, as well as a St. Louis-based rhythm section.

Brad Myrick is a performer, educator, sideman, and studio musician from New Hampshire. He fronts the Brad Myrick Band,

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plays lead guitar for internationally acclaimed singer Vinx, and tours Italy as a musician and clinician twice a year. Tim Fischer is an active performer, teacher, clinician, and new resident of St. Louis. In the past year, Tim has performed in Los Angeles, New England, and the Pacific Northwest, as well as overseas in Northern Italy. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## John Gibbons
### *Scrapbook History of the Alton Parochial Schools*

**Wednesday, November 4, 6:30 p.m.**

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton. John Gibbons will give a talk on his experience compiling books on Alton parochial schools for the library collection. So far John has completed St. Patrick's and St. Matthew's, and is currently working on St. Mary's. John reached out to former students at the schools, travelled to Springfield to do research, and combed through articles and photographs in the *Alton Telegraph* These books, each over 300 pages long and beautifully bound, have been our most requested items in the Genealogy & Local History Library in the last several months. Seating is limited Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Harpeth Rising

**Tuesday, November 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Harpeth Rising chose to name themselves after a river because water is both dynamic and powerful These words also describe the music created by the three women—Jordana Greenberg (violin, vocals), Rebecca Reed-Lunn (banjo, vocals) and Maria Di Meglio (cello, vocals). Unapologetic genre-

benders, they fuse folk, "newgrass," rock, and classical into a sound that is organically unique. Hallmarks of their music include expansive three-part harmonies, consummate musicianship, and a deft, yet soulful, lyrical perspective Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
### *Sounds of the Holidays*

**Sunday, November 29, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3). There is plenty of easy parking*

A favorite event of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This extraordinary ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two

Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. The program is free but does require registration Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
### *A Celtic Christmas in the Chapel*

**Sunday, December 6, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill*

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. When they have performed for us previously, their program filled up immediately, so don't wait to register for this event. It is a highlight of the year. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Hayner Library Audio Tour Launched!*

After several years of planning, recording, and editing, we are happy to announce that the Hayner Library Audio Tour is now available at the Genealogy & Local History Library.

The tour includes sections on Hayner Library history, the Hayner family, the original building, our most important works of art, and stories related to the local history displays. You may recognize some familiar voices – WBGZ Radio's Mark Ellebracht, Professor Brad Noble from SIUE, and Robert Morrissey, art appraiser and proprietor of Robert Morrissey Antiques and Fine Art in St. Louis, lent their vocal talents to us for the tour, as did several Hayner staff members.

We have ten handsets loaded with the audio tour and historic photographs The handsets are easy to use, with adjustable volume and a printed instruction sheet. The entire tour lasts about an hour but is divided into 18 segments, so you may listen to one or all sections depending on your interests For patrons who want to learn more about any of the topics on the tour, a bibliography of related materials in our collection is available on our spinning wooden rack. This tour is meant to be a supplement to tours we already provide; Genealogy & Local History Library staff members are still very happy to lead personalized tours for groups interested in our library and history.

# TEENSPACE
## FALL 2015 ACTIVITIES

### Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month in the Teen Library at the Riverbender com Community Center Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and help make Hayner Library teen sites enjoyable places for teens. Meeting dates are: Wednesdays, October 14, November 4, and December 2, 2015, at 4 p.m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun after school for Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates are: Wednesdays, October 21, November 18, and December 9, 2015. Movies start at 3:45 p.m. To register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Book Club

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's "Teen Book Club " Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meetings will be held at the Riverbender com Community Center Library on: Wednesdays, October 28, November 18, and December 16, 2015, at 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Halloween Creepy Crawlers Program

This program features arachnids, insects, and snakes to illustrate that such undesirable critters serve an extremely important purpose in the environment. Participants will be allowed to get "hands-on" with several animals and all should walk away with a different view of these creepy critters This program will be held at Riverbender com Community Center at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21, 2015 For more information, call Shannon at 433-2872.

## *Hayner Raffles iPad Air in Time for the Holidays!*

Through the generosity of an anonymous donor, from October 12 through November 24, The Hayner Public Library District will be raffling off an Apple iPad mini 3 tablet Wi-Fi + cellular 128 GB-Gold, retail price $729. What a great Christmas gift for family, friends, or just yourself!

Raffle tickets are only $10 apiece, 3 for $20, and will be sold at the Hayner Library Downtown, 326 Belle Street, Alton, and the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Cash or check only, please

The winner will be drawn at the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall at 10 a.m. on November 25 Ticket holders do not need to be present to win You must be 18 years old or older to purchase raffle tickets.

## *Teen Read Week Event "Get Away @ Your Library"*

The annual Teen Read Week, October 18–24, 2015, will spotlight all the great resources and activities available to help teens build literacy skills while reading for the fun of it. This year's theme encourages libraries to help teens escape from the day-to-day grind of school, homework, family responsibilities, part-time jobs, and so on, by picking up something to read. We will interpret the theme in ways that highlight a variety of resources in our collection—fantasy novels, sci-fi, beach reads, travel books, tales of adventure and escape, and more! For more information, please call Shannon at 433-2872

## *Project Next Generation*

Project Next Generation, a program sponsored by the Illinois Secretary of State, is now in its ninth year of implementation at Hayner Public Library (awaiting 2015/ 2016 budget allocation by the General Assembly).

Scheduled in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square Mall location, the program offers emerging fifth graders through existing eighth graders the opportunity to learn new skills while having fun. Topics for the coming year will include Squishy Circuits, Tech Engineering, Solar-Powered Vehicles, and 3D Printing.

In addition, we are hoping to develop a group of Project Next Generation graduates to be mentors to the younger patrons who want to learn how to use our computers and other technological equipment

This year, in addition to our many fun classes, students of the program were invited to a Project Next Generation Picnic at the State Library in Springfield, Illinois. The students enjoyed lunch catered by KFC, a photo opportunity with Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White, and entertainment by the Jesse White Tumbling Team

## *Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House*

**Saturday, December 12, 2015, 2:00–4:00 p.m.**
**401 State Street, Alton, Illinois**

The fireplace will crackle merrily, the stockings will be hung with care, but we need YOU to make it special Come to the Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House on December 12 from 2–4 p.m. to enjoy the decorations, music, and fresh greenery. Staff members will help you think about ways to connect with your family history at holiday gatherings, the new audio tour of the historic building will be available, and we'll share information about our 2016 revamped Branching Out genealogy research program.

# Computer Classes

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers* (Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, October 7, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, October 14, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.

**Part 1**
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse

**Part 2**
• Windows® Desktop/Taskbar/Start menu/Open files/Save files/Flash drive/Print documents

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

**Internet Basics (Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, October 21, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, October 28, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
An introduction to Web-surfing, e-mail, and online job search and application. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, use a search engine to locate information and search for employment, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications

**Part 1**
• Internet basics/Searching the Internet/Creating & navigating e-mail

**Part 2**
• Review e-mail basics/Job searches/Job applications (actual job application does not occur)

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**Microsoft Word for Beginners (Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, November 4, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, November 18, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need.

**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns •Printing/Indenting/Tabs

**Part 2**
•Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/Formatting Pictures • Templates

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**Flash Drives and Saving Files (Class Limit: 12)**
**December 2, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Flash Drives, USB Drives, Thumb Drives, they're all the same thing. In this class you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in this session. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name and phone number.

**Computer Maintenance and Security (Class Limit: 12)**
**December 9, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Explore your computer's Control Panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class.

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in this session. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name and phone number.

# Raffle Winner!

Congratulations to Mr. James Sievers, a library patron from Godfrey, Ill., on being drawn as the winner in the iPad Air raffle recently held by Hayner Library. The iPad Air tablet was generously provided to the library by an anonymous donor, and the raffle was held from July 1 through August 14, 2015. Thanks to everyone who participated!

# Online Card Catalog and Library Account Class

Did you know you can search our website for the over 10,000,000 items available for requesting and checking out? Did you know that your library card account information is available for viewing online—and all of this from the comfort of home? If not, we can show you how.

When accessing our website, you can renew any items you have checked out, request items from any library in the system, see when your items are due, and see if an item is on hold for you, as well as many other options. To help library patrons get started, The Hayner Public Library District's own Mary Cordes, Assistant Director of Circulation and Strategic Planning, will give a "how-to" presentation on accessing your account and the online catalog, teaching you the way to do all the things listed above and more. Even if you know some or all of these things, feel free to attend, because you never know what new information you might learn.

There will be two classes with the same presentation: Wednesday, October 14, at 10 a.m. and Thursday, October 15, at 6:30 p.m., both in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square location. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your spot, since seating is very limited.

## Social Media Classes

*Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

**Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, October 17, 10:30 a.m.–12 noon**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, November 14,**
**10:30 a.m.–12 noon**
This class will start with the creating of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets. Register at 1-800-613-3163

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, November 14, 2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Wreaths Across America

**Wreaths Across America** is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, Teach," is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies on a specified Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. Through the wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events, the organization spreads its message about the importance of **remembering** our fallen heroes, **honoring** those who serve, and **teaching** our children about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 12, 2015, our community will participate in the national Wreaths Across America ceremony. The ceremony will start at 11 a.m. in the Alton National Cemetery at Pearl Street and Joesting Avenue. Third- and fourth-grade students from Eunice Smith Elementary School, with the assistance of area veterans, will participate and help lay the wreaths on the veterans' graves.

In 2014, through community financial donations, 560 wreaths were placed on gravesites in our local national cemetery. The fund-raising goal for this year is $5600. Every $30 of contributions enables the local organization to purchase three 20-inch live balsam wreaths.

Every dollar you can donate helps ensure a wreath at every veteran's gravesite. Help continue the success of this program by sending a financial donation to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton IL 62002. For more information, call Margaret Hopkins at 618-474-2005. More information is also available on the Web site www.wreathsacrossamerica.org.

Support our community in carrying forward the mission "Remember, Honor, Teach." Join the whole country in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own future Christmas celebrations for us.

## New in Our Illinois Room

The Archaic and Woodland Cemeteries at the Elizabeth Site in the Lower Illinois Valley IR 977.3453 ARC
Autobiographical History of Macoupin County IR 977 383 POR
Births as Recorded at the City Hall, St. Charles, MO 1889–1915 IR 929 377839 SCH
Boys & Girls Club of Alton, Inc. 17th Annual Dinner April 10, 2014 IR 977.386 BOY
The Feast of the Harvest – Alton Area Assemblies of God Cookbook IR 641 5 FEA
First Unitarian Church of Alton 1836–1936 (patron donation) IR 270 977386 FIR
A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Irish Ancestors IR 941.5 RAD
Godfrey Cemetery: Godfrey, Illinois (patron donation) IR 977.3865 GOD
Grafton, Illinois IR 977.3855 GRA
The Great River Road IR 977.3855 GRE
Lock & Dam No. 26 IR 627.1352 LOC
Maryville, Illinois: Growing Up During the Great Depression IR 977.386 HRU
Memoirs of Fred W. Delano (patron donation) IR 929.2 DELANO
117th Illinois Infantry Volunteers 1862–1865 (patron donation) IR 973.7473 GER
Owens–Illinois Glass Company, Central Shops Division, Annual Service Award Banquet Programs, 1947, 1952, 1957, and 1958 (patron donation) IR 977.3867 OWE
Robert Pershing Wadlow IR B Wadlow
St. Matthew Parochial School: Alton, Illinois, 1951–2003 IR 282 977386 STM
A Topographical Dictionary of England, Vol. 1–4 IR 914.2003 LEW
Warpath Yearbook: Mississippi Valley Christian School 1993 and 1995 IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WAR 1993 and 1995
Wild and Scenic Illinois IR 977.3 CLA
Willett Family 1724 A.D. IR 929.2 WILLETT

## Hayner Library's Book Nook

Have you read a book recently that was SO good that you can't keep quiet about it? Or have you been in a book slump and can't find anything good to read? Has a book stuck with you so much that you just need to talk about it? We have the PERFECT place for you! Hayner Library now has an online book club where you can go to get the perfect recommendation or discuss the plot of the latest bestseller. There will be no discrimination against books; any book that you find interesting, regardless of genre, is more than welcome. We can even discuss horrible books and what makes them so unappealing.

This amazing new club is located on Facebook, and a link will be provided on Hayner's website (www.haynerlibrary.org) and Facebook Page. Everyone is invited, regardless of which library you belong to. Please come and join our discussion! And invite your friends!

# NEW & FORTHCOMING BOOKS

## Nonfiction

**Barrymore, Drew.** Wildflower
**Bastianich, Lidia.** Lidia's Mastering the Art of Italian Cuisine: Everything You Need to Know to Be a Great Italian Cook
**Bittman, Mark.** Mark Bittman's Kitchen Matrix: More Than 700 Simple Recipes and Techniques to Mix and Match for Endless Possibilities
**Brinkley, Christie.** Timeless Beauty: Over 100 Tips, Secrets, and Shortcuts to Looking Great
**Caroli, Betty.** Lady Bird and Lyndon: The Hidden Story of a Marriage That Made a President
**Carson, Ben.** A More Perfect Union: What We the People Can Do to Reclaim Our Constitutional Liberties
**DeGeneres, Ellen.** Home: The Art of Effortless Design
**De Laurentiis, Giada.** Happy Cooking: Make Every Meal Count ... Without Stressing Out
**De Vise, Daniel.** Andy and Don: The Making of a Friendship and a Classic American TV Show
**DiSpirito, Rocco.** The Negative Calorie Diet: 10 All You Can Eat Foods, 10 Hard to Lose Pounds, 10 Life-Changing Days
**Doyle, William.** PT 109: An American Epic of War, Survival, and the Destiny of John F Kennedy
**Drummond, Ree.** The Pioneer Woman Cooks: Dinnertime: Comfort Classics, Freezer Food, 16-Minute Meals, and Other Delicious Ways to Solve Supper!
**Goldberg, Whoopi.** Whoopi's Big Book of Relationships
**Good, Phyllis.** Fix-It and Forget-It Christmas Slow-Cooker Feasts: 650 Easy Holiday Recipes
**Groom, Winston.** The Generals: Patton, MacArthur, Marshall, and the Winning of World War II
**Gutfeld, Greg.** How to Be Right: The Art of Being Persuasively Correct
**Hotchner, A. E.** Hemingway in Love: His Own Story
**Jaher, David.** The Witch of Lime Street: Séance, Seduction, and Houdini in the Spirit World
**Kilmeade, Brian.** Thomas Jefferson and the Tripoli Pirates: The Forgotten War That Changed American History
**Koppel, Ted.** Lights Out: A Cyberattack, A Nation Unprepared, Surviving the Aftermath
**Larson, Kate Clifford.** Rosemary: The Hidden Kennedy Daughter
**McCammon, Ross.** Works Well with Others: An Outsider's Guide to Shaking Hands, Shutting Up, Handling Jerks, and Other Crucial Skills in Business That No One Ever Teaches You
**McCurley, T. Mark.** Hunter Killer: Inside America's Unmanned Air War
**Meacham, Jon.** Destiny and Power: The American Odyssey of George Herbert Walker Bush
**Port, Michael.** Steal the Show: From Speeches to Job Interviews to Deal-Closing Pitches, How to Guarantee a Standing Ovation for All the Performances in Your Life
**Ray, Rachael.** Everyone Is Italian on Sunday
**Reynolds, Burt.** But Enough About Me
**Reynolds, Debbie.** Make 'Em Laugh: Short-Term Memories of Longtime Friends
**Rice, Jerry.** 50 Years, 50 Moments: The Most Unforgettable Plays in Super Bowl History
**Richardson, Sarah.** At Home: Sarah Style
**Savage, Michael.** Government Zero: No Borders, No Language, No Culture
**Schiff, Stacy.** The Witches: Salem, 1692
**Simon, Carly.** Boys in the Trees: A Memoir
**Smith, Patti.** M Train
**Spade, David.** Almost Interesting
**Stanton, Brandon.** Humans of New York: Stories
**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart Weddings: Ideas and Inspiration
**Taraborrelli, J. Randy.** Becoming Beyonce: The Untold Story
**Vowell, Sarah.** Lafayette in the Somewhat United States
**Wilbur, Todd.** Top Secret Recipes Step-by-Step: Secret Formulas with Photos for Duplicating Your Favorite Famous Foods at Home
**Winchester, Simon.** Pacific: Silicon Chips and Surfboards, Coral Reefs and Atom Bombs, Brutal Dictators, Fading Empires, and the Coming Collision of the World's Superpowers
**Wright, Jennifer.** It Ended Badly: Thirteen of the Worst Breakups in History

## Fiction

**Albom, Mitch.** The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto: A Novel
**Allende, Isabel.** The Japanese Lover
**Bagshawe, Tilly.** Sidney Sheldon's Reckless
**Baldacci, David.** The Guilty
**Brooks, Geraldine.** The Secret Chord
**Burke, James Lee.** House of the Rising Sun
**Chamberlain, Diane.** Pretending to Dance
**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Christmas Bells
**Childs, Laura.** Parchment and Old Lace
**Clark, Mary Higgins.** All Dressed in White
**Connelly, Michael.** The Crossing
**Cook, Robin.** Host
**Cornwell, Patricia.** Depraved Heart: A Scarpetta Novel
**Crais, Robert.** The Promise: An Elvis Cole and Joe Pike Novel
**Cussler, Clive.** The Pharaoh's Secret
**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** Naughtier Than Nice
**Evanovich, Janet.** Tricky Twenty-Two
**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Mistletoe Inn
**Flynn, Vince and Kyle Mills.** The Survivor
**Francis, Felix.** Front Runner: A Dick Francis Novel
**Galbraith, Robert.** Career of Evil
**George, Elizabeth.** A Banquet of Consequences: A Lynley Novel
**Gerritsen, Tess.** Playing with Fire
**Greaney, Mark.** Tom Clancy Commander-in-Chief: A Jack Ryan Novel
**Grisham, John.** Rogue Lawyer
**Hart, Carolyn.** Ghost to the Rescue
**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Winter Stroll
**Hooper, Kay.** Fear the Dark
**Kellerman, Faye.** The Theory of Death
**Kellerman, Jonathan.** The Golem of Paris
**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Born of Betrayal
**King, Stephen.** The Bazaar of Bad Dreams
**Kinsella, Sophie.** Shopaholic to the Rescue
**Koontz, Dean.** Ashley Bell
**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Secret Sisters
**Macomber, Debbie.** Dashing Through the Snow
**Maguire, Gregory.** After Alice
**Martin, George R. R.** A Knight of the Seven Kingdoms (A Song of Ice and Fire)
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Woman Who Walked in Sunshine (No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency)
**Michaels, Fern.** Fancy Dancer
**Mina, Denise.** Blood, Salt, Water: An Alex Morrow Novel
**Morton, Kate.** The Lake House
**Patterson, James.** Cross Justice
**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Escape (William Monk)
**Preston, Douglas.** Crimson Shore
**Rendell, Ruth.** Dark Corners
**Roberts, Nora.** Stars of Fortune
**Rollins, James.** The Bone Labyrinth: A Sigma Force Novel
**Sandford, John.** Saturn Run: A Novel of 2066
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Corrupted
**Smiley, Jane.** Golden Age
**Smith, Wilbur.** The Golden Lion
**Sparks, Nicholas.** See Me
**Steel, Danielle.** Precious Gifts
**Taylor, Brad.** The Forgotten Soldier
**Trigiani, Adriana.** All the Stars in the Heavens
**Woods, Stuart.** Foreign Affairs

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www.haynerlibrary.org

## *Community Partnerships*

Hayner Public Library recently partnered with the Chatroom Barbershop & More by providing free books and library bags for their back-to-school free haircut program. In exchange for their free haircut, book, and bag, children were asked to read to owners Charles Chapman or Tiffany Carson. Children were lined up waiting to read their books for a new 'do! The program will continue next year, so check dates and times by calling 618-433-1412

## *Strutting Our Stuff*

Lacy McDonald, Manager of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, is pleased to announce that the historic Hayner building at 401 State Street has been chosen to be a featured destination on the Alton Area Landmarks Association's annual fall tour. The tour is scheduled for Sunday, October 11. The Hayner Building has beautiful architectural style combined with a history that began before it was ever built. This makes the building twice as interesting for anyone attracted to older architecture with a historical background.

The AALA has been sponsoring an annual tour of area homes and buildings since 1971. The Hayner building has been featured on their tour three times: in 1978, 1984, and most recently in 1997.

Five years ago the building underwent major renovations that included adding museum-style display cases to exhibit local history artifacts. The building reopened on May 21, 2011, as a Genealogy & Local History research library. Ironically, the reopening date was also the building's 120th anniversary.

Come see how the latest renovation mixed old character with new style to create some amazing changes that allow us to strut our stuff for this event!

Tickets for the annual Historic Alton House Tour will be on sale ($12 per ticket/per person) and available beginning in October at the Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau at 200 Piasa Street. For more information, call (618) 463-5761. The Hayner building is closed on Sundays; a ticket will be required for touring on that day.

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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Dr. Martin Luther King Day - Jan. 18
Presidents' Day - Feb. 15

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## New Service from Hayner Library
### *Text Message and E-mail Notifications Now Available!*

The Hayner Public Library District is now offering text message and e-mail notifications for your requests and overdue notices.

Please ask at the Circulation Desk if you would like to receive a text message or e-mail message when your requested items are ready for pickup. The staff will be happy to assist you in making this change to your library account.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Text message and e-mail notifications are automated. **These messages are NOT sent out in "real time."** The Illinois Heartland Library System software generates text messages and e-mails at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 6 p.m. daily. You will receive a separate text message for each item that is ready to be picked up or is overdue. If you sign up for text message or e-mail notifications, you will receive BOTH overdue notices AND pickup notifications this way. You will no longer receive a phone call from a staff member regarding your items ready to be picked up or overdue materials.

**Note:** E-mails and texts will be sent from SHARE Notifications and NOT from Hayner Library. SHARE is the automated network of libraries within the Illinois Heartland Library System.

As always, you can view your library account online at www.haynerlibrary.org.

## *Need Medical or Health Information?*

We can show you how to navigate credible medical and health resources online at Hayner Public Library. The National Institutes of Health offers **MedLinePlus**, a website that has access to past and current issues of *NIH MedLinePlus* Magazine. Search an alphabetical listing of many health topics, a Medical Encyclopedia, a section on Drugs, Herbs, and Supplements, and much more. We are now offering one-on-one appointments (1 hour) to help you navigate the **MedlinePlus** website. Call Sharon in Reference at 618-462-0677, Ext. 2845, to schedule an appointment.

## *Preparing for and Navigating College: What Do I Do Next?*

The Hayner Public Library District is offering a question-and-answer session on what college-bound high school students need to do to prepare for college: What tests do I need to take? How do I apply for scholarships? What can I do to make the transition from high school to college easier? How soon should I start applying to colleges? What's the difference between a 2-year college and a 4-year university? What sort of long-term goals should I have before choosing a college? I'm in a 2-year college; how do I transition to a 4-year college? All of these questions and more can be answered in your quest to continue your education. It is a tricky field to navigate, and having extra information can make a big difference.

Dr. Brad Noble from Southern Illinois University–Edwardsville is the moderator of this session, providing guidance to those who are lost when it comes to college. He can also answer general questions about majors, especially in the hard sciences areas.

Dr. Noble earned a doctorate from Washington University in St. Louis, has won several teaching awards, and has served on many scholarship committees. Since 1996 he has been a member of the faculty in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at SIUE, where he has taught 19 different classes, three of which he developed. He co-authored a successful patent in 2013.

This program is for high school students, current college students, and their parents, or anyone else who may have questions about college. Be prepared to take notes! This program will be held Monday, March 14, 6:00–7:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square location. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your spot.

## *SCORE Makes Generous Donation to The Hayner Public Library District*

SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business, has once again made a significant contribution to Hayner's small-business collection

SCORE is a volunteer organization of businesspeople that offers free confidential counseling to small business entrepreneurs. The Alton/Godfrey SCORE Chapter 423 serves seven counties of the Riverbend area and has helped many local businesspeople achieve success in planning and operating their own business ventures

The Hayner Public Library District and SCORE have partnered through the years to develop resources and programs supporting our communities' small business development. SCORE also has provided generous funding to Hayner, contributing to the development of a premier small-business collection. These items are available for checkout at Hayner's Alton Square Mall location

For more information on SCORE, log onto their website at www.score org or call 618-467-2280.

On behalf of SCORE, Southwestern Illinois, Chapter 423, Alton-Godfrey, the following titles have been added to the small-business collection of The Hayner Public Library District.

**Baras, Jeremy.** PopUp Republic: How to Start Your Own Successful Pop-Up Space, Shop, or Restaurant October 2015
**Benartzi, Schlomo.** The Smarter Screen: Surprising Ways to Influence and Improve Online Behavior October 2015
**Blanchard, Ken.** The New One-Minute Manager May 2015
**Browning, Beverly A.** Grant Writing for Dummies, 5th Ed. March 2014
**Consumer Dummies.** Starting a Business All-in-One for Dummies April 2015
**Ennico, Cliff.** The Crowdfunding Handbook: Raise Money for Your Small Business or Start-Up with Equity Funding Portals June 2015
**Fishman, Stephen, J. D.** Deduct It!: Lower Your Small Business Taxes November 2015
**Fotopulos, Dawn.** Accounting for the Numberphobic: A Survival Guide for Small Business Owners September 2014
**Hannon, Kerry.** Getting the Job You Want After 50 for Dummies August 2015
**Hill, Napoleon.** Your Right to Be Rich: Napoleon Hill's Proven Program for Prosperity and Happiness September 2015
**John, Daymond.** The Power of Broke: How Empty Pockets, a Tight Budget, and a Hunger for Success Can Become Your Greatest Competitive Advantage January 2016
**Kim, W. Chan.** Blue Ocean Strategy, Expanded Edition: How to Create Uncontested Market Space and Make the Competition Irrelevant January 2015
**Kohler, Mark J., CPA, Attorney.** The Tax and Legal Playbook: Game-Changing Solutions to Your Small-Business Questions April 2015
**Lamb, Sandra E.** Writing Well for Business Success: A Complete Guide to Style, Grammar, and Usage at Work September 2015
**Lawson, John.** Kick Ass Social Commerce for E-preneurs: It's Not About Likes—It's About Sales March 2014
**McClatchy, Steve.** Decide: Work Smarter, Reduce Your Stress, and Lead by Example February 2014
**Newport, Cal.** Deep Work: Rules for Focused Success in a Distracted World January 2016
**Parker, Michael.** It's Not What You Say: How to Sell Your Message When It Matters Most December 2015
**Pimsleur, Julia.** Million Dollar Women: The Essential Guide for Female Entrepreneurs Who Want to Go Big October 2016
**Ryan, Robin.** 60 Seconds and You're Hired!: Completely Revised and Updated for 2016 January 2016
**Tulgan, Bruce.** Not Everyone Gets a Trophy: How to Manage the Millennials January 2016
**Weinberg, Gabriel.** Traction: How Any Startup Can Achieve Explosive Customer Growth October 2015

**You don't have to be able to read to enjoy a good library book! Babies love looking at the faces, bright colors, and contrasting patterns in board books. Come check out our board book collections at the Alton Square and Downtown library locations and share the joy of reading with your youngest family members!**

**Patron Emily Beasley checks out one of the telescopes available from the Hayner Library Downtown.**

## *A Gentleman with a Zeal for Detail*

John Gibbons is a generous soul with a zeal for detail. Many years ago John began volunteering at the library, graciously doing any and all things asked of him  He didn't just volunteer his time and talents; he poured his whole heart into many varied tasks

Always with a smile, John walks into the library with a calm yet vibrant cheerfulness. His laughter, which always follows his entrance, makes everyone around him feel happy

Recently, after years of hard work and an unfailing determination, John finished two large research projects documenting the history of two local parochial schools, St. Matthew and St. Patrick. John didn't just sit at a table and wait for information to come to him; he took hold of his projects and hit the road. To supplement his own research work, he travelled to Springfield, Illinois, to visit the Catholic Diocese and search through historical documents archived in their collection

John sent numerous letters to people who had been connected with the schools asking for photographs or their help in identifying subjects in photos  He spent countless hours searching through back issues of *The Telegraph* newspaper to find interesting stories, graduation listings, and historical tidbits about each school. He never put an end to a project without exhausting all the resources he could find, and even then he did it reluctantly. He was always in hunt mode, unhurriedly looking just a little longer and a little farther.

When John had gathered all the information and photos he could locate, he began the daunting task of organizing the copious amounts of material he had collected  He also made any needed copies, typed up the entire text, made cover pages, indexed each project, and then printed it out and put it into a large binder  He then submitted the entirety to the Genealogy & Local History Library to be added to the Illinois Room collection.

The library, recognizing John's efforts in producing such a detailed collection of historical records, sent the first binder to be professionally bound. John was so pleased with the result that, out of his own pocket, he sent the second book to the bindery. When the books were returned they were cataloged, processed, and quickly added to the collection

Over the next few months, the books were used almost every day. In fact, the staff of the Genealogy & Local History Library decided to stop re-shelving the books each night and instead leave them on the counter of the service desk because they were being requested so frequently  There were a few times the books were in use as another patron waited.

John is currently working on the history of his third parochial school project, the history of St. Mary's Catholic School

The parochial school projects are not the only work of this wonderful volunteer. John has also donated copies of his own family histories. And, yes, all were compiled by John himself. He is a man who wears many hats.

John Gibbons is a fine example of a giving heart. If there were an award for being an "exceptional human being," John would be nominated, elected, and re-elected many times more. The staff of the Genealogy & Local History Library is delighted to pat John on the back, give him a big high-five, and tell him how much we appreciate his years of service and the many charms he bestows upon us each time he walks through the door. We offer him permanent placement in our volunteer chair for as long as he wants a seat  Thanks, John!

—Pam Bierman

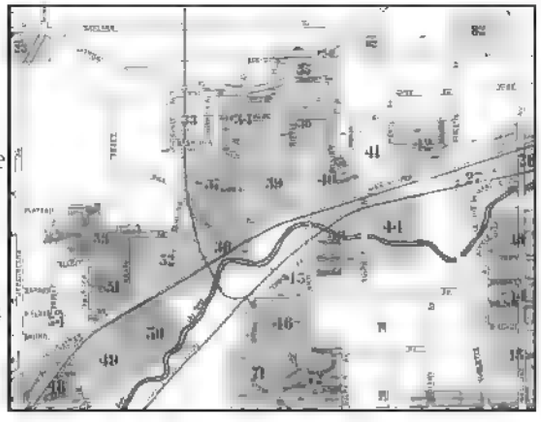
*The books mentioned in this article are only available for review at the Genealogy & Local History Library located in the Hayner Building at 401 State Street. The library also has other local church- and school-related books, including histories, directories, yearbooks, and cookbooks. Check the online card catalog, or just come visit us for a more detailed list of what is available.*

## *Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps–Not Your Typical Road Map!*

In 1867 Daniel Alfred Sanborn, a surveyor from Massachusetts, began creating a unique type of map of several United States cities. These maps were tools for helping insurance companies assess the potential risks of fire hazards for urban area buildings  This talented entrepreneur's undertaking would soon become the mapping enterprise known as the Sanborn Map Company

Today these richly detailed maps are a valuable resource for anyone interested in historical land or property research. They also are beneficial in preservation and restoration efforts  Widely used by architects, urban planners, and land developers, they can be an informative resource for anyone involved in researching individual properties, neighborhoods, or whole towns.

The maps provide an abundance of information such as building outline and size; construction materials used in the framing, flooring, and roof; the placement of windows, doors, and chimneys; street names; and house numbers. Also represented on the maps are details on the roadways such as street and sidewalk widths, boundaries, underground pipelines, wells, water mains, fire hydrants, and railroads. In short, the Sanborn Maps enable researchers to trace the architectural history of an individual building or the development of entire communities.



Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps (1867–1970) for the state of Illinois are available in digital format at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street. Come browse this database collection of historical state maps and see what you can find out about your house or neighborhood. Digital images of the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps can be viewed and printed in just a few easy steps

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

2005–2015 Alton Area Paintings by Michael B. Mossman 977.386 MOS
Alton Area Churches IR 277.386 ALT
Amish in Illinois. Over One Hundred Years of the "Old Order" Sect of Central Illinois IR 289 7773 BRO
Captain William D. Fluent IR B FLUENT
Eastern European Historical Repositories IR 943 DIC
History of Western Military Academy, Alton, Illinois 1879–1971 IR 373.243 SCO
The Journal Wood River Township Golden Anniversary Edition, September 19, 1957 IR 977.386 JOU
Land of Big Rivers: French & Indian Illinois, 1699–1778 IR 977.301 MOR
Life on the County Line: Recollections of an Illinois Childhood IR 977.3582 DER
Remembering Elijah Parish Lovejoy IR B LOVEJOY
The Riveroad Gallery Ice Cream Shop and Art Gallery in Alton, Illinois, Historic Rivertown on the Mississippi: A Memoir by Marianne Hanson IR 977.386 HAN
Rivers of Time: A History of American Commercial Lines, 1915–2015 IR 386.354 KRA
Rural Schools of Macon County IR 977.3582 RUR
The Schrimpf Family Scrapbook IR 929.2 SCHRIMPF
Sharing Our Best: Cookbook by Senior Widows Network, Senior Services Plus IR 641 5 SEN
Site Investigation Report: Alton former MGP site, Alton, Illinois prepared by ERM Environmental Resources Management IR 665.7720977386 SIT
The State of Southern Illinois: An Illustrated History IR 977.39 RUS
State-wide Conservation Lake Construction Program, 1947 IR 333.91 ILL
Veterans of the Korean War IR 951.90428 VET
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## *Branching Out Is Back!*

After the success of our Genealogy & Local History Library Branching Out classes in 2013–2015, we are happy to announce that Branching Out is back with a new two-part format, updated classes, and several completely new topics Utilize time-honored research methods and innovative technologies to unravel the mysteries, support the stories, and piece together your family history. Each 90-minute class is offered on the second Thursday of the indicated month followed one week later by a collaborative follow-up session. Join us at the Genealogy & Local History Library for the whole series or just the topics of interest to you. Make sure to check the Special Events section of each newsletter for a reminder of what classes will be offered that quarter. We look forward to seeing you in class!

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| September 8 & 15 | Where We've Lived: Researching Property |
| October 13 & 20 | Uncovering Family Details Through Cemetery Research |
| November 10 & 17 | Heroes in our History: Military Records |
| December 8 & 15 | Making a Home in a New Land: Immigration, Naturalization, and Asylum |

Don't see a topic listed that you'd like to know more about? Tell us; we may be able to add it to next year's schedule or create a research guide to assist you. Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call to schedule Branching Out Basics, a 60-minute tutorial on beginning genealogy research.

## *Illinois History Day: Student Historian Program for Middle and High School Students*

### Calling All History Nerds!

Create a website, write an essay,
or build a display
Do it all for History Day!
Need an idea, a place to start?
Visit the Genealogy & Local History Library—
we'll do our part.

Want to create a website about a really cool old place? How about writing a play about a person who did something incredible long ago? Maybe you'd rather do a presentation or build a display OK, do it! That's what History Day is all about It's like a Science Fair but with history at the core. History Day is a competition for middle school and high school students displaying their history-related papers, exhibits, films, performances, or websites. There's a regional competition at Southern Illinois University Carbondale, advancement to the state level in Springfield, and some projects make it all the way to nationals in College Park, Maryland. For more information on where to start, go to http://cola.siu.edu/history/history-fair/ Student registration deadline to participate in the Illinois History Day is February 27, 2016 The staff of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library is here to help formulate ideas, develop research plans, and cheer you on.

## Attention Family Historians: *Are your ancestors from Cuba?*

If so, you have a new source of Cuban genealogy available to search online!

Books, handwritten and typed letters, photos, church and other primary documents relating to Cuba and Cuban genealogy were collected over four decades by Felix Enrique Hurtado de Mendoza.

Mr Mendoza's collection includes rare 17th- and 18th-century books and thousands of unpublished family genealogies and manuscripts.

These records have been digitized and put online by Florida International University

Search for your ancestors in this collection at: http://dloc.com/ifiuhurtado. Click Advanced Search and enter your ancestor's name.

# KIDSSPACE
## WINTER 2016 ACTIVITIES

### ALTON SQUARE

❄ **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 4, and 11; February 1, 8, and 22; March 7, 14, and 21, 2016, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available Please register at 433-2881

❄ **Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 7, 14, 21, and 28; February 4, 11, 18, and 25; March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2016, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881.

❄ **Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be there at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: January 25, February 29, and March 28, 2016. Please register at 433-2881

❄ **Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month Meeting dates are: Thursdays, January 14, February 11, and March 10, 2016, from 3:30 to 4:30 p m. Please register at 433-2881.

❄ **KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt** — Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on March 12, 2016 All children will receive an Easter bag, hear a few stories with the Bow-wow Pow-wow dogs, and have a chance to sit on the Easter Bunny's lap Parents, don't forget your cameras! Register at 433-2881.

### DOWNTOWN

❄ **Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library Downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m on Mondays, January 4, 11, and 25; February 1, 8, 22, and 29; March 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2016 Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

❄ **Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Panda Bear and Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Tuesdays, January 5, 12, 19, and 26; February 2, 9, 16, and 23; March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2016. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

❄ **After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library Downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m on Tuesdays, January 19, February 16, and March 15, 2016. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

## *Curiouser and Curiouser!*

*This year marks the 150th Anniversary of Lewis Carroll's classic* ***Alice's Adventures in Wonderland****. If you dare, fall down the rabbit hole and encounter a few fun facts about this beloved book that will leave you as mad as a hatter and seeing Cheshire cats!*

- Lewis Carroll's real name was Charles Lutwidge Dodgson.
- It is said, but never proven, that the *Dodo* character was based on Charles Dodgson (AKA Lewis Carroll), who had a terrible stutter and would often stammer his last name· Do-Do-Dodgson.
- Alice's character was based on a real-life little girl named Alice Liddell However, unlike the character, who is blonde, Liddell was a brunette.
- The novel began as a way to entertain Alice Liddell and her sisters during a rowboat excursion The story expanded over the course of several more rowboat trips when the girls, especially Alice, persistently wanted to hear more
- The very first copy of the book was a Christmas present to Alice Liddell in 1864. A year later Lewis Carroll expanded the book and self-published it for the public
- The original book given to Alice Liddell in 1864 did not include The Mad Hatter and The Cheshire Cat. It was after Carroll expanded the story that they appeared.
- It is speculated that Lewis Carroll suffered from dysmetropsia. This rare neurological disorder, discovered in 1955, causes strange hallucinations, making the affected person feel bigger or smaller than they really are—just like Alice in the book! It is so widely believed that Lewis Carroll suffered from this disorder that it has even been dubbed Alice in Wonderland Syndrome.
- The novels were banned in China in 1931, on the grounds that "animals should not use human language." The ban has since been removed.
- The original title was *Alice's Adventures Underground*. Rejected titles include *Alice's Hour in Elfland*, *Alice Among the Goblins*, and *Alice Among the Fairies*
- The original novel was illustrated by Carroll.
- The Mad Hatter is one of the most classic characters in Wonderland Although he and the March Hare are described as being mad, his actual name in the book is only The Hatter
- The Hatter's riddle: *Why is a raven like a writing desk?* was never intended to have an answer. However, the most popular answer created over the years is· *Poe wrote on both.*
- The character name The Mock Turtle is taken from a popular dish of the time: *Mock Turtle Soup.*
- In film adaptations, The Mock Turtle is played by a diverse group of actors, including Cary Grant, Ringo Starr, and Gene Wilder!
- Within the 150 years since its release *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* has never been out of print
- Early fans of the book included Queen Victoria and Oscar Wilde.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our winter 2016 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE:** 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, January 9**
**Saturday, February 13**
**Saturday, March 12**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are now two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

**Let's Get Physical: Organizing the Stuff of Your Family History**
**January 14 & 21**
**Bridging the Digital Divide: Scanning, Software Programs, and Storage**
**February 11 & 18**
**Sharing and Collaborating on Social Media**
**March 10 & 17**
**10:00–11:30 a.m.**

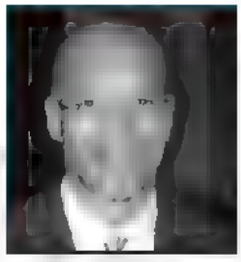
These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Steve Davis
## *Elvis! Live!*

**Tuesday, January 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Elvis (yes, THE Elvis) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas–style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don't miss this chance to see The King, live, onstage! Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Jared Hennings Trio
## *An Evening of Romance*



**Tuesday, February 2, 6:30 p.m.**

Welcome back one of our favorite local vocalists as he performs a program that will get you in the mood for an extra special Valentine's Day. This performance will include music that celebrates various types of love songs such as classics "I Wish You Love," "There But for You Go I," "Autumn Leaves," "Misty," and more. You will hear songs from Broadway musicals, beloved jazz standards, and heartwarming ballads. Who doesn't love a stirring ballad? So bring your special loved one, or be prepared to think of the apple of your eye as you're reminiscing with the Jared Hennings Trio. Jared will be accompanied by the husband/wife duo of Marty and Eric Johnson. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Alton's Architectural Gem: The Luxurious Hotel Stratford*

**Saturday, February 6, 10:00 a.m.**

*Note: To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

Meghan Bellitto of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library will give a talk on the historical and architectural significance of Alton's famous landmark the Hotel Stratford. Come learn about the early days of the hotel, develop an understanding of the ornate style, construction, and design of its many grand architectural features, and see why it qualifies as one of Alton's architectural gems. This will be the first in a four-part series on Alton architecture presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz & You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
## *Celebrate Fat Tuesday*

**Tuesday, February 9, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Trimpe Building on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill.*

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great venue. This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Armchair Traveler: Ireland*

**Thursday, February 11**
**6:00–7:30 p.m.**

This quarter's presentation of Armchair Traveler will feature the wonderful green isle of Ireland. With the help of our patron Patrick Coyle, a native of Ireland, we will explore and discover the wonders of Ireland. The island of Ireland is divided into two distinct regions

# Special Events at Hayner

North Ireland, which is part of the United Kingdom, and Ireland Samples of the cuisine will be served. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Spook Handy
### *Remembering Pete Seeger*
**Tuesday, February 23, 6:30 p.m.**

Spook had the honor of performing with the great Pete Seeger in over 50 concerts. He says, "Pete taught me to always know the first song or two you are going play at a concert. After that, you should have a good feel for what the audience appreciates, and you tailor the rest of your set to that.

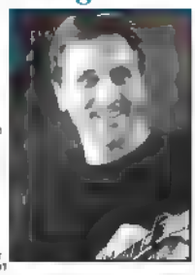
"Whether the thread turns out to follow the chronology of Pete's life, trace the wisdom he collected over the years and embedded into his songs, or express the values of community, environment, peace, and justice he lived, every concert is chock-full of songs everyone can sing: old classics, newer songs written late in his life, songs others wrote that he popularized, and songs I have written or revised under Pete's tutelage. You'll also hear some of the stories behind the songs as they were told to me by Pete." Join us for a great evening remembering a folk master Register at 1-800-613-3163.

### *Save Time and Money on Cooking*
**Monday, February 29, 6:00 p.m.**

*Note: This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Do you want to save money at the grocery store? Learn how to make easy and less-expensive meals? Use apps to make meal-planning more convenient and easier to shop for? Now you can! A representative from Scott Credit Union will be on hand with a presentation to help make meal-time less expensive and easier. The representative will also discuss how and when to buy fresh produce, and how to store it once you buy it Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## Mark Dvorak
### *Just Something My Grandma Used to Sing*
**Tuesday, March 8, 6:30 p.m.**



Mark returns to Hayner Library bringing one of his most popular programs. Mark performs classical material from the American songbook, folk favorites, and singalongs, accompanying himself on the guitar and 5-string banjo. He weaves stories from his childhood and shares experiences from the Old Town School of Folk Music Humorous and engaging, Mark is one of our audience's favorites! Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Nancy Alexander
### *Mary Todd Lincoln: A Second Look*
**Wednesday, March 9, 6:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton, Ill.*

William Herndon and other biographers of Abraham Lincoln have shaped the often negative opinions we have of Lincoln's wife, Mary Todd. In recent years, however, the judgment of Mary has not been so harsh. Local historian Nancy Alexander of the Alton Museum of History and Art will discuss the changing perception of Mary Todd Lincoln, how her ambition aided Abraham in his quest for the presidency, and how illnesses and grief marred her later years. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Troubadours of Divine Bliss
**Tuesday, March 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Troubadours of Divine Bliss is an internationally touring music duo from Louisville, Kentucky, featuring accordion, guitar, and "harmonies that could melt a stone statue" as noted by BBC Radio. They have been recognized as "Best Folk Band" in New Orleans, La., and Louisville, Ky. Their style is as varied as their travels, from Bluegrass to Gypsy to Folk to New Orleans Jazz to Singer-Songwriter but always full of heart, joy, and inspiration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

*Please note. These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

**Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, January 23,**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**

We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets

**Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, February 27,**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**

This class will start with the creating of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, March 26,**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**

Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. This class is presentational only You do not need to bring laptops and tablets

# TEENSPACE
## WINTER 2016 ACTIVITIES

### • Teen Advisory Council

Are you looking for an opportunity to participate in some really rewarding activities with other teens? If so, this is the group for you! Join us once a month at the Teen Library located at Riverbender com Community Center. Help brainstorm projects, suggest new purchasing ideas, and help make the library a place that teens enjoy. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 13, February 10, and March 9, 2016, at 4:30 p m. If interested in joining, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie Event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater exclusively for teens The movie will be a PG–13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movies start at 3:45 p.m. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 20, February 17, and March 16, 2016. Buses are available to transport after school from Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School. To register, call Shannon at 433-2872

### • RBCC Teen Book Club

This book club is for the teens attending the Riverbender.com after-school program and teens in our community. Teens will choose a book each month to read and will bring it back to discuss the following month. This book club gives students a chance to read and discuss all genres. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 27, February 24, and March 23, 2016, at 5 p.m

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### • Teen Tech Week

***"Create It at Your Library"***

**March 7–11, 2016**

Come join us for some really cool arts and crafts at the Riverbender.com Community Center library location on Wednesday, March 9, 2016. For more information about this event or to register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### • Harry Potter Book Night

We are very excited to announce A Night of Spells as the theme for Harry Potter Book Night 2016. Whether it is the disarming Expelliarmus or the dreaded Avada Kedavra, spells are at the very heart of the Harry Potter books, so it's the perfect theme to inspire a spellbinding event! Make a date in your diary for Wednesday, February 3, 2016, at 3:30 p.m. at Riverbender Community Center. For more information or to register for this event, call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

## *Friends of the Library*

The Friends of the Library is a great organization of volunteers that supports the library through quarterly book sales, donating the funds to the library for special projects Located at 327 State Street in Alton, they collect donations from the community as well as recycling books from the libraries' shelves.

This great group of friendly people meets every Monday from 9:30 until 12 noon and is always looking for new volunteers Even if you only have an hour or two, your help would certainly be welcome Opportunities for volunteer activities include accepting donations, sorting and putting books on shelves, maintaining the book carts in the libraries, and staffing the quarterly book sales.

A fun perk of volunteering for the Friends is that you get first choice of all the great materials they collect—a great benefit for book lovers!

The book sales are held the second weekend in October, February, May, and August. Everything is incredibly priced: paperbacks $.25, hardbacks $.50, all children's materials $.25, and records and magazines $.10

If you have materials contributions you would like to give to the Friends, you can drop them off at 327 State Street on Monday mornings, or just leave them at any Hayner Library circulation desk.

Please consider volunteering. For more information, you can contact the Friends at 618-462-4396

## *The surprising benefits of reading before bed*

We're all commitment phobes. We scan, we skim, we browse, but rarely do we read.

Our eyes pingpong back and forth from Facebook posts to open chat boxes, unclicked e-mails to GIFs of dancing cats, scanning for keywords but barely digesting what we see. Average time spent on an online article is 15 seconds

In 2014, the Pew Research Center revealed that one-quarter of American adults hadn't read a single book in the previous year.

And that's a shame because those who read consistently exhibit significantly greater memory and mental abilities at all stages in life. They're also better public speakers, thinkers and, according to some studies, better people in general.

Cracking open a book before you go to bed could help combat insomnia, too: A 2009 study from researchers at University of Sussex showed that six minutes of reading reduces stress by 68% (more relaxing than either music or a cup of tea), thus clearing the mind and readying the body for sleep.

The reasoning, per psychologist and study author Dr. David Lewis, is that a book is "more than merely a distraction, but an active engaging of the imagination," one that "causes you to enter an altered state of consciousness."

It doesn't matter if your book of choice is by James Patterson or James Joyce, fiction or fact, so long as it you find it fully absorbing.

Because when the mind is engaged in a world constructed by words, tension evaporates and the body relaxes, paving the way for sleep.

–Viviana Calderon, http://snewsi.com

## *Computer Classes*

*These classes will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the library at Alton Square Mall*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers* (Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, January 20, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, January 27, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.

**Part 1**

• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse

**Part 2**

• Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start menu/Open files/Save files/Flash drive/Print documents

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

**Internet Basics (Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, February 3, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, February 10, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

An introduction to Web-surfing, e-mail, and online job search and application. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, use a search engine to locate information and search for employment, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications.

**Part 1**

• Internet basics/ Searching the Internet/Creating & navigating e-mail

**Part 2**

• Review e-mail basics/ Job searches/ Job applications (actual job application does not occur)

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering

**Microsoft Word for Beginners (Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, February 17, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, February 24, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions

**Part 1**

• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/ Columns

• Printing/Indenting/Tabs

**Part 2**

• Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/Formatting Pictures • Templates

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**Flash Drives and Saving Files (Class limit: 12)**
**March 9, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

Flash Drives, USB Drives, Thumb Drives, they're all the same thing. In this class you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.

**Computer Maintenance and Security (Class limit: 12)**
**March 30, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

Explore your computer's Control Panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class

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## *e-Book and e-Audio Help for 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive*

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, librarians Jean Shimunek and Miriam Lozano will conduct a class on Saturday, February 6, 2016, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

## *Volunteer Profile*

It is funny how life comes full circle sometumes. Carol Sobotta and I have known each other for many years Her husband, Don, was my history teacher in high school. My husband, Harry, started teaching with Don his first year of teaching at Central Jr. High Carol taught with Harry for many years at East Middle School. So our lives have intertwined with each other for the last 40 years

Carol began volunteering for Hayner Library in 2009. She has a very busy life but finds her love of reading keeps her interested in our library. You may find Carol in the summer months working at our Alton Square library collecting and checking in all the summer reading books that have been brought back to the library. She volunteers in the Interlibrary Loan Department and keeps the library at Glenview Gardens replenished with fresh books

I love to ask questions about my volunteers' lives. I usually send them a questionnaire when we feature them in our newsletter. This is what I have learned about Carol.

Carol grew up in Dwight, a small community in Illinois. When she was in third grade her family moved from a farm into town. Carol had to change schools and had a very hard time adjusting to the new school Her teacher was a very kind person who influenced Carol's love for reading Carol loved to hear her teacher read out loud to the class. Her family had an old chicken house in the back yard, and Carol converted it to her schoolhouse where she bossed all the neighborhood children and pretended to be the teacher. So that is when she knew that she wanted to be a teacher when she was older

Carol was the second oldest of four children. There were two boys and two girls. Her parents expected the children to do chores around the house and to eventually earn their own spending money. Carol babysat and delivered newspapers. She rode her bike or pulled the papers in the snow with a sled. She always earned good tips. Her parents always encouraged them to save their earnings and spend wisely.

She joined the 4-H Club and learned sewing, crafts, and cooking. She was president one year and was selected at the Livingston County Fair to go to State Fair for her coffeecake demonstration. Her other activities included piano lessons, church, and various clubs in high school.

Carol loved going to school. Her grades were very important to her. She was on the honor roll all through high school and was awarded a four-year teacher scholarship to Illinois State University in Normal, Ill. After graduation her first teaching position was in Streator, Ill., as a second-grade teacher

After two years of teaching she decided to move to a bigger city. Her new teaching position was in Alton teaching first grade. The first fall her assistant principal introduced her to her future husband, Donald Sobotta. He was a high school history teacher. They were married the next spring She and Don have celebrated 46 years of marriage Don became assistant principal in various junior high schools until he resigned to pursue his dream of having his own printing business.

Carol and Don have a daughter, Melissa, who is a substitute teacher in Streator, Ill. The Sobottas have two wonderful grandsons, who are 8 and 12 years old. The boys are excellent readers and great students. The Sobottas make frequent visits to see the kids and Carol's mother, who is 96 years old and still living in her own home Carol's mother is an avid reader, and they often recommend books to each other. Carol's younger brother and sister live in Dwight, and her older brother lives in Kankakee. Her father passed away in 1994

When her daughter was in sixth grade, Carol was offered a position in sixth grade teaching language arts, social studies, and sometimes science. One of her greatest hopes was to be able to foster a love of reading in her students. There is no doubt in my mind that she got her wish Carol and her team partner, Sandy Dean, applied for a grant and started the Accelerated Reading program at East Middle School. Students earned points when answering questions about books that they read. Those points earned prizes for the students. This program is still used in middle school. This was a great accomplishment for Carol and Sandy. Carol was also involved with Young Authors, Student Council, and a drug prevention program.

After 32 years of teaching, Carol retired in 2004 She became a substitute librarian for four years in the Middle School library. She loved working in the library and joined Hayner volunteers in 2009. That was certainly a lucky day for Hayner

Besides volunteering for Hayner, Carol keeps busy with many activities. She belongs to Old Friends and New and two book clubs and enjoys cooking, gardening, and jigsaw puzzles, computer games, walking, and Zumba gold classes She and her husband are members of Messiah Lutheran Church, where she started a library and taught Sunday school for many years She and Don are Jeopardy fans and Cardinal fans. She has kept her love of reading—as Don says, when she is not doing all these activities, her nose is in a book.

Carol's love of reading brought her full circle into the lives of many children and adults in our community

We are so lucky to have Carol as a volunteer for Hayner

—Stephanie Munson

## *Thank You, Patrons!*

For the month of October 2015, we ran a fine amnesty program that allowed patrons to return overdue materials and have their fines waived if the materials were returned with a nonperishable food item. Look at what we collected! This was a win-win event. Patrons were relieved of their fines, and Hayner got the overdue materials back on the shelves. All the food items have been delivered to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Thanks, everyone, for participating.

## *What Makes a Cozy Just That?*

Imagine your terror at finding out that Jessica Fletcher was moving from Cabot Cove to your neighborhood! Would you stay up at night just wondering when this unassuming, friendly woman was going to befriend you? Would you wonder which of your friends would be the first, and then second, third, even fourth to die? I have loved watching Jessica solve all the murders in Cabot Cove, and then, when she ran out of neighbors, have to move to New York. If you are reading this article about cozy mystery books, you probably have enjoyed watching Jessica solve her way through one community after the next. She is a prime example of a **Cozy Mystery Heroine**. Cozy mysteries have become a booming business. Many cozy mystery readers are intelligent women looking for **a "fun read" that engages the mind**, as well as provides entertainment . . . something to "look forward to getting back to " This is not to say that intelligent men don't read cozies . . . they do!

**The crime-solver in a cozy mystery is usually a woman who is an amateur sleuth.** Almost always, she has a college degree, whether she is using it or not. Her education and life's experiences have provided her with certain skills that she will utilize in order to solve all the crimes that are "thrown her way." The cozy mystery heroine is usually a very intuitive, bright woman. The occupations of the amateur sleuths are very diverse: caterer, bed and breakfast owner, quilter, cat fancier/owner, nun, gardener, librarian, bookstore owner, herbalist, florist, dog trainer, homemaker, teacher, needlepoint store owner, etc. These are just a few examples of what the amateur sleuth does When she's not solving crimes, that is!

The cozy mystery usually takes place in a small town or village. The small size of the setting makes it believable that all the suspects know each other. The amateur sleuth is usually a very likeable person who is able to get the community members to talk freely (i.e., gossip) about each other. There is usually at least one very knowledgeable and nosy (and of course, very reliable!) character in the book who is able to fill in all of the blanks, thus enabling the amateur sleuth to solve the case

Although **the cozy mystery sleuth is usually not a medical examiner, detective, or police officer**, a lot of times her best friend, husband, or significant other is. This makes a very convenient way for her to find out things that she would otherwise not have access to. . . . Do you know any caterers or dog trainers who have access to autopsy reports? I don't! (Unless you count some of my favorite cozy characters.)

At the same time, it is probably safe to say that the local police force doesn't take the amateur sleuth very seriously. They dismiss her presence, almost as if she doesn't exist. This, of course, makes it convenient for her to **"casually overhear" things at the scene of a crime.**

More and more, cozy mystery books are being written as parts of a series. The reader becomes emotionally involved and connected with the reoccurring characters It's almost as if the reader is "going home" to a familiar place when she reads her next cozy mystery book in a series. (Of course, publishers of these series must enjoy knowing that fans of a series guarantee the success of each book in the series. It's not uncommon for fans of a cozy mystery series to pre-order a book before it is available at the stores.)

**In a series, it is important that the characters are likeable,** so that the reader will want to visit them again The supporting characters are equally important to the reader It is for this reason that there are so many funny, eccentric, and entertaining secondary characters. Can you imagine wanting to read the second book in a series that has all of its characters as scummy, lowlife people, perpetrating evil deeds and being downright mean all the time?

* Cozy mysteries are considered "gentle" books . . . no graphic violence, no profanity, and no explicit sex. Most often, the crime takes place "offstage" and death is usually very quick. Prolonged torture is not a staple in cozy mysteries! The victim is usually a character who had terrible vices or who treated others very badly. Dare I say . . . the victim "deserved to die"? And there are usually connections between the victims (if indeed there are multiple victims . . . which usually, in a cozy mystery, there are!), even though the reader is not aware of the obvious connections until the amateur sleuth solves the crimes

* Sex (if there is any) is always behind closed doors. It is implied . . . at most! Two characters may go from having a late-night, romantic dinner to—fast forward—one person taking a cup of coffee up to their partner, who is enjoying the delicious luxury of sleeping in. Enough said!

**Cozy mysteries tend to be fast-paced, with several twists and turns throughout each book.** There are usually several red herrings to provide distracting clues to the reader. The amateur sleuth is able to sift through the clues, tossing the useless information out while analyzing the good clues. There is a lot of puzzle solving involved in a cozy mystery

**The cozy mystery puts an emphasis on plots and character development.** You definitely could not convert a cozy mystery novel into an "action movie" with a lot of car chases and young, gratuitously topless actresses! An expression comes to mind that could easily differentiate the cozy mystery from other types of mysteries . . . "Brains over Brawn" every time

—Danna, Cozy-Mystery.com

Check out our great collection of cozy mysteries at Hayner. Authors like Carolyn Hart, Mary Daheim, Joanne Fluke, M. C. Beaton, Diane Mott Davidson, and many more wait for you on our shelves. Go to Cozy-Mystery.com for a full list of cozy mystery authors.

***Patron Charles Ford of Godfrey was the winner of the iPad Mini raffle, drawn on November 25. Thank you to all who participated.***

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Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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www.haynerlibrary.org

## *Gardening for a Healthy Life: Cultivating Goodness with Your Family*

Get your garden growing at Hayner Library! Join us for a series of gardening classes to help you learn what to grow and how to grow it. Classes offer hands-on experience in sowing seeds and planting, taught by local gardening experts. In addition to being a source of fresh healthy produce, gardening can reduce stress, provide exercise, and even improve your emotional well-being. Children can learn new skills, have fun, and develop self-confidence by spending time in the garden tending plants and growing their own food. Parents and grandparents, bring your kids or grandkids, or come alone, and join us in gardening for fun and for health!

*Sign up for one or all of the following classes:*

- **Pizza Garden.** Start your own pizza garden from seed with Kris Larson of Riverbend Roots Farm. Come back later to see your seedlings grow under the Grow Lights at the library Plants will later be potted up to take home. At the end of this class, sample some homemade pizza! **Wednesday, March 2, 6:30 p.m.**

- **Getting Started – The Soil.** The key to successful seed-to-table gardening is to start with good seed and good soil. Faye Krause, Master Gardener, will talk about good soil and the how-tos of gardening. You will sow nutrient dense microgreens or lettuce to take home. **Wednesday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.**

- **Backyard Composting/Worm Composting.** See worm composting up close while you learn about composting from Michele Berg-Vogel, Ag and Natural Resources Program Coordinator, University of Illinois Extension Service. **Wednesday, March 23, 6:30 p.m.**

- **Prairie Plants.** Learn about prairie plants from Patti Brown, Education Director at The Nature Institute Plant nasturtium seed in recycled pots to grow and give to mom for Mother's Day. Also, participants will receive free prairie plants. **Wednesday, April 6, 6:30 p.m.**

- **Practical Ecology for Suburban Gardens.** Learn about the benefits of planting native plants and what to plant to attract bees and other beneficial insects. Free Blue Borage seed packets for participants **Wednesday, April 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Classes will be in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square library location To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Class size is limited to 20 participants. You can register for all five sessions or individual ones

## *IRS Forms*

In years past, the IRS has provided the libraries with a booklet of reproducible tax forms. They are no longer providing this service so we will not have any forms available for you this coming tax season. They are available online at https://www.irs gov/Forms-&-Pubs.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Easter Sunday, March 27
Memorial Day, May 29, 30

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## *An Exciting New Service From the Hayner Public Library District*

You can now add your Hayner library card to a smartphone app for added convenience when visiting Hayner Library. Simply add your Hayner library card to the app of your choice and never forget your library card again

**Please note: Photos of library cards are not valid.** Our 2D barcode scanners are not capable of reading photo images of barcodes; they are programmed to read digitized barcodes. Therefore, a library card must be added to an app in order for it to be used digitally at our Circulation Desks.

Not sure which app to use? For your convenience, The Hayner Public Library District is listed as a registered "store" with Key Ring (an online card app) To use the Key Ring app, please follow these instructions:

1. Download the Key Ring app for your phone
2. Open the Key Ring app
3. Touch the plus sign (+) button at the top of the screen
4. Touch the *Add Card* icon
5. Touch the *Allow Camera* icon (you will need to do this to scan your Hayner library card barcode)
6. Scan the barcode on your Hayner library card
7. Compare the barcode number on the back of your card to the barcode number now listed on your screen to be sure the card scanned properly
8. Touch *Select a Store* and select "The Hayner Public Library District" from the list of merchants (you can scroll or search)
9. Be sure that the *Card Has Barcode* option is selected (turned on)
10. Touch *Next* in the upper right-hand corner of the screen
11. Touch *Done* in the upper right-hand corner of the screen
12. (Optional) Take pictures of the front and back of your Hayner library card to store in the app. Or you can choose to skip this step by touching *Skip for Now.*
13. Touch *Add Another Card* or *No More Cards* to complete the process
14. **(Optional)** You will be asked to create a Key Ring account. If you wish to do so, touch the *Create Account* icon If you wish to skip this step, touch the *I'll Risk It* icon **Note:** Creating an account will save your Hayner library card on the Key Ring app server. You will be able to access the card again should you accidentally delete the app, your barcode, or lose your phone. Not creating an account will still allow you to use the app; however, your information will not be stored on their server This means you will not be able to retrieve it should something happen to the app or your phone. You will have to add the barcode again. Creating an account will require entering your email address and other information. Again, creating an account is your own personal preference. The app will work either way

## Summer Reading 2016 "Read for the Win"

This year's Summer Reading Program, "Read for the Win," will give kids an opportunity to exercise not only their bodies but also their minds. The theme will have participants reading for some fun and active prizes

Participants can expect performers such as Animal Tales and their Animal Olympians, Fred and his Feathered Friends, Mad Science, Josh Routh with Circus Kaput, and Rachel Brady's Creative Dance Studio. Participants will also enjoy story times, puppet shows, crafts, and prizes that reflect the theme.

Each week participants will be asked to read at least five books, magazine articles, or newspaper articles, or listen to five books on tape to earn some awesome prizes. For this year's program, we will partner with the Alton High School Athletic Department, the St. Louis Cardinals, and the Gateway Grizzlies

All participants who continue over the five-week program will be invited to our End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party at the Alton High School Commons There, for all their hard work, they will enjoy a free book, reading certificate, snacks, and entertainment from the hilarious comedic team Laughing Matters.

## Food for Fido

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month, and in commemoration of this, Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and Hayner Downtown Library will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent on donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.

Please help our friends at the 5 A's—they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected, or abused animals brought to the shelter. The shelter is located at 4530 N. Alby Road, Godfrey, and can be reached at 466-3702 Stop by and visit this wonderful facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever). And, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

## Our Wonderful Patrons

Mary Kay Serio is our children's librarian at our downtown location. Her grandson, Anthony Serio, 19, attended Army basic training June 2014–October 2014. He was then deployed to the Middle East in February 2015 where he remained until November. When our patrons Sharon Maggart and Mary Olson found out that he was returning to the U.S. from his deployment this last November, they knew they had to do something for both Anthony and Mary Kay. Ms. Olson had the children who attend Mary Kay's Story Time help make a poster, and Ms. Maggart made a beautifully decorated booklet with pictures colored by the children, pictures of Anthony, and a picture of Mary Kay and her husband, Carmen, from whom Anthony received a great deal of support. Mary Kay, Carmen, and Anthony's mom, Jessica, took both items to Anthony's welcome home ceremony at the base, where he was both surprised and touched.

Thanks to our wonderful patrons for thinking of our employees. And thank you to Anthony for his service to our nation!

*Anthony, Carmen, and Jessica holding the sign.*

## A New Patron!

**Dawson McCauley** came in with his mom to sign up for his first ever library card. He had been begging his mom to come to the library because he wanted to meet a librarian. Don't forget to bring in your kids for the exciting experience of their very own card!

## Armchair Traveler

Exciting news! Due to the success of the Armchair Traveler program, it is being moved to twice a year, spring and fall, to make the presentations bigger and better. Also, remember the presentations are for the whole family, not just for mom and dad Please check back with the Hayner Public Library District's Summer Newsletter for all the details of the fall Armchair Traveler program!

## New Book Drop

An external book drop has been installed outside the main entrance of the Downtown Library at 326 Belle Street, Alton. Hopefully this will relieve some of the inconveniences posed by the closure of the in-wall book drop downtown. For both the book drop downtown and at the mall library, materials deposited during library closed hours will be checked in for the previous day. Materials deposited during holidays will be checked in the last day of library closing Please ask a library staff member if you have questions or need assistance.

## *Computer Classes*

*Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering. All classes are taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall.*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers***
**(Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, April 27, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, May 4, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.
**Part 1**
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse
**Part 2**
• Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start Menu/ Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents
Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.
*If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.

**Internet Basics (Class Limit: 12) ****
**May 11, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to Web-surfing, e-mail This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.
**This class has gone from 2 parts to 1 part. The job portion offered in previous classes is now a separate class.
Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering

**Job Tips**
**(Class Limit: 12)**
**May 25, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is designed to give people searching for employment some tips to send them in the right direction. We will use various job listing websites to learn how to search for employment listings, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications. Resume and job interview tips will be included. We will NOT actually apply for jobs or create a resume.

**Microsoft Word for Beginners**
**(Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, June 1, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, June 8, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions.
**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns
• Printing/Indenting/Tabs
**Part 2**
• Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/ Formatting Pictures • Templates
Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering

**Flash Drives and Saving Files**
**(Class Limit: 12)**
**June 15, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Flash Drives, USB Drives, Thumb Drives, they're all the same thing. In this class you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.
Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering

**Computer Maintenance and Security**
**(Class Limit: 12)**
**June 22, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Explore your computer's Control Panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class.
Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering

## *e-Book and e-Audio Help for 3M Cloud Library and OverDrive*

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, librarians Jean Shimunek and Miriam Lozano will conduct a class on Saturday, May 21, 2016, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

## *Why going to the library is one of the best things I do for my kids and the planet*

**Megan Treacy (@mtreacy)**
**Living / Green Home**
**November 18, 2014**
*http://www.treehugger.com/green-home/why-going-library-one-best-things-i-do-my-kids-and-planet.html*

My two kids and I head to the library every week, and it's one of my favorite things. I love getting a huge bag of books and feeling the excitement to get home and read them and see where they take us. It's a strong memory I have from my own childhood, and I cherish getting to repeat it with them; but the more time I spend at the library with my family, the more I realize its benefits go beyond just a bag of new books to read.

The resources libraries provide and the values they reinforce are making my kids into better human beings and helping the planet along the way

**The original sharing economy**

Libraries were participating in a sharing economy long before Netflix or Airbnb. There is a major environmental advantage to sharing copies of books, DVDs and other media over all of us purchasing new copies; but more than that, it's how libraries foster a commitment to sharing that is so beneficial and can carry over into the rest of our lives

For my kids, learning about how our library books are just on loan to us and belong to everyone in the community was a first lesson on how to take care of things so that they last and can be used by many people The idea of treating things as important long-lasting objects instead of disposable ones was easy to drive home when it was connected to the library books that they love checking out. It also is a great way to talk about sharing resources and how we have to think beyond ourselves

Just as importantly, libraries are institutions dedicated to the sharing of information and ideas. Our world can never progress without access to knowledge, and libraries give the public open access to books, articles, documentaries and other resources and give us all a place to gather and share them.

**Community involvement and connection**

Libraries are community centers, serving everyone in their area. Just visiting the library is a way to connect yourself and your family to the community you live in, but libraries offer more than that. They host book clubs, LEGO clubs, story times, puppet shows, writing camps, family movie nights and information sessions on technologies and community issues (among so many other things). They serve us, and they also bring us together and get us involved in our community

They curate special collections about our towns, cities, states and regions so that we can learn more about them and feel a greater sense of place

All of those things make a community stronger, and people who feel connected to their communities are more willing and better prepared to work for what's good for everyone. Raising my kids to be involved in the library starts them on a great path to community involvement.

**Multicultural experiences**

While we've taken some very long road trips with our kids, we haven't been able to do any travel out of the country with them yet. While I hope to one day be able to show them more of the world, for now their exposure to other places, cultures and ways of living often comes from the library.

Books from everywhere around the world, featuring stories and characters they couldn't meet otherwise, let them see how big and varied the world really is while also showing them how much is the same from place to place.

Understanding more about different places and cultures will make my kids better global citizens and hopefully give them compassion for all people and living things.

**A lifetime of learning and imagining**

At our last visit to the library, my kids picked out their usual big stack of books. The subjects ranged from how cocoa beans are made into chocolate to a duck who lost his socks. Every time they get to go and pick out books, whether they be informative or very silly, they're learning about how the world works and strengthening their imaginations. And by encouraging them to do that now, I'm hopefully starting a lifelong habit.

It's a habit I'm still engaged in. I learn from the library with an ever-changing stack of knitting books, cookbooks, nature field guides and more.

Even if you're not a bookworm, libraries offer classes on crafting and computer software for adults and host science and art events for kids to provide hands-on learning, too.

If this sounds like a very strong ode to libraries, it is. I'm a better and more-informed person because I visit libraries, and I'm making my kids into better people, too Knowing how to share, take care of things and protect resources, have a strong sense of community, understanding the world we live in and having a lifetime commitment to learning and dreaming—these are ideas I'm responsible for encouraging in my children, and libraries help me to do that. And those same ideas are pretty great for the planet too.

## *Social Media Classes*

*Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. All classes are free of charge but require registration due to the limited number of seats. Register at 1-800-613-3163*

**Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, April 23, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets

**Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, May 14, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
This class will start with the creating of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, June 18, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

# KIDSSPACE

## APRIL AND MAY 2016 KIDS PROGRAMMING

### APRIL 2016

Monday, April 4, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 4, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 5, 2016 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 7, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Friday, April 8, 2016 – Staff Development Day – Library Closed
Monday, April 11, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 11, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 12, 2016 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 14, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 14, 2016 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
Monday, April 18, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 18, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19, 2016 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Tuesday, April 19, 2016 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 25, 2016 – Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 25, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26, 2016 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 28, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.

### MAY 2016

Monday, May 2, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 2, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 3, 2016 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 5, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 9, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 9, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 10, 2016 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 12, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 12, 2016 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
Monday, May 16, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 16, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 17, 2016 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Tuesday, May 17, 2016 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 19, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 23, 2016 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 23, 2016 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24, 2016 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 26, 2016 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 30, 2016 – Closed in Observance of Memorial Day

### SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2016 "READ FOR THE WIN"

Summer Reading Program Kickoff Saturday, June 4, 2016 – 9 a.m.
Meet and Greet Izzy and Lizzy from the Gateway Grizzlies 10–11 a.m.
Monday, June 6, 2016 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–6
Tuesday, June 7, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, June 7, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, June 8, 2016 – Performer Fred and His Feathered Friends – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 9, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
Monday, June 13, 2016 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–6
Tuesday, June 14, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, June 14, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, June 15, 2016 – Performer Animal Tales – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 16, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
Monday, June 20, 2016 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–6
Tuesday, June 21, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, June 21, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, June 22, 2016 – Performer Mad Science – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 23, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
Monday, June 27, 2016 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–6
Tuesday, June 28, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, June 28, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, June 29, 2016 – Oh-My-Gosh Josh – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 30, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
**Monday, July 4, 2016 – Library Closed in Observance of July 4th Holiday**
Tuesday, July 5, 2016 – Stories with an Athlete (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2–5
Tuesday, July 5, 2016 – Game Day Fun – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 6–12
Wednesday, July 6, 2016 – Rachel Brady's Creative Dance Studio – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, July 7, 2016 – Drop-In Craft – 9–11 a.m. – Ages 2–12
Friday, July 8, 2016 – Last Day to turn in Reading Sheets
Thursday, July 14, 2016 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party – 5–7 p.m.
Performer: Laughing Matters

**To register for any of our spring programs, please call Alton Square at 433-2881 or Downtown Kids at 462-0677, ext. 2836. Summer registration will begin on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at our Alton Square location.**

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our spring 2016 semester of special events These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge All programs do require registration To register, call 1-800-613-3163 Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level*

**NOTE:** 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill*

**Saturday, April 9**
**Saturday, May 14**
**Saturday, June 11**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are now two-part They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street*

**Ancestry.com: The Forest and the Trees**
**April 14 & 21**
**Family Search: More Than the Census**
**May 12 & 19**
**Heritage Quest: Revolutionary War, Freedman's Bank, PERSI**
**June 9 & 16**
**10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dana Robinson

**Tuesday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.**

From Cabot, Vermont, Americana singer-songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Dana Robinson is celebrating his twentieth year of national and international touring With guitar, fiddle, banjo, and mandolin, his sound is a melting pot of Appalachian, British, and rural American influences, full of exciting fiddle tunes, earthy grooves, elegant melodies, and rich harmony singing

The genius of a Dana Robinson performance lies in his ability to capture the imaginations of his audience. He can make them howl with laughter or hush with reflection as he takes them on a journey across America and conveys the mystery and wonder of the places he visits His unique blend of original songwriting and traditional Appalachian music bring to his performances a deep understanding of America's musical heritage Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Sweet Potatoes*

**Tuesday, April 26, 6:30 p.m.**

The Sweet Potatoes dish up a tasty blend of country, folk, and homespun Americana, with sweet, soaring harmonies and finely crafted songwriting. Featuring their original music, unique versions of covers and traditional songs, and some down-home storytelling, their shows are full of joy and laughter, with a back-porch charm all their own. They're based in Southern California, but their roots are in Illinois, and they always love coming home to play Register at 1-800-613-3163

### *The Sound of Western Swing and the Music of Legendary Fiddler Wade Ray*

## *Dennis Stroughmatt and His Swingin' Band*

**Tuesday, May 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Western Swing is a music that continues to influence musicians across the planet, and southwestern Illinois was home to one of the most influential of Western Swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, worked with Ray Price, and one was well known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows Fiddler, vocalist, and historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with Wade His performance and presentation will include a mix of songs from the era of Bob Wills, Wade Ray, Ray Price, and Hank Thompson Like his mentor Wade Ray, Dennis will make you want to swing! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Car Buying*

**Monday, April 11,6 p.m.**

*Note. This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Shopping for a new vehicle can seem overwhelming. When making a large purchase, you don't want to leave anything to chance. Let a Scott Credit Union representative from their community outreach program help you avoid buyer's remorse! This free presentation will help you with your homework, offer tips about determining your vehicle's value, and explain financing options so you're ready when it's time to shop. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## *Budgeting & Saving*

**Monday, May 16, 6 p.m.**

*Note: This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

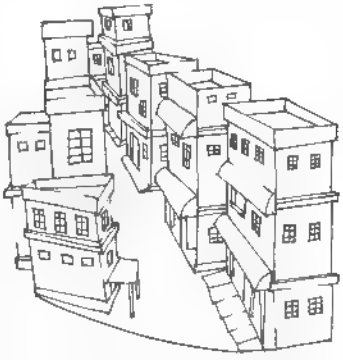
Creating a budget can be hard; sticking to a budget can be even harder. Do you control your money or does it control you? A Scott Credit Union representative from their community outreach program can help you determine your worth, estimate your expenses, stretch your dollar, and find ways to save to make your money grow in this free presentation. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Sara McGibany*
## *Alton Main Street: Instilling a Sense of Pride in Our Past*

**Wednesday, May 18, 6:30 p.m.**

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.

Stunning historic buildings fill downtown Alton, and one of Alton Main Street's major goals is to make sure those buildings are filled with people. Alton Main Street's mission of attracting more new businesses, instilling a sense of pride in our past, and shaping a beautiful and compelling future translates into events such as the Taste of Downtown Alton, the Mississippi Earthtones Festival, and the All-Wheels Drive-In Car Show. Sara McGibany has been the Executive Director of Alton Main Street since 2006. Besides working on various events and projects that promote and improve downtown Alton, Sara also enjoys serving on the Board of Directors for the Mustard Seed Peace Project and Senior Services Plus, as well as the Advisory Board of the Riverbender.com Community Center and the Steering Committees of the Upper Alton Association and Greater Alton United. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## Josh McVicar
## *McVicar the Trickster*

**Tuesday, May 31, 6:30 p.m.**

McVicar the Trickster's award-winning magic show is outrageous and mind-blowing! His energetic and comical performance leaves audience members in stitches. Josh's mix of magic and humor will delight the whole family. From Menlo College: "By far the best magic performance any of us have seen. Unique, creative, and magical." Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Alton's Architectural Gem: The Grand Theatre of the 1920s*

**Saturday, June 4, 10:00 a.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton*

In the first architecture talk of our series, Meghan Bellitto covered the Hotel Stratford. Now we are taking a walk right across the street to the iconic Grand Theatre. Meghan will focus on the historical and architectural significance of Alton's classic movie theater, which opened to spectacular fanfare in 1920. Come learn about the historical beginnings of the theater, develop an appreciation for its Art Deco design features, and see why it still holds a special place in the hearts of many Altonians. Though the last film played there in 1977, the Grand Theatre still stands as one of Alton's architectural gems. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Identity Theft*

**Monday, June 6, 6 p.m.**

*Note: This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Someone becomes a victim of identity fraud every two seconds. In this free presentation from a Scott Credit Union representative from their community outreach program, learn the most common types of identity theft, how your identity can be stolen, ways to prevent theft, and what to do if you're a victim. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Blend
## *A Cappella '50s at Its Best*

**Tuesday, June 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Don't miss this great night of entertainment. Blend is an a cappella doo-wop group that brings back the hits of the '50s and '60s with a twist of fun. They make very clear in their frivolous act that they love what they do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback

**Sunday, June 19, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a

little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." FitzGerald and Martin McCormack showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Hayner Volunteer Martha Steiner*

Martha Steiner has been a volunteer with Hayner Library for three years. You will find her in the summers helping Mary Kay downtown during the Summer Reading Program. She is a great help to Mary Kay. Martha also is a volunteer I can count on for special projects.

Martha and I have known each other since our early days working with Alton Children's Theater We had a wonderful time putting on plays for the Alton area school children. She was definitely an asset to this organization.

Martha was born in the old St. Joseph's hospital, which is now called St Clare's. She was named Martha Elizabeth Chappee after her maternal grandmother, Elizabeth Schulz Wendle She grew up in North Alton on Strong Avenue, a quiet little street that was not a through street at that time. Her house was surrounded by a pasture where Mary the Moo Cow grazed. Her father and both grandfathers built their little five-room house where she lived with her parents and her older brother and two younger sisters.

North Alton was a tight-knit community where everyone knew one another and watched over all the children in the neighborhood. The kids rode bikes and played ball in an empty lot during the warmer months and sledded in the winter months. The neighborhood gang would put on plays in Martha's garage for all the parents. Refreshments served during the play were popcorn and Kool Aid.

Each day during the week she walked out to her backyard, through a gully, and across a creek to attend St. Ambrose School She graduated from grade school and attended Marquette High School. Her dad would drive Martha and her siblings to Marquette, but they had to find their own way home or walk home. Sometimes they stopped at the old Greer's Restaurant for a cherry phosphate. But most of the time she walked downtown to catch a bus to St. Anthony's Hospital, where she cleaned each day after school.

While working at the hospital she earned enough money to get her class ring. She bought it in 1967, and somewhere while cleaning the labs in the hospital she lost that hard-earned ring In 1990 she received a note from a gentleman who had found it in 1967 and put it away for safekeeping. He promptly forgot about it until 1990. He searched her name and found out from Marquette who it belonged to. Martha now has that hard-earned ring in a safe place.

Martha attended SIU-Edwardsville for a couple of years, where she met her husband, playing cards in the student union. They both quit school to get married. Martha says she and Kyle raised three absolutely wonderful and amazing children.

When it was time for their oldest child to start college, Martha decided it was time for her to pursue a degree in education She was hired in Granite City after completing her student teaching. She kept going to school until she completed her Master's degree in education. She says she was lucky enough to be able to teach for twenty-two years before retiring at the age of 62.

Martha's favorite pastime is reading. Her all-time favorite book is To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee. She has often gifted that book to young people, hoping that they will encounter someone in their lives who can instill in them the values that Atticus instilled in Scout and Jem.

Martha was excited to read Lee's Go Set a Watchman but was disappointed in Atticus's character. But she was glad to be able to read it and find relevance to life in this era and reflect on the similarities and differences of growing up in the 1930s, the 1950s, and 2015

Hayner is so lucky to have this gentle, sweet, smiling woman as a volunteer

Thank you, Martha.

—Stephanie Munson

## *Burke's Funeral Home Records*

Death certificates and burial records are just two of the many vital records we use while compiling our family histories Sometime it can be a difficult process to locate them and then obtain a copy from the right source at a reasonable fee. The information contained in mortuary death records is often unobtainable anywhere else

A while back, the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library was given numerous boxes of death and burial records (including copies of death certificates) for hundreds of people who had been buried by Burke's Funeral Home in Alton, Illinois, between the years of 1956 and 1995. Unfortunately, we did not receive any records for 1961–1968.

After many hours of hard work by staff and volunteers, these records have been organized and are ready for public use A complete name index has been created and is now a part of our Illinois Room collection This index can be used to quickly identify whether we have a file on a specific name. The book is titled *Index of Burke's Funeral Home Records*, and the call number is IR 977.3865 IND.

If you find an ancestor's name listed on the index, a staff member will retrieve the file for that name and copy any of the materials you need for your genealogy research. (Copy fees apply.)

These donations of Burke's Funeral Home records are only available at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at the 401 State Street location.

## *125 Years of the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library Building*

Flames still flicker in the fireplaces. Nineteenth-century oil paintings tell the story of Alton past. Gleaming display cases hold treasures borrowed from local collectors and from the library's own cache. Visitors often ask if the library was originally a church. They're awed to discover that the building has always been a library

The Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library opened 125 years ago, on May 21, 1891. Local businessman John E. Hayner funded construction of the library in honor of his late wife, Jennie. The library association hired Theodore Link, a highly respected St. Louis architect who designed St. Louis's Union Station Railroad Depot, to design the building Link also designed the First Presbyterian Church at the corner of Fourth and Alby and both the main building (after a fire destroyed the original buildings) and the Harriet Newell Haskell Memorial Gate at Monticello Seminary, now Lewis & Clark Community College in Godfrey

The library's architecture is known as Old English, Gothic style, with a vaulted ceiling and dog-tooth trimmings. The building materials are red brick, with Alton and Bedford stone over windows and entrances, and a basement of Alton limestone. Inside, the wood is oak and yellow pine. Fireplaces with oak mantels and iridescent blue and green tiles grace the turret room and the back wall of the main room

In 1906 John Hayner's grandson, John Haskell, announced he would provide funding to build an annex to the library building. The new annex was designed by U. S. Nixon and opened to the public in October of 1907. In 1970 the adult collection was moved out of this building and into the Belle Street building. The children's collection remained in the Hayner building as the Hayner Children's Library.

On May 21, 2011, the original Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library building reopened as the Genealogy & Local History Library. Therefore, in addition to May 21, 2016, being the 125th anniversary of the building's completion, it is also our five-year anniversary. People come from all over the United States to use our collection, and our staff has corresponded with researchers in other countries as well. We are extremely lucky to have such a beautiful building dedicated fully to genealogy and local history research

In December of this year we will have a special holiday open house, and Genealogy & Local History Manager Lacy McDonald will give a presentation on the architecture and history of the building. In the meantime, check out the #HaynerGenealogyGems hashtag on The Hayner Public Library District Facebook page. We're posting 125 gems of the Genealogy & Local History Library throughout the year, one every few days. The gems will also be posted on the History at Hayner blog http://www haynerlibrary.org/history-at-hayner-blog. The Genealogy & Local History audio tour, available any time the library is open, is also a great way to learn more about the library's history in Alton, the building, the Hayner and Haskell families, architect Theodore Link, and our significant artwork.

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

1939 Telephone Directory: Grafton Telephone Co., Grafton, Illinois IR 977.3855 NIN
The Art of the Family Tree: Creative Family History Projects Using Paper, Art, Fabric & Collage IR 745 593 MAS
The Black Struggle for Public Schooling in Nineteenth-Century Illinois IR 370.89960730773 McCAUL
Burial Census: Surname Becker IR 929 2 BECKER
Burial Census: Surname Schmidt IR 929.2 SCHMIDT
Burial Census: Surname Webber IR 929.2 WEBBER
Burke's Funeral Home Records Index 1956–1995 IR 977 3865 IND
Chicago and Downstate: Illinois as Seen by the Farm Security Administration Photographers, 1936–1943 IR 977.3 CHI
His Brother's Blood: Speeches and Writings, 1838–64, Owen Lovejoy IR 326.8092 LOV
Historic Names and Places on the Lower Mississippi River IR 917.77 BRA
How to Archive Family Photos IR 929.1 MAY
Let My People Go: Cairo, Illinois, 1967–1973: Civil Rights Photographs IR 305 8009773 EWI
Lost Survivor: The Novel of a Black Soldier's Journey to Vietnam and Back IR F JON
Mound Builders of Ancient America: The Archaeology of a Myth IR 970.43 SIL
My History Is America's History: 15 Things You Can Do to Save America's Stories IR 929 NAT
The Ordeal of Southern Illinois University IR 378.7739 PLO
Redbird Word: Alton Senior High School, Alton, Illinois IR 373.77386 ALT 1967–69, 1970–72, 1973–74, 1975–77, 1976–79, 1979–81, 1981–84, 1984–87, 1987–89, 1989–91
Round Trip: Bicycling Asia Minor 1891 IR B SACHTLEBEN
Sir Harold Ridley: His Fight for Sight IR B RIDLEY
"This is your life": Life stories of Owens-Illinois employees published in The Altonian IR 977.3865 OWE

## *Hometown Clubs and Societies*

Social media are the proof that everyone wants to be a part of something Before Myspace, Twitter, and Facebook, we joined a church, club, or organization to stay closely connected with others who shared our interests Clubs in Alton were extremely popular as far back as the 1800s, and it seems there was a club to fit all wants or needs. The society pages of the early newspapers were brimming with small tidbit articles reporting on who was hosting card parties, serving luncheons, and organizing dances.

We are familiar with the more popular and well established clubs such as the Fraternal Order of Eagles, The Loyal Order of Moose, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows But do you know about the not-so-familiar ones? Here is a little description of a few of the not-so-familiar clubs in Alton's past.

The ***Silent Club*** and the ***Henpecked Club*** were social clubs in 1910. The Silent Club had a rule that they would not reveal the names of their members, even when they held dances and civic affairs in the public eye. The Henpecked Club was formed by men who had been deserted by their wives. It cost each man $3.40 to join.

***Last Man's Club*** was a group of World War I veterans whose motto was "Meet until only the last man is left." The last man would inherit the club's treasury along with their first bottle of champagne that had been put inside a replica World War I bomb and used as a table decoration at their annual meetings According to the June 26, 1989, obituary of Edward Lee of Glen Carbon, he was the last member of the local chapter.

The ***Hard Leather Club*** was active in 1926 and was composed of men who had pledged against the use of profanity. If a member broke the rule, the other members were allowed to give the offender a hard punch as punishment The club motto was "No dues, lots of bruise "

***Las Senoras Y Senoritas Club*** was formed in 1970 to assist needy American and Spanish families of the Alton area. But their talents quickly stretched, and in 1972 they were making slippers for nursing home residents and donating records to children in the state hospital. In 1974 the club changed its name to the Ladies' Mexican American Club.

***Rip Van Winkle Club*** was a social club for married couples only. They entertained with a monthly dancing party that included a late-night dinner.

The ***Manless Club*** was a group of married women who did not allow men to attend their meetings, although the Alton Evening Telegraph newspaper reported husbands were in attendance during the club's 40th anniversary celebration in 1945

***The Ladies*** was a social club organized in 1853. Despite the name, the club accepted both male and female members.

The ***Jolly Good Time Club*** was made up of fun, energetic members who regularly organized the most successful and well attended dancing parties, banquets, and masquerade balls in Upper Alton. In 1919, a newspaper article reported the club had been so successful that they were having trouble deciding on how to spend part of the large sum of money they had in their coffers.

The ***Onion Social Club*** was made up of Illinois Glass Company glassblowers who held annual banquets. After 18 years the club voted to disband in 1910 due to low membership. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street has a display case of Illinois Glass memorabilia, including a glass paperweight from the 1901 Onion Club.

The ***Cho Cho San Club*** was a social club that enjoyed playing card games during their evening meetings in the 1920s and 1930s

The ***Loyal Tennesseans Club*** had only one simple requirement for membership Can you guess what that was? Members had to be from the state of Tennessee!

The ***Opti-Mrs. Club*** was organized in 1949 by the wives of the Optimist Club members The club's mission was to raise money for needy causes in the Alton area, and they were successful at it for many years

Political clubs included the ***Alton Clay Club*** organized in 1844; the ***Tippecanoe Club***, here as early as 1892; and the ***Citizen's Curdie Club***, established in 1899

Besides social clubs and fraternal orders, Alton had some colorful sporting clubs with interesting names too. Maybe your parents or grandparents played on a team for one of these clubs? The ***Hard Boiled Eggs*** was a bowling club that got its name because they feasted on hard boiled eggs during their meetings. The ***Pietown Hustlers*** was an athletic club formed in 1922 by members of the Upper Alton Baptist Church The ***Limburger Cheese Club*** was a sportsman's club that held banquets with limburger cheese served as part of the meal. The ***Wigwam Club*** was a hunting and fishing group that also raised pigs on an island in the Illinois River. The island was six miles above Grafton and appropriately named Wigwam Island

There was such a strong sense of pride in Alton's sports teams in May of 1917 that for the opening day of the Three Eye Baseball League the mayor issued a proclamation asking merchants to close their stores to show support. During a grand parade that included all the city officials, a National Guard unit escorted the players from City Hall to the ballpark.

All of these clubs and their histories in Alton can be researched through the *Telegraph* Newspaper Archive available at all Hayner Library locations The newspaper database has editions of *The Telegraph* dating back to 1836 It is fun to browse through the society section of these older newspapers and read how Alton citizens were keeping themselves socially active through the years!

—Pam Bierman

## *New & Forthcoming*

### —Nonfiction

**Andersen, Christopher.** Game of Crowns: Elizabeth, Camilla, Kate, and the Throne

**Archer, Ashley (Ed.).** The Chew: An Essential Guide to Cooking and Entertaining: Recipes, Wit, and Wisdom from The Chew Hosts

**Bascomb, Neal.** The Winter Fortress: The Epic Mission to Sabotage Hitler's Atomic Bomb

**Bergen, Peter.** United States of Jihad: Investigating America's Homegrown Terrorists

**Better Homes and Gardens.** Better Homes and Gardens Jams and Jellies: 200 of Our Very Best Sweet & Savory Recipes

**Blum, Howard.** The Last Goodnight: A World War II Story of Espionage, Adventure, and Betrayal

**Brinkley, Douglas.** Rightful Heritage: Franklin D. Roosevelt and the Land of America

**Brottman, Mikita.** The Maximum Security Book Club: Reading Literature in a Men's Prison

**Brower, Kate Andersen.** First Women: The Grace and Power of America's First Ladies

**Brown, Bobby.** Every Little Step: My Story

**Carville, James.** We're Still Right—And They're Still Wrong

**Cooper, Anderson.** The Rainbow Comes and Goes: A Mother and Son on Life, Love, and Loss

**Diaz, Cameron.** The Longevity Book: The Science of Aging, the Biology of Strength, and the Privilege of Time

**Fuhrman, Joel.** The End of Heart Disease: The Eat to Live Plan to Prevent and Reverse Heart Disease

**Geroux, William.** The Mathews Men: Seven Brothers and the War Against Hitler's U-boats

**Gordon-Reed, Annette.** "Most Blessed of the Patriarchs": Thomas Jefferson and the Empire of the Imagination

**Hastings, Max.** The Secret War: Spies, Ciphers, and Guerrillas, 1939–1945

**Hollandsworth, Skip.** The Midnight Assassin: Panic, Scandal, and the Hunt for America's First Serial Killer

**Huffington, Arianna.** The Sleep Revolution: Transforming Your Life, One Night at a Time

**Hutton, Paul Andrew.** The Apache Wars: The Hunt for Geronimo, the Apache Kid, and the Captive Boy Who Started the Longest War in American History

**Hyman, Mark.** Eat Fat, Get Thin: Why the Fat We Eat Is the Key to Sustained Weight Loss and Vibrant Health

**Jackson, Katie.** Hand-Built Outdoor Furniture: 20 Step-by-Step Projects Anyone Can Build

**Junger, Sebastian.** Tribe: On Homecoming and Belonging

**Kessler, David.** Capture Unraveling the Mystery of Mental Suffering

**Knight, Phil.** Shoe Dog: A Memoir by the Creator of Nike

**Kondo, Marie.** Spark Joy: An Illustrated Master Class on the Art of Organizing and Tidying Up

**Kurlansky, Mark.** Paper: Paging Through History

**Leamer, Laurence.** The Lynching: The Epic Courtroom Battle That Brought Down the Klan

**Lerner, Betsy.** The Bridge Ladies: A Memoir

**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl Clean & Hungry: Easy All-Natural Recipes for Healthy Eating in the Real World

**Lotz, Ann Graham.** The Daniel Prayer: Prayer That Moves Heaven and Changes Nations

**Ludwig, David.** Always Hungry? Conquer Cravings, Retrain Your Fat Cells, and Lose Weight Permanently

**McBride, James.** Kill 'em and Leave: Searching for James Brown and the American Soul

**Mukherjee, Siddhartha.** The Gene: An Intimate History

**Paltrow, Gwyneth.** It's All Easy: Delicious Weekday Recipes for the Super-Busy Home Cook

**Philbrick, Nathaniel.** Valiant Ambition: George Washington, Benedict Arnold, and the Fate of the American Revolution

**Quinn, Jane Bryant.** How to Make Your Money Last: The Indispensable Retirement Guide

**Roach, Mary.** Grunt: The Curious Science of Humans at War

**Schulman, Michael.** Her Again: Becoming Meryl Streep

**Scott, Jonathan & Drew Scott.** Dream Home: The Property Brothers' Ultimate Guide to Finding & Fixing Your Perfect House

**Stahl, Lesley.** Becoming Grandma: The Joys and Science of the New Grandparenting

**Tuteur, Amy, M.D.** Push Back: Guilt in the Age of Natural Parenting

**Williams, Juan.** We the People: The Modern-Day Figures Who Have Reshaped the Founding Fathers' Vision of What America Is

**Williams-Paisley, Kimberly.** Where the Light Gets In: Losing My Mother Only to Find Her Again

### —Fiction

**Adler, Elizabeth.** The Charmers

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Blood Orange

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** The Weekenders

**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Buried Treasure

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B Parker's Slow Burn

**Baldacci, David.** The Last Mile

**Barr, Nevada.** Boar Island

**Berry, Steve.** The 14th Colony

**Black, Lisa.** That Darkness

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** The Cavendon Luck

**Brennan, Allison.** Poisonous

**Carr, Robyn.** What We Find

**Cussler, Clive.** The Emperor's Revenge (The Oregon Files)

**Daheim, Mary.** Here Comes the Bribe

**Davidson, MaryJanice.** Danger, Sweetheart

**DeLillo, Don.** Zero K

**Deveraux, Jude.** The Girl from Summer Hill

**Erdrich, Louise.** LaRose

**Evanovich, Janet & Lee Goldberg.** The Pursuit: A Fox and O'Hare Novel

**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** All Summer Long

**Furst, Alan.** A Hero of France

**Giffin, Emily.** First Comes Love

**Grissom, Kathleen.** Glory Over Everything: Beyond the Kitchen House

**Hamilton, Jane.** The Excellent Lombards

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Crimson Death: An Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter Novel

**Hamilton, Steve.** The Second Life of Nick Mason

**Harris, Charlaine.** Night Shift: A Novel of Midnight, Texas

**Hart, John.** Redemption Road

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Here's to Us

**Hill, Joe.** The Fireman

**Howard, Linda** Troublemaker

**Johansen, Iris.** Hide Away

**Kava, Alex.** Reckless Creed

**King, Laurie R.** The Murder of Mary Russell

**King, Stephen.** End of Watch

**Lindsey, Johanna.** Make Me Love You

**Lippman, Laura.** Wilde Lake

**Martini, Steve.** Blood Flag: A Paul Madriani Novel

**McCrumb, Sharyn.** Prayers the Devil Answers

**McMillan, Terry.** I Almost Forgot About You

**Meltzer, Brad.** The House of Secrets

**Michaels, Fern.** Fast and Loose

**Miller, Linda Lael.** Once a Rancher

**Mosley, Walter.** Charcoal Joe: An Easy Rawlins Mystery

**Page, Katherine Hall.** The Body in the Wardrobe

**Patterson, James.** 15th Affair

**Patterson, James.** Private Rio

**Pratchett, Terry & Stephen Baxter.** Long Cosmos

**Preston, Douglas.** Beyond the Ice Limit: A Gideon Crew Novel

**Proulx, Annie.** Barkskins

**Quick, Amanda.** 'Til Death Do Us Part

**Quindlen, Anna.** Miller's Valley

**Roberts, Nora.** The Obsession

**Roby, Kimberla Lawson.** A Sinful Calling

**Rollins, James.** War Hawk

**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Inherits a Mess

**Russo, Richard.** Everybody's Fool

**Sandford, John.** Extreme Prey

**Scottoline, Lisa.** Most Wanted

**Sittenfeld, Curtis.** Eligible: A Modern Retelling of Pride and Prejudice

**Smith, Wilbur.** Predator

**Steel, Danielle.** The Apartment

**Thor, Brad.** Foreign Agent: A Thriller

**Tyler, Anne.** Vinegar Girl

**Viets, Elaine.** The Art of Murder: A Dead-End Job Mystery

**Weisberger, Lauren.** Love in a Short White Dress

**Woods, Stuart.** Family Jewels

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# TEENSPACE

## APRIL AND MAY EVENTS 2016

Wednesday, April 6, 2016 – Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt – 3:30 p.m (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Wednesday, April 27, 2016 – Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center – start time 3:45 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Wednesday, May 4, 2016 – Teen Advisory Council – 4:30 p.m (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – End-of-the-School-Year-Party – 3:30 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Wednesday, May 18, 2016 – Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center – start time 3:45 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)

## TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM EVENTS 2016 "READ FOR THE WIN"

Saturday, June 4, 2016 – Summer Reading Kickoff – All participants who sign up on this day will get a chance to enter to win a $50 gift card.
Wednesday, June 8, 2016 – Space Jam Movie/Trivia (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2–4 p.m.
Wednesday, June 15, 2016 – Life-Size Pac-Man (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2–4 p.m.
Wednesday, June 22, 2016 – Free Play (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2–4 p.m
Wednesday, June 29, 2016 – Performer Yo-Yo Matt (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2–4 p.m.
**Friday, July 1, 2016 – LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS**
Wednesday, July 6, 2016 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party (Game Day) 2–4 p.m.

**To register for any of our spring programs, please call 618-433-2872. Registration for summer programming starts on Saturday, June 4, 2016, at our Alton Square location.**

# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays.
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 4 & 5

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## *How Do They Get There?*

Have you ever wondered how that new bestseller goes from a pre-publication review to the Forthcoming List? Or how that movie you meant to see at the theater ends up as a DVD on our shelf? This progression is months in the making, and the process is executed by numerous staff members

The first step requires Katie, Assistant Director of Library Services/Collection Development Manager, to comb through hundreds of book, DVD, and music reviews in magazines, blogs, and websites. Hoping to find a wide range of genres (and not just bestsellers) for Hayner's collection, she also fields materials suggestions from staff members.

One little-known fact about this process is that Katie welcomes recommendations from the public, as well. Patrons who are enthusiastic about their literary tastes can go to our website under "Services" and "Recommend a Purchase."

Several times a week, Katie compiles a list of items for purchase that she feels, from her years of experience, will be of interest to Hayner's patrons. When the lists are ready, she sends them on to Theresa, a member of the Technical Services department.

Because these pre-publication reviews come out months in advance, we have to keep a log of our orders, and one of Theresa's many duties is to input all of this information into a spreadsheet. This helps us keep track of what items we have purchased and when they were ordered, and also helps prevent duplicate acquisitions This spreadsheet also helps Katie compile the Forthcoming List that so many patrons have come to look forward to! Following this step, the list is uploaded to Hayner's primary bookseller for pre-order

Once we have our materials pre-ordered, Tara, an acquisitions expert in the Technical Services department, adds "on-order" records to the card catalog. This process allows the public to see that we have ordered a particular item and permits them to place an early hold on it.

When the pre-ordered items finally get close to their release date and are delivered to the library, the Technical Services department springs into action again. The materials are unpacked and checked against the packing slips and are then ready for cataloging.

To make a very long and technical explanation short, cataloging is the process of generating bibliographic records for a book, DVD, or music CD, in which access points are created for finding that particular item in an online card catalog. The access points referred to are title, author, page numbers, edition, size, and subject headings

Creating and choosing the right bibliographic record to attach to an item ensures that patrons get the exact book or movie they want. For instance, there are many editions of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, and you may want only the first edition; or you may want to know that you're ordering the 1969 version of *The Italian Job* instead of the remake from 2003. Lauren, the Assistant Director of Acquisitions, Cataloging and Processing, creates or edits those bibliographic records and then chooses an appropriate call number for the item

Once this process is finalized, the piece is sent on to Theresa or Geralyn, members of Hayner's processing staff. They add identifying stamps, spine labels, and book covers, and finally create the card catalog record. This record helps the patrons and staff identify the call number, the material type, and the section of the library where the book or DVD is housed, that is, the adult section, KidsSpace, or TeenSpace.

Finally, the item goes back to Tara, who creates a barcode and adds an RFID security tag. The finished products are then sent to the Downtown and Alton Square locations, ready to be checked out and enjoyed by you!

**DID YOU KNOW?**

In an effort to keep the holds queue moving once the materials have arrived, Hayner participates in a book leasing program through Baker & Taylor Booksellers. Rather than purchasing multiple copies of a particular bestseller, we typically lease up to

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**HOW DO THEY GET THERE? (cont.)**

eight additional copies, depending on how large the holds list is

This approach gets those really popular items out to more of our patrons and helps to move through that list faster. Once the excitement over a title has died down and the holds queue has been fulfilled, Hayner can return all of these materials to the bookseller. This saves the District money and shelf space!

**DID YOU KNOW?**

Hayner has a book repair expert on staff! Geralyn saves the District a significant amount of money each year by repairing books that have been damaged. Rather than our having to replace these materials, Geralyn does a beautiful job of recovering and rebinding them!

## *Native Plant Garden at Downtown Library*

An Alton Community Service League Beautification Grant was awarded to Hayner Library to plant the flower boxes in front of the Downtown Library. With this generous gift, Hayner Library has planted native wildflowers in the two beds by the Downtown Library entrance

Native wildflowers that grow well in our area and do well in part sun were selected for the location  You will see various wildflowers that offer different bloom times from April to September. If you are looking for flowers that do well in part sun, you might want to try these native perennials in your garden. Look for the Wild Ones® plant list posted in the garden to learn more about these plants. Also, a plant list is available inside the library along with related books on the subject of native plants.

Why plant native plants? Native plants are adapted to our climate and soils, and once established, they require very little maintenance. They provide caterpillars and other beneficial insects for nesting birds, as well as vital food for butterflies and pollinators  Natives live longer than non-native species and are naturally resistant to drought, pests, and disease.

Hayner Library is doing its part to promote biodiversity by increasing conservation awareness of native plants and their effective use in urban landscapes. So try a few natives in your garden.

The birds will love it, and so will you!

## *Gardening Classes for July and August*

Now that the days are longer and warmer, and your garden is flourishing, it is a good time to observe the activity taking place there. Pollinators of all sorts should be busy at work, making it possible to have produce to harvest. Bounty from your summer garden also includes SEEDS for the following spring!  Learn how to harvest and store seeds over winter. Herbs will be ready to dry and preserve, and put into butters and oils

So come join us for more gardening fun at Hayner Library!

- **Pollinators.** Charlie Pitts, Master Naturalist, will be presenting a class on pollinators. Bees, both native and honeybees, are great pollinators. The class will focus on how important pollinators are for our everyday foods. Come learn how to invite these pollinators into your garden. **Wednesday, July 13, 6:30 p.m.**

- **Herbs and Their Uses.** Crystal Moore Stevens of La Vista CSA Farm will be teaching this class. Crystal will have herb seeds and transplants for the class. You will learn about methods of drying and freezing your herbs, and how to make herb butters and herb olive oils. **Tuesday, August 16, 6:30 p.m.**

- **Seed Saving.** Michelle Berg Vogel of the McCully Heritage Project will teach how to collect, label, and store seeds from this year's garden plants. Learn what plants are best for seed saving, and the methods to save and store seeds. Your saved seed can then be used for next year's garden; saving you money and giving you the satisfaction of watching your seeds grow into next year's vegetables! **Wednesday, August 24, 6:30 p.m.**

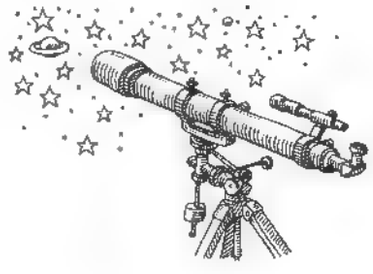
Classes will be held in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square Library location. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Class size limited to 20

## *Don't Forget the Telescopes!*

Don't forget that The Hayner Public Library District has telescopes for patrons to check out at both locations  Each telescope captures the equivalent amount of light of 250 human eyes. Each has a zoom eyepiece, which gives a range of magnifications from 20- to 60-power and provides a large field of view spanning from one degree to over two degrees. You will be able to obtain clear observations of the craters on our Moon, Jupiter and its moons, Saturn and its rings, and the brighter star clusters and nebulae.

The telescopes may be checked out for up to seven days by adult Hayner Library cardholders. Please be aware that after seven days, the telescope is considered overdue and a fine of $5 per day will be assessed. A picture ID must also be presented, and a refundable $50 deposit is required for checkout. The telescopes come with a learning kit, and we will give you an overview of how to start your moon- and stargazing. Be sure to check out some books to brush up on your knowledge, as well.

If you'd just like to see and use a telescope without checking one out, please check our "Special Events" section of the newsletter. There are two events coming up this summer and fall where you can see the moon or the sun in all their glory



Come rent a telescope today!

## Computer Classes

*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers***
**(Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, July 27, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, August 3, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars
**Part 1**
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse
**Part 2**
• Windows: Desktop/Taskbar/Start Menu/ Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents
*If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.

**Internet Basics (Class limit: 12) ****
**August 3, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to Web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information
**This class has gone from 2 parts to 1 part. The job portion offered in previous classes is now a separate class

**Job Search Tips**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**August 17, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is designed to give people searching for employment some tips to send them in the right direction. We will use various job listing websites to learn how to search for employment listings, and the basics of filling in electronic job applications. Resume and job interview tips will be included. We will NOT actually apply for jobs or create a resume

**Microsoft Word for Beginners**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, August 31, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, September 7, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions
**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns
• Printing/Indenting/Tabs
**Part 2**
• Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/ Formatting Pictures • Templates

**Flash Drives and Saving Files**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**September 14, 6 p.m.—8 p.m.**
Flash Drives, USB Drives, Thumb Drives, they're all the same thing. In this class you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

**Computer Maintenance and Security**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**September 21, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Explore your computer's Control Panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablet for this class

## Summer Social Media

*Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

**Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, July 30, 10 a.m.–12 noon**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

**Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, August 20, 10 a.m.–12 noon**
This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter**
**(Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, September 17, 10 a.m.–12 noon**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets

## e-Book and e-Audio Help

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, librarians Jean Shimunek and Miriam Lozano will conduct a class on Saturday, August 6, 2016, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Bring your personal reading device so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have

## *Mississippi Earthtones Festival 10th Anniversary*

The Mississippi Earthtones Festival, co-organized by Alton Main Street and the Sierra Club, is a celebration of our river through art, music, and conservation. The 10th Annual event falls on September 17th and promises to attract thousands of people to Broadway, where the street will be closed to traffic between Alton Street (Mineral Springs Mall) and Langdon Street (Pedestrian Bridge) from noon to 10 p.m Genealogy & Local History Manager Lacy McDonald and Downtown Library Manager Penny Noble will represent The Hayner Public Library District at the event.

Lacy will share historical photographs and books on the relationship between the Mighty Mississippi and the Riverbend area. Penny will bring an Orion StarBlast 4.5" Reflector telescope and teach visitors about our telescope program. Telescopes are made available through a partnership between Hayner and The Nature Institute Astronomy Association and can be checked out from either the Downtown Library or the Alton Square Mall branch.

Lacy and Penny will also be able to sign people up for library cards at the event. Just using the library to borrow books, movies, and music CDs instead of buying them helps the environment by reducing the amount of raw materials needed to make these items. But if you want to be more deliberately green, we've got the resources for you! Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek has created lists highlighting books in our collection that deal with environmental sustainability. We have resources on everything from recycling to native plants to energy-saving home design. We will even have some of these books available for checkout from the Hayner table on the day of the festival!

The Hayner table will be up from noon until 6 p m., so please come visit us! For more information on the festival, visit the Alton Main Street website, http://www altonmainstreet.org/page/mississippi-earthtones-festival/ or the Earthtones Festival Facebook page, www.facebook.com/EarthtonesFestival.

## *New – Adult Summer Reading*

Why should kids have all the fun? Join us this summer for our new Adult Summer Reading Program From August 1 to August 31, Hayner Library patrons ages 18 and older are invited to join in the summer reading fun—and a chance to win a Kindle Fire and a $25 Amazon.com gift card! Registration and participation are easy. Simply visit either Hayner Library Downtown or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and fill out a short registration form. For each book, e-Book, audiobook, or e-Audiobook you read, you get a chance to enter a drawing for the grand prize. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! A winner will be selected at both the Downtown and Alton Square locations on September 1. Happy summer reading!

## *2nd Annual Sidewalk Solar Party at Hayner Library – Downtown*

Last year's event was such a success, the library is doing it again! With the generous help and time of Eddie Agha, Staff Astronomer at The Nature Institute, The Hayner Public Library District is hosting the 2nd Annual Sidewalk Solar Party on October 10, 2016, at the pocket park next to the downtown library. Starting at 10·00 a.m., participants will be able to view the sun through a special solar telescope made to view the sun safely. If the weather cooperates, everyone should be able to view the sun and its many wonders, including solar prominences and dark spots. Let Eddie guide you through the special aspects of our great yellow dwarf star, the sun. Bring the whole family to see the sun as you have never seen it before! Light refreshments will be served. Registration is required at 1-800-613-3163, since space is limited.

## *Thank You Dollar General for Supporting Summer Reading!*

A heartfelt thank-you to Dollar General Corporation for their support of The Hayner Public Library District's Summer Reading Program 2016, "Read for the Win." The $500 grant from Dollar General will be used for incentives and rewards that indicate young patrons have reached certain benchmarks on their way to the reading goals.

Dollar General has been supporting literacy since 1993 and has awarded over $120 million in grants to nonprofit organizations, helping more than 7.3 million individuals take their first steps toward literacy or continued education.

Programming and events associated with the summer program can be found on the library website

## *Hellrung Family Contribution*

Hayner Library has been the fortunate recipient of an international doll collection housed in its own distinctive cabinet, donated by Laura Hellrung, longtime Alton resident.

Herb and Laura Hellrung were married August 17, 1946. They raised six children in Alton and owned and operated Hellrung Construction.

The Hellrungs began traveling extensively through Europe and the Far East in 1956. It was during this time that they began to collect dolls in many of the countries they visited. Friends gave them a lovely Victorian cabinet in which Laura proudly displayed the collection She remembers how excited her grandchildren would get each time they saw the dolls when they visited.

Now in her nineties, Laura has decided to downsize, and she wanted the doll collection to be in a place where children of all ages could enjoy it. This unique collection and its beautiful cabinet are now located in the KidsSpace at Hayner Library's Alton Square location.

**Laura Hellrung and a daughter, Mary Pat Venardos, with the donated doll collection.**

# KIDSSPACE
## SUMMER 2016 ACTIVITIES

### Alton Square Activities

**Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Children will hear stories, sing songs, and do crafts that reflect the weekly theme. Meeting dates are Mondays, August 22, September 12, and September 19, 2016, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881.

**Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, August 25, September 1, September 8, September 15, September 22, and September 29, 2016, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881.

**Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: August 29, and September 26, 2016. Please register at 433-2881.

**Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos! Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting date in September is: Thursday, September 8, 2016, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please register at 433-2881.

### Downtown Activities

**Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5 This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, August 22, August 29, September 12, September 19, and September 26, 2016. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

**Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Ms Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m on Tuesdays, August 23, August 30, September 6, September 13, September 20, and September 27, 2016. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

**After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m on Tuesday, September 20, 2016. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

# TEENSPACE
## AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2016 ACTIVITIES

**Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender.com Community Center**
Come join the fun after school for Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release, and pizza is on the menu! Our first movie will be Wednesday, September 21, 2016, at 3:45 p m. To register or for dates, call Shannon at 433-2872.

**Book, Books, & More Books**
Hey, Teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meetings will be held at Riverbender.com Community Center Library. Our first club date is Wednesday, September 7, 2016, at 4 p.m Everyone is welcome! For more information or to get dates, call Shannon at 433-2872

**Chopped Competition**
Come join us for this fun food competition at the Riverbender.com Community Center. Groups of teens will be given a mystery basket full of different types of food with which they will have to create an edible snack. This program will take place on Wednesday, September 14, 2016, at 4 p.m.

## *Animal Tales*

Come Join Animal Tales on Saturday, August 27, at 11 a.m in the Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square. This program is for all ages and is sponsored by Hayner Public Library and funded by Heartland Baptist Church of Alton. Animal Tales will feature live, exotic wildlife from all over the world that possess unique abilities. Enhanced adaptations for sight, sound, touch, strength, and movement allow these animals to overcome otherwise impossible barriers.

## *Get Your Tickets Now!*

Dogs of Society, the Ultimate Elton Rock Tribute, delivers all the notes, licks, beats and harmonies of classic 1970's Elton, just like your favorite vinyl, BUT ALL LIVE!

November 10th at Hatheway Cultural Center on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College. Tickets are $20 and go on sale July 15th. Proceeds from this concert support scholarships for music production students and music ensembles at Lewis and Clark. For ticket information go to www.dogsofsociety.com or call the music office at Lewis and Clark Community College (618) 468-4731.

The Lewis & Clark Music Department is a great partner and supporter of the Hayner Library Performance Series, and we hope all our patrons can enjoy this exciting concert! Who doesn't love Elton John??

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our summer 2016 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163 Unless otherwise stated, all programs u ill be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill*

**Saturday, July 9**

**Saturday, August 13**

**Saturday, September 10**

**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## Ben Bedford
## *The Pilot and the Flying Machine: Songs of the Journey*

**Tuesday, July 12, 6:30 p.m.**

In July of 2010, Bedford was named one of the "50 most significant Folk singer-songwriters of the past 50 years" by Rich Warren of WFMT-Chicago. A popular return performer to the Hayner Library concert series, Ben has based this program on his newest album, *The Pilot and the Flying Machine*, with all songs dealing with some sort of journey, whether it is physical, philosophical, or emotional. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are now two-part They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street*

***From the Courthouse to the Church: Using Official Records***

**July 14 & 21**

***All That's Fit to Print & More: Newspaper Research***

**August 11 & 18**

***Where We've Lived: Researching Property***

**September 8 & 15**

**10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## David Wolfe
## *Benjamin Franklin: An Interpretation*

**Tuesday, July 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Benjamin Franklin was one of the Founding Fathers of the United States. A renowned polymath, Franklin was a leading author, printer, political theorist, politician, Freemason, postmaster, scientist, inventor, civic activist, statesman, and diplomat. Join us for this fascinating character portrayal of one of the most famous Americans of our history. Register at 800-613-3163.

## *Color Me Stress Free*

**July 25, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

*Note: This event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Adult coloring night. Come color with us and enjoy great company. Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two Stay the whole time or a portion We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils Of course, you may bring your own supplies Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Good Credit: How to Get It and Keep It*

**Tuesday, July 26, 6:30–7:30 p.m.**

*Note: This event u ill be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

In this free presentation of Scott Credit Union's community outreach program, a representative will help you learn how credit scores can help or harm you, how to establish good credit, and ways to fix your credit history Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## John C. Guenther, FAIA, LEEP AP
## *The Lodge That Levis Built – Architect Preston J. Bradshaw's Vision for a Magnate*

**Wednesday, July 27, 6:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

Perched high atop the bluffs of the Mississippi River north of Alton is a remarkable little structure referred to as "the Tea House" by locals and "the Lodge" by its architect, Preston J. Bradshaw. Bradshaw designed the Lodge for Charles Levis of Owens-Illinois Glass Company in 1934, and it shares many characteristics with buildings designed by Bernard Maybeck for Principia College. St. Louis architect John Guenther, who has designed and planned various buildings on the campus of Principia since 1995, will discuss the architectural design, materials, colors, and textures of this bluff-top pavilion just visible from the River Road. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Moon Party*

**Monday, August 15, 7–8:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the pocket park next to the downtown library, 326 Belle Street, Alton.*

Join The Hayner Public Library District and The Nature Institute Astronomy Association's own Eddie Agha for a special event to see the moon and stars as you've never seen them before. Eddie will start with a short presentation on what will be seen when using the telescopes. Then we will begin viewing the moon with the telescopes available for rent from the library, and Eddie will bring one of his own special telescopes, which has a higher magnification to view the stars Both

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children and adults will love this! Light snacks and drinks will be provided. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass

**Tuesday, August 16, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two Presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more" . . . and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Michael Silverman and the Bach to the Future Band *The Bach That Rocks*

**Thursday, September 8, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Hatheway Cultural Center on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill. It is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College.*

Imagine the classics—Bach, Beethoven, Mozart—performed in exciting new ways . . . modern jazz, African, and Latin rhythms. Bach to the Future brings an exciting, whimsical approach to the most beloved music of all time, and some of the most interesting cutting-edge instruments you'll ever see. How about a Drumitar? An electric violin that glows when you play it? All four players are world-renowned performers, best-selling authors, and highly acclaimed composers. This is a show you won't want to miss! Bach to the Future—The Bach That Rocks! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dave Foraker

**Tuesday, September 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Well known throughout the St. Louis area, Dave pounds the piano, tells stories, and sings the blues. His music is a blend of standards, blues, jazz, and gospel, with each song "bluesified" by his signature vocal style. His stories are culled from a 50-plus-year career in music, often working alongside some of the legends of R&B and the blues. His goal with every performance is to provide encouraging and enlightening entertainment for all ages. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Armchair Traveler: India*

**Thursday, September 22, 2016, 6–7:30 p.m.**

This semi-annual presentation of Armchair Traveler, a program that is fun for all members of the family, will feature the large country of India, or as it is officially known, the Republic of India. India is the seventh-largest country by area, the second-most populous country with over 1.2 billion people, and the most populous democracy in the world. With the help of our patron Caroline Hicks, a native of India and Fiji, we will explore and discover the wonders of India. Pami Singh and Steve Singh, owners/operators of Taj India Cuisine in Edwardsville, Illinois, will serve samples and talk about the Indian cuisine being served. And, if time permits, we will have a taste of Indian music and dancing. Bring the whole family to explore India without ever leaving the U.S.! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Expression: The Musical Experience Summer Concert Series*

The North Alton Godfrey Business Council is bringing back their popular summer concert series. Sponsors include The Hayner Public Library District, Abbey Graphic Design and Support Services, Advantage News, Alton Memorial Hospital, Bold Enterprises, DBA McDonald's Restaurants, Carver's Barbecue, Freer Auto Body, First Mid-America Credit Union, Karen Wilson State Farm Insurance, Liberty Bank, Senior Services Plus, Strategic Consulting Inc and WBGZ. Performing artists and dates are July 13–The Jazz Edge Orchestra, August 16–Sentimental Journey Dance Band, September 14–St. Louis Symphony Ensemble and September 21–The Big Little Big Band with guest artist Gary Dammer. All concerts are free from 7:00–9:00 and will be held at the Alton Senior High Performing Arts Auditorium except the July 13th concert, which will be held at Hatheway Hall, Lewis & Clark Community College.

## *Genealogy & Local History Library Services*

The Genealogy & Local History Library just reached its five-year anniversary, so we wanted to share an overview of services we provide here. This year is also the 125th Anniversary of the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library building, so make sure to check out the Hayner Library Facebook page for posts about events and the books, art, and people that make our library special.

There are some online resources available only at the Genealogy & Local History Library and some that are available at all library locations. The digitized *Telegraph* newspaper from 1836–2012 is accessible from any location. So is the Newspaper Archive, which has copies of newspapers from around the United States and the world.

At the Genealogy Library only, we have Ancestry Library Edition, Heritage Quest, and Sanborn fire insurance maps. Sanborn maps are large-scale plans containing data that can be used to estimate the potential risk for urban structures. This includes information such as the outline of each building, the size, shape, and construction materials, heights, and function of structures, and location of windows and doors. The maps also give street names, street and sidewalk widths, property boundaries, building use, and house and block numbers. Seven or eight different editions represent some areas. We have access to various dates in the 1800s and 1900s for all of Illinois. The earliest date for Alton is 1885.

Appointments to do genealogy research with a staff member are free! Just give us a call to set up a time.

We have a microfilm/microfiche reader, which also makes printouts. You can even bring in your own microfilm to read.

We have yearbooks from Alton High School, Marquette, Western Military Academy, Monticello Seminary, Shurtleff College, and various middle school and elementary schools. All of our high school yearbooks have been digitized, so we can provide paper or digital copies of pictures in the yearbooks. This is especially great for enlarging portraits. And the digital copies are going online soon and will be available to anyone anywhere through www.archive.org.

We provide information on properties for homeowners, researchers, and occasionally Realtors. We received 300 files from the Alton Area Landmarks Association in 2004 and now have approximately 3,000 addresses. We very much enjoy partnering with AALA, and the Genealogy & Local History Library was part of the 2015 Alton Area Landmarks Association House Tour.

We compile and maintain vertical files for many local history subjects. Often, we turn these files into books for the Illinois Room collection. They're indexed before going on the shelf so that you can find information in them the way you would with a published book.

We copy scrapbooks for our collection from local organizations like Alton Little Theater, the YWCA, and the Community Service League. If you are in an organization that keeps records, we want these from you! We're happy to make copies and return the originals. We're also always willing to give talks to various organizations, so keep us in mind if you need a speaker. The topic can be genealogy or local history related (and we take requests). We also have a phenomenal audio tour that provides stories and background information on all of our displays and artwork. It can be taken at any time in the library.

We hold in-house programs and educational classes throughout the year, like our Branching Out genealogy classes and architecture talks. We also hold events for students and have helped Girl Scout and Boy Scout troops working on Genealogy badges. In April we had classes of 6th and 8th graders from the City Garden Montessori School in St. Louis come do research for a Heritage Scrapbook project. We have created a local history suitcase for teachers (available soon for checkout from Alton Square) and will be hosting a summer workshop, *Integrating Primary Sources to Teach Local History in the Elementary Classroom*, offered by SIUE, the Alton School District, and the Madison County Recorder's office.

This is just a snapshot of what we work on here in the Genealogy & Local History Library, so please get in touch if you want more information about any aspect of our work (462-0677). And in December we will also have a special open house to celebrate 125 years of this beautiful building, so we hope to see you there!

### *New in Our Illinois Room*

Advanced Genealogy Research Techniques IR 929.1072 MOR
Alton Children's Theater Scrapbook 1960–2007 IR 792.0977386 ALT
Alton Rotary Club: 50 Years, 1921–1971 IR 366 ROT
Alton Telegraph Stories of the Year 1969–2010 IR 977.386 ALT
Boys & Girls Club of Alton, Inc. Great Futures Annual Dinner April 12, 2016 IR 977.386 BOY
Centenary and Dedication of New Church, November fifth, 1961, St. Michael Church, Michael, Illinois IR 282 773853 CEN
Eminence, Illinois: A Research Project IR 977.384 WAR
Family History and Reflections on David Apple, M.D. IR 929.2 APPLE
Grafton Telephone Directories, 1959–1980, 1987–1989, 1992, 1993, 1996 IR 977.3855 GRA
Grand Army of the Republic· GAR records for the county of Williamson, Illinois IR 977 3993 LIN
Hiking Illinois (Second Edition) IR 508 773 POS
The Horn Family: From the Rhineland to the Prairie IR 929.2 HORN
Hotel Stratford Building Plans 1901, 1996, 2006 IR 977.386 HOT
Hotel Stratford: Economic Impact Analysis IR 977.386 HOT
Hotel Stratford National Register of Historic Places Registration Form IR 977.386 HOT
Illinois History Teacher, Volume 12:1 2005 – School Segregation in Southern Illinois: Alton School Case, 1897–1908 IR 379 263 ILL
Illinois State Library Heritage Project 1839–2013 IR 027.5773 EME
The Making of an All-America City: East St. Louis at 150 IR 977 389 MAK
The St. Louis Zoo Album, 1960 IR 977.866 STL
Those Left Behind: Cemeteries in the Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge, Williamson County, Illinois IR 977.3993 LIN

## *Famous Footprints*

Famous visitors began appearing early in Alton history. They came for many reasons including campaign tours, promotion of religious or cultural ideas, and humanitarian efforts. Many appeared as guest speakers for local organizations and schools. Several political dignitaries have made footprints in the mud to view destruction caused by floods.

In 1867 American poet **Ralph Waldo Emerson** came to Alton to give a lecture to benefit the Alton Library Association. Emerson's brother, Dr William S. Emerson, was a local physician who was also instrumental in the establishment of Alton's Unitarian Church Other famous dignitaries who traveled to Alton to give lectures during this period were *New York Times* journalist and editor **Horace Greely** and American lecturer **Anna Dickinson**

**Abraham Lincoln** walked along the Alton streets and stayed in Alton many times before his famous senatorial debate with **Stephen Douglas**. The debate happened on the steps of the old City Hall building that stood in full architectural splendor on the site of downtown's Lincoln-Douglas Square Lincoln was close friends with Alton resident U.S. Senator Lyman Trumbull. He visited the Trumbull home, among other places in Alton, on many occasions before his presidency.

**Charles Lindbergh** had an emergency landing field and mail relay station on the Godfrey farm of William Walters. Lindbergh was also a member of the Alton Aeronautical Club that was organized in 1925 In 2001, the relay station was restored and moved to a dedication site next to the Godfrey Village Hall

Traveling evangelist **Aimee Semple McPherson**, who is known as the founder of the Foursquare Gospel Church, held revivals and healing services in Alton between 1920 and 1927. During one visit she was said to have baptized nearly 90 people in the Mississippi River at the foot of Henry Street.

**Amelia Earhart** visited the Monticello Seminary, now Lewis & Clark Community College, in October 1933. She charmed her audience with a lecture titled "The Fun of Flying" as she spoke about her experiences as a female pilot. While in Alton, she lodged at the Stratford Hotel.

**Tom Mix**, American film actor in the early 1900s, brought the Tom Mix Circus to Alton in May 1938. Despite heavy rains and muddy ground, the circus set up tents on Henry Street and held their evening performances to the delight of a large crowd. During the afternoon, he had attended a children's May Day party at the Elks Club.

On the afternoon of March 1, 1965, **Pearl Buck**, Nobel Prize-winning author, walked into the Hayner Public Library unexpectedly and hand-delivered a signed copy of her new book, *The Joy of Children*, to the surprised librarian, David Holt. This book is still an esteemed piece of the Illinois Room collection.

In 1974 **Colonel Sanders**, founder of the Kentucky Fried Chicken franchise, visited the second-grade classroom at Gilson Brown Elementary School. He gave a quick speech to the students about the importance of staying in school, and then, like a fine Southern gentleman, he graciously kissed the hand of teacher Mary Wiley before his departure.

During a presidential campaign tour for her husband, **Nancy Reagan** visited the Alton Catholic Children's Home and participated in a Halloween party on October 29, 1984 Local newspaper articles reported she was well received by the kids, who said they enjoyed her gentle disposition, her nice clothes, and the big car she arrived in, an Oldsmobile 98'

**Maya Angelou**, poet, author, and civil rights activist, came to Alton during 1987 to be the narrator in a film being produced about Elijah P Lovejoy Parts of the film, *The Vigil: Remembering Lovejoy*, were shot in the city cemetery. Sexton Bette Flactiff was asked to close the entire cemetery while filming was underway

During the Flood of '93, billionaire **Ross Perot** stopped at the Alton Salvation Army on July 19. Perot donated $1 million to the organization to help flood victims He promised another million if private citizens would match the donation. Despite his efforts to avoid the press, he spoke briefly to reporters and Alton Mayor Bob Towse.

Among other famous dignitaries who have walked the streets of Alton was **Zebulon Pike**, the man responsible for discovering Pike's Peak in Colorado. Famed explorer and aviator **Rear Admiral Richard Byrd** spoke to Alton High School students in 1936 And world heavyweight championship boxer **"Gentleman Jim" Corbett** came to Alton in the early 20th century to square off with a local glassblower of Illinois Glass. When the two men entered the ring, they were wearing dress pants, white dress shirts, and boxing gloves.

Many presidential candidates came through Alton on campaign tours over the years. Some of these political figures included **Franklin D. Roosevelt**, who came in 1937. **Adlai Stevenson** visited in 1952 as an honored guest of Delta Sigma Chi. In 1960 **John F. Kennedy** spoke at Lincoln-Douglas Square. During a whistle-stop campaign in 1976 **Gerald Ford** made a stop at the College Avenue Amtrak station. **George H. W. Bush** rallied at Alton Square in 1988

**President Barack Obama**, while a member of the Illinois Senate, held a public town hall meeting at Lewis & Clark Community College in 2005.

**Jimmy Carter** never actually walked on city soil, but he cruised through the Alton Lock & Dam in the early morning hours of August 24, 1979, aboard the Delta Queen paddleboat. He greeted an enthusiastic crowd who waited along the fence surrounding the locks.

**Theodore Roosevelt**'s first visit in 1907 was also by way of boat along the Mississippi River, but Teddy was preoccupied in the pilot house, and he forgot to wave at the shore-side crowd. Three years later in 1910 he returned to Alton by railroad. During this quick visit, he made sure to shake hands, speak to the crowd, and wave as he pulled away from the depot. It appeared he had redeemed himself in the eyes of Alton citizens

—Pam Bierman

## *Fourth Annual Library Card Drive!*

This year's library card drive will be held from Small Business Saturday through the next Saturday (Nov. 26–Dec. 3, 2016) to encourage residents to shop locally for the holidays. During this week, select businesses in Alton, Godfrey, and Fosterburg will offer a discount or other incentive to customers showing their Hayner library cards, so make sure to check the next Hayner newsletter or our website for the list of local businesses who are offering discounts! Own or manage a local business? We would love to include you in this event!

If you would like to participate, please contact Lacy McDonald at 618-433-2859 or lacy.mcdonald@haynerlibrary.org.

## *Authors and Their Pets*

Five years ago, because of physical problems, I had to give up my beloved homebound program for Hayner Library It was decided that I would develop a volunteer program and write new mystery lists as well as articles for Hayner's newsletters.

During that time I would also write e-mails to authors and ask questions about their lives and books Many authors that I wrote to responded happily to my requests. We developed good e-mail friendships. Loving my English Springer Spaniel, Lulu, made me wonder how many authors had pets. So I wrote to them and asked them questions about their pets Their response was great.

Immediately I thought of mystery author Carolyn Haines. Carolyn writes a great mystery series featuring Sarah Booth Delaney. Sarah Booth Delaney is an unconventional Southern belle. Unwed and over 30, she excels as a private investigator. She's the hottest detective in Zinnia, Mississippi, but in this cozy mystery series, solving mysteries isn't all she's up against. She juggles an acting career, handsome men, and a bossy antebellum ghost.

Carolyn is a huge lover of rescued animals. She even has a cookbook from which she donates all the money made to an animal rescue group This is what she wrote to me when I asked her about her pets·

*Well, you have hit the jackpot on an author with pets I run an animal rescue, and I have cats, dogs, and horses. Just like Sarah Booth, only I have MORE I am adjusting to the loss of two of my wonderful animal family members. Coal Shaft (who Pluto was patterned on) died in early February He had diabetes and a number of health issues, but he was such a huge part of my day. I miss him a lot.*

*Mirage, my 35-year-old horse I had from the day she was born, also died in February. She was tired. The vet thought she'd had a stroke. I have four horses, and every day when I go down to the barn to feed, I almost can't stand it Because I'm deeply involved in rescue work, I know the hardships of loving animals. Especially those who have not had a good start in life. But those hardships are off-set with so much love and joy.*

*Today, I have 9 dogs, 8 cats, and 4 horses. At my age, this is enough. But I take care of them myself every day (with a little help from my friends when I must be out of town). They set the rhythm for my day. I get up and feed Kinky, the old, old kitty, then the horses, then the dogs (if I feed the dogs first they like to run to the swamp at the bottom of my pasture and go hog wild). The day is sectioned into writing, reading, and doing things with different animals. I love this It keeps my day sane, and by bedtime, we're all ready for sleep.*

*If you are a pet owner, please, please spay and neuter your pets It's healthier for them and for you And please never buy a dog or cat There are dozens of breed specific rescues and tons of wonderful mixed breed pets at local shelters or rescues. If owners would only spay and neuter, in a few years, there would not be the suffering there is now for unwanted pets.*

Thank you, Ms. Haines.

—Stephanie Munson

## *Volunteer Biography— Rosemary Lynn Ruedin*

Rosemary Lynn Macias was born at St. Joseph's Hospital in Alton, Ill. She grew up in Godfrey in a small house on the corner of St Ambrose Drive and Walter Street. At this time there was only farmland surrounding their home. While she was growing up she was able to watch the Beltline, later renamed Homer Adams Parkway, being built. She also was delighted to watch the new St. Ambrose School, church, and community center being built right across the highway from her house

She lived in a six-room house with her parents and her older brother and younger sister. She played dolls, rode her bike, and played ball in her neighborhood. In the winter months the children would go to an ice pond across the field and ice skate.

Rosemary graduated from St Ambrose grade school and attended Alton High School She was in the Office Occupation program. In this program she went to school a half day and worked the afternoons in an office at Rock Spring Golf Course as a secretary After she graduated from high school, she went to work at Alton Banking and Trust, later known as the Wedge bank.

She met her husband, Richard Ruedin, in high school, and four years after Richard graduated from college they were married. They raised their son and two daughters in the Alton area and are very proud of them. They also have eight adorable grandchildren who make being a grandparent a wonderful job, she says

Rosemary worked as a secretary at St. Ambrose School for 14 years. She retired in 2001 to take care of her mother. After her mother passed away and the children were gone, she missed the schoolchildren. She needed to fill that void in her life.

We were lucky enough to get her 12 years ago. She asked if she could help with story times. She was welcomed and has been loved by many. She looks forward to Mondays and Thursdays, seeing all the children come as babies and watching them over the years graduate to kindergarten.

Rosemary has some favorite hobbies and activities. She loves to crochet afghans and loves reading, especially biographies. Her favorite was about Princess Diana. She felt that Diana's life was very exciting, but troubling too.

Her favorite activity is traveling to Chicago and Paducah to see her grandchildren.

We are so very proud of Rosemary and grateful for her thousands of hours volunteering with the children of Hayner Library patrons

Bless you, Rosemary

—Stephanie Munson

**Nonfiction—**

**Armstrong, Jennifer Keishin.** Seinfeldia: How a Show About Nothing Changed Everything

**Barry, Dave.** Best State Ever: A Florida Man Defends His Homeland

**Bogle, Donald.** Elizabeth and Michael: The Queen of Hollywood and the King of Pop: A Love Story

**Bolling, Eric.** Wake Up America: The Nine Virtues That Made Our Nation Great—and Why We Need Them More Than Ever

**Brooks, Kix.** Cookin' It with Kix: The Art of Celebrating and the Fun of Outdoor Cooking

**Burnett, Carol.** In Such Good Company: Eleven Years of Laughter, Mayhem, and Fun in the Sandbox

**Byrne, Paula.** Kick: The True Story of JFK's Sister and the Heir to Chatsworth

**Conason, Joe.** Man of the World: The Further Endeavors of Bill Clinton

**de Havilland, Olivia.** Every Frenchman Has One

**D'Souza, Dinesh.** Hillary's America: The Secret History of the Democratic Party

**Dugard, Jaycee.** Freedom: My Book of Firsts

**Escobar, Juan Pablo.** Pablo Escobar: My Father

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**Fish, Stanley.** Winning Arguments: What Works and Doesn't Work in Politics, the Bedroom, the Courtroom, and the Classroom

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**Cussler, Clive.** Pirate

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**Fairstein, Linda.** Killer Look

**Feehan, Christine.** Dark Carousel

**Finder, Joseph.** Guilty Minds

**Galdorisi, George.** Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Scorched Earth

**Graham, Heather.** Deadly Fate

**Gray, Shelley Shepard.** A Sister's Wish (Charmed Amish)

**Green, Jane.** Falling

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**Hannah, Sophie.** Closed Casket: The New Hercule Poirot Novel

**Hiaasen, Carl.** Razor Girl

**Jance, J. A.** Downfall

**Johansen, Iris.** Night and Day

**Johnstone, William.** A Colorado Christmas

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Dragonmark

**Lovesey, Peter.** Another One Goes Tonight

**Macomber, Debbie.** Sweet Tomorrows

**Mallery, Susan.** Daughters of the Bride

**Mayor, Archer.** Presumption of Guilt

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** Chance Developments: Stories

**Mina, Denise.** The Long Drop

**Moriarty, Liane.** Truly Madly Guilty

**Muller, Marcia.** Someone Always Knows

**Neggers, Carla.** Liar's Key

**Novak, Brenda.** The Secrets She Kept

**Patchett, Ann.** Commonwealth

**Patterson, James.** Bullseye (Michael Bennett)

**Patterson, James.** Woman of God

**Pearson, Ridley.** White Bone

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**Perry, Anne.** Revenge in a Cold River: A William Monk Novel

**Phillips, Susan Elizabeth.** First Star I See Tonight

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**Steel, Danielle.** Rushing Waters

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**Towles, Amor.** A Gentleman in Moscow

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## *Illinois History Day*

**By Lacy McDonald**
***Genealogy & Local History Manager***

I am considered something of a history expert. But in just three days, the students who participated in Illinois History Day 2016 taught me a phenomenal amount about the Prairie State

I served as a judge at two regional competitions and at the state level this year. The rules required all projects to be about Illinois, and the national theme was "Exploration, Encounter, Exchange in History." Rocky Fork and the Underground Railroad, Hamilton Primary School, Robert Wadlow, and even My Just Desserts restaurant all made appearances as local history topics.

I was extremely impressed with the projects I saw. These students put so much work into their research: they visited libraries and museums, conducted interviews, and clearly spent hours poring over old newspapers

Illinois is divided into four regions, and Alton is right on the border of two of those regions: Jersey County participates in the Central Region competition at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library in Springfield, and Madison County participates in the Southern Region competition at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Projects judged as superior advance to the state level, also in Springfield. Some projects make it all the way to National History Day in College Park, Maryland.

My friend Amy, an archaeologist with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, joined me as a judge at the Central Region, and Hayner Youth & Young Adult Manager/Education Liaison Sharon Windham accompanied me to State. Judges hailed from all over Illinois and included high school history teachers, Illinois State Museum employees, and college professors.

Everyone was divided into teams of two to review projects, and we had some time to chat before judging started. My State judging partner retired from a long career with the government, working at the IRS and National Weather Service. Sharon's partner had been CFO of the city of Chicago while they built Millennium Park. We ended up learning a lot from students and other judges alike.

When all was said and done, I'd driven 592 miles, visited tourist attractions across the state of Illinois (hello Route 66 Cozy Dog Drive In!), and judged 27 projects. Next year Sharon and I will most likely judge the state competition only, but our goal for this year was to understand what Illinois History Day was about so that Hayner Library can better serve students and teachers in the area who would like to participate in the future

If you would like more information about the process, please let us know!

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays.
**Veterans Day – Nov. 11**
**Thanksgiving – Nov. 24**
**Christmas – Dec. 24, 25, 26**
**New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1**

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## *Be Ready to Vote! Register at Hayner Library*

The Hayner Public Library District offers many services to our patrons—including voter registration. Many members of the library staff are Deputy Registrars, who are able to register patrons to vote. Voter registration is usually available during normal library hours; however, you may wish to call the library at 462-0677 to ensure a Deputy Registrar is on duty before you visit.

The last day to register to vote in the November 2016 election is Tuesday, October 11, 2016. The Hayner Public Library District will offer voter registration all day on Tuesday, October 11, until 8 p.m. at the Downtown Library and 9 p m. at the Alton Square Library.

According to the Madison County Clerk's office, you may register to vote if you are a United States citizen and a resident of your Madison County precinct address for at least 30 days immediately prior to an election.

Patrons who wish to register to vote must furnish two forms of identification, one of which must include your current name and residence address.

Madison County offers Grace Period Registration to voters who miss the registration deadline. Grace Period Registration is offered from the close of registration through Election Day and must be performed at the Madison County Clerk's office in Edwardsville. Voters who participate in Grace Period Registration must also vote at the time of registration

For more information on voter registration, early voting, Grace Period Registration, polling locations, absentee voting, sample ballots, and more, please visit the Madison County Clerk's website at www.madisonvotes.com and click on the *Elections* link.

## *Summer Reading Program 2016*

Young patrons of Hayner Public Library had a wonderful time at this year's Summer Reading Program, "Read for the Win." The KidsSpace staff kept them busy with craft times, performers, movies, puppet shows, and stories.

The program drew in more than 300 kids over six weeks. Each participant was rewarded each week with a prize and a raffle ticket for one of our three grand prizes. At the end of the program participants were treated to a party held at the Alton High School Commons where they were entertained by Laughing Matter. Each participant also received a free book, snacks, and a certificate for all their hard work.

At the End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party a ticket was drawn for each of the three grand prizes. The winner of the Razor and Helmet was Ashley Stoeckel. The winner of the Kindle Fire was Everett Jumper. The winner of the Cardinal Basket was Aubrie Hancock. We hope to see everyone again next year at our 2017 Summer Reading Program, "Read by Design." Congratulations to our winners!

We would also like to thank our sponsors: Alton High Athletics, Marquette Athletics, Dollar General, and Rachel Brady's Creative Dance Studio.

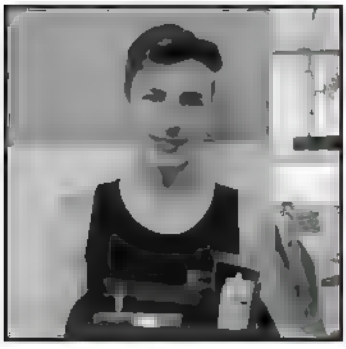
**Ashley Stoeckel**
Razor and Helmet

**Aubrie Hancock**
Cardinal Basket

**Everett Jumper**
Kindle Fire

## 2016 Teen Summer Reading Program "Read for the Win"

The 2016 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Read for the Win," was another great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on their reading for pleasure. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a weekly fun day at the Riverbender.com Community Center. We would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner for the most hours of reading, Tristian Turner. We would also like to thank all the participants. We hope to see everyone back for next year's reading program.



**Tristian Turner**

## An Evening of Classic Elton Benefiting the Lewis & Clark Music Program

**November 10, 2016, 7:30 p.m.**
**Ann Whitney Olin Theatre in The Hatheway Cultural Center**
**Godfrey campus of Lewis & Clark Community College**
**Tickets: $20 General Admission**

You won't want to miss this outstanding benefit concert featuring Dogs of Society–The Ultimate Elton Rock Tribute to be held at Lewis and Clark Community College. This concert kicks off The Dogs of Society Scholarship at L&C with 50 percent of the night's proceeds directly funding this financial resource for L&C music students to further their studies in music production and performance ensembles. Dogs of Society is thrilled to be a part of this initiative to support music education!

Dogs of Society ROCKS the spot-on sounds of classic '70's Elton, with all the heat of the original vinyl, in an ALL-LIVE rock concert experience. The Dogs deliver a rockin' musical experience more faithful to the spirit of the classic Elton John recordings, rather than a flamboyant imitation. With the broad appeal of Elton John's well-loved catalog of hits, The Dogs believe Elton's songs are the star of their show, from smash hits like "Bennie and the Jets" to "Tiny Dancer" and "Crocodile Rock" to deeper cuts like "Funeral for a Friend," "Madman Across the Water," "Mona Lisas & Mad Hatters" and many, many more.

Dogs of Society has ROCKED crowds as large as 8,000 at arenas, large outdoor shows, city-wide celebrations, tribute concert series and national fundraisers, plus SOLD OUT shows at intimate theatre venues. Featuring a killer lineup of accomplished musicians including John Gore as Elton, Steve Johnston, Louis Michael, Curt Shaw, and Dave Johnson, the seasoned pros of Dogs of Society can often be found playing shows throughout the Midwest. The Dogs' Keyboardist, Louis Michael, is also the Music Coordinator and a Professor of Music at Lewis & Clark.

General admission tickets ($20) can be purchased at Riverbender.com or at the Lewis & Clark Community College Music office, 618-468-4731. In commemoration and recognition of Veteran's Day, veterans may purchase half-price advance tickets (available through Veteran Services at LCCC, 618-468-5500).

*The Lewis & Clark Music Department has been a great partner in supporting Hayner's Music Series, and we are happy to help promote this worthy event!*
*For more information, please visit www.dogsofsociety.com.*

## Hayner Cookbooks on Sale!

**In September of 2014 Hayner's first Cookbook, Read 'Em and Eat, was published as a fund-raiser for the library. There are over 900 delicious recipes from our patrons, staff, Facebook fans, and various authors. We are presently offering this book for $15 or 2 for $25. It makes a great gift. With the holidays fast approaching, *Read 'Em and Eat* may be just what you need.**

## Don't Miss Friends of the Library Book Sale!

The next Friends of the Library Book Sale is scheduled for October 14 and 15, 2016. TONS of books of all genres are available at bargain basement prices. The hours for the sale are Friday, October 14, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturday, October 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Friends' building is located at 327 State Street in Alton. Along with books, there are also magazines, videos, and music available.

## Food for Fines

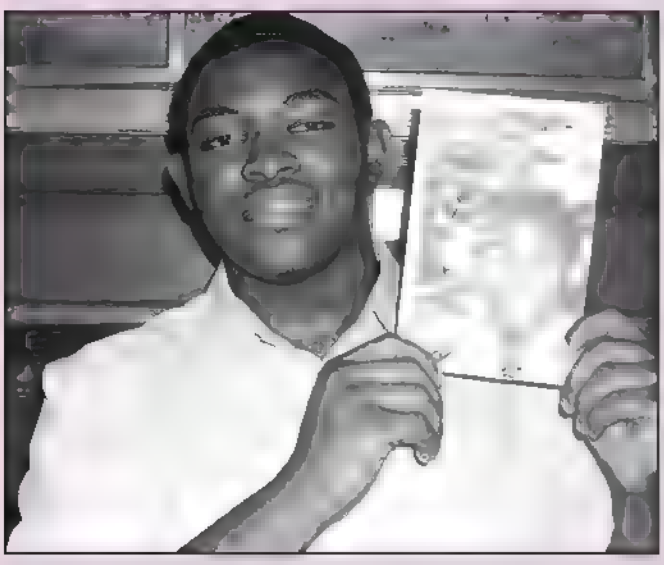
Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period.

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2016, anyone who has an overdue item can pay his or her fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and only Hayner materials are eligible. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

## *America's Chess Board* by James H. Taylor



You may recognize Alton High School Senior James Herschel Taylor from his spot on Season 2 of Genealogy Roadshow. In August 2014, the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library hosted a production team from PBS while they filmed an episode of their nationally syndicated television show. James, who was 14 at the time of the filming, had been involved in researching his own family's genealogy since he was eight years old. Over the years, through contact with extended family members and his own genealogical research, James had traced his family origins back to Mali. James was picked to tell his story on *Genealogy Roadshow* from over 1,000 other applicants. The episode aired in early 2015.

James can now add published author to his list of accomplishments. After nine months of research and writing, *America's Chess Board* came out this August. James is part of the chess club at school and decided to use chess to explain American society. James wanted to write about the relationships of different groups in America and how the history of this country formed the power divisions and shaped the lives of ethnic groups that are here today. He uses the chess pieces—kings, queens, rooks, bishops, knights, and pawns—to represent these groups.

James's parents, James and Berhonda, encouraged him and supported him from the beginning in this endeavor and in his past genealogy research. His publisher and mentor, Millie McGhee-Morris of New Writers in Action, guided him through the editing and publishing process.

James hopes his work inspires others to do research and to be kind to others. His future plans include going to college to study history. He's especially interested in biblical history. James mentioned that the Indiana Jones films first sparked his interest in history.

James will be at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 2 p.m. on October 22 to sign copies of his book. Please see the Special Events section for more information on the book signing.

## *Wreaths Across America*

Wreaths Across America is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, Teach," is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies on a specified Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery and at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. Through the wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events, the organization spreads its message about the importance of remembering our fallen heroes, honoring those who serve, and teaching our children about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 17, 2016, our community will participate in the national Wreaths Across America ceremony. The ceremony will start at 11 a.m. in the Alton National Cemetery at Pearl Street and Joesting Avenue. Third- and fourth-grade students from St. Ambrose Catholic School in Godfrey, with the assistance of area veterans, will participate and help lay the wreaths on the veterans' graves.

In 2015, through community financial donations, 560 wreaths were placed on gravesites in our local national cemetery. Every $30 of contributions enables the local organization to purchase three 20-inch live balsam wreaths.

Every dollar you can donate helps ensure a wreath at every veteran's gravesite. Help continue the success of this program by sending a financial donation to Wreaths Across America, PO Box 181, Alton, IL 62002.
For more information, call Margaret Hopkins at 618-474-2005.
More information is also available on the Web site www.wreathsacrossamerica.org.

Support our community in carrying forward the mission "Remember, Honor, Teach." Join the whole country in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own future Christmas celebrations for us.

## *Happy Birthday to Them!*

If you are looking for a reason to eat lots of cake, here is a list of famous authors who have birthdays within the next three months. Oh, and if you happen to have leftover cake, please keep us Hayner staff members in mind!

**October**

3rd – Gore Vidal (1925–Present)
4th – Anne Rice (1941–Present)
14th – E. E. Cummings (1894–1962)
16th – Eugene O'Neill (1888–1953)
16th – Oscar Wilde (1854–1900)
17th – Arthur Miller (1915–2005)
25th – Anne Tyler (1941–Present)
27th – Dylan Thomas (1914–1953)
27th – Sylvia Plath (1932–1963)
31st – John Keats (1795–1821)

**November**

8th – Margaret Mitchell (1900–1949)
9th – Carl Sagan (1934–1996)
10th – Neil Gaiman (1960–Present)
11th – Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. (1922–2007)
29th – Lousia May Alcott (1832–1888)
29th – C. S. Lewis (1898–1963)
30th – Mark Twain (1835–1910)

**December**

10th – Emily Dickinson (1830–1886)
16th – Arthur Charles Clarke (1917–2008)
16th – Jane Austen (1775–1817)
26th – David Sedaris (1956–Present)

## *Have a Hayner Library Card? Check Out These Local Business Discounts!*

The following businesses are offering discounts for showing your Hayner library card during the week of Saturday, November 26– Saturday, December 3 as part of our fourth annual library card drive.

Are you an Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township resident without a library card? Make sure to come get one at the Downtown or Alton Square library before the end of November! You will need to fill out a short library card application and provide a photo ID—a valid driver's license or state ID with your current address. If your photo ID does not have your current address, you will need to provide a piece of business mail dated within the last 30 days as proof of residency.

A huge thank-you to all of these businesses for supporting The Hayner Public Library District!

**Restaurants/Specialty Food Stores**

Chocolate Air – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Cookie Factory – Buy any salad and get a free 20 oz. soda or iced tea
Duke Bakery – 10% off
Godfrey Meat Market – 10% off (excluding alcohol)
Grassroots Grocery – 10% off bulk items
Hanson Meat – 10% off
Johnson's Corner – 20% off
La Mia Cucina – 10% off
Lovett's Snoots, Fish, Chicken and More – 10% off
LuciAnna's Pastries – $.50 off any pastry
Mister Donut – 10% off
My Just Desserts – 10% off
Nana's Kitchen (located at The Gift Box) – 10% off
Old Bakery Beer Company – 10% off
Olga's Kitchen – 10% off
Olive Oil Marketplace – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Rib City Alton – Free appetizer with purchase of two entrees
Sammi's Sandwiches – 10% off

**Retail**

1904 General Store – 10% off
Black's Sporting Goods – 10% off
The Cyclery and Fitness Center· Alton – 15% off most regularly priced parts and accessories (excluding Garmin, GoPro, and Oakley)
Cleta's Nutrition – 15% off
Crown Vision Center – Free eye exam w/purchase of glasses
Dick's Flowers – Free rose
Dora's Spinning Wheel – 10% off
The Grapevine of Alton Children's Boutique – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Halpin Music – 10% off
hazel2blue – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Infinity Spa (located at The Gift Box) – 10% off
Jacoby Arts Center – 10% off in the Artist Shop
JMC Design Gallery – 10% off fair trade, essential oils, & art
Kinzels Flower Shop – 10% off
Market Basket – 10% off
Mississippi Mud Pottery – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Mosaic's – Buy one item on sale, second item is 50% off
Picture This & More – 15% off
It's Raining Zen – 10% off
River Bend Yoga – 50% off regular and hot yoga classes
Rumours Salon, Stylist Mary Beth Siampos – 10% off all hair services with Mary Beth
Second Reading Book Shop – 10% off all used books
St. Peters Hardware & Rental, Inc. – 10% off regularly priced merchandise
Wild Hare Emporium – 10% off

## *Vintage Voices 2016*

The 2016 "Vintage Voices: Notable Citizens of Alton" will take place at the Alton City Cemetery on October 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd, with continuous tours from 1 to 3 p.m. Tickets for the cemetery historical reenactments are $15 for adults and $10 for students Pre-sale tickets for the Cemetery Tours can be purchased at the Alton Visitor Center and WBGZ Radio. Tickets will also be sold at the main gate of the cemetery during each of the Saturday walking tours.

A non-walking presentation will take place at the Jacoby Arts Center on Sunday, October 16, from 2 to 4 p.m. The cost of the non-walking presentation is $20 and includes a dessert buffet. Tickets are being sold online at www.altonlittletheater.org for the non-walking presentation

This year's selection of citizens to showcase includes John Meehan as Benjamin Godfrey, David Kibler as John Cousley, Kayla Mack and Diana Kay as Florence Haskell and Jennie Hayner, Pat Kulish and Patti Kruegel as Eunice Smith and Ellen Hatch, Loretta Williams as Julia Buckmaster, Chrissy Harders as Harriet Root, Jerome Minks as Lucas Pfeiffenberger, Jeff Pruett as Zepheniah Job, Mayor Brant Walker as Henry Calvin Priest, and Kerry Miller as Harrison Drummund. The characters of Rufus Easton (Michael Cox), William Porter (Lief Anderson) and Clara Judd (Lee Cox) will be added to the non-walking tour.

Also, for the first time, Vintage Voices actors will be presenting at high school assemblies on September 27th, with presentations at Alton High in the morning and Marquette in the afternoon, AND some added characters like Scott Bibb will be portrayed in the hope of helping students really grasp the rich history of the Alton area.

Alton Little Theater Public Relations Director Lee Cox said that "this year's vignettes will be dynamic and entertaining." Come out in October, enjoy the beautiful fall weather and foliage, and learn about the fascinating personalities who shaped our local history.

For questions or more information, please check the Alton Little Theater website at www altonlittletheater.org or call 618-462-3205.

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## FALL 2016 ACTIVITIES

## Alton Square Activities

**Bow-wow Pow-wow**

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Multipurpose Room, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, October 8**
**Saturday, November 12**
**Saturday, December 10**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

**Movers and Shakers Story Time**

Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, October 3, October 10, October 17, October 24; November 7, November 14; December 5, December 12, and December 19, 2016, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881

**Mommy and Me Story Time**

This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, October 6, October 13, October 20, October 27; November 3, November 10, November 17; December 1, December 8, December 15, December 22, 2016, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available Please register at 433-2881.

**Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3–5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: October 31, and November 28, 2016. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881

**Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. This program is for kids 6–11 years of age Meeting dates are: Thursdays, October 13, November 10, and December 8, 2016, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881

## Downtown Activities

**Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m on Mondays, October 3, October 10, October 17, October 24, October 31; November 7, November 14, November 28; December 5, December 12, December 19, 2016 Limited space is available Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

**Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m on Tuesdays, October 4, October 11, October 18, October 25; November 1, November 8, November 15, and November 29; December 6, December 13, December 20, 2016 Limited space is available Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

**After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 6–11 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p m. on Tuesdays, October 18, November 15, and December 20, 2016 Limited space is available. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836

## Special Activities

*All special activities will be held at Alton Square unless otherwise specified*

**Edwardsville Children's Museum Visit**—Come join us and the Edwardsville Children's Museum at the Downtown Hayner Library's KidsSpace for 3 new fall programs.

- ***Program one*** – "How Does Your Garden Grow" will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, at 10 a.m.
- ***Program two*** – "Messy Madness: An Art Explosion" will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2016, at 10 a.m.
- ***Program three*** – "Everyday Objects as Art: Art Is All Around Us!" will be held on Tuesday, November 1, 2016, at 10 a.m.

Limited registration available, so please call and register today at 618-462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Halloween Program**— Come join Mike Anderson as he entertains kids of all ages with his songs and stories in "Spooky Funny Halloween Show" on Monday, October 10, 2016, at 10 a.m in the Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square. To register for this program, call 433-2881.

**Stories with Santa** — Come join us for a fun-filled day including Santa, refreshments, and a performance by Circus Kaput. All the fun begins at 10 a.m. in the Performance Room on the upper level at Alton Square on Saturday, December 3, 2016. This program will be followed by cookies and a visit from Santa in the KidsSpace Multipurpose Room. Parents, don't forget your cameras! To register for this program, call 433-2881.

**Star Wars Reads Day**—*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. This is Hayner Library's third time participating in this event. The KidsSpace has invited Jennifer Grassle, owner/ operator of the Grokking Tree and art teacher from Jacoby Art Center to participate. Jennifer will introduce drawing styles and drawing instruments and encourage the students to find their own artistic style All participants will leave with their own drawing sets The fun begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, October 8, 2016.

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All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our fall 2016 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

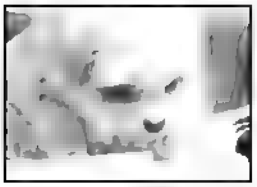
**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Multipurpose Room, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, October 8**
**Saturday, November 12**
**Saturday, December 10**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**



Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *2nd Annual Sidewalk Solar Party*

**Monday, October 10, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the pocket park next to the downtown library, 326 Belle Street, Alton.*

With the generous help and time of Eddie Agha, Staff Astronomer at The Nature Institute, The Hayner Public Library District will host the 2nd Annual Sidewalk Solar Party at the pocket park next to the downtown library. Participants will be able to view the sun through a special solar telescope made to look at it safely. If the weather cooperates, everyone should be able to view the sun and its many wonders, including solar prominences and dark spots. Let Eddie guide you through the special aspects of our great yellow dwarf star. Bring the whole family to see the sun as you have never seen it before! Registration is required at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Heritage Scrapbooking*

**Saturday, October 15**
**Saturday October 22**
**Saturday, November 12**
**Saturday, November 19**
**10:00 a.m. – 12 noon**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton*

Want to make your family research easy to access for the kids? Need a place to put the pictures and stories and paper stuff that tell the stories of your ancestors? Sounds like you need a Heritage Scrapbook. Join us for this 4-session workshop where we will explore ideas and techniques for creating very special scrapbooks. Topics include planning the layout of your scrapbook, journaling, necessary tools and supplies, and using color and design. No prior scrapbooking or genealogy experience necessary. Registration for the entire 4-part series required. Please call 618-462-0677, Ext. 2865 for questions or to register. Limited to 12 participants.

## *Social Justice and History Book Club Informal Planning Session*

**Saturday, October 15, 3:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton*

A new Social Justice and History Book Club, hosted by Reneé Johnson, will explore titles that help place questions of social justice within their historical contexts. The club will officially start in 2017, but feedback gathered during this informal planning session will shape the structure of the club and help determine the first book selections. If you cannot make the planning session, please submit ideas by e-mail to Reneé (Renee.Johnson@haynerlibrary.org) or Lacy (Lacy.McDonald@haynerlibrary.org).

## Curt Strutz *Visiting the Beyond*

**Tuesday, October 18, 6:30 p.m.**

Curt has spent many years visiting some of the nation's most haunted locations. Via a

PowerPoint presentation, he takes the audience, firsthand, through many of these locations, showing all original photography, telling of his experiences, and diving deep into the history (and unsettling past) of many of these locations. The Visiting the Beyond presentation is a deeply rooted historical and photographic tour through haunted buildings sharing architecture, ghost stories, and the creepy history behind the locales. Get in the Halloween spirit! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Book Signing – *America's Chess Board* by James H. Taylor

**Saturday, October 22, 2–3:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

James Herschel Taylor will be at the Genealogy & Local History Library to sign copies of his new book, *America's Chess Board*, this October. It's only fitting that the signing will happen in front of the very fireplace before which he and his parents were interviewed for his episode of PBS TV show *Genealogy Roadshow*. No registration required.

## Mary Ann Pitchford *Tai Chi Classes for Everyone*

**Mondays, October 24, November 7, 14, & 21, 1:00 p.m.**

Last fall's successful Tai Chi classes are returning! HealthQuest Tai Chi varies from the martial arts–style; these gentle, meditative movements are beneficial to anyone with arthritic joint pain, diabetes circulation problems, and anxiety/depression. This method includes Qi Gong (for mental alertness and memory) and Tae Bo (for upper body strength). Each class meets once a week for four consecutive weeks beginning Monday, October 24, through Monday, November 21. All classes are limited to 40 people. These classes meet in the Hayner Library Performance Room, Alton Square Mall, 2nd

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floor, at 1:00 p.m. and last about an hour. They are great for all ages and enjoyable for all levels of experience and flexibility. Learn the wonderful Tai Chi techniques that you can continue at home to develop strength, confidence, and flexibility. Registration required. Register at 1-800-613-3163. Please sign up for the entire series and not individual dates.

## Alton's Architectural Gem: *The Mineral Springs Hotel*

**Saturday, October 29, 10:00 a.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

Genealogy & Local History staff members Meghan Bellitto and Derek Alford have combined forces to give you a Halloween treat! The third architecture talk of our series will focus on the historical and architectural significance of the Mineral Springs Hotel, now the Mineral Springs Mall. Come learn about the hotel's healing springs, see photos of the old J&K Bar and the Acme Bowling Alley, hear about current uses of the building, and find out why Mineral Springs is considered one of Alton's most haunted places. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Job Search & Resume Tips*

**Thursday, November 3, 2016, 6–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Is the job market getting you down? Have you been searching for a new job and keep running into dead ends? Let us help! Join us on Thursday, November 3, from 6–8 p.m., for tips on finding that perfect job. You will learn to navigate the top job search sites, as well as learn some important résumé-building skills. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Moon Party*

**Monday, November 7, 6–7:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the pocket park next to the downtown library, 326 Belle Street, Alton.*

Join The Hayner Public Library District and The Nature Institute Astronomy Association's own Eddie Agha for a special event to see the moon and stars as you've never seen them before. Eddie will start with a short presentation on what will be seen when using the telescopes. Then we will begin viewing the moon with the telescopes you can rent from the library, and Eddie will bring one of his own special telescopes, which has a higher magnification to view the stars. Both children and adults will love this! Light snacks and drinks will be provided. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Herbal Workshop and Book Signing:* Crystal Stevens

**Saturday, November 12, 3–4:30 p.m.**

*Note: This progam will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Alton Square library.*

Join us for an informative class on Herbal Support for Winter. You will learn how to use common herbs to build the immune system, how to make specific immune-building teas, and herbal honey. A separate children's activity will be offered to children during the class. So bring the whole family.

After the class, a book signing for local author Crystal Stevens will be held. Her book, *Grow Create Inspire: Crafting a Joyful Life of Beauty and Abundance*, covers gardening, foraging, DIY natural household and beauty products, simple seed-to-table meals, canning and preserving, and more, rounded out by inspiring stories that bring the vision of a better world to life. Come join Crystal to learn of her passion for growing herbs and vegetables, and how to use them.

## *DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Fifth Annual Open House*

**Saturday, November 19, 1–3 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to help you in your search for the Revolutionary War patriot in your family and to guide you through the DAR application process. Don't think you have a soldier in your family? Not to worry, your patriot doesn't have to be a fighter. There's also the more general category of "Patriotic Service," which includes things like members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity. Admission is free, and registration is not necessary.

## Limited Edition *Sounds of the Holidays*

**Sunday, November 27, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3). There is plenty of easy parking.*

A favorite event of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This extraordinary ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. The program is free but does require registration. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback *A Celtic Christmas in the Chapel*

**Sunday, December 4, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held*

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*in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill*

They're back!' The amazing duo Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. When they have performed for us previously, their program filled up immediately, so don't wait to register for this event. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Greg Mathis
## *The Potters, Kilns, and Stoneware of Upper Alton in the Mid-1800s*

**Wednesday, December 7, 6:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton*

Greg Mathis, member of Collectors of Illinois Pottery & Stoneware (C.O.I.PS ), and member and webmaster of Blue & White Pottery/Old Sleepy Eye Collectors Club (BWPOSECC), has given numerous talks on 19th-century pottery production in White Hall, Upper Alton, and Anna, Illinois Pieces from his impressive collection are currently on display at the Genealogy & Local History Library and represent work from the Anton Ulrich/John Wietfeld Pottery, George Swettenham, Western Stoneware Company at Buck Inn, Julius Wilhelms & Company, Isaac E. Warnack & Son, and W. J Hahar Stoneware Manufacturer. Greg has also published two books in the Illinois Room collection: *Traditional Stoneware of the Bluff City* and *The Potters, Kilns, and Stoneware of Upper Alton, Illinois* Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Is your brain foggy** after a summer at home with the kids? Send them back to school and get your mind in gear! Both Downtown and Alton Square locations of Hayner are now circulating Playaway Launchpads. These hand-held tablets are preloaded with brain games to clear the cobwebs and get you back in top form. Playaway Launchpads are user-friendly and customizable—yet secure, as no personal information is needed for use. Ask for "The Ultimate Challenger: Brain Games" and "Hidden Objects: Brain Games" at our Customer Service desks.

## *Alton's Architectural Gem: Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library 125th Anniversary Celebration: Holiday Open House*

**Saturday, December 10, 1 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton. Please note that, unlike previous architecture talks, this is an afternoon event*

What is now The Hayner Public Library District began as the Alton Library Association in 1852, when citizens called a meeting "for the purpose of taking steps to organize a Reading Room and Library." Almost 40 years later, prominent local businessman John Hayner funded construction of a library building in honor of his late wife, Jennie. The library association hired Theodore Link, a highly respected St. Louis architect who designed St. Louis's Union Station Railroad Depot, to design the building. The Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library opened on May 21, 1891 For the fourth and final architecture talk of our 2016 series, Lacy McDonald will discuss our very own Hayner Memorial Library Building, which now houses the Genealogy & Local History Library Seating is limited for the talk. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

Please join us after the architecture talk for the 125th Anniversary Celebration from 2–4 p.m. No registration is necessary for the celebration.

## *Nature Greeting Cards and Wreath-Making Class*

**Wednesday, December 14, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Just in time for the holidays—a class on greeting cards and wreath-making! Asta Sadauskas, owner of the Greenery in Godfrey, will teach the class. You will design your own greeting cards and wreaths—all with a little help from nature and Asta. Join us for an evening of fun while we create lush evergreen wreaths and greeting cards using a variety of fresh greens, pinecones, nuts, and other items from nature All materials will be provided. This is a great class to share with friends and family. Class size is limited, so please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Computer Classes

*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers***
**(Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, October 19, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, October 26, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.

**Part 1**
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse

**Part 2**
• Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start Menu/ Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents

*If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.

**Internet Basics**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**November 2, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to Web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.

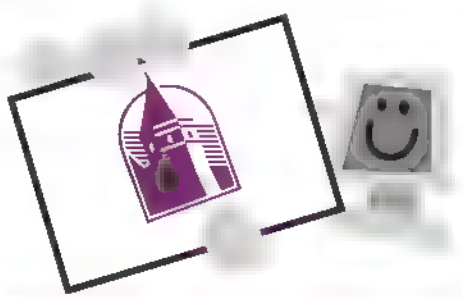
**Microsoft Word for Beginners**
**(Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, November 9, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, November 16, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions.

**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns
• Printing/Indenting/Tabs

**Part 2**
• Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/ Formatting Pictures • Templates

**Flash Drives and Saving Files**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**November 30, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Flash Drives, USB Drives, Thumb Drives, they're all the same thing. In this class you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

**Computer Maintenance and Security**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**December 7, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Explore your computer's Control Panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class.



## Fall Social Media

*Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

**Social Media Basics (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, October 22,**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

**Facebook Revealed (Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, November 12,**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter**
**(Class limit: 15)**
**Saturday, November 12,**
**2:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

## e-Book and e-Audio Help for 3M Cloud Library

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, librarians Jean Shimunek and Miriam Lozano will conduct a class on Saturday, October 15, 2016, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

# TEENSPACE
## FALL 2016 ACTIVITIES

### Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun after school withTeen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates are: Wednesdays, October 19, November 16, and December 14, 2016. Movies start at 3:45 p.m. To register, call Shannon at 433-2872

### Books, Books, and More Books!

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share a cup of Joe and your thoughts about that month's read. Meetings will be held at the Riverbender com Community Center Library on: Wednesdays, October 5, November 2, and December 7, 2016, at 4 p.m Everyone is welcome! For more information, call Shannon at 433-2872.

### Teen Read Week Event "Read for the Fun of It"

The annual Teen Read Week, October 9–15, 2016, will spotlight all the great resources and activities available to help teens build literacy skills while reading for the fun of it. This year's theme encourages libraries to help teens escape from the day-to-day grind of school, homework, family responsibilities, part-time jobs, and so on, by picking up something to read. We will interpret the theme in ways that highlight a variety of resources in our collection—fantasy novels, sci-fi, beach reads, travel books, tales of adventure and escape, and more! For more information, please call Shannon at 433-2872

**Halloween Program** – This year we would like to invite all kids ages 12–18 to join Madam Danielle for an evening of fun and fortune. Madam Danielle will do fun tarot card readings and will take a look into her crystal ball. This program will take place on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, at the Riverbender.com Community Center. To attend this program, call Shannon at 433-2872. Registration is required!

**Holiday Contest** – Do you love to decorate cookies? If so, this is the contest for you! Come join us at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesday, December 14, 2016, for our first annual Gingerbread House Decorating Contest. All participants will be given an array of items and thirty minutes to design their gingerbread house. The winner will receive a $25 gift certificate to spend at the Riverbender.com Community Center. Limited space available, so register today at 433-2861

**Teen Coloring Meetups** – Come meet up with other teens for a fun afternoon of coloring, music, and snacks. Teens will meet at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesday, October 12, 2016, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Coloring pages and pencils will be supplied. Please call Shannon to register at 433-2872

## *Halloween Staff Picks*

### MOVIES

**It** by Stephen King: Nobody writes about growing up better than Stephen King, especially if you are a bit of an outcast. That's what makes **It** so scary! The book flows from situations that all kids face as they are growing up—scary enough—then puts those same kids in unimaginably menacing situations. Pennywise is one of the scariest clowns ever! —*Brenda*

**Abbot and Costello Meet Frankenstein (Not Rated):** Two bungling baggage handlers find themselves face-to-face with Dracula, the Frankenstein monster, and the Wolf Man—with hilarious results. This film is recognized by the American Film Institute and the Library of Congress' National Film Registry. —*Mary*

**Shadow of the Vampire (Rated R):** A real vampire is secretly hired to play Dracula in a 1920s film—with terrifying results. A dark and genuinely creepy award-winning film that earned Willem Dafoe an Academy Award nomination. —*Mary*

**Hocus Pocus (Rated PG):** Family-friendly Halloween movie about three sister witches who are resurrected in Salem, Massachusetts, on Halloween night. It's up to two teenagers, a young girl, and an immortal cat to put an end to the witches' reign of terror once and for all —*Mary & Shannon*

**It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown (Not Rated):** Classic animated film that follows Charlie Brown, Snoopy, Linus, and the gang on their Halloween night adventures The music alone (provided by the Vince Guaraldi Sextet) is reason enough to watch! —*Mary*

One of the scariest movies I have ever seen was **Misery**, based on the book by Stephen King. I couldn't watch the part with Kathy Bates using the sledgehammer; yet I still was compelled to finish it. It really grabbed hold of me. Even the ending was hard to shake off! —*Jean*

**Texas Chainsaw Massacre:** I'm not easily scared by movies, but for months after watching this one I had to fall asleep listening to music because I was convinced I heard a chainsaw revving up outside! —*Theresa*

**Wait Until Dark:** A cat-and-mouse thriller that will keep you on the edge of your seat until the very end. —*Theresa*

**Michael Jackson's Thriller:** Not exactly a movie, but this music video scared me when I was a little kid. I loved the dance sequence (of course) but I could barely watch the werewolf transformation scene at the beginning, and the zombies rising from their graves was terrifying! —*Theresa*

**Practical Magic:** Sally and Gillian Owens, born into a magical family, have mostly avoided witchcraft themselves But when Gillian's vicious boyfriend, Jimmy Angelo, dies unexpectedly, the Owens sisters give themselves a crash course in hard magic. Rated: PG-13 —*Shannon*

**The Nightmare Before Christmas:** Jack Skellington, the pumpkin king, has become bored with his routine of frightening people in the "real world." He accidentally stumbles on Christmastown, all bright colors and warm spirits; he plots to bring Christmas under his control by kidnapping Santa Claus and taking over the role. Rated: PG —*Shannon*

**Psycho!!!** I couldn't take a shower for years. —*Jan*

### BOOKS

**Intensity** by Dean Koontz: A novel that lives up to its name. It's the only time I can remember holding my breath while reading, because there were parts of this book that were so intense. —*Theresa*

I have read some of Ruth Rendell books that are pretty scary, psychological thrillers, such as **The Water's Lovely.** —*Jean*

**The Legend of Sleepy Hollow** by Washington Irving: A tale of haunting set in the 1790s countryside of a Dutch settlement (what is now New York) An American classic. —*Mary*

**The Berenstain Bears and the Spooky Old Tree** by Stan and Jan Berenstain: Delightfully "scary" children's book that tells the tale of three adventurous little bears who happen upon a "spooky old tree." —*Mary*

It's been a while since I've read any, but I always loved R. L. Stine teen horror books. One that sticks out in my memory in particular is **Beach House** Basically, a group of teens are all hanging out at a beach house together and suddenly they all start getting killed one-by-one, and no one knows who the killer is. It's a good level of mild suspense for younger readers, but I feel like I would enjoy reading it now, too, even just for nostalgic reasons. —*Morgan*

## Nonfiction—

**Ackroyd, Peter.** Alfred Hitchcock
**Amen, Daniel.** The Brain Warrior's Way: Ignite Your Energy and Focus, Attack Illness and Aging, Transform Pain into Purpose
**Assael, Shaun.** The Murder of Sonny Liston: Las Vegas, Heroin, and Heavyweights
**Bittman, Mark.** How to Bake Everything
**Brands, H. W.** The General vs. the President: MacArthur and Truman at the Brink of Nuclear War
**Brooks, Mel.** Young Frankenstein: A Mel Brooks Book: The Story of the Making of the Film
**Buck, Joe.** Lucky Bastard: My Life, My Dad, and the Things I'm Not Allowed to Say on TV
**Byrne, Rhonda.** How The Secret Changed My Life: Real People. Real Stories
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## *Winter, Spring, Summer, or Fall – All You Have to Do Is Call*

We would all like to lead mobile, independent lives, but every so often we have to stay still; and when this happens, time has a funny way of slowing down. Say "bye-bye" to boredom with Hayner's FREE delivery service!

For nearly thirty years, Hayner's Homebound Delivery Service has brought library materials to the doorsteps of senior citizens, people with disabilities, and those recovering from illnesses or surgeries. Getting started is simple· Call (618) 433-2863, and a member of our friendly staff will discuss the program in more detail and gather general information from you, such as whether you will need long- or short-term service. Once you are signed up, materials will be checked out and delivered directly to your house or residential facility.

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We at Hayner Library would like our patrons to have mobile, independent lives. However, if you find yourself homebound for a long or short period of time and are unable to visit us, call (618) 433-2863 and we will visit you!

Believe it or not, the Homebound Delivery Service Department consists of only two people! Here is what they have to say about their extraordinary job!

***Esther (Department Manager)***
"It is very satisfying to be able to provide library materials to patrons who otherwise would not have access to these items "

***Hector (Courier)***
"As the person who makes deliveries to the Hayner homebound patrons, to me it is rewarding to bring materials to people who otherwise would not be able to benefit from the great resources that the library offers. A lot of them are very lonely and physically ill, but they let me know with a smile that they appreciate the service we're providing. I have been blessed to be able to offer words of encouragement for which they are very grateful. I enjoy what I'm doing and personally don't see this as simply a job but as an opportunity to touch people's lives with kindness."

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Winter 2017

## A Landmark Year!

This year marks a special anniversary in the life of The Hayner Public Library District—125 years! While the beginnings of The Hayner Public Library District date back to 1852 when the library was known as the Alton Library Association, it wasn't until 1891 when John Hayner funded the construction of a library building in honor of his late wife, Jennie, that the library took its first steps towards becoming what we now know today as The Hayner Public Library District.

Over the years, The Hayner Public Library District has grown by leaps and bounds—including two more locations as well as increasing the collections and services offered to patrons. The original building, located at 401 State Street, is still being used today to house the Genealogy & Local History Library. Two more locations, the Downtown Library at 326 Belle Street, and the Alton Square Library, at Alton Square Mall, were added over time to help meet the demands of a growing population.

Originally the library served only the residents of Alton. By establishing itself as a library district rather than a city library, the collection and services of the library were extended to the residents of Alton, Godfrey, and eventually Foster Township. Today the library covers a service population of nearly 49,000 patrons and houses a collection of more than 242,000 items! As a member of the Illinois Heartland Library System, patrons of The Hayner Public Library District have access to over 10,000,000 items via Interlibrary Loan services.

By the early 1900's, the library was an established part of the community's civic and cultural scene. And that tradition continues today. As was the case with most libraries in the early 20th century, The Hayner Public Library District began with a collection of books. Today, that collection has grown to include not only books but a myriad of other materials and programming.

The Hayner Public Library District strives to offer materials that bring education and enjoyment to the residents of Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township. We offer brand new bestsellers, audiobooks, large print books, DVDs (which hit our shelves the same day they are released in stores), and music CDs. We also offer kits on a wide range of subjects which are especially wonderful for teachers, students, and homeschooling families. We even check out fishing poles and telescopes!

The Hayner Public Library District also offers digital services to patrons—all conveniently accessible from home 24/7! You can check out e-books and e-audiobooks any time you like using the Cloud Library. You can also order materials, check your account, pay fines, and renew materials all by visiting our website at www.haynerlibrary.org. You can also gain access to dozens of databases, including Consumer Reports and the Testing & Education Reference Center, by visiting our website. The Testing & Education Reference Center allows you to take practice tests for the ACT, SAT, GED, ASVAB, and other school tests as well as career testing for nursing, real estate, firefighting, police, social work, and the postal service. The Testing & Education Reference Center also offers basic computer help, and help creating resumes and cover letters. These databases are free of charge and can be accessed at the library or at home.

And speaking of digital services, have you tried Wowbrary yet? Wowbrary is a free weekly email delivered to your inbox every Saturday morning. It contains a list of every new item added to the Hayner Library collection that week. It's a free and easy way to keep up with everything new at the library! Just visit www.wowbrary.org to sign up.

Have you ever visited the library only to realize you left your library card at home? Install the Keychain app on to your smart phone or other mobile device and you'll always have easy access to your library card.

The Hayner Public Library is also known for providing high quality programming designed for every age group and interest. We offer wonderful musical programs, interesting speakers, crafting programs, eco-friendly gardening programs, book clubs, author readings and book signings, and

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
**Dr. Martin Luther King Day –** Jan. 16
**President's Day –** Feb. 20

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**A LANDMARK YEAR! (Cont.)**

much, much more. For children we offer story times, a Spanish story time, craft times, special performers, an annual Summer Reading program, Bow-wow Pow-wows (where children learn confidence in their reading abilities by reading to certified therapy dogs), and more. We partner with the Riverbender.com Community Center to bring fun, quality programming to teens.

The library offers valuable services such as a test proctoring, voter registration, and homebound delivery all free of charge.

The Genealogy & Local History Library offers a vast and wonderful collection of local history materials including *The Telegraph* digital archive (dating back to 1836), local yearbooks, city directories, area cemetery indexes, the Robert K. Graul photo collection, local cookbooks, historical maps, displays, genealogical databases, and much more. The Genealogy & Local History Library also offers friendly staff who are happy to help you research your local history question or your family tree.

The Reference Department is another valuable service offered by The Hayner Public Library District. Our reference librarians are available to help you answer any questions you may have on nearly any topic. The Internet may be able to provide a quick answer—but sometimes its accuracy is questionable. Our reference librarians provide accurate, quality information free of charge.

When John Hayner established the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library in memory of his wife Jennie in 1891, he couldn't have imagined how far the library would come and all of the wonderful services and materials that would be offered to the residents of the community. We look forward to the next 125 years and all the exciting developments they will bring.

Mary Cordes
Assistant Director, Circulation and Strategic Planning

## *It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Winter!*

Hayner Public Library is dedicated to serving the community. We'd also like to do all we can to ensure the safety of our patrons and employees by closing on days when snow and/or ice might be a hazard to drivers. Therefore, when there is bad wintery weather in the forecast, give us a call at (618) 462-0677 before you make the trip out to visit one of our locations. An outgoing message will inform you if there are any changes to our regular hours of operation. Thank you and please drive carefully!

## *Great Staff Picks in time for Valentine's Day*

### BOOKS

The **Gallaghers of Ardmore Trilogy (Jewels of the Sun, Tears of the Moon,** and **Heart of the Sea)** by Nora Roberts made me want to pack up and move to Ireland in search of the love of my life! – Lauren

**Great Expectations** by Charles Dickens is a coming-of-age story of an orphan named Pip that lives with his abusive sister and kind Uncle Joe. He is told to visit Ms. Havisham at her estate to keep her company. She introduces Pip to her daughter Estella with whom he instantly falls in love. The book details his life as a poor boy to man, loves and heartaches, and wealth and poverty. One of Dickens' best novels. – Derek

**The Longest Ride** by Nicolas Sparks – Marilyn

**Pride and Prejudice** by Jane Austen: Three words: Hello, Mr. Darcy! – Mary

For a truly unique but no less touching and heartbreaking romance, **The Time Traveler's Wife** by Audrey Niffenegger is one of my all-time favorite books. They did make a movie based on the book, but it didn't capture the book's unforgettable and moving characters. – Brenda

### DVDs

**The Age of Adaline:** This movie is a modern day fairy tale with a classic Hollywood feel. Blake Lively perfectly embodies that sentiment. Harrison Ford will wreck you emotionally the first time he appears on screen. The overall warmth of this movie, from the narration to the colors to the story itself, will mean you'll think about and watch this movie the whole year around. – Andrew

**Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind:** Quirky, funny, and heartbreaking. It is one of the best modern romance movies of the last 20 years. – Derek and Theresa

**The Holiday:** Cameron Diaz and Kate Winslet swap houses, one in Brittan and one in America. Romances develop for both of them. – Stephanie

**It's Complicated** – Marilyn

**Julie & Julia:** I admit that I wasn't a huge fan of the book. But, I get a lump in my throat watching Meryl Streep and Stanley Tucci bring the love story of Paul and Julia Child to life. Lovely. – Mary

**Pretty Woman:** This is one of my all-time favorite movies. One of the reasons is the scene where Edward lends Vivian the $250,000 necklace before the opera. At the very end, he pretends to snap the lid closed which was an unscripted moment the producers kept in. – Penny

**Sleepless in Seattle** – Marilyn

**Something's Gotta Give** – Marilyn

**True Lies:** A lesson in romance to be learned in this action-packed hit: the key ingredient in spicing up a dulled marriage is revealing to your wife that you've been lying to her for 15 years and you're a spy for the government. – Theresa

**You've Got Mail** – Marilyn

### SONGS/ALBUMS

**Crush** by Dave Matthews Band – Theresa

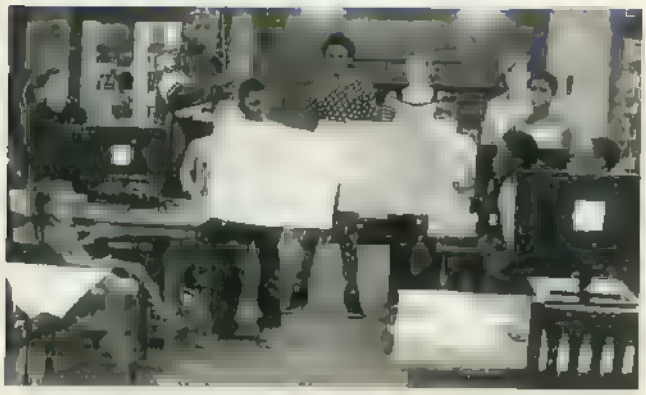
**Embraceable You** by Chet Baker recorded in 1957 (but not released until 1995 to so-so reviews): I find this album quiet, romantic, and dreamy. – Mary

**It Takes Two** (from the musical **Into the Woods**): A cheery song that reminds us that marriage is a partnership, and, in order for it to be successful, you have to work together. – Theresa

**Lucky** by Jason Mraz featuring Colbie Caillat – Theresa

**My Funny Valentine** by Frank Sinatra – Jan

## *Young People Making History*



We had an absolute blast hosting various student groups and young authors at the Genealogy & Local History Library in October 2016. At the beginning of the month, children, parents, and grandparents from Art of Universal Language came to make family trees and learn how to do history research. Art of Universal Language is a community group for children between the ages of 7 – 17 led by Allen Collins. The group operates out of the Deliverance Temple on 6th Street in Alton. It is not officially part of the church but uses the space to instruct children in art, education, integrity, and technology. The children looked at census records and city directory listings of some of their ancestors. Since we have the Alton Telegraph digitized from 1836 – 2012, they were even able to find birth announcements, awards, and other newspaper articles about themselves.

The next week, Genealogy & Local History manager Lacy McDonald joined Seymour Bluffs' author Phyllis Bechtold as a guest speaker at the Alton School District in-service training day at Alton High School. Lacy and Phyllis spoke about Captain Benjamin Godfrey's life and legacy. Phyllis is writing a Seymour Bluffs children's book about Captain Godfrey with Lacy doing all the historical fact-checking and Lexa Browning-Needham's Alton High School graphic communications class working on all the illustrations.

On October 22, one of our favorite local high school students, James Herschel Taylor, had a book signing at the library. He recently published *America's Chess Board* and donated a copy to Hayner Library (JR 305.8 TAY) so feel free to come read it in the library.

Right before Halloween, we hosted Keegan Bennett's class from Alton Middle School for a seasonally-appropriate project. The students researched prominent Altonians buried at Alton City Cemetery. The Genealogy & Local History staff provided the names, relevant books and newspaper articles, and cemetery maps. The students continued their field trip at the cemetery, visiting the grave of each person they learned about. They researched Jane Watson Basset (1881-1968), Edmund Beall (1848-1920), Dorothy Colonius (1906-1979), Thomas Dimmock (1830-1909), John E. Hayner (1827-1903) & Jennie D. Hayner (1837-1888), Isaac Kelly (1825-1920), Stephen Harriman Long (1784-1864), Elijah Lovejoy (1802-1837), Henry McPike (1825-1910), Lucas Pfeiffenberger (1834-1918), Dr. George Samuels (1884-1970), and Eunice Smith (1875-1955). The students made a beautiful paper wreath for us to say thank you, and it is on display at the Genealogy & Local History Library.

Please get in touch with us if you'd like to bring your group to the library. We love seeing patrons of all ages, and if you're interested in local history, genealogy, art, architecture, or food (we have an extensive cookbook collection, after all), we're happy to plan something special for you.

## *Alton's Duck Factory of 1910*

Alton's history has always been rich in industrialization and open to free enterprise in almost any line of work. Recently, while browsing the Alton Telegraph Newspaper Archive database, I was surprised to find that in January of 1910 the Happy Heine Hunting and Fishing Club opened a duck factory on East Second Street (now East Broadway) in downtown Alton.

What really caught my eye, and quickly my undivided attention, was the startling headline to this front-page article. It read, "Ducks with dislocated necks made good as new." After reading such a headline my curiosity went wild, and without hesitation I decided I just had to get to the bottom of this "quacky" mystery. I needed to find out what tragic experiences were befalling our local waterfowl that would necessitate opening a factory designed to alleviate these calamities.

After a little more newspaper research, I learned this new enterprise was the inspiration of Altonians Henry Tonsor and Henry Joerger. Both men were prominent members of the Happy Heine Hunting and Fishing Club and were avid outdoorsmen. It was apparent that the reporter of this bemusing news story was confident that both men had the doctoral skills required to put these broken birds back on the water.

After reading the entire article, more than one time I might add, I realized that I had been easily deceived by that startling headline. The ducks with broken necks were not the fine-feathered, egg-laying, airborne beauties I had envisioned. They were wooden decoys used for hunting purposes on the islands of the Illinois River. A tidal wave of relief flooded my soul when I realized there had been no waterfowl genocide occurring among our local duck population in the early 1900s.

The Telegraph Newspaper Archive dates back to 1836 and is a great way to learn not only about Alton's history but your family history as well. Maybe you can find that one of your local ancestors was as industrious and conscientious as the members of the Happy Heine Hunting and Fishing Club.

Stay tuned—in an upcoming newsletter I will tell you about the time *The Alton Evening Telegraph* announced that German submarines had invaded our local lakes and streams.

*—Pam Bierman*

# *February is African American History Month*

The origins of African American-History Month began in 1926 when historian and author Carter G. Woodson (1875-1950) pioneered the celebration of "Negro History Week." Woodson, a graduate of Berea College, University of Chicago, and Harvard University, was the founder of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, now called the Association for the Study of African American Life and History.

The week-long celebration was designated to be held during the second week of February to coincide with the celebrations of the birthdays of Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln. The first month-long celebration of African-American history took place on the campus of Kent State University in 1970 where it had been proposed the previous year, and it gained official recognitıon by the government ın 1976 as part of the United States Bicentennial.

African American History resources:

Library of Congress: http://www.africanamericanhistorymonth.gov/

Association for the Study of African American Life and History: https://asalh100.org/mission/

National Museum of African American History and Culture: https://nmaahc.si.edu/

National Archives: https://www.archives.gov/research/alic/reference/black-history.html

## You've heard of Harriet Tubman, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Rosa Parks; but have you heard of these outstanding African Americans?

### Inventors:

**Lonnie G. Johnson**
*Inventor of 1990's favorite summertime toy, The Super Soaker*

**Marie Van Brittan Brown**
*Pioneer of the home security system*

### Entertainers:

**Marian Anderson**
*Marian Anderson was one of the most celebrated contralto singers of the 20th century.*

**Florence Mills**
*Starting in 1921, Florence Mills became an international star with her amazing voice, marvelous dancing talents, and comedic timing.*

### Armed Forces:

**William Harvey Carney**
*In 1893, Carney became the first African American Medal of Honor Recipient for gallantry during the Civil War.*

**Doris "Dorie" Miller**
*For his bravery during the Pearl Harbor attack, Miller became the first African American recipient of The Navy Cross.*

### Sports:

**John Taylor**
*In 1908, John Taylor became the first African American to win an Olympic Gold Medal. He ran the third leg in the Men's Medley Relay Race.*

**Alice Coachman**
*In 1948, high jumper Alice Coachman was the first African American female to win an Olympic Gold Medal.*

### Medicine:

**Dr. Patricia Bath**
*In 1981, Dr. Bath invented the Laserphaco Probe which is used during cataract eye surgery. Laserphaco Probe has proven to be less invasive, offers far fewer risks, and works more quickly than previous cataract treatments.*

**Dr. Charles Richard Drew**
*Pioneer of blood plasma transfusion and for the development of blood banks*

# *Talk about accomplishments!*

**Pauli Murray 1910-1985**

Born in 1910, Murray earned a Bachelor's Degree in English in 1933. Twelve years later she passed the California bar exam, and in 1965, recieved the J.S.D., Doctor of the Science of Law, from Yale University. Murray had also penned books about everything from law to poetry to her extraordinary life. But law and poetry weren't her only passions. In 1977, Murray was ordained an Episcopal priest. Murray was an unyielding advocate of both civil and women's rights. It was her work for these causes that led the Episcopal Church to name her a saint in 2012.

# *Attention Movie Nerds!*

Hollywood's biggest night is nearly here! The 89th Annual Academy Awards will air on February 26th, 2017. Before the new winners are announced, catch up on last year's big winners, all of which can be checked out at either Hayner library location.

**Best Picture:** *Spotlight*
**Best Director:** Alejandro G. Iñárritu for *The Revenant*
**Best Actor:** Leonardo DiCaprio for *The Revenant*
**Best Actress:** Brie Larson for *Room*
**Best Supporting Actor:** Mark Rylance for *Bridge of Spies*
**Best Supporting Actress:** Alicia Vikander for *The Danish Girl*

# *2017 Marks the 70th Anniversary of Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl*

*Excerpt from July 15th, 1944, diary entry:*
"...in spite of everything I still believe that people are really good at heart. I simply can't build up my hopes on a foundation consisting of confusion, misery, and death. I see the world gradually being turned into a wilderness, I hear the ever approaching thunder, which will destroy us too, I can feel the sufferings of millions and yet, if I look up into the heavens, I think that it will all come right, that this cruelty too will end, and that peace and tranquility will return again."

## Volunteer Biography: Marjorie Barban

Marjorie is a volunteer in our Genealogy & Local History Library. She has been volunteering for us since 2008.

Marjorie was born Marjorie Zimmer in Harrisburg, Illinois, a very small southern Illinois town. She grew up with two older brothers. Being the youngest child and only female grandchild, she says she was very spoiled. Her brothers were always in trouble, but she was the Princess of the family. She told me that even as a young child she liked to tell stories and was always talking to anyone who would listen.

The Ohio River flooded their little town in 1937. Their house was filled with water up to the second floor. Her father found them another home that was dry.

Very few girls lived in her neighborhood, so she invented playmates. As a young girl in elementary school she was often seen standing in a corner for talking. Hence, in high school she discovered plays as an outlet. She loved her teachers, and reading and art were her favorite classes.

She told me when she was receiving her high school diploma she heard a teacher say, "Thank goodness this is the last of the Zimmers." She was just sure they meant her brothers.

The children were fortunate that their father was an insurance agent. Her parents were able to send all three to college. Marjorie went to SIU, Carbondale, Illinois. She lived on campus and had many good friends, including the love of her life, Jack Barban.

Jack had just gotten back from the Korean War and was finishing school. She refused to marry him until she finished school. Jack waited patiently for his sweetheart. He found a job as the Alton Sports Editor for *The Telegraph*, and Marjorie began teaching at West Middle School. Jack later began developing Pride, Inc., with the late Dr. Gordon Moore. The two worked very hard for the community.

Sadly, Jack died in 1994 at the age of sixty-four. Marjorie and Jack had four sons, who have grown up to be very successful men.

After her retirement, Marjorie joined many organizations that helped the Alton community. She has received the Delta Kappa Gamma Achievement Award and the YWCA Women of Distinction Award.

I met Marjorie doing plays at Alton Little Theater. I really enjoyed getting to know her and her exuberant personality. She still enjoys talking as much as she did as a child. You may see her still doing plays but will most likely see her playing a well-known Alton person at Vintage Voices in October.

Marjorie had a terrible accident a couple of years ago. Her car rolled on her as she was getting her mail. She was under the car until a neighborhood dog heard her calls for help and alerted neighbors. Her recuperation was long and tedious, but she has recovered remarkably well.

I always ask for a piece of advice on my questionnaires. Marjorie's advice is to take care of our bodies and brains. Exercise keeps us hale, happy, and healthy so we can be in tune with the world. Marjorie knows what she is talking about; she just turned 80 this year.

Thank you, Marjorie, for all your help and wisdom. The staff and I appreciate you very much.

*– Stephanie Munson*

## For She's a Jolly Good Fellow!

This past October, Hayner employee Kate Rose retired after nearly 12 and a half years of service! Kate served the library in her role as Administrative Assistant and Copy Editor. The entire team at HPLD would like to thank Kate for her dedication, humor, patience, and hard work. Congratulations, Kate, on your well-deserved retirement!

## Join us for our new Social Justice and History Book Club!

We are living in interesting times. So did our ancestors who from the vantages of their eras, made the decisions that created our modern society in all its triumphs and tribulations. As Riverbenders, we recently had the opportunity to examine our place in history through the Jacoby Art Center exhibit "Social Justice: Both Sides of the River" and Alton YWCA Speaker Series presentations from author Debby Irving (Waking Up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Race) and Dr. Mary Ferguson, YWCA of Metro St. Louis interim Director of Racial Justice. The series continues in the spring with Professor Kimberly Norwood (Ferguson's Fault Lines: The Race Quake That Rocked a Nation), so keep an eye out for more information on Professor Norwood's upcoming talk and other YWCA Speaker Series events.

Now, let's dive deeper into these issues together. The Social Justice and History Book Club, hosted by Reneé Johnson, will explore both fiction and nonfiction titles that help place questions of social justice within their historical contexts. Together, we'll discover the people, places, and events of the past. Additionally, the book club will provide a safe place to wonder aloud, "What next?"

The book club will meet the third Saturday of each month from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Genealogy & Local History Library. Please see the Special Events section in each newsletter for the announcement of the books we'll read that quarter. Feel free to come to one or all of our book club discussions this year.

## e-Book and e-Audio Help for Cloud Library

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, library reference staff and a volunteer will conduct a class on Saturday, March 18, 2017, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

# Special Events at Hayner

*Join us for our Winter 2017 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, January 14**
**Saturday, February 11**
**Saturday, March 11**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held on the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

***At Your Fingertips: An Introduction to Our Illinois Room Collection***
**January 12 & 19**

***Let's Get Physical: Organizing the Stuff of Your Family History***
**February 9 & 16**

***Bridging the Digital Divide: Scanning, Software Programs, and Storage***
**March 9 & 16**

**10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Social Justice and History Book Club*

*This book club meets the third Saturday of each month at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

***A People's History of the United States***
**by Howard Zinn**
**January 21**

***Citizen: An American Lyric***
**by Claudia Rankine**
**February 18**

***Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America by Barbara Ehrenreich***
**March 18**

***Ferguson's Fault Lines: The Race Quake that Rocked a Nation***
**edited by Kimberly Norwood**
**April 15**

**11 a.m.–1 p.m.**

The books will always be available to read at the Genealogy & Local History Library and can also be checked out through one of the other branches or through our library system. Please let a staff member know if you need help finding a copy! This is an open book club, so you can register for individual book discussions or the whole series. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Jared Hennings *An Evening with Sammy Davis Jr.*

**Tuesday, January 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Who is not familiar with Sammy Davis Jr. and his wide repertoire of signature songs?... *The Candy Man, I've Gotta Be Me,* and *What Kind of Fool Am I* just to name a few. A true renaissance man, Davis was a gifted singer, dancer, and actor. He's best known as a member of Sinatra's Vegas Rat Pack clique with whom he made films and appeared in concert. On his own, he was one of entertainment's most versatile vocalists. With piano and bass accompaniment, Jared Hennings will pay tribute to Davis' artistry. And who knows…Mr. Hennings may reprise the soft shoe pantomime of Mr. Bojangles. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *The OASIS Institute's Health & Fitness Classes*

Hayner Library has partnered with The OASIS Institute to offer classes on health and fitness. The OASIS Institute is a non-profit educational organization with national headquarters located in St. Louis, MO. Their mission is to promote healthy aging. Please note: These classes will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

**Free from Falls** - Whether you've had a fall or just want to learn more about what you can do to prevent falls, this class is for you. Learn techniques to keep you independent and on your feet. A balance screening will be held following the lecture to assess your mobility and balance. This class meets February 1, 2017, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Class size is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Fit for Function: Preventing Age-Related Muscle Loss** - Learn about basic strength training that can reverse muscle loss and what it means to be functionally fit. Explore the benefit of incorporating different types of exercise into your routine and learn safe techniques for exercise. Find out if you can pass their screening test based on national norms. This class is specifically designed for those 60 years of age and older. Please arrive 30 minutes early for the fitness test. This class meets February 21, 2017, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Class size is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Off the Shoulder*

**Tuesday, February 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Four Alton musicians put their unique spin on a great variety of hits from Adele to Alanis, Coldplay to country, the Beatles to Bonnie Raitt, and much more. With Gigi Darr on keyboard, Christine Banda Banks on violin, Randy Banks on drums, and Sharon Spence on vocals, this group brings a fresh, exciting energy to songs you know and love. Don't miss it! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *New Gardening Classes for February and March*

*Note: These classes will be held in the Multipurpose room in the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. You can sign up for individual classes or the whole series. Please identify the classes you are interested in when you register at 1-800-613-3163.*

Join us for a new year of gardening classes at Hayner Library! Starting in February, you can learn about new gardening topics taught by local gardening experts. Sign up now and get your garden growing!

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# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

**NEW GARDENING CLASSES** (Cont.)

• **Worm Composting.** Michelle Berg Vogel, director of the McCully Heritage Project, will teach a class on how to create compost with worms, vegetable scraps, and shredded newspaper. **Tuesday, February 7, 2017, 6:30 p.m.**

• **Prairie Planting and Maintenance.** Learn how to start and maintain a prairie with Patti Brown from The Nature Institute and other local prairie experts. **Tuesday, February 21, 2017, 6:30 p.m.**

• **Grow Your Own Microgreens.** Stop by the Alton Square Library location anytime between 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. to sow your very own microgreens to take home to grow. Also, pick up a free packet of wildflower seeds to get your garden started. **Saturday, February 25, 2017, 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

• **Rain Gardening.** Ned Siegel, St. Louis Master Gardener and Illinois Master Naturalist, will present a class on Rain Gardening. We will learn how to plan and install a rain garden for home landscaping as a means not only to capture storm water runoff, but also to create a colorful and pleasing garden that attracts butterflies and birds. **Tuesday, March 14, 2017, 6:30 p.m.**

• **Wild Edibles.** Kathryn Chapman of Painted Goat Farm is a licensed herbalist who grows medicinal and nourishing herbs on her small family farm. She will teach a class on how to identify, harvest, and prepare wild edible plants of Illinois. **Tuesday, March 28, 2017, 6:30 p.m.**

Classes will be held in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square library location. Class size is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Color Me Stress Free*

**Monday, February 13**
**Monday, April 10**
**6–8 p.m.**

*Note: This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Come color with us and enjoy great company. Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two. Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Armchair Traveler: India*

**Monday, February 27, 2017, 6–7:30 p.m.**

This semi-annual presentation of Armchair Traveler, a program perfect for all members of the family, will feature the large country of India, or as it is officially known, the Republic of India. India is the seventh-largest country by area, the second-most populous country with over 1.2 billion people, and the most populous democracy in the world. With the help of Geet Vanaik, we will explore and discover the wonders of India. Geet came to the U.S. as an international student from India in the late 90s. She earned her B.A. in Biology and M.S. in Biotechnology Management. Geet is currently pursuing her doctoral degree in education at Maryville University. Geet joined the Office International Affairs at SIUE in 2008 and is committed to ensuring that international students have the services and support they need to be successful. The majority of Geet's family still resides in India and she travels often to visit them. Pami Singh and Steve Singh, owners/operators of Taj India Cuisine in Edwardsville, IL, will prepare the samples of the Indian cuisine that will be served. And, if time permits, we will have a taste of Indian music and dancing. Bring the whole family to explore India without ever leaving the US! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz & You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band
## *Celebrate Fat Tuesday*

**Tuesday, February 28, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Trimpe Building on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill.*

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great venue. This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## David Crowley
## *Senator Lyman Trumbull: The Civil Rights Act of 1866 and Beyond*

**Wednesday, March 1, 6:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

David Crowley is the pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Alton. He writes a column for *The Telegraph* and is fascinated by history. Before entering the ministry, he was a political science teacher. When David moved to the area, he was intrigued to find out that Lyman Trumbull's house was right up the street from Duke Bakery. Trumbull is a pivotal figure in American law and in Illinois political history. David has spoken at local historical societies on a variety of topics, including Trumbull, and looks forward to speaking at Hayner Library. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Job Search & Resume Tips*

**Thursday, March 2, 6–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Is the job market getting you down? Have you been searching for a new job and keep running into dead ends? Let us help! Join us on Thursday, March 2, from 6–8 p.m. for tips on finding that perfect job. You will learn to navigate the top job search sites, as well as learn some important résumé-building skills.

## *Fred & His Feathered Friends*

**Tuesday, March 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Have you ever seen a bird skate? Play basketball? Ride on a car? Now you can with Fred & His Feathered Friends. You will get to see an Exotic Parrot Program with 9 or more species of beautiful parrots that sing and dance, and much, much more. Fred's birds will amaze you with their intelligence and entertain you with their antics as you learn all about the world of parrots. We hope you come away with a greater knowledge and appreciation of these beautiful creatures. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *The Original Boneheads*

**Tuesday, March 28, 6:30 p.m.**

The Original Boneheads, a.k.a. The St. Louis Trombone Quartet, was founded in 1998 and has in the years since performed in a myriad of

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**THE ORIGINAL BONEHEADS (Cont.)**

is conservatory trained and experienced in musical settings from symphony orchestras to bar bands. The breadth of musical experience is reflected in the quartet's song list which contains marches, jazz and swing, rock, doo wop, classical, R&B, polkas, blues, Americana, and more. Join us for an evening of humor and great music. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

African American Genealogy Research IR 929.108996073 HAI
Alton Community Service League: Annual Reports 1958–2015 IR CD-ROM 977.386 ALT
Alton Little Theater Scrapbooks, Volumes 1–6, 1932–2011 IR 792.0977386 ALT
Alton Little Theater: 50 Years of Entertainment 1932–1982 IR 792.0977386 ALT
A Day Long to Be Remembered: Lincoln in Gettysburg IR 973.7092 BUR
Family Album by Jean King IR DVD B KING
Finding Female Ancestors IR 929.1 CAR
Genetic Genealogy Basics IR 929.1 BUS
Handprint on the Wall: A Memoir IR B THOMPSON
The History of Wood River Baptist District Association Volume II 1996–2004 IR 286.1773 MAB
Jim Crow to Barack Obama IR DVD 323.0973 JIM
Latin in the Elementary Schools: Alton Community Unit School District 11 IR 372.77386 JOH
Lyman Trumbull Association of Alton: The Middletowner 1977–1989 IR 977.386 LYM
Lyman Trumbull Association of Alton: Meeting Minutes and Papers 1973–1988 IR 977.386 LYM
Pembroke: A Rural, Black Community on the Illinois Dunes IR 977.363 BAR
The Piasa Bird Coloring & Activity Book IR 398.209773 GIL
Shooting Preserve Management: The Nilo System IR 799.24 KOZ
St. Boniface Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois IR 977.344 STB
St. Peter's Cemetery, Quincy, Illinois and Adams County Catholic Cemeteries IR 977.344 STP
They Call Heroes Mister: The Jesse White Story IR B WHITE
Y.W.C.A. 1964 "Festival of Nations" Cookbook IR 641.5 YWC

## *New Circulation Policies*

We have good news for people who check out DVDs and magazines. Recently, Hayner Public Library approved an increase in the number of DVD checkouts from 5 per card to 10 per card, and magazines went from 5 per card to unlimited per card. The library does ask that a patron doesn't check out all the issues of one magazine. Limits on other types of items remain the same: books are unlimited, CDs are 10 per card, and audios are 10 per card. DVD checkout remains one week and magazines remain two weeks. We hope you will find this change beneficial.

# TEENSPACE
## WINTER 2017 ACTIVITIES

### • Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie Event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG–13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Meeting dates are: Wednesdays, January 18, February 15, and March 15, 2017. Movies start at 3:45 p.m. Buses are available at Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School to transport students after school. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

### • Books, Books, and More Books!

RBCC Teen Book Club is for both the teens attending the Riverbender.com after-school program and other teens in our community. The book club takes place in the Riverbender.com library. Teens will choose a different book each month to read and will bring it back to discuss the following month. This book club gives students a chance to read and discuss all genres. Meeting dates are: Wednesdays, January 4, February 8, and March 1, 2017, at 4 p.m. For more information or to register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

### • Check in @ Your Library

"Check in @ your Library" is the theme for Teen Tech Week which runs March 5–10, 2017. Come join us for some really cool arts and crafts at the Riverbender.com Community Center library location on Wednesday, March 8, 2017, to celebrate Teen Tech Week. For more information about this event or to register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

### • 3D Printing

Come join us at Riverbender.com Community Center and learn how to use our MakerBot 3D Printer. The fun will take place from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the following dates: Wednesday, January 11, and Wednesday, January 25, 2017. Registration is required! Please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

### • Webcam Fun

Come join us at Riverbender.com Community Center for this fun afternoon of Webcam face art. Come see what face art you can create! This program will take place in the library at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesday, February 22, 2017, beginning at 3:30 p.m. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

### • Video Shorts

Join us at Riverbender.com Community Center and make your first video short. Participants will use our GoPro Camera and video-editing software to make their own video short. This class will take place on the following three dates in March: Wednesday, March 8, 2017; Wednesday, 22, 2017; and Wednesday, March 29, 2017 from 3:30-6 p.m. This is a three-session class. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

### • The Professors of Hogwarts

It is said that the influence of a good teacher can never be erased, so who better to celebrate on Harry Potter Book Night than those who taught Harry Potter and his friends many magical skills. Whether it was the suave charm of Gilderoy Lockhart or the dark complexity of Severus Snape, many of the professors of Hogwarts had a huge impact on Harry Potter's adventures. Make a date in your diary for Wednesday, February 1, 2017, at 3:30 p.m. to visit Riverbender.com Community Center to discuss all things Harry Potter. For more information or to register for this event, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

# KIDSSPACE
## WINTER 2017 ACTIVITIES

## Alton Square Activities

❄ ***Movers and Shakers Story Time*** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 9, January 23; February 6, February 13; March 6, March 13, and March 20, 2017, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

❄ ***Mommy and Me Story Time*** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Because of the popularity of this story time, we are adding an afternoon meeting time. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 12, January 19, and January 26; February 2, February 9, February 16, and February 23; March 2, March 9, March 16, March 23, and March 30, 2017, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

❄ ***Spanish Story Time*** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3–5. Hector will be there at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: January 30, February 27, and March 27, 2017. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

❄ ***Legos @ Your Library*** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the Alton Square KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 12, February 9, and March 9, 2017, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. This program is recommended for children 6-years-old and up. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

❄ ***Painting with Jennifer*** — Come join Jennifer Grassle as she walks children 7–12 years of age through an instructional painting class. All participants will take home their 11" x 14" artwork. The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room at our Alton Square location on Saturday, January 28, 2017, at 10 a.m. This class has a limit of 15 participants so register today! To register, call Sharon at (618) 433-2861.

❄ ***Winter Yoga for Kids*** — Come join The Hayner Public Library and River Bend Yoga for a six-week yoga session exclusively for 3–5 years old and their parent. Each week, instructors will lead the group through balance, strength, and flexibility in a calming environment. The class will be held every Wednesday morning, January 18, 2017, through February 22, 2017, at 10 a.m. The classes will be held in the Hayner Library Performance Room (upper level at Alton Square). Each participant is required to bring a yoga mat or towel. Limited space is available so register soon. Call (618) 433-2861 to register for the full six-week sessions.

## Downtown Activities

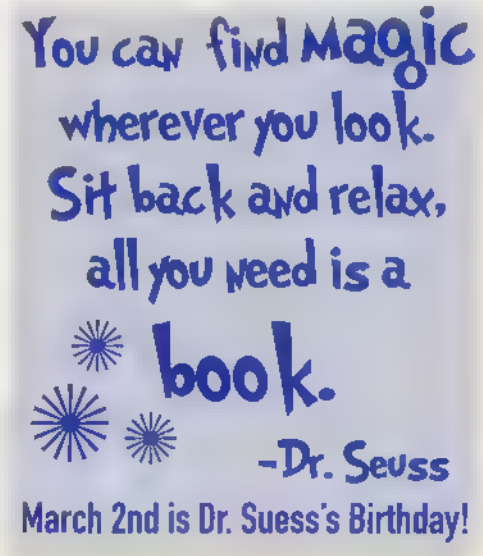
❄ ***Evening Story Time*** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library Downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, January 9, January 23, and January 30; February 6, February 13, February 27; March 6, March 13, March 20, and March 27, 2017. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

❄ ***Mary Kay's Story Times*** — Come join Panda Bear and Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Tuesdays, January 10, January 17, January 24, and January 31; February 7, February 14, February 21, and February 28; March 7, March 14, March 21, and March 28, 2017. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

❄ ***After-School Fun*** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library Downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 17, February 21, and March 21, 2017. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

❄ ***The Children's Museum of Edwardsville*** — Come join us and The Children's Museum of Edwardsville at the Downtown Hayner Library's KidsSpace for three winter programs. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

- ***Program one*** – **Solar System: Out of this World** - Blast off! Learn about all things out of this world! Planets and stars come alive in this interactive, hands-on lesson. This program will be held Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at 10 a.m.
- ***Program two*** – **Shapes and Space** - This hands-on, interactive program is all about spatial relations and early geometry concepts! This program will be held Tuesday, February 7, 2017, at 10 a.m.
- ***Program three*** – **Seuss on the Loose: I Can Read with my Eyes Closed** -Who knew reading and writing could be this much fun! Inspired by the zany world of Dr. Seuss, your students will learn through stories, songs, games, and crafts! This program will be held Tuesday, March 7, 2017, at 10 a.m.



## Computer Classes

*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.*

*Please do not bring your own computers and laptops to class to use as laptops will be provided. All classes are taught using Windows 7.*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers* (Class Limit:12)**
**Part 1-Wednesday, January 25, 6–8 p.m.**
**Part 2-Wednesday, February 1, 6–8 p.m.**
An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.

**Part 1**
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse

**Part 2**
• Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start Menu/ Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents
**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

**Internet Basics (Class Limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, February 8, 6–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to Web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.
**You will need your cell phone to complete the email set-up process.**

**Microsoft Word for Beginners (Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1-Wednesday, February 15, 6–8 p.m.**
**Part 2-Wednesday, February 22, 6–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions.

**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns
• Printing/Indenting/Tabs

**Part 2**
• Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/ Formatting Pictures • Templates

**Flash Drives and Saving Files (Class Limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, March 1, 6–8 p.m.**
Flash Drives, USB Drives, Thumb Drives, they're all the same thing. In this class you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

**Computer Maintenance and Security (Class Limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, March 8, 6–8 p.m.**
Explore your computer's Control Panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class.

## Winter Social Media

*Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

**Social Media Basics**
**Saturday, January 21**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

**Facebook Revealed**
**Saturday, February 18**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter**
**Saturday, March 25, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

## Adult Winter Reading Program

Cozying up with a good book this winter can make you a winner! Join us for our Adult Winter Reading Program. From February 1 to February 28, Hayner Library patrons ages 18 and older are invited to join in the winter reading fun—and a chance to win a Kindle Fire! Registration and participation are easy. Simply visit either Hayner library location and fill out a short registration form. For each book, e-book, audiobook, or e-audiobook you read, you get a chance to enter a drawing for the grand prize. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! Two winners will be selected at both the Downtown and Alton Square locations (a total of 4 Kindle Fires will be given away). Happy winter reading!

## Nonfiction

**Avlon, John.** Washington's Farewell: The Founding Father's Warning to Future Generations

**Baier, Bret.** Three Days in January: Dwight Eisenhower's Final Mission

**Begley, Sharon.** Can't Just Stop: An Investigation of Compulsions

**Braeden, Eric.** I'll Be Damned: How My Young and Restless Life Led Me To America's #1 Daytime Drama

**Chait, Jonathan.** Audacity: How Barack Obama Defied His Critics and Created a Legacy that Will Prevail

**Chopra, Deepak.** You Are the Universe: Discovering Your Cosmic Self and Why It Matters

**Clavin, Tom.** Dodge City: Wyatt Earp, Bat Masterson, and the Wickedest Town in the American West

**Collins, Judy.** Cravings: How I Conquered Food

**Dershowitz, Alan.** Why I Left the Left, but Couldn't Join the Right: The Case for a Return to the Vital Center

**Dunbar, Erica Armstrong.** Never Caught: The Washingtons and the Relentless Pursuit of Their Runaway Slave, Ona Judge

**Dunn, Jancee.** How Not to Hate Your Husband After Kids

**Feiler, Bruce.** The First Love Story: Adam, Eve, and Us

**Gottfried, Sara.** Younger: A Breakthrough Program to Reset Your Genes, Reverse Aging, and Turn Back the Clock 10 Years

**Hayes, Chris.** A Colony in a Nation

**Jacobsen, Annie.** Phenomena: The Secret History of the U.S. Government's Investigations into Extrasensory Perception and Psychokinesis

**King, Coretta Scott.** My Life, My Love, My Legacy

**Kinzer, Stephen.** The True Flag. Theodore Roosevelt, Mark Twain, and the Birth of American Empire

**Kobliner, Beth.** Make Your Kid a Money Genius (Even If You're Not): A Parents' Guide for Kids 3 to 23

**Kurlansky, Mark.** Havana: A Subtropical Delirium

**Lerner, Harriet.** Why Won't You Apologize?: Healing Big Betrayals and Everyday Hurts

**McEvoy, Trish.** The Makeup of a Confident Woman: The Science of Beauty, the Gift of Time, and the Power of Putting Your Best Face Forward

**Miller, Scott.** Agent 110: An American Spymaster and the German Resistance in WWII

**Mitnick, Kevin.** The Art of Invisibility: The World's Most Famous Hacker Teaches You How to Be Safe in the Age of Big Brother and Big Data

**Phillips, Mackenzie.** Hopeful Healing: Essays on Managing Recovery and Surviving Addiction

**Preston, Douglas.** The Lost City of the Monkey God: A True Story

**Quinn, Sally.** Finding Magic: A Spiritual Memoir

**Rappaport, Helen.** Victoria: The Heart and Mind of a Young Queen

**Reynolds, Nicholas.** Writer, Sailor, Soldier, Spy: Ernest Hemingway's Secret Adventures, 1935-1961

**Rowe, Claudia.** The Spider and the Fly: A Reporter, a Serial Killer, and the Meaning of Murder

**Ryan, Tom.** Will's Red Coat: The Story of One Old Dog Who Chose to Live Again

**Sabbage, Sophie.** The Cancer Whisperer: Finding Courage, Direction, and the Unlikely Gifts of Cancer

**Shaw, Dallas.** The Way She Wears It: The Ultimate Insider's Guide to Finding Your Personal Style

**Trump, Ivanka.** Women Who Work: Rewriting the Rules for Success

**Watt, Lauren Fern.** Gizelle's Bucket List: My Life with a Very Large Dog

**Winfrey, Oprah.** Food, Health, and Happiness: 115 On-Point Recipes for Great Meals and a Better Life

## Fiction

**Andrews, V. C.** Broken Glass

**Armstrong, Kelley.** A Darkness Absolute

**Beaton, M. C.** Death of a Ghost

**Berenson, Alex.** The Prisoner

**Black, Lisa.** Unpunished

**Blackstock, Terri.** If I'm Found

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Sleepwalker

**Box, C. J.** Vicious Circle

**Briggs, Patricia.** Silence Fallen

**Coble, Colleen.** Because You're Mine

**Coulter, Catherine.** The Devil's Triangle

**Crombie, Deborah.** Garden of Lamentations

**Cussler, Clive.** The Cutthroat: An Isaac Bell Adventure

**Dorsey, Tim.** Clownfish Blues

**Feehan, Christine.** Power Game

**Fluke, Joanne.** Banana Cream Pie Murder

**Gardner, Lisa.** Right Behind You

**Goodkind, Terry.** Death's Mistress: Sister of Darkness: The Nicci Chronicles, Vol. I

**Graham, Heather.** A Perfect Obsession

**Graham, Heather.** The Rising

**Grippando, James.** Most Dangerous Place: A Jack Swyteck Novel

**Harris, Joanne.** Different Class

**Higgins, Kristan.** On Second Thought

**Hooper, Kay.** Wait for Dark

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** The Nowhere Man: An Orphan X Novel

**Iles, Greg.** Mississippi Blood: A Novel

**James, Eloisa.** Seven Minutes in Heaven

**Jance, J. A.** Man Overboard

**Jones, Darynda.** Eleventh Grave in Moonlight

**Kellerman, Faye.** Bone Box: A Decker/Lazarus Novel

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Heartbreak Hotel: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Born of Vengeance

**Kinsella, Sophie.** My Not So Perfect Life

**Kleypas, Lisa.** Devil in Spring

**Kline, Christina Baker.** A Piece of the World

**Knott, Robert.** Robert B. Parker's Revelation (A Cole and Hitch Novel)

**Lescroart, John.** Fatal

**Mackintosh, Clare.** I See You

**Macomber, Debbie.** If Not for You

**Mallery, Susan.** A Million Little Things

**Moning, Karen Marie.** Feversong

**Muller, Marcia.** The Dangerous Ladies Affair: A Carpenter and Quincannon Mystery

**Oates, Joyce Carol.** A Book of American Martyrs

**Patterson, James.** The Black Book

**Patterson, James.** Humans, Bow Down

**Patterson, James.** Never Never

**Perry, Anne.** Murder on the Serpentine: A Charlotte and Thomas Pitt Novel

**Perry, Thomas.** The Old Man

**Peterson, Tracie.** In the Shadow of Denali

**Pinborough, Sarah.** Behind Her Eyes

**Pronzini, Bill.** The Violated

**Rankin, Ian.** Rather Be the Devil

**Robb, J. D.** Echoes in Death

**See, Lisa.** The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane

**Shalvis, Jill.** Accidentally on Purpose

**Steel, Danielle.** Dangerous Games

**Steel, Danielle.** The Mistress

**Taylor, Brad.** Ring of Fire

**Thomas, Jodi.** Wild Horse Springs

**Todd, Charles.** Racing the Devil

**Weber, Carl.** Man on the Run

**White, Randy Wayne.** Mangrove Lightning: A Doc Ford Novel

**Wilde, Lori.** Million Dollar Cowboy

**Williams, Beatriz.** The Wicked City

**Winspear, Jacqueline.** In Thus Grave Hour

**Woods, Stuart.** Below the Belt (Stone Barrington)

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## *Preparing for and Navigating College: What do I do next?*

The Hayner Public Library District is offering another question-and-answer session on what college-bound high school students need to do to prepare for college: What tests do I need to take? How do I apply for scholarships? What can I do to make the transition from high school to a college easier? How soon should I start applying to colleges? What's the difference between a 2-year community college and a 4-year college or university? What sort of long-term goals should I have before choosing a college? I'm in a 2-year college, how do I transition to a 4-year college? All of these questions and more can be answered on your quest to continue your education. It is a tricky field to navigate and having extra information can make a big difference.

Dr. Brad Noble from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville is one of two moderators of this session. Dr. Noble earned a doctorate from Washington University in St. Louis, has won several teaching awards, and has served on many scholarship committees. Since 1996 he has been a member of the faculty in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at SIUE, where he has taught 19 different classes, three of which he developed, and he co-authored a successful patent in 2013. Dr. Noble can also answer general questions about majors, especially in the hard sciences areas. A member of SIUE's Undergraduate Admissions Office will also be on-hand to help with questions and can help fill in the gaps where Dr. Noble's knowledge ends.

This program is for high school students, current college students, and their parents, or anyone else who may have questions about college. Be prepared to take notes! This program will be held Monday, March 20, 6:30–7:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room at the Alton Square location. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your spot.

## *New Hours at the Genealogy & Local History Library*

In January 2017, the hours at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, will be changing slightly. Wednesdays we will be open Noon–7 p.m. and Saturdays we will be open 8:30 a.m.–1 p.m.

**Our full schedule is:**
Monday–Friday (except Wednesday) 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Wednesday Noon to 7 p.m.
Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Closed Sundays
For more information, call (618) 462-0677.

## *Make a Change!*

Make your New Year's resolution stick this year with some help from Hayner Public Library. Want to lose ten pounds? We have an extensive collection of fitness books and DVDs as well as cookbooks full of recipes that are delicious while meeting dietary needs. Would you like to stop smoking? There are books for that, too! Or perhaps you'd like to apply for a new job for 2017? Update your résumé on one of our public computers! No matter what your New Year's resolution may be, Hayner can help!

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Townships — Spring 2017

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
**Easter Sunday** – April 16
**Memorial Day** – May 28-29

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## *Summer Reading 2017 "Reading by Design"*

Excitement and fun await those who journey to The Hayner Public Library and participate in the summer reading program, Reading by Design. The kick-off begins Saturday, June 3, 2017, at our Alton Square location at 9 a.m. Those who venture in on kick-off day will be entered to win a great gift basket valued at one hundred dollars. In addition to the weekly prizes and reading great books, library patrons can participate in exciting programs

Here are just a few of the events planned for you to enjoy: Animal Tales and their Animal Architects Wednesday, June 7; Mad Science Wednesday, June 14; Josh Routh Wednesday, June 21; Celia and Her Puppets Wednesday, June 28; and Stage Play Wednesday, July 5. Participants will also enjoy story times, puppet shows, crafts, and prizes that reflect the theme.

Each week, participants will be asked to read at least five books, magazine or newspaper articles, or listen to five books on audio to earn some awesome prizes For this year's program, we will partner with Marquette High School, the St Louis Cardinals, and the Gateway Grizzlies

All participants who complete the five-week program will be invited to our End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party at the Alton High School Commons on Thursday, July 13. There, for all their hard work, they will enjoy a free book, a reading certificate, snacks, and entertainment from the hilarious antics of 'Mazing Matthias from Circus Kaput!

## *Simmons Employee Foundation Continues to Support Community*

The Hayner Public Library District would like to thank the Simmons Employee Foundation for their generous support in funding the purchase of three automated external defibrillators (AEDs) for the library facilities

Automated external defibrillators (AEDs) are medical devices that analyze the heart's rhythm and can, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock which helps the heart reestablish an effective rhythm. According to the American Red Cross, sudden cardiac arrest is one of the leading causes of death in the United States An AED is the only effective treatment for restoring a regular heart rhythm during sudden cardiac arrest and is an easy-to-operate tool for someone with no medical background.

Thank you, Simmons Employee Foundation, for your generous contribution to our library and your continued support of the community

## *Did You Know?*

There are two safe, easy ways to support The Hayner Public Library District without even writing a check. The first is by obtaining a Schnucks eScrip card and designating **The Hayner Public Library District** as your charity of choice. Every time you present the card at check-out, the library receives up to 3% of your purchase total. The cards are available at the service desk of any Schnucks store. Instructions for signing up are simple and easy-to-follow. If you already have a card please consider adding The Hayner Public Library District. This can be done online or by calling 800-931-6258

The second way to support the library is through the AmazonSmile foundation. Once you designate **Hayner Public Library** as your chosen charity, the library will receive a small percentage of your eligible purchases through Amazon.com. You may sign up for AmazonSmile online at smile.amazon.com. Instructions for using the site are available when you register. Once you've made your designation, the process is automatic.
If you have any questions about participating in either program, please call the library's business office at 462-0677 for additional information

## Thank you, Friends!!

The Friends of the Library made a wonderful monetary contribution to the Hayner Public Library District. They donate the proceeds from their book sales which are generally held four times throughout the year. They also keep carts in the downtown and mall libraries, selling high-quality and popular books ($2 00 for hardcover and $1.00 for other materials). The donations from the friends are used to fund special projects for the Library District. In 2016, the Friends afforded us the opportunity to upgrade our security cameras in all three libraries as well as installing on-street cameras at our downtown location. You, too, can support the Friend organization by becoming a volunteer for the Friends of the Library. If you are interested in becoming a Friend of the Library, please call Carole Conley at (618) 466-8514. They are always looking for new volunteers to help sort book donations and/or work at the book sales. It's a great group to work with and the perfect volunteer opportunity for anyone who loves books!

## Fiction, Non-Fiction, Mystery, Sci-Fi, and Western

Ever wonder why we don't narrow down these genres into comedy, drama, romance, thriller, fantasy, etc.? When you factor in the many, many, many sub-genres that exist, the answer is quite obvious! Are you familiar with these unusual literary genres?

**Bildungsroman** focuses on the education, development, and coming of age of a young protagonist such as Charlotte Bronte's masterpiece *Jane Eyre*

**Cyberpunk** may sound like a genre of music found exclusively in internet chat rooms but it is actually stories of computer hacking and corruptions within large corporations.

*The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* is an example of a **Picaresque** genre in which a novel contains humorous tales of adventure focusing on the antics of knavish-yet-charismatic heroes.

Here is something to ponder: there can be sub-genres of sub-genres! The sub-genre **Eco Fiction** deals with novels with nature or environmental plots. However, **Climate Fiction** (AKA Cli-Fi) focuses on climate change storylines.

Have you ever read a novel that was told exclusively through letters, emails, or newspaper articles? If you have then you have read an **Epistolary** novel.

A fantasy novel with anti-heroes in gritty or grim settings is known as a **Grimdark Fantasy**. The most popular example of this is George R R. Martin's series *A Song of Fire and Ice*.

The classical 'whodunit' mystery has the reader guessing who the criminal is. However, in an **Inverted Mystery**, the criminal is revealed quickly, but the suspense mounts as the detective tries to solve the crime

Ronald Dahl's classic tale *Matilda* tells the tale of a highly intelligent little girl who discovers she has telekinetic powers. 2011's *The Night Circus* contains illusionists whose abilities defy explanation. These are two examples of **Magical Realism** in which abnormal activities occur in realistic settings

*The Chronicles of Narnia* is an example of **Portal Fantasy** in which characters travel to a fantasy world through a portal or gateway.

Historical Fiction that focuses mainly on warriors of China is the sub-genre known as **Wuxia**.

## Food for Fido - Help Us Help Them

Do you have Hayner Library materials that are still checked out and are embarrassingly overdue? Do you keep getting notices in the mail and are scared of what your fine is? Breathe a sigh of relief because from April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine

All the donations will go to our furry friends residing at the 5-A's Animal Shelter. The devoted staff in this no-kill shelter relies entirely on donations to provide proper care to the adoptable animals that have been abandoned, neglected, or abused…animals like Nibbles For more information about this worthy organization, call (618) 466-3702, visit their website at www.fiveas org, visit their Facebook page, or pay them a visit at 4530 N. Alby St in Godfrey.

## Words, Words, Words!

An avid reader will tell you that one of the foundations of a good book is the choice of words within it. Words can inspire us, they can motivate us, they can make us sound intelligent But, do you know there are words about words? And furthermore, there are words about books and the people who read them Here are ten words that every logophile should know. What is a logophile, you ask? Read on and find out!

1. Amphigory – A nonsense verse or composition: a rigmarole with apparent meaning which proves to be meaningless
2. Bibliomania –An excessive fondness for acquiring and possessing books
3. Bibliophile – A person who loves or collects books
4. Diminutive – A suffix added to a word to mean little, small, or young. Examples: Piglet and Starlet
5. Eponym – A word derived from a proper noun. Example: the word boycott comes from Charles C. Boycott.
6. Logophile – A word lover or a word buff
7. Neologism – A newly coined word. Examples: App, Google, and Tweet.
8. Scrinium – Latin word for a chest for books or papers
9. Sesquipedalian – A word that has many syllables
10. Tsundoku – Japanese word for buying many books and not getting around to reading them

# *To Protect and Serve*

The earliest known policing system was established in Boston during the 1630's. The unit was known as the "night watch" and men were hired part-time without pay. The first full-time paid officer would not be hired until 1712.

Today, all anyone has to do is turn on the news or pick up a newspaper to realize that time, laws, and people have certainly changed within the law enforcement community. Today's police officers do not handle calls like their predecessors did over 100 years ago.

On June 2, 1900, Alton Mayor Anthony Young was contacted by a group of society ladies complaining of smelly street gutters in their neighborhood. With little hesitation, the mayor sent a group of officers to investigate the odor and then, to appease the local ladies, they were to use their constabulary powers to quickly remedy the cause. But foul sewers were not the only malodorous mystery being investigated during that era. The police were also looking into a stinky whodunit right in the middle of their own ranks; each night, for reasons unknown, someone was placing limburger cheese inside the department's kitchen stove. When the stove was used, the concealed cheese would begin to melt, giving off such a powerful stench that the officers would become sick.

In July of 1912, Sara Hawkins went to court and reported that her husband was disturbing her slumber as he rattled dishes at 3 a.m. With the hope of having Mr. Hawkins arrested and removed from their home, she asked Justice Frank Ford to place a peace warrant against him. Mrs. Hawkins admitted that her husband was a virtuous housekeeper, but his early morning efforts at cleaning the dishes greatly disturbed her sleep.

In December of 1916, a new Alton city ordinance was passed prohibiting spitting on grocery store floors. (OMG, was this REALLY a problem? Doesn't everyone just know not to spit inside the grocery store?) City Food Inspector Rose Gillespie vowed to put an end to what she called a disgusting and unsanitary habit. As the Alton Police were trying to keep the floors of the grocery stores spatter-free, the Marshall of East Alton was busy arresting two individuals who were caught stealing hair from the tails of horses at the stockyard. A year later, a wagon driver for Belle Telephone was actually arrested after his horse pulled a small limb off a tree and ate the leaves. Talk about a slow day at the precinct!

Investigating an eerie call in 1925, police decided to hide in a closet to catch a suspected ghost who was being accused of using a rocking chair to scare the nervous homeowner each night as he slept. When the officers heard a rocking noise, they shined a flashlight toward the chair (straight from the closet door!) only to reveal the ghost was actually a family of rats who apparently enjoyed sitting in the chair after the room became quiet and dark. The report did not reveal if the police apprehended, arrested, or disposed of the rats in any manner. Maybe they just ran away. (The rats, not the police!)

In 1928, the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association contacted the police department and asked for assistance in helping locate delinquent books. The police willingly complied. In just a short time, many books were recovered and promptly returned to their shelves. Could Hayner have been the basis for the Seinfeld character Officer Joe Bookman?

During a Saturday night party in the Belle Street neighborhood in 1929, police charged Mrs. Ella Rice with "maintaining a disorderly house" after a drunken brawl ended in gunfire. Mrs. Rice was fined $125 and her son Doran was arrested for shooting toward the twelve booze-infused houseguests, wounding two.

After fireworks were deployed on July 4th, 1934, police had to remove a terrified dog from a house at 811 McKinley Boulevard. Once apprehended, the dog was taken to the police station and put into detention (that must be canine-talk for arrested).

Frogs kept the police "jumping" in the late 1930's and 40's. On a warm Tuesday evening in September 1938, police were dispatched to Lowell School after a teachers' meeting was interrupted by a group of boys throwing toads through the open windows toward the ladies. Instead of taking the boys to the station and putting them into detention (as they did with the dog from the McKinley Boulevard home), officers instead decided to give them a stern lecture on the evilness of their ways. Almost ten years later to the day, Clifford Ussery and Tony Michelon were arrested when police caught them in possession of twelve frogs they had caught in a pond on the Western Military Academy grounds. Since frog-hunting season had ended 3 days earlier, an agent with the Department of Conservation took charge of the long-legged croakers. (Let me interject here. Yes, there is an actual hunting season for this sport; I Googled it!) The two belated frog marauders were fined $25 each. I have to wonder if these partners-in-crime might have been part of the toad-pitching party at Lowell School 10 years earlier.

Police officers are everyday heroes. Whether they are searching for ghosts or gunfire, arresting hooligans and dogs, or lecturing wayward schoolboys and husbands who clean up after themselves, they are just performing the duties of their job. They protect and serve their communities with skill, compassion, and a solid dedication. They do it with little praise and, unfortunately, many times without recognition. Whether they are standing at your car window asking for your license and registration or rushing to the scene of an accident, they are a special kind of person with a special kind of job; a job that requires them to insert themselves directly in the middle of chaotic, dangerous situations with man or beast to provide a perimeter of safety for everyone else (even frogs!). Today, why not say thank you, shake their hand, buy their coffee, or show a warm smile of gratitude? They have earned it.

Pam Bierman

## How Interesting!

Our Genealogy and Reference Departments are pros at researching questions asked by patrons. A lot of the time the questions are general, but every so often they get asked to research topics that are particularly interesting. Here are some examples.

Many years ago, I was asked to assist a very special Alton historian with locating the names of Alton area soldiers who served during World War II. This project took several years and eventually expanded to include the Civil War through Vietnam. Of course, we were not able to locate each and every person who wore a military uniform, but our efforts yielded nearly 40 scrapbooks filled with information on thousands of brave men and women who left the Riverbend area to serve their country These scrapbooks were copied and indexed, and are now a part of the Illinois Room collection located in the Genealogy & Local History Library

**–Pam B (Genealogy Department)**

Years ago when I was researching my husband Mike's family history, I accidently stumbled across an article in the Alton newspaper archives stating that my father-in-law and his first wife had a stillborn child. It was quite touching. They named the girl after both of their mothers and buried her in Upper Alton Cemetery. Mike did not know about this little one. His dad had never told him anything about his first marriage.

**–Beth P. (Genealogy Department)**

About ten years ago, a man called me about giant "thunder birds" that had been sighted in Illinois in the 20th century. They had a wing span of 10-15 feet across. I found a photo in the *Alton Telegraph Archives* showing a man standing next to a very large dead bird hanging from a wall, showing its awesome wing span and large size At the time, I was only familiar with the Piasa Bird.

**–Sharon S. (Reference Department)**

Last year, a patron called to ask for *Alton Telegraph* articles about the time monkeys had escaped in Alton and crossed the frozen Mississippi River into Missouri. I was skeptical. Several years ago, I was asked a similar question about an escaped lion in the area and it turned out to be a (wild) mountain lion. This time, the real story completely exceeded expectations. In December 1993, two part-Japanese macaque monkeys escaped from their backyard enclosure in Alton. One was captured a month and a half later in Alton The other was caught six months later by the Florissant police department after a four and a half hour chase involving 20 police officers Sadly, the Florissant monkey didn't survive, but the one caught in Alton was sent to a primate sanctuary in Texas to live out the rest of his days

**–Lacy M (Genealogy & Local History Manager)**

If you have a question, interesting or general, our reference staff is available at the Alton Square Mall location Mon-Sat; please call (618) 433-2864 for hours. Or you can email your questions to reference@haynerlibrary org!

If your question is genealogy or local history related, our Genealogy Department can be found at 401 State Street; see our website for operation hours. They can also be reached at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2865, or you can email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org

## Volunteer Bio – Connie Clayton

Connie has been a volunteer for 7 years. She started volunteering at the downtown library reading shelves and keeping books in order The Genealogy and Local History needed a volunteer and Connie opted to take that positon. She is a huge help. Staffer Pam Bierman had this to say about Connie: "Connie Clayton of Alton has been volunteering in the Genealogy Library for well over 7 years. She is our longest-tenured volunteer. She is an industrious lady who wears a big infectious smile. Connie works on a variety of projects which includes copying scrapbooks and helping us compile research on local history subjects. She has become affectionately known as our "jack-of-all-trades ""

When Connie was growing up, her family moved around a lot because her dad was in the army When she was five, they moved to Alton Her mother and three sisters still live in the surrounding area. She told me as a child she walked to school every day. She and her sisters played outside until it was dark. Connie believes it was a blessing having sisters. They did fight often but were always close. Connie spent most of her grade-school years in split classes She really enjoyed playing with the older kids. She and her sisters all worked as soon as someone would hire them. She taught swimming at the YWCA and worked the front desk. All three sisters were in orchestra or band. They had no time to get in trouble

Now, Connie and her husband Barry do many things together Their favorite is working on their pottery. They have a studio where they throw clay on a potter's wheel. Much of their artwork is displayed at the *White Pelican* in Grafton and *Jeannie Cousley's JMC Studio* across from the old post office on Belle St. They show many of their pottery pieces at the Grafton Art show, the Staunton Art Festival, and the Tree House festival in Michael, Ill. Most of the festivals are September through November. They are always looking for more studios and art shows to display their pottery pieces. If you get a chance, stop by one of the studios to see their beautiful work.

Connie has a daughter, Alicia, who was an engineer and now owns and operates the *Green Finned Hippy Farm*. She has over a hundred chickens. She is extremely busy taking care of those chickens, milking goats, taking care of pigs, and selling produce on open farm day Connie helps her every Friday cleaning 100's of eggs. Alicia also has a son and teaches violin lessons on Saturdays She seems to be a chip off her mother's block!

Connie has worked on many projects for the genealogy department. She feels like all have been great and interesting projects. She enjoyed working on one project about Captain Fluent who lived on the Mississippi River. She has researched information on the YWCA when it was very popular. This summer, she plans on researching articles about the Western Military Academy. She enjoys working on medium to large projects that take a lot of concentration and attention. She feels that the history in Alton is very interesting. Connie especially likes working with the Genealogy staff, and she feels like part of the group

*Well, Mrs Clayton, we love having you as part of Hayner's group! Thanks so much for your hard work and dedication to Hayner Library!*

*Stephanie Munson*

## *Computer Classes*

*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is requested. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time To register, please call 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering*

*Do not bring your own computers and laptops to class to use Laptops will be provided. All classes are taught using Windows 7.*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers***
**(Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, Wednesday, April 26, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, Wednesday, May 3, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
An introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars
**Part 1**
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse
**Part 2**
• Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start Menu/Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents
**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

**Internet Basics (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, May 10, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to Web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information
**You will need your cell phone to complete the email set-up process.**

**Microsoft Word for Beginners**
**(Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, Wednesday, May 17, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, May 24, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions, which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions.
**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/ Columns
• Printing/Indenting/Tabs • Templates
**Part 2**
• Refresh of Part 1 • Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/Formatting Pictures

**Flash Drives and Saving Files**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, May 31, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Flash Drives, USB Drives, Thumb Drives, they're all the same thing. In this class you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

**Computer Maintenance and Security**
**(Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, June 7, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Explore your computer's Control Panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class

## *Spring Social Media*

*Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Please register at 1-800-613-3163*

**Social Media Basics**
**Saturday, April 29, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site, and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets

**Facebook Revealed**
**Saturday, May 20, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter**
**Saturday, June 17 10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending Tweets and Pinning to a Board, uploading a Pin, and the art of "Following" people. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring laptops and tablets.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Spring 2017 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

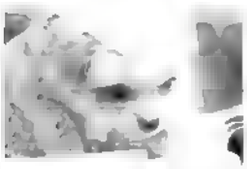
## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner*

**Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.**

**Saturday, April 8**

**Saturday, May 13**



**Saturday, June 10**

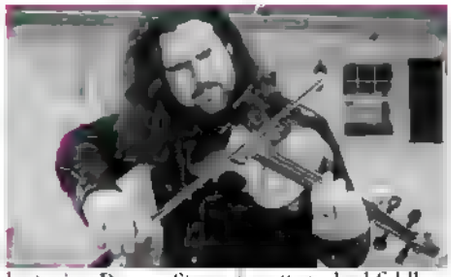
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## Dennis Stroughmatt and His Swingin' Band
## *The Sound of Western Swing and the Music of Legendary Fiddler Wade Ray*

**Tuesday, April 4, 6:30 p.m.**

Western Swing is a music that continues to influence musicians across the planet, and southwestern Illinois was home to one of the most influential of Western Swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray. Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, worked with Ray Price, and once was well-known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows. Fiddler, vocalist, and



historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with Wade. His performance and presentation will include a mix of songs from the era of Bob Wills, Wade Ray, Ray Price, and Hank Thompson. Like his mentor Wade Ray, Dennis will make you want to swing! Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## Mark Richman

**Tuesday, April 18, 6:30 p.m.**

If you enjoy the song stylings of Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Bobby Darin, and Dean Martin, you're absolutely going to want to attend this program. Mark reproduces the music of these great performers in a program tailored to the audience's requests. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

***Sharing & Collaborating on Social Media***

**April 13 & 20**

***Ancestry.com: the Forest & the Trees***

**May 11 & 18**

***Family Search: How to use the Wiki***

**June 8 & 15**

**10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Social Justice and History Book Club*

This book club meets the third Saturday of each month at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.

***Ferguson's Fault Lines: The Race Quake that Rocked a Nation edited by Kimberly Norwood***

**April 15**

***All Our Relations by Winona LaDuke***

**May 20**

***Arab America: Gender, Cultural Politics and Activism by Nadine Naber***

**June 17**

***Freaks and Revelations by Davida Wills Hurwin***

**July 15**

**11 a.m.–1 p.m.**

The books will always be available to read at the Genealogy & Local History Library and can also be checked out through one of the other branches or through our library system. Please let a staff member know if you need help finding a copy! This is an open book club, so you can register for individual book discussions or the whole series. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *New Gardening Classes for April and May*

These classes will be held in the Multipurpose room in the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. You can sign up for individual classes or the whole series. Please identify the classes you are interested in when you register at 1-800-613-3163

- **Bees and Other Pollinators.** Bonnie Davis, Illinois Master Naturalist and bee keeper will be doing a presentation on bees and other pollinators. You will make a small bee nesting house at the beginning of class to take home and enjoy the wonders of bees.

**Tuesday, April 18, 6:30 p.m.**

- **Q & A on Organic Gardening.** Clifford Clark, local organic gardener, will be available to answer your questions on organic gardening. Come learn about organic gardening techniques to grow your best vegetable garden and take home a tomato plant to get your garden started.

**Saturday, April 22, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.**

- **The Plight of the Monarch Butterfly.** Ned Siegel, an Illinois Master Naturalist who

# Special Events at Hayner

has spent over thirty years in the scientific research community in St. Louis, will present a program on why all the recent chatter about the Monarch butterfly. Come learn more about the fascinating life and times of this beautiful insect and why its story is worth telling You will be able to help sustain our State Insect for generations to come.
**Tuesday, May 2, 6:30 p.m.**

## Forrest Bevineau
## *The Singing Sheriff*

**Tuesday, May 9, 6:30 p.m.**
Well known Deputy Forrest Bevineau has a huge following throughout the area. His incomparable singing voice and incredible repertoire has brought him fans of all ages. His performances are often a mix of musical styles and can run the gamut from gospel to country, western, popular to R & B and more. Join us for a great evening of songs and surprises. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *The OASIS Institute's Health & Fitness Class*

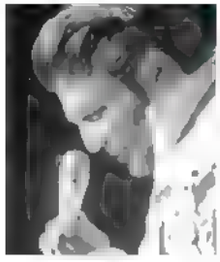
**May 9, 10 a.m.**
Hayner Library has partnered with The OASIS Institute to offer another class on health and fitness. The OASIS Institute is a non-profit educational organization with national headquarters located in St. Louis, MO Their mission is to promote healthy aging. Please note: this class will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall
**Fighting Fatigue:** Low energy can greatly impact lives physically, emotionally, and socially. Learn about the causes of fatigue, its impact on function, and how to fight it. A self-screening is available to assist in determining your level of fatigue. This class meets May 9, 2017, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Class size is limited. ***Please register through the OASIS Institute at 1-800-392-0936.***

## Brad Winn
## *The Lewis and Clark Expedition: May 14, 1804 – Sept. 23, 1806*

**Wednesday, May 10, 6:30 p.m.**
To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.
Have you ever wanted to follow the Lewis and Clark Trail? Wondered what exactly happened to the explorers on their epic two and half year journey? Join Brad Winn, the Site Manager of the Illinois Lewis and Clark State Historic Site, as he retells the story of Lewis and Clark combining the history of the journey and the imagery of the trail today. The site is the location of Lewis and Clark's first winter encampment, Camp River Dubois. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Job Search & Resume Tips

**Thursday, May 18, 6–8 p.m.**
*Note. This class u ill be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*
Is the job market getting you down? Have you been searching for a new job and keep running into dead ends? Let us help! Join us on Thursday, May 18, from 6–8 p m. for tips on finding that perfect job You will learn to navigate the top job search sites, as well as learn some important résumé-building skills Please register at 1-800-613-3163.



## Steve Davis
## *Elvis! Live!*

**Tuesday, May 23, 6:30 p.m.**
Elvis (yes, THE Elvis) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don't miss this chance to see The King live, onstage! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

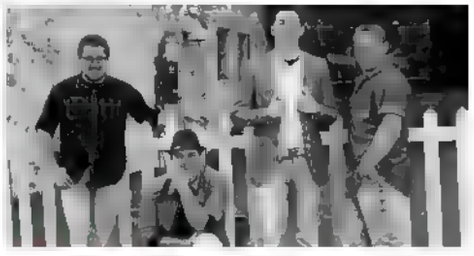
## Switchback

**Sunday, June 4, 2:00 p.m.**
*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill*
Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a

little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." FitzGerald and Martin McCormack showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers!
This program is jointly presented by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Color Me Stress Free*

**Tuesday, June 13, 6-8 p.m.**
*Note· This adult coloring event will be held In the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*
Come color with us and enjoy great company. Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two. Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies Please register at 1-800-613-3163



## Blend
## *A Cappella '50s at Its Best*

**Tuesday, June 27, 6:30 p.m.**
Don't miss this great night of entertainment. Blend is an a cappella doo-wop group that brings back the hits of the '50s and '60s with a twist of fun. They make very clear in their exuberant act that they love what they do! Please register at 1-800-613-3163

# KIDSSPACE
## SPRING 2017 ACTIVITIES

### April 2017

Monday, April 3, 2017 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 3, 2017 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 4, 2017 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 6, 2017 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m. & 2:00 p m.
Saturday, April 8, 2017 – Kids Easter Egg Hunt – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 10, 2017 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 10, 2017 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p m.
Tuesday, April 11, 2017 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m
Thursday, April 13, 2017 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m. & 2 p.m
Thursday, April 13, 2017 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
**Friday, April 14, 2017 – Staff Development Day – Library Closed**
Monday, April 17, 2017 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 17, 2017 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p m.
Tuesday, April 18, 2017 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m
Tuesday, April 18, 2017 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p m.
Thursday, April 20, 2017 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m. & 2 p.m
Monday, April 24, 2017 – Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, April 24, 2017 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 25, 2017 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, April 27, 2017 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m. & 2 p.m

### May 2017

Monday, May 1, 2017 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Monday, May 1, 2017 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 2, 2017 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 4, 2017 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
Monday, May 8, 2017 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Monday, May 8, 2017 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 9, 2017 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)– 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 11, 2017 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
Thursday, May 11, 2017 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
Monday, May 15, 2017 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 15, 2017 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 16, 2017 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m
Tuesday, May 16, 2017 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 18, 2017 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
Monday, May 22, 2017 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Monday, May 22, 2017 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 23, 2017 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Thursday, May 25, 2017 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
**Monday, May 29, 2017 – Library closed in observance of Memorial Day**

### Summer Reading Program 2017
### "Reading by Design"

Summer Reading Program Kickoff Saturday, June 3, 2017 – 9 a.m.
Monday, June 5, 2017 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages Birth-6
Tuesday, June 6, 2017 – Stories with an Artist (Downtown) – 10 a.m – Ages 2-6
Tuesday, June 6, 2017 – Lego Quest – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 7-12
Wednesday, June 7, 2017 – Animal Tales "Animal Architecture" – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 8, 2017 – Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-12
Monday, June 12, 2017 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages Birth-6
Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – Stories with an Artist (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-6
Tuesday, June 13, 2017 – Lego Quest – 2-3 p m. – Ages 7-12
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 – Mad Science "Fire and Ice" – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 15, 2017 – Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-12
Monday, June 19, 2017 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages Birth-6
Tuesday, June 20, 2017 – Stories with an Artist (Downtown) – 10 a.m.– Ages 2-6
Tuesday, June 20, 2017 – Lego Quest– 2–3 p m. – Ages 7-12
Wednesday, June 21, 2017 – OMG Josh "Build a Better Story" – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 22, 2017 – Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-12
Monday, June 26, 2017 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages Birth-6
Tuesday, June 27, 2017 – Stories with an Artist (Downtown) – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-6
Tuesday, June 27, 2017 – Lego Quest – 2–3 p.m. – Ages 7-12
Wednesday, June 28, 2017 – The Celia & Little Celia Show – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, June 29, 2017 – Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-12
Monday, July 3, 2017 – Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m. – Ages Birth-6
Tuesday, July 4, 2017 – Library closed in observance of the July 4th holiday
Wednesday, July 5, 2017 – Stage Play "She Shares Shel" – 10 a.m. – All Ages
Thursday, July 6, 2017 – Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m. – Ages 2-12
Friday, July 7, 2017 – Last Day to turn in Reading Sheets
Thursday, July 13, 2017 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party – 5-7 p.m.
Performer 'Maizing Matthias "The Magic and Juggling Show" – By Invitation Only!

• To register for any of our spring programs, please call Alton Square at (618) 433-2881 or Downtown Kids at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836. Summer registration will begin on Saturday June 3, 2017, at our Alton Square location.

## *e-Book and e-Audio Help for Cloud Library*

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, library reference staff and a volunteer will conduct a class on Saturday, June 24, 2017, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device with you so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163, and leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

# TEENSPACE
## SPRING 2017 ACTIVITIES

### April and May Events 2017

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 – Books, Books, and More Books – 4 p m.
Wednesday, April 12, 2017 – Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt – 3:30 p.m (Riverbender.com Community Center)
Wednesday, April 19, 2017 –
Teen Movie @ Riverbender.com
Community Center – 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3, 2017 –
Books, Books, and More Books – 4 p.m.
Wednesday, May 10, 2017 – Teen Movie ("Spare Parts")
@ Riverbender.com Community Center – 3:45 p.m.
Wednesday, May 17, 2017 – End-of-the-School-Year Party – 3:30 p.m (Riverbender.com Community Center)

### Teen Summer Reading Program Events 2017 "Reading by Design"

Saturday, June 3, 2017 – Summer Reading Kickoff – All participants who sign up on this day will get a chance to enter to win a $50 gift card
Wednesday, June 7, 2017 – Movie and a Pizza (Riverbender com Community Center) 2-4 p.m
Wednesday, June 14, 2017 – Chopped Competition (Riverbender com Community Center) 2-4 p.m
Wednesday, June 21, 2017 – Free Play (Riverbender com Community Center) 2-4 p.m.
Wednesday, June 28, 2017 – Escape the Room (Riverbender com Community Center) 2-4 p.m.
**Friday, June 30, 2017 –LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS**
Wednesday, July 5, 2017 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party – Performer: The Wonder Wheelers 2-4 p.m.
To register for any of our spring programs, please call (618) 433-2872 Registration for summer programming starts on Saturday, June 3, 2017, at our Alton Square location

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

America's Chessboard by James Herschel Taylor IR 305 8 TAY

Annual Report: Lewis and Clark Community College & Foundation 2010 – 2015 IR 378.19822 LEW

Black Family Research: Records of Post-Civil War Federal Agencies at the National Archives IR 929.108996073

Citizen; An American Lyric by Claudia Rankin IR 811.54 RAN

Hey, America, Your Roots are Showing IR 929.1 SMO

The Edwardsville Library of 1819: Its Founders, Catalog, Subsequent History, and Importance IR 027.477386 MOO

Ferguson's Fault Lines: The Race Quake that Rocked a Nation, Edited by Kimberly Jade Norwood IR 305 8009778 FER

The First Presbyterian Church of Alton 1821 – 1991 by Kenneth Dobson IR 285.977386 DOB

Getting Started in Jewish Genealogy: 2016-2017 Edition IR 929.1028 MOK

Illinois Name Lists 1678 – 2009 IR 016.9293773 DOL

The Journal of Unitarian Universalist History. "William D'Arcy Haley as Liberal Minister and Editor in the West." IR 389.17305 JOU

Keep Your Face to the Sunshine: A Lost Chapter in the History of Woman Suffrage IR 324.623 MEY

Labor in Illinois: The Affluent Years 1945-80 IR 305.56209773 DER

Lewis & Clark Community College 2015 Annual Report IR 378.19822 LEW

The McAdams: A Legacy of Public Service IR 929 2 McAdams

My Family Tree and Me (children's picture book) IR 929 PET

Norvell Correspondence: The letters of Alice Luvina Norvell Thompson 1955 – 1981 IR 929.2 NORVELL

Polish Roots = Korzenie Polskie – Second Edition IR 943 8 CHO

Since You Asked. Volume XII · Arizona Veterans Share Their Memories (Including interviews with several Alton and Godfrey veterans) IR 940.53773 SIN

St. Louis World's Fair 365: An Intriguing Day-by-Day Look at the 1904 World's Fair IR 977.866 SON

West Junior High School Scrapbooks 1951 – 1959 IR 373.77386 WES

## *Author Fun Facts!*

Authors can write amazing stories, but sometimes stories about authors can be just as interesting!

**Did You Know?**

L. Frank Baum said he came up with the name "OZ" when he saw it on his file cabinet. One cabinet was labeled A-N; the second was O-Z.

According to buzzfeed.com, Jane Austin's *Pride and Prejudice* was originally titled *First Impressions*.

Sophia Tolstaya, wife of *War and Peace* author Leo Tolstoy, transcribed her husband's famous 1,225-page novel seven times by hand before he felt it was fit for publication OUCH!

Shel Silverstein is not only a renowned author, probably best known for his children's book *The Giving Tree*, but also an accomplished songwriter. He wrote "A Boy Named Sue," made famous by Johnny Cash and many others.

Charles Dickens showed signs of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder He touched things three times for luck, combed his hair a hundred times a day, and could only write after sleeping in a bed facing north because he felt the North Star made him more creative

According to *Glamour* magazine, Sylvia Plath published her first poem at the age of eight. At the age of twelve, her IQ was recorded at around 160, making her a genius!

Best-selling author Stephen King grew so frustrated while writing his first novel, *Carrie*, he threw the unfinished manuscript in the trash His wife, Tabitha, salvaged the rough draft and encouraged him to continue writing it.

Dan Brown, author of the *Da Vinci Code* series, hangs upside down when he has writer's block. He feels it gets the creative juices flowing again

## Nonfiction—

**Allen, Jonathan.** Shattered· Inside Hillary Clinton's Doomed Campaign

**Asprey, Dave.** Head Strong: The Bulletproof Plan to Activate Untapped Brain Energy to Work Smarter and Think Faster-in Just Two Weeks

**Baekgaard, Barbara Bradley.** A Colorful Way of Living: How to Be More, Create More, Do More the Vera Bradley Way

**Baldwin, Alec.** Nevertheless: A Memoir

**Bloomberg, Michael.** Climate of Hope· How Cities, Businesses, and Citizens Can Save the Planet

**Brody, Lauren Smith.** The Fifth Trimester: The Working Mom's Guide to Style, Sanity, and Big Success After Baby

**Cannell, Michael.** Incendiary: The Psychiatrist, the Mad Bomber, and the Invention of Criminal Profiling

**de Rosnay, Tatiana.** Manderley Forever: A Biography of Daphne du Maurier

**DeFelice, Jim.** West Like Lightning: The Brief, Legendary Ride of the Pony Express

**Fisher, David.** Bill O'Reilly's Legends and Lies: The Civil War

**Foster, Jody and Michelle Joy.** The Schmuck in My Office: How to Deal Effectively with Difficult People at Work

**Franken, Al.** Al Franken, Giant of the Senate

**Garcia, Mayte.** The Most Beautiful: My Life with Prince

**Grann, David.** Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI

**Guinn, Jeff.** The Road to Jonestown· Jim Jones and Peoples Temple

**Hart, Kevin.** I Can't Make This Up: Life Lessons

**Jenner, Caitlyn.** The Secrets of My Life

**Lamott, Anne.** Hallelujah Anyway: Rediscovering Mercy

**Meyer, Joyce.** 20 Ways to Make Every Day Better: Simple, Practical Changes with Real Results

**Olson, Lynne.** Last Hope Island· Britain, Occupied Europe, and the Brotherhood That Helped Turn the Tide of War

**Petersen, Andrea.** On Edge· A Journey Through Anxiety

**Positano, Rock G.** Dinner with DiMaggio: Memories of an American Hero

**Purviance, Jamie.** Weber's Greatest Hits: 125 Classic Recipes for Every Grill

**Reid, T. R.** A Fine Mess: A Global Quest for a Simpler, Fairer, and More Efficient Tax System

**Rice, Condoleezza.** Democracy: Stories from the Long Road to Freedom

**Russell, Gareth.** Young and Damned and Fair The Life of Catherine Howard, Fifth Wife of King Henry VIII

**Ryan, Tom.** Will's Red Coat: The Story of One Old Dog Who Chose to Live Again

**Sandberg, Sheryl.** Option B· Facing Adversity, Building Resilience, and Finding Joy

**Sankovitch, Nina.** The Lowells of Massachusetts An American Family

**Sasaki, Fumio.** Goodbye, Things· The New Japanese Minimalism

**Sedaris, David.** Theft by Finding· Diaries (1977-2002)

**Seinfeld, Jessica.** Food Swings: 125+ Recipes to Enjoy Your Life of Virtue & Vice

**Sidibe, Gabourey.** This Is Just My Face: Try Not to Stare

**Sincero, Jen.** You Are a Badass: How to Stop Doubting Your Greatness and Start Living an Awesome Life.

**Smith, Ian K., M.D.** Blast the Sugar Out!: Lower Blood Sugar, Lose Weight, Live Better

**Smith, Sally Bedell.** Prince Charles: The Passions and Paradoxes of an Improbable Life

**Talty, Stephan.** The Black Hand: The Epic War Between a Brilliant Detective and the Deadliest Secret Society in American History

**Trump, Ivanka.** Women Who Work: Rewriting the Rules for Success

**Tyson, Neil deGrasse.** Astrophysics for People in a Hurry

**Weil, Andrew, M.D.** Mind Over Meds: Know When Drugs Are Necessary, When Alternatives Are Better – and When to Let Your Body Heal on Its Own

**White, Ryan.** Jimmy Buffett: A Good Life All the Way

**Winter, W. Chris, M.D.** The Sleep Solution: Why Your Sleep is Broken and How to Fix It

**Yaffe, David.** Reckless Daughter: A Portrait of Joni Mitchell

**Zinoman, Jason.** Letterman· The Last Giant of Late Night

## Fiction—

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** The Last Chance Olive Ranch

**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Widow's Curse

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B. Parker's Little White Lies

**Backman, Fredrik.** Beartown· A Novel

**Baldacci, David.** The Fix

**Berry, Steve.** The Lost Order

**Brown, Dale.** Price of Duty

**Brown, Rita Mae.** A Hiss Before Dying· A Mrs. Murphy Mystery

**Carr, Robyn.** Any Day Now (Sullivan's Crossing)

**Castle, Richard.** Heat Storm

**Chevalier, Tracy.** New Boy

**Child, Lincoln.** Full Wolf Moon

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** All by Myself, Alone

**Crais, Robert.** The Wanted

**Crichton, Michael.** Dragon Teeth

**Cussler, Clive.** Nighthawk

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Burial Hour (Lincoln Rhyme)

**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** Finding Gideon

**Evanovich, Janet.** Dangerous Minds: A Knight and Moon Novel

**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Broken Road

**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** Same Beach, Next Year

**Graham, Heather.** Dying Breath

**Hart, Carolyn.** Walking on My Grave (Death on Demand)

**Hawkins, Paula.** Into the Water

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** The Identicals

**Hunter, Stephen.** G-Man: A Bob Lee Swagger Novel

**Jackson, Lisa.** You Will Pay

**Johansen, Iris.** No Easy Target

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Deadmen Walking

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Love Story

**Koontz, Dean.** The Silent Corner

**Lehane, Dennis.** Since We Fell

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Ebb Tide

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** The Fallen· A Testament Novel

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Initiative

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** My Italian Bulldozer

**Michaels, Fern.** High Stakes

Nesbø, Jo. The Thirst

**Palmer, Diana.** Undaunted

**Paretsky, Sara.** Fallout· A V. I Warshawski Novel

**Patterson, James.** The 16th Seduction (Women's Murder Club)

**Patterson, James.** Dr. Death

**Patterson, James.** Two From the Heart

**Quick, Amanda.** The Girl Who Knew Too Much

**Robards, Karen.** The Ultimatum

**Roberts, Nora.** Come Sundown

**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Weathers the Storm

**Sandford, John.** Golden Prey

**Scottoline, Lisa.** One Perfect Lie

**Shaara, Jeff.** The Frozen Hours: A Novel of the Korean War

**Shreve, Anita.** The Stars Are Fire

**Smith, Wilbur.** War Cry: A Courtney Family Novel

**Steel, Danielle.** Against All Odds

**Steel, Danielle.** The Duchess

**Strout, Elizabeth.** Anything Is Possible

**Thayer, Nancy.** Secrets in Summer

**Thor, Brad.** Use of Force

**Trollope, Joanna.** City of Friends

**Turow, Scott.** Testimony

**Unger, Lisa.** The Red Hunter

**Ward, J. R.** The Chosen

**White, Karen.** The Night the Lights Went Out

**Winslow, Don.** The Force

**Woods, Stuart.** Fast and Loose

## *Passport to Your National Parks Stamp Site!*

The Genealogy & Local History Library is proud to announce that we are one of the newest Passport to Your National Parks stamp sites! Alton is part of the Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area (ALNHA) and was named an official Looking for Lincoln community in September. That designation allowed local organizations to become part of the ALNHA's National Park Service passport program.

There are a total of 21 Looking for Lincoln passport sites in Illinois. In addition to Alton, ALNHA communities include Springfield, Bloomington/Normal, Quincy, Charleston, and Danville. Each community can only have one or two passport stamp locations, so we're very lucky to be a designated site. Passport stamps are free to collect and if you don't already have a National Park Service Passport, they are available for sale at the Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB)

The passport program provides opportunities for visitors to explore the communities where Lincoln lived, worked, and traveled in Illinois. The CVB has always promoted the Alton area's connection to Lincoln and was on board immediately. "Being a passport stamp site is really an added benefit for the region," Alton Regional CVB President and CEO Brett Stawar said. "We have a rich Lincoln heritage in Alton, and bringing in the passport will give visitors a great reason to come walk with us in Mr Lincoln's footsteps. The popularity of the National Park Service's passport program will be another reason to love our destination."

When the staff at CVB contacted Hayner about being the second Alton site, we were very thrilled. The Genealogy & Local History Library made perfect sense as a passport stamp site. The library has many historic books about Abraham Lincoln and generally has Lincoln photographs and artifacts on display. In the mid-1850's Lincoln's law partner, William Herndon was a speaker in the Alton Library Association's lecture series We even have some items reportedly owned by Mary Todd Lincoln at the library. We also have an original letter from Mr. Lincoln to Simeon Ryder dated from 1844

In Alton, you can get your National Parks passport stamped at the Alton Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB), 200 Piasa Street, or the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street. Being a passport site is very exciting for us and we are looking forward to being part of the Lincoln experience. For more information about the program, check out the Looking for Lincoln website http://www.lookingforlincoln.com/Explore/NPSPassportProgram.aspx We hope to see you and your passport at the library soon!

## *What's Cooking?!*

Whether you're looking for a simple & quick meal or something made from scratch, Hayner Library's Cookbook Read 'em and Eat has it all. For only 15 dollars you can find recipes for mouth-watering dinners, desserts that will satisfy any sweet tooth, and helpful hints for around the house such as this resourceful trick for cleaning jewelry:

1T. salt
1T. baking soda
1T. dish detergent
1c. water
1 piece aluminum foil

Heat water in the microwave for 1-2 minutes Cut aluminum foil that roughly covers bottom of a small bowl (like a cereal bowl). Pour hot water into bowl. Place salt, soda, and dishwashing liquid into bowl. Place jewelry on top of foil and let it sit for 5-10 minutes. Rinse jewelry in cool water and dry jewelry completely with a soft cloth Discard solution after use and make a new batch next time According to wire-sculpture com, this works well for gold-filled, brass, German (nickel) silver, and sterling silver.

## *No Foolin'!*

Do you enjoy April Fools' Day pranks? If so, here are some classic jokes that have been pulled throughout history and the world!

**Thomas Edison invents a food machine?**
In 1878, New York's *Daily Graphic* newspaper announced that famed inventor Thomas Edison created a food machine!

**Big Ben gets a modern change!**
Angry calls flooded BBC's overseas news service in 1980 when outraged listeners heard the report that London's iconic Big Ben was going digital! Subsequently, the BBC spent several days apologizing for the April Fools' joke

**Get color television instantly... with a nylon stocking.**
Technical Expert Kjell Stensson brought incredible news to Sweden's SVT (Sveriges Television) on April 1st, 1962. He reported that viewers could instantly convert their black & white television sets into color by simply pulling a nylon stocking over the screen Stensson went into detail of how the mesh causes light to bend in such a way that it would appear as if the image was suddenly colorized. Many Swedes today still recall their fathers rushing throughout the house looking for a nylon stocking to place over the television sets!

**Welcome to Chicago!**
The Hollywood Park race track, located a short distance from the Los Angeles Airport, pulled a massive April Fools' prank on airline passengers in 1992, an 85-feet long, 20-feet high prank to be exact! "Welcome to Chicago" was printed on an enormous banner and placed over their Hollywood Park sign giving incoming airline passengers the false sense that they were in Illinois not California.

**Did you see that fight?!**
While giving a calm, cool, and collected report on BBC's sports show *Grandstand*, presenter David Lynam was seemingly unaware that a brawl between two employees had broken out behind him. The humor of the situation elevated when Lynam reported the *Grandstand* staff has a "highly professional team." Of course, it was revealed that the stunt was an April Fools' prank only after Lynam replayed the incident in slow motion with step-by-step sports commentary. The hilarious 1989 clip can be seen on YouTube under the title *BBC Grandstand Fight*.

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Wed., 12:00 Noon to 7 p.m.
Sat., 8:30 am to 1 p.m.
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www.haynerlibrary.org

## *An Artful Donation*

Marty Benefiel, a member of the wonderful therapy dog group that brings dogs to the library every month for the Bow-wow Pow-wow Reading Program, has donated a Mark Twain sculpture to the Hayner Library. Samuel Langhorne Clemens (November 30, 1835 – April 21, 1910), better known by his pen name Mark Twain, was an American writer, humorist, entrepreneur, publisher, and lecturer. Among his novels are *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* (1876) and its sequel, *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* (1885), the latter often called "The Great American Novel."

This sculpture was hand-carved by her late husband, Wayne Benefiel, in 2001. The sculpture captures the classic Mark Twain look with the gray curly hair and the distinguishing mustache. As a member of the Belleville Area Holzschnitzers, a wood-carving club, Wayne created several works of art including Native Americans, wildlife, and a large collection of Santa Clauses. In his spare time, he donated his wood-carving talents and creations from his own woodshop located in Brighton, Illinois, to the Boy Scouts of America and to various church activities

His love for the craft spanned over 20+ years. His works are still being enjoyed today by friends and family members who have pieces of artwork in their own homes. Thank you, Marty, so much for your donation which will be displayed and enjoyed by our community.

## *Patron Poll!*

If you could spend your summer vacation at one of these fictional destinations, which would you choose?

A. OZ from "The Wizard of Oz."
B. Narnia from "Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe "
C Neverland from "Peter Pan "
D Wonderland from "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland."
E. Other _____

*Circle your response or fill in the blank in option E if you have another destination in mind. Turn in your answer the next time you visit one of our locations by May 31st. The results of this poll will be listed in our Summer newsletter!*

# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...

About The Hayner

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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
**Independence Day, July 4**
**Labor Day, September 4 & 5**

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## The Library or a Hamburger?

Just when you think all that personal technology has replaced the need for a trip to the local public library, a new report comes out A three-year study by PEW Research Center shows half of all Americans went to the public library in person while another 30 percent used a library's website over the last year

Mostly it was for the time-honored tradition of checking out a book. The research indicates that our reading habits—especially when you look at our reading habits around books—are still very much centered on print books. The study says the reason there are still more public libraries in the U.S. than McDonald's restaurants is because libraries have kept up and rebranded themselves as technology hubs. Libraries have developed a model for collaboration. For years libraries has set the standard for working together, sharing resources The public library is always looking for ways of enhancing customer service Hayner Library collaborates with 548 libraries in Illinois At least 68 percent of Americans have an active library card, which is slightly more than those who own a smartphone.

It is not hard to find people in the United States who love libraries. It is not hard to find people who want to know if anyone still uses the library. The fact is that free public libraries have never been more popular The economic times have driven individuals and families to their libraries for entertainment and learning Many of our patrons use our computers for school research projects, looking for jobs, and filling out job applications. Americans check out more than 2 billion items each year from their public libraries; the average user takes out more than 7 books a year.

I asked our patrons to write three reasons why they come to Hayner Library. Here are a few of their answers:

- Laptop rental privileges
- Study rooms
- Reference books
- Love to read
- I don't have storage for all the books I want, so I can read them first and then decide whether to buy them
- It is fun to talk and pester the staff
- It is definitely a space saver
- Good for the environment, don't want to cut down more trees
- Allows me to get books and travel all over the world
- Love the library in general
- The library is much better than McDonald's French fries
- Books and movies
- Children's programs
- Musical programs
- Computers
- Using the Telegraph archives
- The history and genealogy library
- Magazines
- Finding new topics and authors to explore

I can understand why we have more public libraries than McDonalds in the United States I am very thankful for our public libraries. But I am most proud of The Hayner Public Library District!

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*Contributed by Stephanie Munson*
*Hayner Library Volunteer Coordinator*

## Why should kids have all the fun?

Join us this summer for our Adult Summer Reading Program. From July 15 to August 15, Hayner Library patrons ages 18 and older are invited to join in the summer reading fun—and a chance to win a Kindle Fire! Registration and participation are easy. Simply visit either Hayner library location and fill out a short registration form. For each book, eBook, audiobook, or eAudiobook you read, you get a chance to enter a drawing for the grand prize. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! A winner will be selected at both the Downtown and Alton Square locations Happy summer reading!

## Please Indulge my Reminiscence

As a child growing up, one of the highlights of each week was Friday afternoons when my mother would take me to the library. While we were fortunate to have a library in our school, there was something so special about going to our town's local library. It was an old brick building sitting close to the shore of Long Island Sound. There was one librarian. I will never forget her. She had beautiful white hair, piled in a tight coil on her head and was always so gracious When you walked into the building, you smelled the wonderful scent of books Depending on the tides, that scent mingled with the smell of the salt water of the sea. Magical. I would wander up and down the aisles loading up on titles that captured my adolescent interest. I would never read the fly-leaf… that waited till I got home to discover what I had in store. In the summer, when school was out and I was yet too young to get a job, I would have my best friend, sweet Ellen, come visit. She always brought a book and we would sit in a swing and read all afternoon. Remember *Daddy Long Legs, Anne of Green Gables, The Secret Garden, Lord of the Rings, Treasure Island, The Hobbit*?

What a gift the library brought to me. As an adult and in each city where I have lived, one of my first acts was to find the closest library and get a library card. That was true when I moved to Alton some 20-odd years ago. I was thrilled with the offerings provided by the Hayner Library. What a jewel!

Today, Hayner continues to be the largest library district in southern Illinois. The services are amazing…free programs of great musical and educational entertainment, e-books, CD's, DVD's, public-use computers, computer classes, free WIFI, gardening and travel programs, health and social interest programs, book clubs, genealogy and local history, magazines, newspapers, story and craft times for kids, teen programs and activities, reference services and a continually evolving/growing collection of fiction and non- fiction print material. You can even check out a telescope for star gazing or a fishing pole for a lazy summer afternoon. Give a gift to yourself and to your family – use the library. Hayner Library cards are free to residents of Alton, Godfrey and Foster Township. Pick up a newsletter or checkout our website at www.haynerlibrary.org to see a more complete view of the programs, events, and services that are available to you. We would love to hear of your own personal library memories and, should you feel so inclined, feel free to share via email at memories@haynerlibrary.org. We would love to hear from you. Please include your contact information (email, phone: home and/or cell).

*Bernadette Duvernoy*

## With a Little Help from our Friends

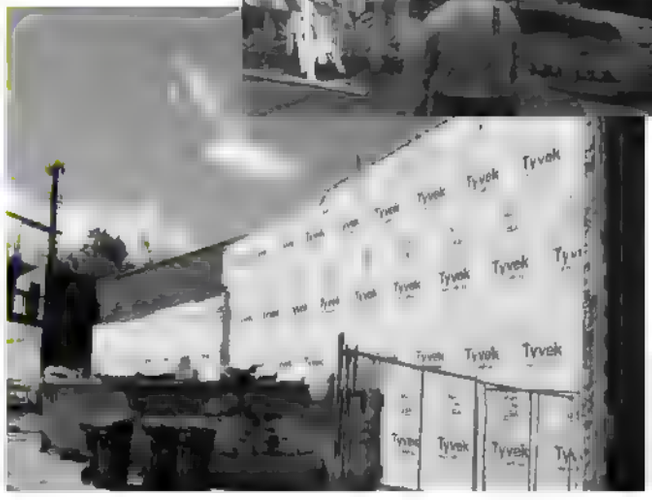
For ultimate book lovers who would like to have a laugh while helping the library, become a Friends of Hayner Library member! This wonderful group of volunteers works selflessly to set up our book sales which are held four times a year. The Friends meet most Mondays from 9:30 a.m.-12 noon at 327 State Street, behind our downtown location, to sort through donated books, and they always welcome new faces. For more information, please contact Carole Conley at (618) 466-8514 or (618) 462-4396

## A Message from Panda

Hello, my name is Panda Bear! I assist Miss Mary Kay twice a week during her story times! Every Monday night at 6:30 p m. and Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m , I emerge from my blue cave and find that all my little friends have arrived. And, of course, Miss Mary Kay is right by my side; she is the greatest! She reads the best stories, and on Tuesdays, she has fun craft projects for our little friends. We also sing songs; my favorite is the one where we learn everybody's name Miss Mary Kay and I are always looking for new friends to join the fun, but space is limited so be sure to register for the ones you want to attend!

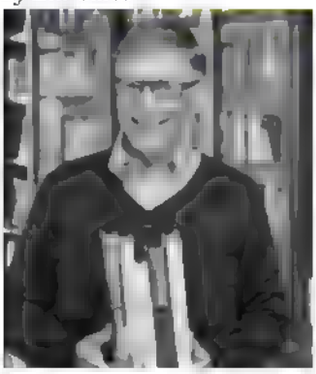
## And Abracadabra, It's Gone!

After two years of considerations, it only took two days to demolish the old Hudson Jewelry Building located next door to the Hayner downtown Belle Street location! Next up will be resurfacing the exterior wall, cleaning-up from the construction, and making minor renovations as needed. We will be working on these projects to bring back the non-print room, and we thank you for your continued patience



## 5 Good Summer Reads

*By Bill Gates*



The following article was published on gatesnotes.com, the blog of Bill Gates, on May 22, 2017 (2017 The Gates Notes LLC). Both the Hayner downtown library and the Hayner library at Alton Square Mall have copies of each of these selections for you to check out. We also have the audio version of *Hillbilly Elegy* available at both locations.

Summer is a great time to escape: to the beach, to the mountains, or to the world of a great book. This year, I found myself drawn even more than usual to books that took me outside (and I don't mean the great outdoors). The books on this year's summer reading list pushed me out of my own experiences, and I learned some things that shed new light on how our experiences shape us and where humanity might be headed.

Some of these books helped me better understand what it's like to grow up outside the mainstream: as a child of mixed race in apartheid South Africa, as a young man trying to escape his impoverished life in rural Appalachia, or as the son of a peanut farmer in Plains, Georgia. I hope you'll find that others make you think deeper about what it means to truly connect with other people and to have purpose in your life. And all of them will transport you somewhere else—whether you're sitting on a beach towel or on your own couch

*All books are available in The Hayner Library's collection.*

### *Born a Crime*, by Trevor Noah

As a longtime fan of *The Daily Show*, I loved reading this memoir about how its host honed his outsider approach to comedy over a lifetime of never quite fitting in. Born to a black South African mother and a white Swiss father in apartheid South Africa, he entered the world as a biracial child in a country where mixed race relationships were forbidden. Much of Noah's story of growing up in South Africa is tragic. Yet, as anyone who watches his nightly monologues knows, his moving stories will often leave you laughing.

### *The Heart*, by Maylis de Kerangal

While you'll find this book in the fiction section at your local bookstore, what de Kerangal has done here in this exploration of grief is closer to poetry than anything else. At its most basic level, she tells the story of a heart transplant: a young man is killed in an accident, and his parents decide to donate his heart. But the plot is secondary to the strength of its words and characters. The book uses beautiful language to connect you deeply with people who may be in the story for only a few minutes For example, de Kerangal goes on for pages about the girlfriend of the surgeon who does the transplant even though you never meet that character. I'm glad Melinda recommended this book to me, and I recently passed it along to a friend who, like me, sticks mostly with nonfiction

### *Hillbilly Elegy*, by J.D. Vance

The disadvantaged world of poor white Appalachia described in this terrific, heartbreaking book is one that I know only vicariously Vance was raised largely by his loving but volatile grandparents, who stepped in after his father abandoned him and his mother showed little interest in parenting her son. Against all odds, he survived his chaotic, impoverished childhood only to land at Yale Law School While the book offers insights into some of the complex cultural and family issues behind poverty, the real magic lies in the story itself and Vance's bravery in telling it.

### *Homo Deus*, by Yuval Noah Harari

I recommended Harari's previous book Sapiens in last summer's reading list, and this provocative follow-up is just as challenging, readable, and thought-provoking. Homo Deus argues that the principles that have organized society will undergo a huge shift in the 21st century, with major consequences for life as we know it. So far, the things that have shaped society—what we measure ourselves by—have been either religious rules about how to live a good life, or more earthly goals like getting rid of sickness, hunger, and war. What would the world be like if we actually achieved those things? I don't agree with everything Harari has to say, but he has written a smart look at what may be ahead for humanity

### *A Full Life*, by Jimmy Carter

Even though the former President has already written more than two dozen books, he somehow managed to save some great anecdotes for this quick, condensed tour of his fascinating life. I loved reading about Carter's improbable rise to the world's highest office. The book will help you understand how growing up in rural Georgia in a house without running water, electricity, or insulation shaped—for better and for worse—his time in the White House. Although most of the stories come from previous decades, *A Full Life* feels timely in an era when the public's confidence in national political figures and institutions is low

## Library Savings

**3 DVDs= $44.95, 2 Books = $45.90,**
**2 CDs= $25.90**
**Combined Total: $116.75**
**Total cost to you: $0.00**

It's no secret that using your library can mean big savings, but it's still an eye opener to be shown how much money you banked with each visit. A recent update to our library system now gives patrons insight into this information.

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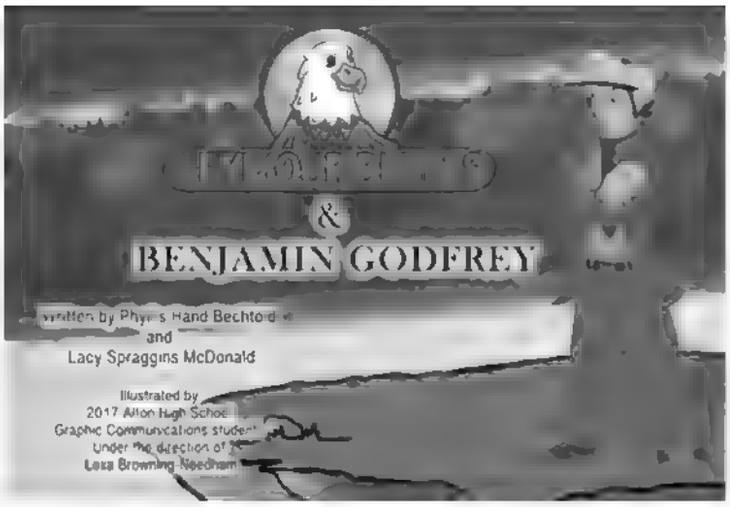
## Seymour Bluffs and Benjamin Godfrey

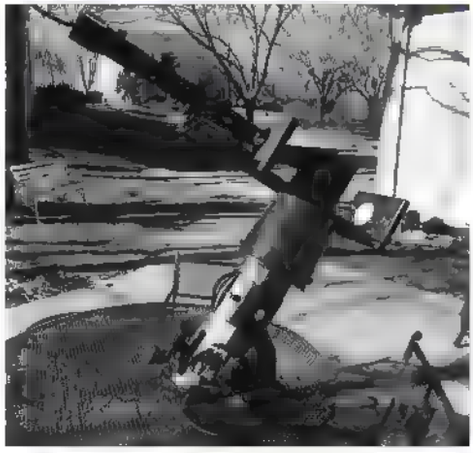



On Saturday, May 20, the Genealogy & Local History Library hosted a book signing of *Seymour Bluffs and Benjamin Godfrey*. After a year of hard work, the book was fresh off the presses and everyone was excited to take a look. Phyllis Bechtold, author of a series of books featuring Seymour Bluffs the eagle, worked with Hayner's Genealogy & Local History Manager, Lacy McDonald, to write the story. Alton High School Graphic Communications students, under the direction of teacher Lexa Browning-Needham, created the illustrations, Blippar app content, and page layout. Phyllis, Lacy, and Lexa all made it to Hayner for the book signing, along with students Austin Curvey, Jake Edelen, Julianna Fair, Tristan Wuellner, Anna Summers, and Chance Stice. Only Shaw Smeltzer-Baer was unable to come for the signing.

Entrepreneur Benjamin Godfrey came to Alton in the 1830s after making and losing several fortunes at sea. He was a man with a questionable past who wanted to change his ways and make a contribution to society. This book, created and published by the Benjamin Godfrey Legacy Trail, highlights Godfrey's many accomplishments and lasting contributions to the Alton-Godfrey area. It also touches on Godfrey's connections to Elijah P Lovejoy and Abraham Lincoln. The book is available to purchase for $10 from Benjamin Godfrey Legacy Trail committee members Phyllis Bechtold (618) 466-1442 or Zeke Jabush (618) 466-8353. You can also get a copy at many area locations, including the Alton Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Elsah General Store, Godfrey Meat Market, Knotty by Nature in Grafton, and Mississippi Mud Pottery

*Seymour Bluffs and Benjamin Godfrey* can be checked out in the Alton Square and Downtown branches (call number EB GODFREY) and read anytime in the Genealogy & Local History Library (IR B GODFREY). And if you have a 3rd grader in the Alton School District, he or she will be reading the book as part of their local history curriculum. We hope you enjoy it!

## [illegible] Eclipse Party



For the first time since 1918, there will be a full solar eclipse August 21, 2017, from approximately 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., in the St. Louis metropolitan area. People from all over the world are descending on our area just to be a part of this unusual event. There are even rumors of people renting out 10 feet square portions of their yards for people to set up to view this event in the Carbondale, Illinois area. As we are not in the direct path, the Alton area will just have a 90% partial eclipse, but it will still be a wondrous site to behold. To that end, Hayner Library is partnering with Alton Regional Convention and Visitor's Bureau (CVB) to bring you some activities and ways to view the eclipse safely. One of those ways is a galileoscope (see photo), which uses the library's Orion StarBlast telescopes as the image generator. The galileoscope projects a 2 1/2" image of the sun safely. This was generously donated to the library from the Members of the Astronomical Society of Eastern Missouri with the help of Eddie Agha, staff astronomer at The Nature Institute in Godfrey, IL. The event will take place at the Alton Amphitheater on August 21, 2017, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Some of the events currently scheduled include: live-streaming from NASA's website, food vendors, and the infamous Bubble Bus from 11 a.m - 12 p.m. Please check Hayner Library's website, the CVB's website, or call either Hayner Library, (618) 462-0677, or the CVB, (800) 258-6645, to find out the full details as arrangements are still being made. In the meantime, here are a couple of websites that contain useful information about the eclipse: http://eclipse2017.nasa.gov and https://www.aas.org. We hope to see you there!

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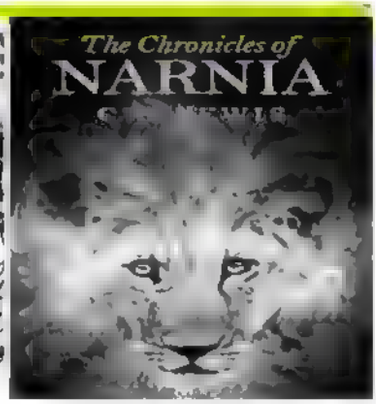


In our last newsletter, we asked our patrons if they could spend their summer vacation in a fictional destination, where would they go. All 122 responses were tallied and we have the results! The destination with the most votes was (DRUMROLL!):
*NARNIA* for *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*!

## *Computer Classes*

*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is required. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.*

*Do not bring your own computers and laptops to class to use. Laptops will be provided. All classes are taught using Windows 7.*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers* (Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, Wednesday, July 19, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, Wednesday, July 26, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.

**Part 1**
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse

**Part 2**
• Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start Menu/ Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents
*If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.

**Internet Basics (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, Aug 2, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.
*You will need your cell phone to complete the email set-up process.*

**Microsoft Word for Beginners (Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, Wednesday, Aug 9, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, Wednesday, Aug 16, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the 2 sessions.

**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns
• Printing/Indenting/Tabs • Templates
**Part 2**
• Refresh of Part 1 • Using Shapes/Text Boxes
• Clip Art/Formatting Pictures

**Flash Drives and Saving Files (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, Aug 23, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Flash drives, USB drives, thumb drives, they're all the same thing. In this class, you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

**Computer Maintenance and Security (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, Aug 30, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Explore your computer's control panel. Learn the ins-and-outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class.

## *Our High School Yearbook Collection Now Available Online!*

Want to see a picture of your grandmother at the prom? Check out your dad's 1960s Beatles-inspired mop-top or mom's beehive? Look at old photos of the Marching 100 at Alton High, the Mission Club at Marquette, or the Philatelic Society at Western Military Academy? Now's your chance to see it all from home, from the library, from anywhere you have an internet connection!

Several years ago, we participated in a yearbook digitizing project, and we are thrilled to announce that those yearbooks are now available to view online. With the help of volunteers and staff members, we uploaded all of the years for the Western Military Academy Recall (1923–1971; there was never a 1950 yearbook produced), as well as the Alton High Tatler (1905–1988), and Marquette Catholic High School Explorer (1959–1988, except 1963). We also have more recent years for Alton High and Marquette available to view in the library.

A huge thank you to Bridget Heck, Yearbook Adviser at Alton High School, for letting us borrow copies of the Tatler, and to Bo Jackson for letting us borrow copies of the Recall that we didn't already own.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**
Go to archive.org and search for a yearbook by title or by title and year. For example, "Alton Tatler" as a search term brings up all issues of the Tatler, but you can search "Alton Tatler 1945" and go straight to that year. Same for the Western Military Recall and Marquette High Explorer.

Anything uploaded by the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library is available here.
https://archive.org/details/@hayner_genealogy_amp_local_history_library
The page can be organized by title, number of views, and school.

If you'd like to jump to a specific year of a specific school, this is the format (just change the year in the web address):
https://archive.org/details/AltonHS_Tatler_1905
https://archive.org/details/Marquette1959
https://archive.org/details/WMA1923
If you have any questions, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2865, or email us at genealogy@haynerlibrary.org. Instructions and links are also available on Hayner's website.

# Special Events at Hayner

**All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.**

*Join us for our summer 2017 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## Lew Trigg
## *Gifts from the Sea*

**Saturday, July 1, 12-3 p.m.**

Local author, writer, and publisher Lew Trigg will be at the Alton Square Mall library for a book signing and discussion of his new novel. Lew grew up in Granite City and spent most of his adult life in the Alton area. He has owned and managed several successful businesses. About four years ago, Lew retired and began writing Gifts from the Sea. The story is about newlyweds Gio (a retired baker) and Sally as they experience adventures and hardships during their travels. Mr. Trigg will have books available for purchase for $15 each.
No registration is required.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, July 8**
**Saturday, August 12**
**Saturday, September 9**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## Alicia Reilly Hawkins
## *Personal Credit Scores*

**Tuesday, July 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Join Alicia Hawkins, a lender at a local lending company, who will explain the various elements that can affect credit score ratings, as well as provide insight to some of the most irksome questions nagging potential borrowers today. She will also provide tips on how to improve your credit score. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Miss Jubilee

**Tuesday, July 11, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

Miss Jubilee has been entertaining audiences around St. Louis and beyond since the beginning of 2007 with their exciting blend of authentic hot jazz, swing, R&B, and rock & roll spanning the 1920s–1950s. Fronted by a high- energy female vocalist and backed up by a swingin' horn-fueled rhythm section, Miss Jubilee is a favorite among swing dancers and fans of all ages who enjoy uplifting and energetic music! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *The OASIS Institute's Health & Fitness Class*

**Wednesdays, July 12 – August 30**
**10 a.m.–12 p.m.**

Hayner Library has partnered with The OASIS Institute to offer another class on health and fitness. The OASIS Institute is a non-profit educational organization with national headquarters located in St. Louis, MO. Their mission is to promote healthy aging. Please note: These classes will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

**A Matter of Balance Workshop:** Almost half of older adults worry about falling. Learn factors that can lead to a fall and practical tips to keep yourself on your feet in this discussion-based program. Improved flexibility and range of motion with stretches and light movements are introduced in the third class. Participants receive a workbook to keep. This class meets every Wednesday morning for eight weeks, July 12, 2017 – August 30, 2017, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Class size is limited. Please register through the OASIS Institute at 1-800-392-0936.

## *Gardening Classes at the Library*

*Note: These classes will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. You can sign up for individual classes for the whole series. Please identify the classes you are interested in when you register at 1-800-613-3163.*

New American Gardening: Urban Rain Gardens
Wednesday, July 12, 6:30 p.m.
Christopher Carl, artist and landscape designer, will do a presentation on designing rain gardens in degraded urban areas as a way to develop creative spaces to revitalize distressed city blocks through art and ecology.

- **Sample the Flavors: Heirloom Tomatoes and More**
  ***Saturday, July 22, 11:00 a.m.-12 p.m.***
  Join the Sierra Club and Grassroots Grocery in sampling organic heirloom tomatoes along with other interesting vegetables. Parents, this is a great way to introduce your children to some delicious vegetables! Produce and dips will be provided.
- **Tabletop Gardens: Succulents**
  ***Saturday, August 19, 10:00-11 a.m.***
  Join us for a session in learning to plant and propagate succulent plants. We will provide the succulents and a small container to plant. Or bring your favorite little container. Class size is limited.
- **Bats**
  ***Tuesday, September 12, 6:30 p.m.***
  Bats are the largest and most diverse mammals in the world that occupy our night skies. Yet, we know so little about their habits. Join Rollie Lorenz, area bat specialist, for a presentation on bats to learn about their importance, what not to fear about them, and more.
- **Yellowstone National Park: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow**
  **Wednesday, September 27, 6:30 p.m.**

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Susan Murray will be showing slides and discuss Yellowstone from her extensive travels through the park.

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street*

**From the Courthouse to the Church: Using Official Records**
***July 13 & 20***
**All That's Fit to Print & More: Newspaper Research**
***August 10 &17***
**Where We've Lived: Researching Property**
***September 14 & 21***
***10:00–11:30 a.m.***

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Social Justice and History Book Club*

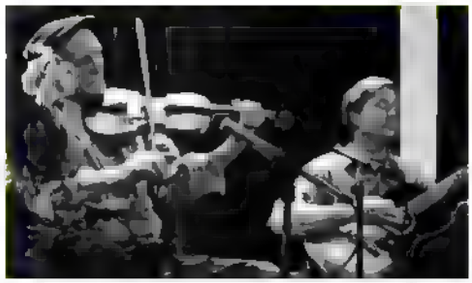
*This book club meets the third Saturday of each month at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street*

***Freaks and Revelations*** **by Davida Wills Hurwin**
**July 15**
***Allegiance: A Novel*** **by Kermit Roosevelt**
**August 19**
***Academic Profiling: Latinos, Asian Americans, and the Achievement Gap*** **by Gilda L. Ochoa**
**September 16**
***All the Single Ladies*** **by Rebecca Traister**
**October 21**
**11 a.m.–1 p.m.**

The books will always be available to read at the Genealogy & Local History Library and can also be checked out through one of the other branches or through our library system. Please let a staff member know if you need help finding a copy! This is an open book club, so you can register for individual book discussions or the whole series. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Fiddlin' Banjo Billy and the Old Time Players*

**Tuesday, July 25, 6:30 p.m.**



The Old Time Players is a unique group of dedicated old-time musicians, committed to the preservation of our American musical heritage. This group plays a wide variety of traditional American music, old-time fiddle and dance tunes, and folk songs from our great Western expansion. This was the popular music of the day, and American musical expression continued to grow through such modes as the minstrel show, vaudeville, burlesque, and ragtime These tunes represent over 100 years of our musical diversity and the development of American popular culture This music is incredibly high-spirited and hard-hitting yet rhythmically sophisticated. It is energetic and fun. Let us show you how much fun it can be for you! Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Job Search & Resume Tips*

**Thursday, August 3, 6–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square libr*

Is the job market getting you down? Have you been searching for a new job and keep running into dead ends? Let us help! Join us on August 3 for tips on finding that perfect job. You will learn to navigate the top job search sites, as well as learn some important résumé-building skills.

## *Color Me Stress Free*

**Tuesday, August 8**
**Tuesday, October 10**
**6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

*Note: This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

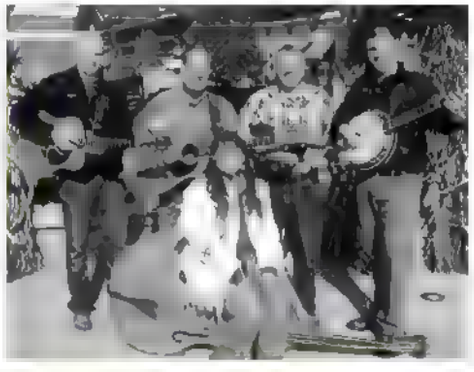
Come color with us and enjoy great company Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two. Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## John C. Guenther, FAIA, LEEP AP Architect Bernard Maybeck at Principia College

**Wednesday, August 9, 2017, 6:30 p.m.**

Note: This program will be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton

This talk explores the life and works of architect Bernard Ralph Maybeck (1862–1957), culminating with his masterwork, Principia College, in Elsah, Illinois Maybeck worked with Principia from 1923 to 1940, resulting in the largest commission of his long career. In 1991, the American Institute of Architects named Maybeck one of the ten greatest architects in American history Principia College was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1993 in recognition of Maybeck's designs. St. Louis architect John Guenther, who has designed and planned various buildings on the campus of Principia College since 1995, will discuss Bernard Maybeck's approach to the architectural design, site planning, and environmental design of the Principia College campus and buildings: Maybeck's "English Village" on the bluffs above the Mississippi River. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.



## *George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass*

**Tuesday, August 15, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-

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piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two U.S. presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more" . . . and they always do! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Back in the Saddle*

**Tuesday, August 29, 6:30 p.m.**
Misty Ridge is a family group that plays a combination of bluegrass, folk, and acoustic-oriented music The music is combined with stories of history, tradition, and light-hearted banter that keep the performance moving and the audience engaged. Come enjoy this performance-seasoned group as it displays multi-instrument variety and three-part vocal harmonies. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## Spook Handy
## *Remembering Pete Seeger*

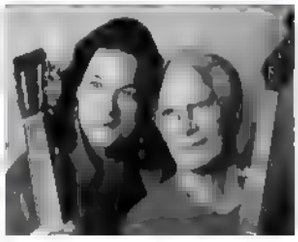
**Tuesday, September 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Spook had the honor of performing with the great Pete Seeger in over 50 concerts. He says, "Pete taught me to always know the first song or two you are going play at a concert. After that, you should have a good feel for what the audience appreciates, and you tailor the rest of your set to that.

Whether the thread turns out to follow the chronology of Pete's life, trace the wisdom he collected over the years and embedded into his songs, or express the values of community, environment, peace, and justice he lived, every concert is chock-full of songs everyone can sing· old classics, newer songs written late in his life, songs others wrote that he popularized, and songs I have written or revised under Pete's tutelage You'll also hear some of the stories behind the songs as they were told to me by Pete." Join us for a great evening remembering a folk master Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Suzanne & Jim/Song-Chasers

**Tuesday, September 26, 6:30 p.m.**



In 2017, Suzanne and Jim enter their 25th consecutive year as full-time touring musicians, Song-Chasers. Their mastery of traditional Americana roots music has earned them international acclaim To celebrate their milestone, they have created a musical travelogue, Silver Jubilee Tour — 25 Years Singin' Down the Road, recounting the stories of the people who shared the music with them and the places that have nurtured this vital part of our culture. With tale and song, these people and places are brought to life in an evening of delightful entertainment. Along the trip, enjoy award-winning vocals, expertise on 5-string banjo, guitar and flute, and unique musical instruments such as the autoharp and courtship dulcimer. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## *3rd Annual Sidewalk Solar Party*

**Monday, October 9, 10 a.m.**
Note· This event will take place in the pocket park next to the downtown library, 326 Belle Street, Alton.

With the generous help and time of Eddie Agha, Staff Astronomer at The Nature Institute, The Hayner Public Library District is hosting the 3rd Annual Sidewalk Solar Party on October 9, 2017, at the pocket park next to the downtown library. Starting at 10:00 a.m., participants will be able to view the sun through a special solar telescope made to view the sun safely. If the weather cooperates, everyone should be able to view the sun and its many wonders, including solar prominences and dark spots Let Eddie guide you through the special aspects of our great yellow dwarf star, the sun Bring the whole family to see the sun as you have never seen it before! Light refreshments will be served. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Social Media*

*Please note· These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. These classes are presentational only, laptops and tablets are not needed*

**Social Media Basics**
**Saturday, July 15, 10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest: what they are and what they do We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. We will try to set up an account on at least one site and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users.

**Facebook Revealed**
**Saturday, August 12,**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings

**Exploring Pinterest and Twitter**
**Saturday, September 16,**
**10:00 a.m.–12 noon**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending tweets and pinning to a board, uploading a pin, and the art of "following" people

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## SUMMER/FALL 2017 ACTIVITIES

## Alton Square Activities

***Bow-wow Pow-wow***

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

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***Movers and Shakers Story Time*** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Children will hear stories, sing songs, and do crafts that reflect the weekly theme. Meeting dates are Mondays, August 21, August 28; September 11 and September 18, 2017, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

***Mommy and Me Story Time*** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, August 24, August 31; September 7, September 14, September 21, and September 28, 2017, at 10 a.m. & 2 p.m. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

***Spanish Story Time*** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: August 28 and September 25, 2017. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

***Legos @ Your Library*** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos! Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting date in September is Thursday, September 14, 2017, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

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***Grandparents Day Celebration*** — Hayner KidsSpace will host their first annual Grandparents Day Celebration on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, for kids ages 3-5. The fun kicks-off at 10 a.m. at our Alton Square location in the Performance Room located on the upper level with cookies, punch, and coffee and the hilarious antics of Oh My Gosh Josh. We will have limited registration for this program of two grandparents per child. To register for this program or for more information, please call (618) 433-2881. You must submit your reservation by Friday, September 15, 2017.

## Downtown Activities

***Evening Story Time*** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, August 21, August 28, September 11, September 18, and September 25, 2017. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

***Mary Kay's Story Times*** — Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Tuesdays, August 22, August 29, September 5, September 12, September 19, and September 26, 2017. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

***After-School Fun*** — Kids, come join us for an after-school craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

# TEEN SPACE

## JULY-SEPTEMBER 2017 ACTIVITIES

***Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender.com Community Center***

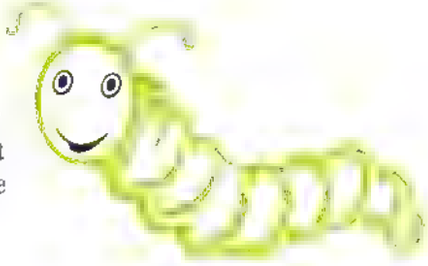
Come join the fun after school for Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release, and pizza is on the menu! Our first movie will be Wednesday, September 27, 2017, at 3:45 p.m. To register or to inquire about dates, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

***Book, Books, & More Books***

Hey, Teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Teen Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meetings will be held at Riverbender.com Community Center Library. Our first club date is Wednesday, September 20, 2017, at 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information or to inquire about dates, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

***Back-to-School Bash***

Come join us at the Riverbender.com Teen Community Center for a wacky game of Emoji Bingo. Each game winner will receive a ticket for a sweet treat from the Riverbender snack bar. The fun will take place Wednesday, September 6, 2017, at 4 p.m. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.



## Nonfiction--

**Bredesen, Dale, M.D.** The End of Alzheimer's: The First Program to Prevent and Reverse Cognitive Decline

**Brown, Brené.** Braving the Wilderness· The Quest for True Belonging and the Courage to Stand Alone

**Brown, Don.** The Last Fighter Pilot· The True Story of the Final Combat Mission of World War II

**Cameron, Julia.** Life Lessons: 125 Prayers and Meditations

**Carlson, Erin.** I'll Have What She's Having· How Nora Ephron's Three Iconic Films Saved the Romantic Comedy

**Day, John D., M.D.** The Longevity Plan· Seven Life-Transforming Lessons from Ancient China

**Dean, Josh.** The Taking of K-129· How the CIA Used Howard Hughes to Steal a Russian Sub in the Most Daring Covert Operation in History

**Deen, Paula.** At the Southern Table with Paula Deen

**Fagone, Jason.** The Woman Who Smashed Codes· A True Story of Love, Spies, and the Unlikely Heroine Who Outwitted America's Enemies

**Fountain, Henry.** The Great Quake: How the Biggest Earthquake in North America Changed Our Understanding of the Planet

**Gay, Roxane.** Hunger: A Memoir of (My) Body

**Henderson, Bruce.** Sons and Soldiers: The Untold Story of the Jews Who Escaped the Nazis and Returned with the U.S. Army to Fight Hitler

**Kohan, Rafi.** The Arena: Inside the Tailgating, Ticket-Scalping, Mascot-Racing, Dubiously Funded, and Possibly Haunted Monuments of American Sport

**Korda, Michael.** Alone: Britain, Churchill, and Dunkirk: Defeat Into Victory

**Levin, Mark R.** Rediscovering Americanism· And the Tyranny of Progressivism

**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl Clean & Hungry Obsessed!

**Mezrich, Ben.** Woolly: The True Story of the Quest to Revive One of History's Most Iconic Extinct Creatures

**Neal, Mary C., M.D.** 7 Lessons from Heaven: How Dying Taught Me to Live a Joy-Filled Life

**Nunn, Emily.** The Comfort Food Diaries: My Quest for the Perfect Dish to Mend a Broken Heart

**Oz, Mehmet, M.D.** Food Can Fix It: The Superfood Switch to Fight Fat, Defy Aging, and Eat Your Way Healthy

**Roker, Al.** Ruthless Tide· The Tragic Epic of the Johnstown Flood

**Sancton, Tom.** The Bettencourt Affair: The World's Richest Woman and the Scandal That Rocked Paris

**Scott, Jonathan and Drew Scott.** It Takes Two: Our Story

**Scottoline, Lisa and Francesca Serritella.** I Need a Lifeguard Everywhere but the Pool

**Stanton, Doug.** The Odyssey of Echo Company· The 1968 Tet Offensive and the Epic Battle to Survive the Vietnam War

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Slow Cooker: 110 Recipes for Flavorful, Foolproof Dishes (Including Desserts!), Plus Test- Kitchen Tips and Strategies

**Tur, Katy.** Unbelievable: My Front-Row Seat to the Craziest Campaign in American History

**Ward, Geoffrey C. and Ken Burns.** The Vietnam War: An Intimate History

**Weir, Alison.** Queens of the Conquest: England's Medieval Queens Book One

## Fiction—

**Andrews, Donna.** Gone Gull

**Atkins, Ace.** The Fallen

**Berg, Elizabeth.** The Story of Arthur Truluv

**Bowen, Rhys.** On Her Majesty's Frightfully Secret Service

**Box, C. J.** Paradise Valley

**Brennan, Allison.** Shattered

**Brockmann, Suzanne.** Some Kind of Hero

**Brown, Dan.** Origin: A Novel

**Brown, Sandra.** Seeing Red

**Castillo, Linda.** Down a Dark Road

**Cleeves, Ann.** The Seagull· A Vera Stanhope Mystery

**Coben, Harlan.** Don't Let Go.

**Coleman, Reed.** Robert B Parker's The Hangman's Sonnet

**Connelly, Michael.** The Late Show

**Connolly, John.** A Game of Ghosts

**Cook, Robin.** Charlatans

**Coulter, Catherine.** Enigma

**Cussler, Clive.** The Romanov Ransom

**Dailey, Janet.** Texas Fierce

**DeMille, Nelson.** The Cuban Affair

**Fairstein, Linda.** Deadfall

**Flynn, Vince and Kyle Mills.** Enemy of the State

**Follett, Ken.** A Column of Fire

**French, Nicci.** Dark Saturday

**Garlock, Dorothy.** The Nearness of You

**Garwood, Julie.** Wired

**Gerritsen, Tess.** I Know a Secret

**Grafton, Sue.** Y is for Yesterday

**Graham, Heather.** Dark Rites

**Graham, Heather.** Wicked Deeds

**Gray, Shelley Shepard.** His Guilt· The Amish of Hart County

**Gregory, Philippa.** The Last Tudor

**Gross, Andrew.** The Saboteur

**Hannah, Sophie.** Keep Her Safe

**Harris, Charlaine.** Sleep Like a Baby: An Aurora Teagarden Mystery

**Hoag, Tami.** The Boy

**Jackson, Joshilyn.** The Almost Sisters

**Jance, J. A.** Proof of Life

**Johansen, Iris.** Look Behind You

**Johnson, Craig.** The Western Star: A Longmire Mystery

**Karon, Jan.** To Be Where You Are

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Crime Scene· A Novel

**King, Stephen.** Sleeping Beauties

**Krueger, William Kent.** Sulfur Springs

**Lagercrantz, David.** The Girl Who Takes an Eye for an Eye: A Lisbeth Salander Novel

**Lindsey, Johanna.** Beautiful Tempest

**Le Carré, John.** A Legacy of Spies

**Macomber, Debbie.** Any Dream Will Do

**Mallery, Susan.** Secrets of the Tulip Sisters

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** A Distant View of Everything· An Isabel Dalhousie Novel

**McCrumb, Sharyn.** The Unquiet Grave

**Michaels, Fern.** Holly and Ivy

**Michaels, Fern.** Need to Know

**Miller, Linda Lael.** A Snow Country Christmas

**Muller, Marcia.** The Color of Fear

**Neggers, Carla.** Thief's Mark

**Ng, Celeste.** Little Fires Everywhere

**Paris, B. A.** The Breakdown

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** The Room of White Fire

**Patterson, James.** Haunted

**Patterson, James.** The Store

**Penny, Louise.** Glass Houses

**Perry, Anne.** An Echo of Murder: A William Monk Novel

**Peters, Elizabeth and Joan Hess.** The Painted Queen

**Reichs, Kathy.** Two Nights

**Robb, J. D.** Secrets in Death· An Eve Dallas Novel

**Rosenfelt, David.** Collared

**Scottoline, Lisa.** Exposed

**Silva, Daniel.** House of Spies

**Slaughter, Karin.** The Good Daughter

**Spindler, Erica.** The Other Girl

**Steel, Danielle.** The Right Time

**Tanenbaum, Robert K.** Without Fear or Favor

**Thomas, Jodi.** Indigo Lake

**Ware, Ruth.** The Lying Game

**Wiggs, Susan.** Map of the Heart

**Williams, Beatriz.** Cocoa Beach

**Woods, Stuart.** Barely Legal

## Our Woman of Distinction

I have the privilege to tell you about my friend and co-worker, Mary Cordes. Mary was born and raised in the north Alton area. She grew up on Logan St Her family did practically all their day-to-day business in north Alton· they did their banking, grocery shopping, cleaners, and hardware business and went to church at Elm St Presbyterian. A side note to this, Mary's family shopped at Rain and Rain grocery store and I happened to work there part-time when my children were small. Mary's mom would bring the five girls to Rain and Rain and they would come in like little ducklings following their mother. They were all so sweet.

Mary was the oldest out of five girls plus she has two step-sisters. Having a house full of girls was never dull. Some drama but for the most part Mary says they had a lot of fun playing with each other. When they weren't outside they would be inside playing house, school, or store. When the girls got older, there was something always going on. They played instruments, played sports, and were all involved in school activities They were in girl scouts and were very involved with church activities. Her parents called it organized chaos!

Mary tells stories of her beloved north Alton. She talks of always playing outside. Every day, the neighbors could see the girls outside riding bikes and playing ball with the neighborhood kids. Mary loved the outdoors as a child and still does as she is always working in her yard or painting something. They had a great neighborhood where everyone knew each other. There were a lot of kids to play with and the Paddock's yard was the biggest. Everyone would congregate in their yard for baseball, football, and soccer. Mary's dad built a clubhouse, and they had a swing set and jungle gym so the girls were never bored.

One of Mary's most memorable gifts was a huge box filled with dress-up clothes, purses, shoes, jewelry, and scarves from her grandmother for all the girls. That box kept them entertained for months. Mary also loved her magazines, *Highlights*, *Ranger Rick*, *National Geographic*, and *Zoobooks*, that they received from their other grandparents Mary attended public schools in Alton. She attended Irving School, Gilson Brown, West Middle School, and Alton High School. She loved school. Mary says she was pretty talkative and was sure she drove her teachers crazy. She loved her 4th grade teacher Mrs. Thomas who would read many different chapter novels out loud to the class Mary looked forward to those times She also loved her history teacher in high school, Mr. Burress. She liked that they discussed current events, and he seemed so interested in what the students had to say. Thank you, Mr. Burress, for giving us our Mary, who is not afraid to share her views. I actually learn a lot from Mary on current events and respect her comments

Mary grew up coming to the State St. Children's library with her parents It was always such a magical place for her. She started working as a page in the library when she was 16 It was her first job. She would shelve books and even began helping at the circulation desk part time while going to school. When she got older, she realized that the library could be a career for her. She graduated from Greenville College and worked full time and eventually became manager of the Alton Square Library. She is currently the Assistant Director for Circulation and Strategic Services

Mary is married to Paul Cordes, who she says is the kindest, sweetest, funniest person she knows and who doesn't have a bad thing to say about anyone.

Mary and Paul love to travel. They have been to many interesting places. While the traveling is fun, Mary thinks planning and mapping out the trip is the best! I say Mary has a little of Tom Sawyer in her blood In fact, her favorite book is the *Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain. She was drawn to this book as a child by the mystery and by the friendship between Tom and Huck, and the fact it took place on the Mississippi River.

When I asked Mary to name a few people that left a big impression on her, Mary told me everyone in her family has made an impression on her. They are all hard-working, caring people who have always supported each other no matter what has happened. She says they have always made her feel loved and appreciated. She tells me that this is the biggest gift one can give to another. Mary also feels very fortunate to have married into such a wonderful, kind family

Mary's grandmother's friend, Marilyn Bromaghim, was a very important person in Mary's life. Marilyn encouraged her to join different civic organizations and even suggested she apply at the library for her first job. Mary feels that Marilyn was a very generous, smart, strong, and fun- loving woman She feels very privileged to have known her

Mary had a pretty severe injury a couple of years ago that has taught her a lot about patience, perseverance, and the fact it is ok to ask for help The best piece of advice Mary can give is the Golden rule: always treat others as you wish to be treated. It never goes out of style. Mary feels we are all in this world together—so we need to remember to be kind to one another. A quote comes to mind, "Teach by example." Our Mary believes in this quote

Because of her tireless efforts in volunteering, she was one of YWCA's 2017 Women of Distinction recipients.

Thank you, Mary, for being you!

*Stephanie Munson*

## Fifth Annual Library Card Drive!

This year's library card drive will be held from Small Business Saturday through the next Saturday (Nov. 25–Dec. 2) to encourage residents to shop locally for the holidays. During this week, select businesses in Alton, Godfrey, and Fosterburg will offer a discount or other incentive to customers showing their Hayner library cards, so make sure to check the next Hayner newsletter or our website for the list of local businesses who are offering discounts! Own or manage a local business? We would love to include you in this event! If you would like to participate, please contact Lacy McDonald at (618) 433-2859 or lacy.mcdonald@haynerlibrary.org.

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## *New in Our Illinois Room*

Academic Profiling: Latinos, Asian Americans, and the Achievement Gap by Gilda L. Ochoa.
IR 379.2609794 OCH

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by Winona LaDuke IR 333.2 LAD

Alton Community Service League Yearbooks & Bylaws 1958-2015
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Arab America: Gender, Cultural Politics, and Activism by Nadine Christine Naber
IR 305.8927073 NAB

The Budde Best: A Collection of Budde Family Recipes. IR 641.5 BUD

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The Cornwell Chronicles: Tales of an American life on the Erie Canal, Building Chicago, in the Volunteer Civil War Western Army, on the Farm, in the Country Store. IR 973.7473 COR

German Census Records 1816 – 1916: the When, Where and How of a Valuable Genealogical Resource IR 929.10943 MIN

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His Story of Bethalto: Dedicated to the Boys of Bethalto, Heroes of the World War by Henry W. Zimmermann
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Menard County Honor Book: An Honorary Roll of Those Who Took Part in the World War in Behalf of the Citizens of Menard County
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Monticello Sculpture Gardens: A Missouri Botanical Garden Signature Garden
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Postcard Views and Time Tables: The Chicago & Alton IR 385.09773 POS

Women of Distinction, 27th Anniversary Celebration, 2017, YWCA of Alton
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# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
**Veterans Day – Nov. 11**
**Thanksgiving – Nov. 23**
**Christmas – Dec. 24, 25, 26**
**New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1**

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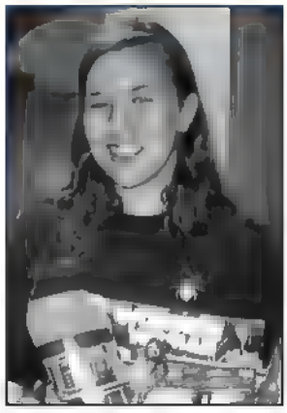
## *2017 Teen Summer Reading Program "Reading by Design"*



The 2017 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Reading by Design," was another great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on some much-needed reading. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a weekly fun day at the Riverbender.com Community Center At the end of the five week program, each participant was given a free book, a certificate of participation, and a goody bag. The participants were also entertained by Circus Kaput's own Wonder Wheelers The Wonder Wheelers entertained the kids with their daring unicycle tricks and choreographed juggling act. We would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner for the most hours of reading, **Trinity Springman** *(pictured top right)*. Our runner-up was **Abbie Gorsage** *(pictured at left)* who also received a goody bag and a gift card. Congratulations to both of these girls and to all our participants. We hope to see everyone back for next year's reading program, "Reading Takes You Everywhere."

## *Summer Reading Program 2017*

**Parker**

Young patrons of Hayner Public Library had a wonderful time at this year's Summer Reading Program, "Read by Design " The KidsSpace staff kept them busy with craft times, performers, movies, puppet shows, and stories.

The program drew in more than 300 kids over six weeks. Each participant was rewarded each week with a prize and a raffle ticket for one of our three grand prizes. At the end of the program, participants were treated to a party held at the Alton High School Commons where they were entertained by 'Mazing Matthias from Circus Kaput. Each participant also received a free book, snacks, and a certificate for all their hard work.

**Addie**

**Louis**

At the End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party, a ticket was drawn for each of the three grand prizes. The winner of the painting party with Jennifer Grassle from Cheerful Canvas was **Addie Turner** The winner of the Wow Wee Robosapiens Robot was **Parker Lewis**. The winner of the Laser Peg Legos was **Louis Franklin**. Tickets were also drawn for art work created by Jennifer Grassle from Cheerful Canvas. Winners for the artwork include **Josiah B., Claire C., Oliver P.,** and **Abbie W.** We hope to see everyone again next year at our 2018 Summer Reading Program, "Reading Takes You Everywhere." Congratulations to all our winners!

We would also like to thank our sponsors: Alton High School, Dollar General, Riverbender.com Community Center, St. Louis Cardinals, Cheerful Canvas, and Gateway Grizzles

## *Look What Your Library Card Does for you Around Town!*

The following businesses are offering discounts for showing your Hayner library card during the week of Saturday, November 25–Saturday, December 2 as part of our fifth annual library card drive.

Are you an Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township resident without a library card? Make sure to come get one at the Downtown or Alton Square library before the end of November! You will need to fill out a short library card application and provide a photo ID—a valid driver's license or state ID with your current address. If your photo ID does not have your current address, you will need to provide a piece of business mail dated within the last 30 days as proof of residency

A huge thank-you to all of these businesses for supporting The Hayner Public Library District!

### Restaurants/Specialty Food Stores

**Cookie Factory Bakery** – Buy any salad and get a free 20 oz soda or iced tea
**Duke Bakery** – 10% off
**Godfrey Meat Market** – 10% off *(excluding alcohol)*
**Grassroots Grocery** – 10% off bulk items
**Hansen Meat Co.** *(Alton location only)* – 10% off
**Johnson's Corner** – 20% off
**Lovett's Snoots, Fish, Chicken & More** – 10% off
**LuciAnna's Pastries** – $.50 off any pastry
**Mister Donut** – 10% off
**Morrison's Irish Pub** – 10% off food
**My Just Desserts** – 10% off
**Old Bakery Beer Company** – 10% off
**Olga's Kitchen** – 10% off
**Olive Oil Marketplace** – 10% off *(excluding other promotions)*
**PopUtopia Gourmet Popcorn and Sweets** – 10% off
**Sammi's Sandwiches** – 10% off
**Sammi's Sandwiches at Norb's** – 10% off
**Sherry's Snacks** – 10% off

### Retail

**1904 General Store** – 10% off
**Black's Sporting Goods** – 10% off
**Cleta's Nutrition** – 15% off
**Crown Vision Center** – Free eye exam w/purchase of glasses
**The Cyclery and Fitness Center: Alton** – 20% off regularly-priced parts and accessories *(excluding Garmin, GoPro, and Oakley)*
**Dick's Flowers** – Free rose
**Dora's Spinning Wheel** – 10% off
**The Gift Box** – 10% off for Nana's Kitchen, Infinity Spa, Zen Wellness, Zen Stones, Craftgarden, Treasured Trinkets, Landmark Coasters, State Street Soap Co., & Amish Chocolates
**The Grapevine of Alton Children's Boutique** – 10% off *(excluding other promotions)*
**Halpin Music** – 10% off
**It's Raining Zen** – 10% off
**Jacoby Arts Center** – 10% off in the Artist Shop
**Kinzels Flower Shop** – 10% off
**Market Basket** – 10% off
**Mississippi Mud Pottery** – 10% off *(excluding other promotions)*
**Picture This & More** – 15% off
**River Bend Yoga** – 50% off regular and hot yoga classes
**Roberta's Lovely Ladies Boutique** – 10% off
**Rumours Salon, Stylist Mary Beth Siampos** – 10% off all hair services with Mary Beth
**Second Reading Book Shop** – 10% off all used books
**St. Peters Hardware & Rental, Inc.** – 10% off regularly-priced merchandise

## *Food for Fines*

Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period.

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2017, anyone who has an overdue item can pay his or her fine with a canned food item Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and only Hayner materials are eligible All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

## A Fall Favorite-Vintage Voices

Alton Little Theater will present the 16th Annual Vintage Voices "A New Century 1880-1920" in October with a NEW DATE and TIME format!

Walking tours will be conducted the first two weekends in October in the Alton Cemetery, located at 5th and Vine in Alton. Dates for 2017 are Saturday, October 7th; Sunday, October 8th; Saturday, October 14th and Sunday, October 15th. Walking tours start at 11:30 am and will run continuously every 12 minutes until the last tour leaves at 2:45pm. The cost is $15 for Adults and $10 for Students

An expanded non-walking tour with a wine and cheese reception will be held at 5pm at Alton Little Theater on Friday, October 13th. The cost for the non-walking tour and reception is $20. The Vintage Voices Community Committee has chosen eight sites with ten characters who were influential to Alton's history during the turn of the century Loretta Williams will portray Mary Olive Gillham and Diana Kay will join her as Bertha Whitney - both ladies were inspiring teachers Kerry Miller will portray James M Maupin - a prominent architect with many historic homes still standing in the Alton area. Gail Drillinger will portray Mrs Henry Watson - philanthropist who donated the land for Riverview Park. Adam King will portray Mr William Luecth a WWI veteran while Shawn Williams and Lorenzo Small take on the roles of featured soldiers Capt. Arnold Wilson Cisco and 2nd Lt. George Edward Cisco. Both men were Tuskegee Airmen and highlight a significant (and troubling) piece of American History. David Boase will then take on the role of "Historian" as Andrew Carnegie and enlighten visitors about the history of the Library system. Parker Grassle will be portraying Nick Taneakas, a young drowning victim who reminds us of the powerful forces in Mother Nature and finally John Meehan portrays Richard Galbaly, a glassblower who represented Illinois Glass at an exhibition in Paris, France.

Mark your calendars to enjoy a Fall walk through the beautiful and majestic Alton Cemetery as Alton's rich history comes to life. Tickets for all tours are available online at (altonlittletheater.org). Tickets for the Cemetery tours are available at WBGZ and at the Alton Regional Convention & Visitor's Bureau (200 Piasa Street, Alton) Tickets are always available at the ALT Showplace during posted box office hours.

## e-Book and e-Audio Help for Cloud Library

For help downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog, library reference staff will conduct a class on Saturday, October 28, 2017, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device with you so we can help you download e-books or e-audios to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration To register, please call 1-800-613-3163, and leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

## New Online Resource: Driving-Tests.org

The Hayner Public Library is pleased to announce a partnership with Driving-Tests.org, a company dedicated to driver safety and education, to offer free Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) practice rests to library patrons The new service includes free tests specifically based on the state's DMV materials. The tests cover car, motorcycle, and CDL licenses

Driving-Tests.org is the only site of its kind to include accessibility tools that let users hear selections read aloud, make them into MP3s, translate pages into other languages, magnify tests, and make portions of the screen larger for greater visibility The new program will work as an outreach to several valued groups of patrons, including teens, those with disabilities, and seniors who need to take a renewal exam, as well as patrons at every other stage of life.

To get started, go to www haynerlibrary.org. Click on Online Resources and choose Driving-Tests.org under the heading of Testing and Education

## Please Indulge my Reminiscence

Long before I was employed at Hayner Library, I was a patron; it was one of the many places my family frequented. And, as many might recall, long before the building located on 401 State Street was the Genealogy and Local History Library, it was Hayner's children's library. One day when I was around five years old, I noticed a set of stairs leading downward off to the side behind the circulation desk. Being five years old, I was under the impression that my mother knew every answer to every question on the face of the Earth; therefore, I asked her where the stairs led to. While my mother is smart, she does not know every answer to every question, and she did not know the answer to this one. But not wanting to disappoint, she did what every mother does at one time or another: she thought on her feet and made something up.

"Those stairs lead down to where they make the books, honey."

"Oh." I responded, satisfied with the answer

In 2005, I was lucky enough to be hired at Hayner Library to work part-time as a page where I spent my time shelving books at the Alton Square location. As time progressed, I was promoted to a part-time circulation assistant and kept my fingers crossed for a full-time position. In 2009, this hopeful thinking paid off and I was promoted to full-time status, but there was a catch. My time would have to be split between working the circulation desk and the Tech Services Department...Tech Services? Where is that and what would I be doing? Well, in an odd twist of fate, I discovered the Tech Services Department was on the lower lever of the old children's library. There were a number of tasks to perform, but the main job was processing new material to get them ready for the shelves WOW, my mother wasn't far from the truth! While I still help out at the front desk from time to time, I was permanently moved to the Tech Services Department where I work in an office located down a set of stairs where I "make the books "

We would love to hear your own personal library memories and, should you feel inclined, feel free to share via email at memories@haynerlibrary.org. Please include your contact information (email, phone: home and/or cell). *Theresa McDonald*

## Computer Classes

*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is required. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time To register, please call 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering*

*Do not bring your own computers and laptops to class to use. Laptops will be provided. All classes are taught using Windows 7.*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers* (Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, Wednesday, Oct 18, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, Wednesday, Oct 25, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to personal computers Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars

**Part 1**
• Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse

**Part 2**
• Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start Menu/ Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents
**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

**Internet Basics (Class Limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, Nov 1, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This is an introduction to web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.
**You will need your cell phone to complete the email set-up process.**

**Microsoft Word for Beginners (Class Limit: 12)**
**Part 1, Wednesday, Nov 8, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, Wednesday, Nov 15, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals 2 progressive sessions which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the two sessions.

**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns
• Printing/Indenting/Tabs • Templates

**Part 2**
• Refresh of Part 1 • Using Shapes/Text Boxes
• Clip Art/Formatting Pictures

**Flash Drives and Saving Files (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, Nov 29, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Flash drives, USB drives, thumb drives, they're all the same thing. In this class, you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

**Computer Maintenance and Security (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, Dec 6, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Explore your computer's control panel. Learn the ins-and-outs of maintaining your computer and what you should be doing to keep your machine preforming at top speeds. Learn about virus protection and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablets for this class.

## New in Our Illinois Room

**All the Single Ladies: Unmarried Women and the Rise of an Independent Nation** by Rebecca Traister IR 306 81530973 TRA
**Allegiance:** A Novel by Kermit Roosevelt IR F ROO
**Alton City Cemetery – Notes from the Sexton** IR 977.3865 FLA
**Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community** IR 306.0973 PUT
**Cemeteries of Illinois: A Field Guide to Markers, Monuments, and Motifs** IR 977.3 HAS
**Charles J. Devlin: Coal Mines & Railroads, His Empire** IR 622.3309773 WAB
**Cherry Street Baptist Church Sunshine Circle Sunday School Class 1966 – 1967** IR 286 77386 CHE
**The Comeback: Fighting Back with Faith** by Darrin Williams IR B WILLIAMS East Alton IR 977 386 BRI
**Glenwood Cemetery: Collinsville, Illinois: a Preliminary Study of Burials, 1822-2000** IR 977 3865 BAU
**Grand Theatre, Alton, Illinois: Evaluation for Renovation and Restoration for Ed and Martha McPike 1991** IR 791 430977386 DAN
**A History of the Chicago & Alton Railroad Stations in Bloomington-Normal, Illinois** IR 385 09773 GOS
**John M. Olin: The History of Nilo Farms** IR DVD 333.72 JOH
**Memoirs of Gustave Koerner, 1809-1896, Life-Sketches Written at the Suggestion of His Children, Volumes 1 and 2** IR B KOERNER
**A Mississippi Diary: From St. Paul, Minnesota to Alton, Illinois, October 1894 to May 1895** IR 976 ODD
**Open Space & Historic Sites Preservation Study: Madison, St. Clair, Monroe, & Randolph Counties, Illinois** IR 977 3 SOU
**Robert Morrisey: Highlights of the Hayner Library** IR DVD 708.173 ROB
**St. Angela's Child Garden: Ursuline Convent. Scrapbook 1943 – 1945** IR 282 977386 STA
**St. Louis Union Station: A Place for People, A Place for Trains** IR 385 314 GRA
**Welcome to the Boys & Girls Club of Alton, Inc. 20th Annual Dinner April 13, 2017** IR 977 386 BOY

# TEEN SPACE
## FALL 2017 ACTIVITIES

### *Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender.com Community Center*

Come join the fun after school for Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month, Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates are. Wednesdays, October 18, November 15, and December 13, 2017. Movies start at 3:45 p.m. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

### *Books, Books, and More Books!*

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's "Teen Book Club." Once a month, get together with other teens to share a cup of Joe and your thoughts about that month's read Meetings will be held at the Riverbender.com Community Center Library on: Wednesdays, October 4, November 1, and December 6, 2017, at 4 p m. Everyone is welcome! For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

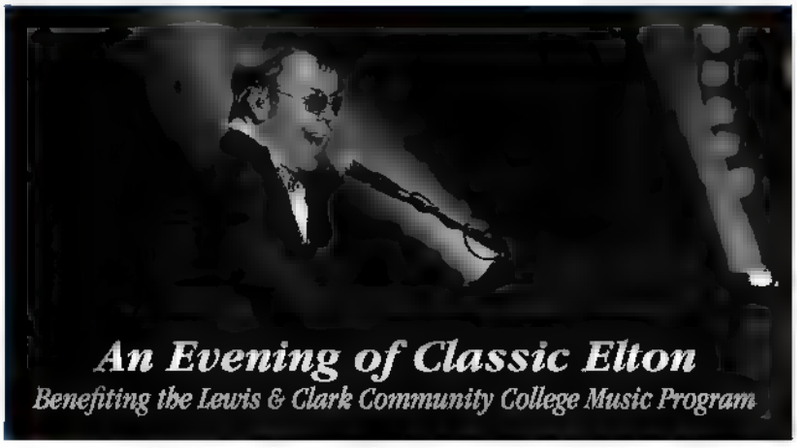
### *Teen Read Week Event "Unleash Your Story"*

The annual Teen Read Week, October 9-13, 2017, will spotlight all the great resources and activities available to help teens build literacy skills while reading for the fun of it. This year's theme encourages libraries to connect with teens around the theme **"Unleash Your Story."** Library staff and educators are encouraged to leverage this theme to encourage teens to write, tell, and share their own stories as well as find stories, biographies, autobiographies, memoirs, folktales, and more in their local library For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872

***Blessing Bags*** – The Hayner TeenSpace will be collecting small personal care items for Alton's homeless. Please bring your donations to the TeenSpace at our Alton Square location between October 4, 2017, and November 29, 2017. For additional information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

***Holiday Contest*** – Do you love to decorate cookies? If so, this is the contest for you! Come join us at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesday, December 20, 2017, for our second annual Gingerbread House Decorating Contest. All participants will be given an array of items and thirty minutes to design their gingerbread house. The winner will receive a $25 dollar gift certificate to spend at the Riverbender com Community Center. **Limited space is available so please register at (618) 433-2872.**

***Teen Coloring Meetups*** – Come meet up with other teens for a fun afternoon of coloring, music, and snacks. Teens will meet at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesday, October 25, 2017, from 4 -5 p m. Coloring pages and pencils will be supplied. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.




**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2017 7:30 P.M.**

***Ann Whitney Olin Theatre***
***Hatheway Cultural Center***
**Tickets: $20 General Admission**

You won't want to miss this outstanding benefit concert featuring Dogs of Society The Ultimate Elton Rock Tribute to be held at Lewis and Clark Community College. This concert kicks off The Dogs of Society Scholarship at L&C with 50% of the night's proceeds directly funding this financial resource for L&C music students to further their studies in music production and performance ensembles. Dogs of Society is thrilled to be a part of this initiative to support music education!

Dogs of Society ROCKS the spot-on sounds of classic '70's Elton, with all the heat of the original vinyl, in an ALL-LIVE rock concert experience. The Dogs deliver a rockin' musical experience more faithful to the spirit of the classic Elton John recordings, rather than a flamboyant imitation. With the broad appeal of Elton John's well loved catalog of hits, The Dogs believe Elton's songs are the star of their show, from smash hits like Bennie and the Jets to Tiny Dancer and Crocodile Rock to deeper cuts like Funeral for a Friend, Madman Across the Water, Mona Lisas & Mad Hatters and many, many more.

Dogs of Society has ROCKED crowds as large as 8,000 at arenas, large outdoor shows, city- wide celebrations, tribute concert series and national fundraisers, plus SOLD OUT shows at intimate theatre venues. Featuring a killer lineup of accomplished musicians including John Gore as Elton, Steve Johnston, Louis Michael, Curt Shaw and Dave Johnson, the seasoned pros of Dogs of Society can often be found playing shows throughout the Midwest. The Dogs' Keyboardist, Louis Michael, is also the Music Coordinator and a Professor of Music at Lewis & Clark.

General admission tickets ($20) can be purchased online by visiting *Riverbender com* then clicking *Shop Local>Ticket Sales* or at the Lewis and Clark Community College Music office, (618) 468-4731. In commemoration and recognition of Veteran's Day, veterans may purchase half-price advance tickets available through Veteran Services at L&C, (618) 468-5500.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

***Join us for our Fall 2017 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.***

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**: Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *3rd Annual Sidewalk Solar Party*

**Monday, October 9, 10 a.m.**

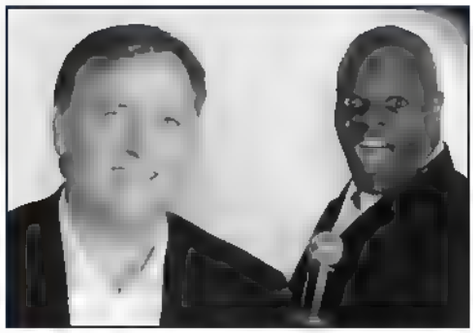
*Note: This event u ill take place in the pocket park next to the downtown library, 326 Belle Street Alton*

With the generous help and time of Eddie Agha, Staff Astronomer at The Nature Institute, The Hayner Public Library District is hosting the 3rd Annual Sidewalk Solar Party on October 9, 2017, at the pocket park next to the downtown library. Starting at 10.00 a.m., participants will be able to view the sun through a special solar telescope made to view the sun safely. If the weather cooperates, everyone should be able to view the sun and its many wonders, including solar prominences and dark spots. Let Eddie guide you through the special aspects of our great yellow dwarf star, the sun. Bring the whole family to see the sun as you have never seen it before! Light refreshments will be served. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## *The Scott Laytham and Karl Holmes Duo*

**Tuesday, October 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Scott Laytham's skills as a musician, arranger, and composer are well known in the St. Louis area. Besides his live performances, Scott has also produced music for both local and national radio and television ads. For live



shows, Scott has his hands full. He plays keys, guitars, and sings and also runs the light show and sound system Karl "Trickee" Holmes is one of the best vocal impressionists in the country Some of his impressions include Louis Armstrong, Al Green, Ray Charles, Barry White, Michael Jackson, Prince, Marvin Gaye, Nat King Cole, Elvis, Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones, Johnny Mathis, and the Temptations (he performs all five Temptations voices by himself) You must see it and hear it to believe it! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Bird Identification*

**Wednesday, October 11, 6:30 – 8 p.m.**

Learn the basics of bird identification and field guide use. Educators from the St. Louis Audubon Society will get you ready to identify birds in your backyard and the ones you see out in nature. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the follou ing Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street*

***Uncovering Family Details through Cemetery Research***
**October 12 & 19**

***Heroes in our History: Military Records***
**November 9 & 16**

***Making a Home in a New Land: Immigration, Naturalization, & Asylum***
**December 14 & 21**
**10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL*

**Saturday, October 13, 10 a.m.-11 a.m.**

**Saturday, November 11, 10 a.m.–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, December 9, 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Migration on the Mississippi Flyway at the Audubon Center at Riverlands*

**Saturday, October 21, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.**

*Note This class will be held at the Audubon Center at Riverlands, 301Riverlands Way, West Alton, Missouri, 63386*

Join us at the Audubon Center at Riverlands for a presentation on migratory birds. Have you ever heard of a flyway, or wondered how birds travel such vast distances? Join us for a presentation on the migratory birds of the Mississippi Flyway! During this presentation, you'll learn about the hows, whys, and whos of the winged travelers that use this area. Come learn about our flyways! Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Social Justice and History Book Club*

This book club meets the third Saturday of each month at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.

***Savage Inequalities: Children in America's Schools*** **by Jonathan Kozol**
**October 21**

***Bowling Alone*** **by Robert D. Putnam**
**November 18**
**11 a.m.–1 p.m.**

The books will be available to read at the Genealogy & Local History Library and can also be checked out through one of the other

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branches or through our library system. Please let a staff member know if you need help finding a copy! This is an open book club, so you can register for individual book discussions or the whole series. Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## Dave Foraker

**Tuesday, October 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Well known throughout the St. Louis area, Dave pounds the piano, tells stories, and sings the blues His music is a blend of standards, blues, jazz, and gospel, with each song "bluesified" by his signature vocal style. His stories are culled from a 50-plus year career in music, often working alongside some of the legends of R&B and the blues. His goal with every performance is to provide encouraging and enlightening entertainment for all ages. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Job Search & Resume Tips*

**Thursday, November 2, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Is the job market getting you down? Have you been searching for a new job and keep running into dead ends? Let us help! Join us on November 2 for tips on finding that perfect job. You will learn to navigate the top job search sites, as well as learn some important résumé-building skills. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Sixth Annual Open House*

**Saturday, November 4, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.**

*Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton*

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to help you in your search for the Revolutionary War patriot in your family and to guide you through the application process for joining DAR

Know you don't have a soldier in your family? Not to worry, your Revolutionary War patriot doesn't have to be a fighter. The National Society accepts service, with some exceptions, for the period between 19 April 1775 (Battle of Lexington) and 26 November 1783 (withdrawal of British Troops from New York) as follows: Signers of the Declaration of Independence, Military Service, Civil Service under authority of provisional or new state governments, and the more general "Patriotic Service." Patriotic Service includes things like members of the Continental Congress, members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity. Admission to this event is free, and registration is not necessary If you have questions, please call us at (618) 462-0677, Ext. 2865. All are welcome to join us for this event.

## Rick Pickren
## *Stars and Stripes*

**Tuesday, November 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Singer-songwriter-actor Rick Pickren is a descendant of Buffalo Bill Cody. He is a two-time winner of the Marlboro Country Music Round Up and has shared the stage with George Strait, Merle Haggard, The Judds, Dolly Parton, and Alabama. He is featured in the films *Major League, U.S. Marshals, While You Were Sleeping, The Untouchables, ER,* and more. This special program will help us commemorate Veteran's day as we sing-a-long to America's most beloved patriotic songs including *You're A Grand Old Flag, Yankee Doodle Dandy, America The Beautiful, My Country 'Tis Of Thee, The Military Service Songs, God Bless The U.S.A., The Star Spangled Banner,* and *God Bless America!* Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Sarah Heady, OTR/L
## *The More You Know, the Less You Go!*

**Tuesday, November 14, 2017, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.**

*Hayner Library has partnered with The OASIS Institute to offer another class on health and fitness The OASIS Institute is a non-profit educational organization with national headquarters located in St. Louis, Mo. Their mission is to promote healthy aging. Please note: this class will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

Urinary incontinence can have a large impact on quality of life Learn more about this impact along with the causes, treatments, and prevention of urinary incontinence using medication and non-medication models This program is presented by a licensed occupational therapist who is certified in urinary incontinence. Class size is limited. **Please register through the OASIS Institute at 1-800-392-0936.**

## *Gourd Painting*

**Tuesday, November 14, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

Have fun painting gourds at Hayner Library! Join us as local artist, Jennifer Grassle, shows us how to decoratively paint gourds. All materials will be provided. Class size is limited so sign up soon! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Limited Edition
## *Sounds of the Holidays*

**Sunday, November 26, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3). There is plenty of easy parking*

This is a favorite event of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard

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and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This extraordinary ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. The program is free but does require registration Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Switchback
## *A Celtic Christmas in the Chapel*

**Sunday, December 3, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College It u ill be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill*

They're back!! The amazing duo Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. When they have performed for us previously, their program filled up immediately, so don't wait to register for this event. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Michael Tarabulski
## *Draft Registration Cards at the National Archives*

**Wednesday, December 6, 6:30 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

In the WWII era, over the course of four registrations, most American men born between 1877 and 1929 registered for the Selective Service, commonly called the draft. On a standard form, they listed name, date and place of birth, residence, occupation, and other information of interest to genealogists. The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) facility at St. Louis holds these draft registration cards, and NARA and Ancestry.com are now into the fourth year of a five-year project to digitize these approximately 37 million cards When completed, images of all of the cards from will be on Ancestry's Fold3.com website and, eventually, in the NARA archives' online catalog. Michael Tarabulski, of the National Archives at St. Louis, has been leading the draft registration digitization project since November of 2015 and will give a presentation on this subject Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Color Me Stress Free*

**Tuesday, December 12**
**6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

*Note: This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Come color with us and enjoy great company Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House*

**Saturday, December 16, 2017,**
**10 a.m.–12 p.m.**

*401 State Street, Alton, Illinois 62002*

Come to the Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House on December 16, 2017, from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. to see the decorations and create family history crafts to take home Staff members will help you think about ways to connect with your family history at holiday gatherings. We'll have our library history audio tour, lists of book recommendations, and other resources available as well. Stop by to enjoy the warmth of the fireplaces, the beauty of the building, and the smell of fresh greenery! No registration is required.

## *Social Media*

*Please note: These programs will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. These classes are presentational only; laptops and tablets are not needed*

### Social Media Basics
**Saturday, Oct 21, 10a.m.–12 noon**

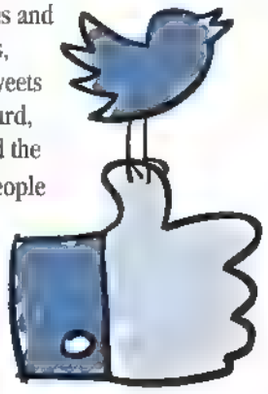
We'll start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest: what they are and what they do. We'll discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site We will try to set up an account on at least one site and cover a brief overview of how to upload photos to each site, as well as one on how to interact with other users

### Facebook Revealed
**Saturday, Nov 18, 10 a.m.–12 noon**

This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will then proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating the different applications, and finding a group to fit you. We'll learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible, as well as cover some of the privacy settings

### Exploring Pinterest and Twitter
**Saturday, Nov 18, 2 p.m.–4 p.m.**

Starting with the creation of accounts, we will then explore the uses and benefits of both sites, including sending tweets and pinning to a board, uploading a pin, and the art of "following" people



# KIDSSPACE
## FALL 2017 ACTIVITIES

## Alton Square Activities

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL*

**Saturday, October 13, 10 a.m.-11 a.m.**
**Saturday, November 11, 10 a.m.–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, December 9, 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.***

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone Bring your camera!

➢ **Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, October 2, October 9, October 16, and October 23; November 6 and November 13; December 4, December 11, and December 18, 2017, at 10 a.m. **Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.**

• *Note: The October 23rd Mover and Shakers story time will take place at The Audubon Center at Riverlands, 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, MO 63386*

➢ **Mommy and Me Story TIme** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, October 5, October 12, October 19, and October 26; November 2, November 9, November 16, and November 30; December 7, December 14, and December 21, 2017, at 10 a.m. **Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.**

➢ **Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3–5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: October 30 and November 27, 2017. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881

➢ **Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. This program is for kids 6–11 years of age. Meeting dates are: Thursdays, October 12, November 9, and December 14, 2017, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m **Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.**

## Downtown Activities

➢ **Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5 years This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, October 2, October 9, October 16, October 23, and October 30; November 6, November 13, and November 27; December 4, December 11, and December 18, 2017. **Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.**

➢ **Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Tuesdays, October 3, October 10, October 17, October 24, and October 31; November 7, November 14, and November 28, December 5, December 12, and December 19, 2017 **Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.**

• *Note: The September 26th, October 31st, and November 28th Mary Kay's Story Times will be a walking story time The kids will take a short walk, weather permitting, to a close downtown business for stories and a short tour or talk with the business owner Our first walking story time will be held at The Alton Visitors Center Please wear your walking shoes!*

➢ **After-School Fun** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 6–11 years. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m on Tuesdays, October 17 and December 19, 2017. **Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.**

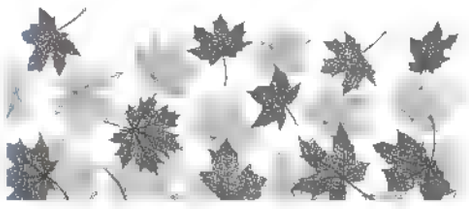
## Special Activities

*(All special activities will be held at Alton Square unless otherwise specified)*

➢ **Halloween Program**— Come join Richard Landry and his sidekick Snow Ball as he entertains kids of all ages with magic and stories in "Spooky Funny Halloween Show" on Monday, October 9, 2017, at 10 a.m. To register for this program, please call (618) 433-2881

➢ **Stories with Santa**—Come join us for a fun-filled day including Santa, refreshments, and a performance by Celia and Little Celia. All the fun begins at 10 a.m. in the Performance Room on the upper level at Alton Square on Saturday, December 9, 2017. This program will be followed by cookies and a visit from Santa in the KidsSpace Multipurpose Room Parents, don't forget your cameras! **To register for this program, please call (618) 433-2881.**

➢ **Star Wars *Reads Day***—*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. This is Hayner Library's fourth time participating in this event. The KidsSpace invites patrons 6-12 years of age to drop by the KidsSpace at our Alton Square location between 2-4 p.m. for a *Star Wars*-themed craft and snack. Several door prizes will be given away including a Chewbacca electronic mask. The fun is on Saturday, October 14, 2017. Hope to see you then!



## Nonfiction—

**Bacon, John U.** The Great Halifax Explosion: A World War I Story of Treachery, Tragedy, and Extraordinary Heroism

**Bertinelli, Valerie.** Valerie's Home Cooking: More than 100 Delicious Recipes to Share with Friends and Family

**Blum, Susan.** Healing Arthritis: Your 3-Step Guide to Conquering Arthritis Naturally

**Brown, Tina.** The Vanity Fair Diaries

**Bush, Jenna.** Sisters First: Stories from Our Wild and Wonderful Life

**Chernow, Ron.** Grant

**Davis, Stephen.** Gold Dust Woman: The Biography of Stevie Nicks

**DiSpirito, Rocco.** Rocco's Healthy & Delicious: More than 200 (Mostly) Plant-Based Recipes for Everyday Life

**Drummond, Ree.** The Pioneer Woman Cooks: Come and Get It!: Simple, Scrumptious Recipes for Crazy Busy Lives

**Eig, Jonathan.** Ali: A Life

**Eyman, Scott.** Hank and Jim: The Fifty-Year Friendship of Henry Fonda and James Stewart

**Fager, Jeff.** Fifty Years of 60 Minutes: The Inside Story of Television's Most Influential News Broadcast

**Fraser, Caroline.** Prairie Fires: The American Dreams of Laura Ingalls Wilder

**Fuhrman, Dr. Joel.** Fast Food Genocide: How Processed Food Is Killing Us and What We Can Do About It

**Herman, Arthur.** 1917: Lenin, Wilson, and the Birth of the New World Disorder

**Hudson, Kate.** Pretty Fun: Creating and Celebrating a Lifetime of Traditions

**Ingraham, Laura.** Billionaire at the Barricades: The Populist Revolution from Reagan to Trump

**Isaacson, Walter.** Leonardo da Vinci

**Jacobs, A. J.** It's All Relative: Adventures Up and Down the World's Family Tree

**Jeffs, Rachel.** Breaking Free: How I Escaped Polygamy, the FLDS Cult, and My Father, Warren Jeffs

**Kilmeade, Brian.** Andrew Jackson and the Miracle of New Orleans: The Battle That Shaped America's Destiny

**Lake, Dianne.** Member of the Family: My Story of Charles Manson, Life Inside His Cult, and the Darkness That Ended the Sixties

**Matthews, Chris.** Bobby Kennedy: A Raging Spirit

**McCarten, Anthony.** Darkest Hour: How Churchill Brought England Back from the Brink

**Merrell, Cole.** Hunting El Chapo: The Thrilling Inside Story of the American Lawman Who Captured the World's Most Wanted Drug Lord

**Merry, Robert W.** President McKinley: Architect of the American Century

**O'Donnell, Lawrence.** Playing with Fire: The 1968 Election and the Transformation of American Politics

**Pelzel, Raquel.** Sheet Pan Suppers Meatless: 100 Surprising Vegetarian Meals Straight from the Oven

**Perry, Tyler.** Higher Is Waiting: Passages of Inspiration

**Richardson, Cheryl.** Waking Up in Winter: In Search of What Really Matters at Midlife

**Rossen, Jeff.** Rossen to the Rescue: Secrets to Avoiding Scams, Everyday Dangers, and Major Catastrophes

**Sisson, Mark.** The Keto Reset Diet: Reboot Your Metabolism in 21 Days and Burn Fat Forever

**Stavis, R. H.** Sister of Darkness: The Chronicles of a Modern Exorcist

**Stillman, Deanne.** Blood Brothers: The Story of the Strange Friendship between Sitting Bull and Buffalo Bill

**Tan, Amy.** Where the Past Begins: A Writer's Memoir

**Yaffe, David.** Reckless Daughter: A Portrait of Joni Mitchell

## Fiction—

**Allende, Isabel.** In the Midst of Winter

**Andrews, Donna.** How the Finch Stole Christmas

**Andrews, V. C.** Shattered Memories (Mirror Sisters)

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Tell Tale: Short Stories

**Baldacci, David.** End Game

**Beaton, M. C.** The Witches' Tree: An Agatha Raisin Mystery

**Bowen, Rhys.** The Ghost of Christmas Past: A Molly Murphy Mystery

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** Secrets of Cavendon: A Novel

**Brown, Dan.** Origin: A Novel

**Cameron, Marc.** Tom Clancy Power and Empire (A Jack Ryan Novel)

**Chamberlain, Diane.** The Stolen Marriage

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Enchantress of Numbers: A Novel of Ada Lovelace

**Child, Lee.** The Midnight Line

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** Every Breath You Take

**Connelly, Michael.** Two Kinds of Truth

**Coonts, Stephen.** The Armageddon File

**Crais, Robert.** The Wanted: An Elvis Cole and Joe Pike Novel

**Cussler, Clive.** Typhoon Fury (The Oregon Files)

**Dailey, Janet.** Refuge Cove

**de la Cruz, Melissa.** Pride and Prejudice and Mistletoe

**Erdrich, Louise.** Future Home of the Living God: A Novel

**Evanovich, Janet.** Hardcore Twenty-Four

**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Noel Diary

**Fitch, Janet.** The Revolution of Marina M

**Francis, Felix.** Pulse: A Dick Francis Novel

**Graham, Heather.** American Drifter

**Griffin, W.E.B.** Death at Nuremberg (A Clandestine Operations Novel)

**Grisham, John.** The Rooster Bar

**Hanks, Tom.** Uncommon Type: Some Stories

**Hart, Carolyn G.** Ghost on the Case

**Higgins, Kristan.** Now That You Mention It

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Winter Solstice

**Hill, Joe.** Strange Weather: Four Short Novels

**Hoffman, Alice.** The Rules of Magic

**Hoover, Colleen.** Without Merit

**James, P. D.** Sleep No More: Six Murderous Tales

**Johansen, Iris.** Mind Game

**Jones, Darynda.** The Trouble with Twelfth Grave

**Kellerman, Faye.** Killing Season: A Thriller

**Kingsbury, Karen.** In This Moment (Baxter Family)

**Koontz, Dean.** The Whispering Room: A Jane Hawk Novel

**Lovesey, Peter.** Beau Death

**Macmillan, Gilly.** Odd Child Out

**Macomber, Debbie.** Merry and Bright

**Martin, George R. R., Ed.** Mississippi Roll: A Wild Cards Novel

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The House of Unexpected Sisters: (No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency)

**McDermid, Val.** Insidious Intent

**Page, Katherine Hall.** The Body in the Casket: A Faith Fairchild Mystery

**Patterson, James.** Count to Ten: A Private Novel

**Patterson, James.** The People vs. Alex Cross

**Palmer, Diana.** Wyoming Winter

**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Return

**Poyer, David.** Hunter Killer: The War with China: The Battle for the Central Pacific

**Roberts, Nora.** Year One: Chronicles of the One

**Rollins, James.** The Demon Crown: A Sigma Force Novel

**Sanderson, Brandon.** Oathbringer

**Sandford, John.** Deep Freeze (Virgil Flowers)

**Smith, Wilbur.** The Tiger's Prey

**Steel, Danielle.** Fairytale

**Steel, Danielle.** Past Perfect

**White, Kate.** Even If It Kills Her

**Woods, Sherryl.** Lilac Lane

**Woods, Stuart.** Quick & Dirty: A Stone Barrington Novel

# LIBRARY PERSONNEL

***Pam Bierman***

If you are interested in Genealogy and have been to our Genealogy and local History building, I am sure you have noticed a soft-spoken woman with long, wavy blonde hair If you have been lucky enough to have her help you with your genealogy, then you know she can find her way around that department with ease and accuracy She never gets flustered and that is because she absolutely loves what she is doing

Pam stared with Hayner Library in 1998. She was encouraged to apply to the newspaper indexing department by her friend and longtime indexer, Midge Hallett. Pam worked with Midge for many years indexing the newspaper and entering data into the computer. She also helped with processing books and magazines and worked as the Overdue Coordinator until she was moved to the newly-created Genealogy and Local History department. She was instrumental in working with our then-manager, Cathie Lamere, in getting the new department up and running.

One of many things that Pam loves about her job is the local history, and her favorite part is researching. She tells me that she could spend all day reading old newspapers. She also enjoys taking care of the property files. When the department began collecting property information, they only had about 300 sheets, which were donated by the Alton Area Landmarks Association, and most were about historical homes. They now have almost 3,000 listings which include homes and old and new businesses.

Lacy McDonald is our new Genealogy and Local History manager, and I asked her to tell me a little about working with Pam.

She says:
*"Pam is an amazing asset to the Genealogy & Local History Library. She is in charge of the approximately 3,000 local property files and knows more about area buildings and houses than anyone else in the library. She also does a great job planning projects for our volunteers and keeping up with their schedule. She is a fantastic researcher and writer and is always happy to help patrons with their genealogy and local history questions. Pam is a really great colleague as well. She's one of the most reliable people I know and has a great sense of humor. I couldn't be happier that Pam is part of my staff!"*

Pam grew up on a farm in Shipman, IL. Pam lived on the farm with her parents, Hudie and Wanda Walker, and three brothers and four sisters. Her parents taught her how to raise everything from tomatoes to chickens. She enjoyed playing softball and tennis with her friends. Pam also loved the outdoors, including target shooting and riding horses. Her love of horses began when Pam was nine years old and her father bought her first pony. It was a little Shetland pony with a fiery attitude that had been a circus pony. When she got older, her dad gave her a Palomino show horse. To this day, she still enjoys riding horses. Pam says she considers herself a country gal with deep southern roots. She still would rather be doing outside activities

Pam's most memorable teacher was her history teacher, Gladys Butler. Pam remembers how wonderful and patient Ms. Butler was with the class She says it was Ms Butler's enthusiastic teaching skills that gave Pam her affection for history. After high school, Pam took some classes at Lewis and Clark Community College, but Pam felt a need to strike out on her own and try out her independence So, she moved to Tacoma, Washington and lived there for a while After returning home, she married and started a family.

She has a daughter and a son and four precious grandchildren Pam has since remarried a special guy. She tells me he puts up with her long hours as Pam also manages a 24- unit housing complex. After working at the library for eight hours, she sometimes needs to take care of things at the complex But her husband is very helpful and supportive of her.

I asked Pam to name three people in her life that left a big impression on her. She told me her father was her number one guy! Pam said he was the most kind, generous, and level-headed and unbiased person in the world. Her second person is her brother, Gary. She tells me that Gary is her hero He is one of the hardest-working people she knows. And lastly is her 17- year old black Labrador retriever, Jinx Pam says she gives 100% of her energy to every task she does Jinx knows how to love without conditions and she gives the greatest doggie-hugs after a long, hard day. Pam feels like a lot more people could learn from Jinx.

My last question for Pam is to offer a piece of advice for living in today's world Pam says to not be judgmental of others

Good advice, Pam, and I know she follows this piece of advice.

*Stephanie Munson*

## *Cloud Library App: More Than Just e-Books!*

The Cloud Library app is a free and convenient way to download e-books and e-audiobooks to your smartphone, tablet, and other mobile devices (over 40,750 items and growing!) But the Cloud Library app also provides other convenient uses as well, including a Virtual Library Card, quick access to your online library account, and the online card catalog.

The Virtual Library Card is a digital copy of your library card that is stored in the Cloud Library app; the Virtual Library Card can be scanned just like your Hayner Library card when checking out at the circulation desks. It's a convenient back-up for the times you visit the library and forget your library card but have your phone with you.

You can also access both your online library account and the library's online card catalog via the Cloud Library app—with one convenient click.

You can visit the library's website at www haynerlibrary.org and click on the *Help With Your eReader* or Download Audio and eBooks icons for more information on Cloud Library And be sure to check out the library's *Events Calendar* online for the date and time of our next free Cloud Library e-Book class.

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Hours of Operation

Downtown Library
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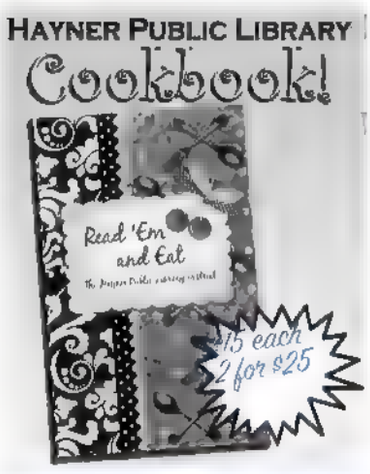


## *Just in time for the Holidays*

Looking for a new recipe for Thanksgiving? Looking for the perfect holiday gift? Look no further than Hayner Library! Hayner's original cookbook ***Read'em and Eat*** is being sold for only 15 dollars or two for 25!

Cookbooks can be purchased at any Hayner Library location.

## *Helping Hands at Hayner*

If you love books and want to help your community, Hayner Library is always looking for volunteers. There are a wide variety of tasks to choose from including Adopting-a-Shelf, Book Detective, Greeters, and more! Volunteer opportunities are available for anybody over the age of 16. And remember, kids, volunteering looks good on college applications and resumes! Volunteer applications can be found on our website www.haynerlibrary.org or at any Hayner Library location. For more information, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Stephanie Munson, at (618) 462-0677 ext. 2844. If Stephanie is unavailable, please leave a message and she'll get back to you!

## *Bring the Whole Family To these Stellar Events*

**Sidewalk Solar Party** – Participants will be able to view the sun through a special solar telescope made to view the sun safely. If the weather cooperates, everyone should be able to view the sun and its many wonders, including solar flares and dark spots. Each participant will receive a pair of solar glasses to take home. The fun takes place on Monday, October 9, 2017, at 10 a.m., weather permitting. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163

**Sky Party** – Participants can join us for a look at the moon and stars through one of Hayner's telescopes and one high-powered telescope provided by Eddie Agha. Eddie will share information with families about the moon and stars during this evening presentation. The fun takes place on Monday, November 27, 2017, at 5:30p.m., weather permitting. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Winter 2018

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Dr. Martin Luther King Day - Jan. 15
Presidents Day - Feb. 19

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## *Hayner Library Offers Reference Service Downtown*

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce that we now offer reference services at our downtown location. Reference librarian Sharon Schaefer will work at the Hayner Downtown Library on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Reference services will continue to be offered at the Alton Square Mall library Monday through Saturday. With reference services offered at both library locations, patrons will now have more assistance with computers, finding information, learning how to use Hayner subscription databases, and test proctoring.

The reference department provides many valuable services, including:

- Reference staff can acquire books for patrons from all over the country via our interlibrary loan service.
- Reference assistance is available in finding books for research papers.
- Assistance is available for navigating Hayner's online resources located on the Hayner website.
- You can get computer help with your research needs, filling out an application, setting up a Microsoft Word document, and general searching of the Internet.
- Subscription database instruction is available through the reference department. Hayner Library subscribes to research databases enabling you to find up-to-date, full-text articles on many topics for your research papers. There are also general use databases available such as *Auto Repair Reference Center* and *Consumer Reports*.
- Help is available with searching the online newspaper archives.
- Test proctoring is available by appointment.

Whether we are researching answers or assisting you in locating books to read for pleasure, the reference staff is ready to help. Reference librarians can be reached 24 hours a day, 7 days a week via email (reference@haynerlibrary.org); a reference librarian will respond to your query as soon as possible. Or you may contact our reference department by phone (618-433-2864) or in person at the Hayner libraries.

## *Another New Service*

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce that we are now providing "almost overdue" notices to patrons who are signed up to receive text and/or email notifications from the library. The "almost overdue" notice is automatically generated three days before library items are due and is sent via text and/or email (patrons can choose their preferred method of contact).

We are also providing text and/or email notifications thirty days before your library card expires.

Please note: The "almost overdue" notices are generated by the SHARE network, an automated consortia of the Illinois Heartland Library System; "SHARE Notifications" will appear as the sender of the "almost overdue" text and/or email notification.

Patrons who wish to receive notices from the library via text and/or email may ask for assistance at the Circulation Desk of any library location. We currently offer text and email notifications for:

- Almost overdue items
- Overdue notices
- Hold notices (to alert you when items you have ordered are ready for pick-up)
- Library card expiration

Patrons may also choose to opt-out of the "almost overdue" notifications; please ask for assistance at the Circulation Desk if you would like to stop receiving these notifications.

You can manage your library account, including the online renewal of library materials, at www.haynerlibrary.org.

We hope that you find these notifications helpful—and an easy way to help eliminate overdue fines!

**Therapy Dogs anxious to participate in the Hayner Children's Christmas party**

## *Who let the dogs out?*

**Bonding at the Bow-wow Pow-wow**

For over 15 years, The Hayner Public Library District has been sponsoring the Bow-wow Pow-wow in the Alton Square Mall Library the second Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. Hayner was one of the first libraries in the state to start such a program. Certified therapy dogs are brought by their handlers to the library and afford children an opportunity to read to the dogs a story or book of their choice. This activity has shown remarkable results in improving children's reading skills and confidence as they are reading to a non-judgmental and happy tail wagging audience. Children are also welcome to just visit with the dogs and develop socializing skills with these wonderful animals. All the dogs have been certified by Therapy Dogs International and are bonded and insured. Their handlers make such generous use of their own time to voluntarily bring the dogs to the library. The dogs also visit schools, hospitals, extended care facilities, and other events. There is no registration required but the child must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please join us for this fun and heartwarming event and don't forget your camera!

## *Welcome Back, LaAris!*

Does the new manager of our Downtown location look familiar? If you're a longtime patron of Hayner Library she probably will! LaAris Crumer worked as a Page (a book shelver) at Hayner Library from 2008 to 2012. After attending Northern Illinois University, LaAris moved back to Alton and worked at the Wood River Public Library, first as a clerk and then as their Circulation Manager. However, fond memories of her time at Hayner Library prompted LaAris to apply for the Downtown Library Manager position when it opened up in the fall. Welcome back, LaAris!

**A message from our new Manager:**

*"I would like to thank the patrons for welcoming me with open arms. It has been great reconnecting and getting to know so many amazing people. I would also like to let everyone know that I am still patiently awaiting my acceptance letter to Hogwarts. Go, Hufflepuffs!!*

-LaAris Crumer

## *New Selection of Instructional American Sign Language DVDs Available at Hayner*

Hayner Library recently added a set of 15 American Sign Language DVDs to its collection. This set offers instruction for all levels of learning, from public facilities professionals to babies and toddlers. The DVDs are designed to help users learn vocabulary skills and basic ASL grammar and sentence structures. They are open-captioned and most also have audio for hearing users. Several practice DVDs are also included. New ASL students, teachers, instructors, businesses and anyone who wishes to learn sign language to communicate with family and friends will find these DVDs helpful. The newly added titles include:

- American Sign Language for Babies & Toddlers
- American Sign Language For Kids & Adults, Vol. 1: Everyday Lessons
- American Sign Language For Kids & Adults, Vol. 2: Visiting the Zoo
- Sign Language 101: A Beginner's Guide to American Sign Language
- Common Expressions in American Sign Language, Vol. 1 and 2
- American Sign Language Everyday Words: Activities & Events
- Religious Expressions in American Sign Language, Vol. 1 and 2
- Emergency Medical Words & Sentences in American Sign Language, Vol. 1 and 2
- What Did She Say? Finally! American Sign Language Receptive & Translation Practice, Vol. 1
- What Did She Say? Oh I See! American Sign Language Receptive & Translation Practice, Vol. 2
- What Did She Say? Please Repeat. Religious American Sign Language Receptive & Translation Practice, Vol. 3
- What Did She Say? Yay! American Sign Language Receptive & Translation Practice, Vol. 4

These DVDs are located at Hayner's Alton Square branch and may be checked out for one week with a one week renewal available.

## Scam Phone Calls

A library patron in our region recently experienced a situation in which a scammer, claiming to be a library staff member, called their home and began demanding credit card payment for overdue library fees. The patron correctly guessed it was a scam and wisely called the library and the police.

It is important to note that this did not happen to a patron of The Hayner Public Library District. But as a precaution, we would like to take this opportunity to remind patrons that The Hayner Public Library District will never call you in an attempt to solicit credit card payments over the phone. We only accept payments at the library or via our secure online ePay system, which must be accessed through your online library account.

The Hayner Public Library District *does* call, text, and email patrons for notification of overdue materials and on-hold items.

We would strongly encourage you to contact the police and the library should you experience a scam phone call of this nature.

The Hayner Public Library District now has the Social Security Express desktop icon installed on all public computers in the District. Social Security Express allows users to access specific portions of the Social Security Administration's website to conduct business and obtain forms. Social Security Express allows users to more easily navigate the Social Security website by using icons for the Social Security Administration's most frequently requested information.

Patrons can access the Social Security Express desktop icon by logging on to any public computer at Hayner Library. Patrons must log on to the library's public computers using a valid library card; a guest account may be issued to patrons who have a current valid driver's license or state ID card. You may also access Social Security Express from home at https://www.ssa.gov/ssaexpress/intro.html.

## Let the Library Help You in 2018

Make this year's New Year's resolution stick with some help from Hayner Library. Want to lose ten pounds? We have an extensive collection of fitness books and DVDs as well as cookbooks full of recipes that are delicious while meeting dietary needs. Would you like to stop smoking? There are books for that, too! Or perhaps you'd like to apply for a new job for 2018? Update your résumé on one of our public computers! No matter what your New Year's resolution may be, Hayner can help!

## Tax Information

The Hayner Public Library District offers internet access for patrons who need to locate tax information and forms online. The library also offers self-service printing and copying of tax forms and information; copies are 15 cents per sheet for black-and-white prints/copies and 30 cents per sheet for color prints/copies.

You may also access federal and state tax forms and information by using the following contact information:

**Internal Revenue Service:**
http://www.irs.gov/
1-800-TAX-FORM
(1-800-829-3676)

**Illinois Department of Revenue:**
http://www.revenue.state.il.us/
1-800-356-6302

**Missouri Department of Revenue:**
http://dor.mo.gov/
1-800-877-6881

## Patron Poll: Cookbooks

Sometimes we want to try something new, sometimes we want to be healthy, and sometimes we just want to look at the pictures! But which type of cookbooks do you check out most often?

- Cookbooks of other cultures
- Comfort foods
- Quick and easy meals
- Diet cookbooks
- Baking
- Other

Be sure to stop by the Downtown Library or the Alton Square Library to vote for your favorite type of cookbook. The results will appear in the next library newsletter.

## e-Book and e-Audio Help for Cloud Library

Library reference staff will conduct a class on Saturday, January 20, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios from the library catalog to your e-reader.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Bring your personal reading device so we can help you download e-books or e-audios on to it.

This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

## Garden with Seeds

Now is the time of year when we start to think of spring; it's a time for new beginnings. And what better way to begin anew than planning a garden? A garden is a place for new possibilities and all it takes is a little inspiration, seeds, and enthusiasm!

You can find inspiration from Hayner's wonderful collection of gardening books and magazines. Stop by the library to get your gardening books and pick up a list of gardening articles that are full of fresh ideas to help you along the way.

All that is needed to start a plant is contained within the seed. Treat the seed with care and a new plant will emerge. It is a rewarding experience to start plants from seed and see them develop. Not only will you feel satisfied with growing your own plants, starting from seed is a much cheaper alternative to buying plants and allows you to experiment with different flavors, colors, shapes and varieties. You can also grow in quantities to plant more of them!

Hayner Library offers a variety of free gardening classes to help nurture your gardening interests. Our classes cover pollinator habitats, invasive plants, soils, and herb gardening. We offer hands-on-classes to sow your own herb seeds and heirloom tomato seeds. Be sure to come to our Seed Swap, co-sponsored by the Sierra Club, and take home a variety of seeds to start on your own. Look for these classes in the "Special Events" section of the newsletter and sign up soon.

Let Hayner Library help you get started with your garden this spring! Gardening kits, gardening books and magazines, growing guides, books lists, gardening classes – it's all right here at the library! Stop by the grow lights at Hayner Library at Alton Square to see our display. And let your enthusiasm do the rest!

**Tips for Starting Seeds Indoors:**

- Use a seed-starting mix
- Provide bottom heat of approximately 75°. The top of your refrigerator might work for this
- Cover the seed tray in a sunny location or under grow lights. Keep lights 3-4 inches above plants as they grow.
- Sow seed indoors for 8 to 10 weeks before the last killing frost (around April 25).
- Some seeds need to be started indoors because the plants have a longer growing season: tomatoes, peppers, broccoli, herbs, and others.

## Gardening Classes

**Pollinator Habitat** — **Tuesday, January 23, 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Eleanor Schumacher from the Madison County Soil and Water Conservation District will talk about the importance of pollinator habitat and what goes into developing a good habitat for pollinator plants. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Gardening Q & A** — **Saturday, February 3, 11 a.m.–12 noon**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

It's time to start thinking about your vegetable garden! Join us at the library to get some advice from Clifford Clark, local organic gardener. He will share his knowledge of gardening and a visual presentation of his large garden which covers his lawn Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Invasive Plant Species Awareness** — **Tuesday, February 20, 6:30 p.m.–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Bill Klunk, a retired Information Technology manager, and an Illinois Master Gardener and Master Naturalist, will share his knowledge of invasive plant species. He will cover the problem of invasive plants, how they became invasive, and what you can do about them. From this presentation, you will learn the importance of biodiversity for a healthy ecosystem. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Seed Swap** — **Saturday, February 24, 11 a.m.–12 noon**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Celebrate the end of winter with an enjoyable gathering of fellow gardeners while sharing your seeds, seedlings, cuttings and bulbs you have collected from last fall. All are welcome! Having your own home grown seed is not required. This program is sponsored jointly with Hayner Library and the Sierra Club. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Start Your Herbs** — **Saturday, March 3, 11 a.m.–12 noon**

*Note. This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Stop by the library to sow seeds for your herb garden this year! There will be plenty of herb seeds to choose from. Select the ones best suited to your needs and sow them to grow under the library's grow lights. Seedlings will be ready to take home just in time to plant! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**The Nature of Soils** — **Wednesday, March 14, 6:30 p.m.–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Get your soil ready for gardening this spring. Sam Lutton, Illinois Master Gardener, will be at the library to present a program on soils. He will cover the origins of soil, how to take soil samples, how to read soil samples, how to amend soil, and what plants grow best in different soils. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Start Your Heirloom Tomatoes** — **Saturday, March 24, 11 a.m.–12 noon**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Stop by the library to sow heirloom tomato seeds and to speak with Debbie Owen, Illinois Master Gardener, who will talk about growing heirloom tomatoes. Sow the heirloom tomato seeds at the library to grow under the grow lights. Come by later to pick up your seedlings for your summer garden. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Herb Gardening** — **Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Debbie Owen and Maudie Miller, both Illinois Master Gardeners, will be at the library to talk about growing herbs. You will learn which herbs grow best in part-shade, which herbs do best in our area, and what you can use them for. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Tips for Starting Seeds Outdoors:**

- Some seeds do better sown outdoors. Be sure to follow seed packet directions for best results
- Soil should not be wet.

* Most seeds germinate successfully outdoors when day and nighttime temperature is 50-55°

# *National Genealogy Day is March 10th*

Many of us are so busy with our day-to-day lives that we don't have much time to think about the past or our ancestors who lived and died so many years ago. However, in recent years, the genealogy bug has taken a firm grip on many family historians and more people have started to pursue their ancestral lines. Unfortunately, if you don't know where to start or what's available it can quickly become an overwhelming experience. With a handful of guidance and a bucket of patience, finding interesting facts about distant relatives and how they fit into your genetic puzzle can be quite fascinating. Of course, there are no guarantees that all of your discoveries will be pleasant ones involving heroes and royalty. Even the most polished families find their share of skeletons when someone goes digging around in their ancestors' closets! Just ask any politician!

Aren't you just a little bit curious about the people who share your family tree? If so, Genealogy Day is the perfect day to begin the journey to uncover your roots. This special day, set aside for genealogists and family historians, began in 2013 in celebration of the 200th anniversary of Christ Church in Limerick, Ireland. The tradition has been carried over into many other countries, including the United States. It is a special day to celebrate who YOU are!

Here are some fun and interesting tidbits about Genealogy research:

The family tree of Confucius, one of the most influential educators in Chinese history, has been maintained for over 2,500 years, making it a Guinness World Record.

Former U.S. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt had a pretty impressive family tree. By blood or marriage, he had ties to 11 other past presidents.

If an ancestor is listed on a census record as a snob, or snobscat, it doesn't mean they had a haughty attitude; it is a reference to their occupation. This was a person who repaired shoes!

An old death certificate that lists "dry bellyache" as the cause of death is actually telling you that the person died of lead poisoning.

Cemetery research can be interesting as well as entertaining. Headstones can help locate birth and death dates of our ancestors, but the epitaphs can also give us insight about their personal lives. For example, the inscription on Sir Winston Churchill's tombstone reads: "I am ready to meet my Maker. Whether my Maker is prepared for the great ordeal of meeting me is another matter."

According to the Social Security Administration, James and Mary were the most popular given names for male and female babies born during the last 100 years. The Census Bureau lists Smith, Johnson, and Williams as the most common surnames in the United States.

About 35 million Americans are related to one or more of the 102 pilgrims who sailed to America on the Mayflower in 1620. George W. Bush, Clint Eastwood, Marilyn Monroe, and Julia Child are descendants of Mayflower voyagers. Are you?

According to certain Native American ancestry, I was born in the Month of the Green Corn Moon. But since I am not of Native American decent, my birthday is appropriately recorded as being in the month of August.

The first recorded "genealogy" (Adam to Abraham, and beyond) can be found in the Bible.

The single largest collection of original source material for researching families is held by the Family History Library, owned and operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Salt Lake City, Utah.

County GenWebs are free online sites that are maintained by volunteers who publish a variety of family research information regarding the people who lived in a particular county. This can include newspaper articles, county histories, photographs, cemetery internments, birth, death and marriage indexes, lists of veterans, and so much more!

DNA research is now readily available to anyone! Services such as *Ancestry.com*, *23andMe* and *Family Tree* use a small sample of DNA to outline the ethnic profile of the participant. Your results can also link you to undiscovered relatives from all over the world. This service has become an important tool for adoptees.

If you would like to start the exciting journey of tracing your ancestry but don't know where to start, you can begin right here at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, Ill. But you don't have to wait for March 10, because here at the library, **"Every day is a Genealogy Day!"**

# *The Coretta Scott King Book Awards*

Designed to commemorate the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to honor Mrs. Coretta Scott King for her courage and determination to continue the work for peace, the Coretta Scott King Book Awards annually recognize outstanding books for young adults and children by African American authors and illustrators that reflect the African American experience. Further, the Award encourages the artistic expression of the black experience via literature and the graphic arts in biographical, social, and historical treatments by African American authors and illustrators.

## 2017 Coretta Scott King Book Award Winners

**Illustrator Award:** *Radiant Child: The Story of Young Artist Jean-Michel Basquiat*, illustrated and written by Javaka Steptoe.

**Illustrator Honors:**

- *Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life by Ashley Bryan*, illustrated and written by Ashley Bryan
- *Freedom in Congo Square*, illustrated by R. Gregory Christie and written by Carole Boston Weatherford
- *In Plain Sight*, illustrated by Jerry Pinkney and written by Richard Jackson

**Author Award:** ***March:*** *Book Three*, written by John Lewis and Andrew Aydin with illustrations by Nate Powell.

**Author Honors:**

- *As Brave as You*, written by Jason Reynolds
- *Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life by Ashley Bryan*, illustrated and written by Ashley Bryan

All 2017 Coretta Scott King Book Award winners and honorees can be found in the Hayner Library collection. A list of previous Coretta Scott King Book Award winners and honorees can be found at http://www.ala.org/rt/emiert/coretta-scott-king-book-awards-all-recipients-1970-present.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Winter 2018 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, January 13**
**Saturday, February 10**
**Saturday, March 10**
**10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

***At Your Fingertips: Introduction to Our Illinois Room Collection*** **January 11 & 18**

***Let's Get Physical: Organizing the Stuff of Your Family History*** **February 8 & 15**

***Bridging the Digital Divide: Scanning, Software Programs, and Storage*** **March 8 & 15**

**10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *The OASIS Institute's Health & Fitness Classes*

*Please note: These classes will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

**Myth – Interpretations About Sugar and Diabetes**
**This class meets only on**
**Wednesday, January 17, 2018, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.**

This class addresses the many myths about sugars as it relates to diabetes. Learn how to count carbs and how this can be helpful in preventing diabetes. Also, get the real deal on the many types of sugar and artificial sweeteners and how they can affect your health. Class size is limited. ***Please register through the OASIS Institute at 1-800-392-0936.***

**A Matter of Balance Workshop**
**This class meets Wednesday mornings for eight weeks.**
**February 21, 2018 – April 11, 2018, from 10 a.m.–12 p.m.**

Almost half of older adults worry about falling. Learn about factors that can lead to a fall and practical tips to keep yourself on your feet in this discussion-based program. Improved flexibility and range of motion with stretches and light movements are introduced in the third class. Participants receive a workbook to keep. Class size is limited. ***Please register through the OASIS Institute at 1-800-392-0936.***

**Reimagining Places of the Past:**
**Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 1**

## *Landmarks Illinois – World War I Monument Preservation*

**Saturday, January 27, 10 a.m.**
*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

The Genealogy & Local History Library is partnering with Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA) this winter to provide a three-part Saturday lecture series in January, February, and March on the topic of historic preservation. AALA is dedicated to educating, promoting, and saving the architectural heritage of the Alton area. Feel free to register for one talk or all three.

The first of these lectures concerns a new grant program that helps restore aging World War I monuments. The Landmarks Illinois WWI Monument Preservation Grant Program has been conducting a statewide survey of outdoor World War I monuments and memorials to better understand their location and current condition. Suzanne Germann, Director of Grants and Easements, from Landmarks Illinois, will discuss the program's survey findings, including the 1922 Doughboy Statue in Alton. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Reimagining Places of the Past:**
**Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 2**

## *How to Hire & Work With a Contractor*

**Saturday, February 24, 10 a.m.**
*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

Finding and hiring the right contractor is one of the biggest problems identified by historic homeowners. Bob Yapp, President of Preservation Resources Inc., and founder of the Belvedere School for Hands-On Preservation, will walk participants through the process. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Reimagining Places of the Past:**
**Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 3**

## Historic Preservation's Long Arc

**Saturday, March 31, 10 a.m.**
*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

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This talk examines the foundation of the modern historic preservation movement in the United States, examining origins such as the effort to save Mount Vernon and the writings of John Ruskin. Along the way, the story includes legislative efforts culminating in the National Historic Preservation Act and the hands-on efforts of communities from Elsah to New Orleans.

Speaker Michael Allen directs the Preservation Research Office and is senior lecturer in Architecture and Landscape Architecture at Washington University in St. Louis. Allen has provided technical services to over 100 building preservation projects in Illinois, Iowa, and Missouri. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Jared Hennings

***An Evening with Sammy Davis Jr.***

**Tuesday, January 30, 6:30 p.m.**

In celebration of Black History Month, a local favorite, Jared Hennings will perform music representing the culture and amazing musical contributions of the black community – from gospel to jazz and swing, popular and contemporary. With piano and bass accompaniment, Jared Hennings will pay tribute to great music and artists. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Bud Shultz & The You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band

***Celebrate Fat Tuesday***

**Tuesday, February 13, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Commons on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Il.*

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great venue, the Gallery of Hatheway Hall. This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Color Me Stress Free*

**Thursday, February 15, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

*Note: This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Come color with us and enjoy great company. Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two. Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Dan Myers

***Winston Churchill, A Life Well Lived***

**Tuesday, February 27, 6:30 p.m.**

This talk includes PowerPoint photos and audio excerpts of Churchill's speeches. It's ideal for everyone from young students to seniors who wish to know more about this remarkable individual. About one hour in length, it is a magic showing of Churchill and his many published exploits that will illuminate, entertain and possibly amuse any audience. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## David Massengill

**Tuesday, March 13, 6:30 p.m.**

Storyteller, songwriter and picture-book maker, David Massengill "emigrated" from Tennessee to the Greenwich Village folk scene in 1976 with a dulcimer and a dream of bohemian nirvana. His songwriting style ranges from tragic mountain ballads to the lure of tender love songs and iconic political narratives. His songs have been recorded by Joan Baez, David Bromberg, Chad Mitchell, The Roches, Lucy Kaplansky, Tom Russell, Nanci Griffith and his mentor, Dave Van Ronk, who once said David "took the dull out of dulcimer." Credits include six CDs, 11 bootlegs, 15 books, movie score, and school programs. In 2016 the Southern Folklife Collection at UNC-Chapel Hill offered to archive his works. He accepted and joins his friends and heroes Dave Van Ronk, Bill Morrissey and Mike Seeger as a member. He once chased a bobcat and vice versa. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Michael Smith

**Monday, March 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Michael Smith is a Chicago-based singer-songwriter. *Rolling Stone Magazine* once called him "The greatest songwriter in the English language". He has been singing and composing since the 1960s, and his rich and challenging songs have been recorded by more than 30 performers. His autobiographical play *Michael, Margaret, Pat and Kate* won four Jeff Awards (the Chicago Theater Union's equivalent of the Tony), for Best Original Music, Best Production, Best Actor in a Revue, and Best New Work.

Michael returns to Hayner Public Library on Monday, March 26, with a program featuring original songs inspired by American classic literature, highlighting his songs based on Herman Melville's *Moby Dick*. Powerful, swarthy, invigorating, and classic-sounding, Smith's compositions set the texts from Melville's seminal novel as ballads, shanties, story-songs and anthems. All performed with Smith's stirring vocals and fine guitar playing. Register at 1-800-613-316.

# Special Events

## *The Sound of Western Swing and the Music of Legendary Fiddler Wade Ray*

### Dennis Stroughmatt and His Swingin' Band

**Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Western Swing is a music that continues to influence musicians across the planet and southwestern IL was home to one of the most influential of Western Swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray. Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, worked with Ray Price, and one was well known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows. Fiddler, vocalist, and historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with Wade. His performance and presentation will include a mix of songs from the era of Bob Wills, Wade Ray, Ray Price, and Hank Thompson. Like his mentor Wade Ray, Dennis will make you want to swing! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Holidays to Remember*

**January**

- National Bath Safety Month
- National Blood Donor Month
- National Braille Literacy Awareness Month
- National Hobby Month
- Hot Tea Month
- National Oatmeal Month
- National Soup Month

**February**

- American Heart Month
- *An Affair to Remember* Month
- Black History Month
- National Canned Food Month
- Creative Romance Month
- Great American Pie Month
- National Cherry Month
- National Children's Dental Health Month
- National Grapefruit Month
- National Wedding Month

## *Computer Classes*

*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is required. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.*

*Do not bring your own computers and laptops to class to use. Laptops will be provided. All classes are taught using Windows 7.*

**PC Basics: Introduction to Computers* (Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, Wednesday, January 17, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, Wednesday, January 24, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

This is an introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.

**Part 1**

- Interacting with the computer, keyboard, and mouse

**Part 2**

- Windows: Desktop/ Taskbar/Start Menu/Open Files/Save Files/Flash Drive/Print Documents

**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

**Internet Basics* (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, January 31, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

This is an introduction to web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.

**You will need your cell phone to complete the email set-up process.*

**Microsoft Word for Beginners (Class limit: 12)**
**Part 1, Wednesday, February 7, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
**Part 2, Wednesday, February 14, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals two progressive sessions which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the two sessions.

**Part 1**

• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns • Printing/Indenting/Tabs • Templates

**Part 2**

• Refresh of Part 1 • Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/Formatting Pictures

**Microsoft Excel **New Class** (Class limit: 12)**
**Thursday, February 22, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.**

Do spreadsheets scare you? Join us for a new class on how to use Microsoft Excel. Christian Forrester has volunteered to guide students through the perils of Excel. The class will be presentational, as well as question-oriented and student-led, with the availability of laptops for student use. If you have any questions or problem areas with Excel, bring them to the class and Christian will try his best to get you the answers you seek. **Please note: This class will be held on a Thursday.**

**Flash Drives and Saving Files (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, February 28, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

Flash drives, USB drives, thumb drives, they're all the same thing. In this class, you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

**Computer Maintenance and Security (Class limit: 12)**
**Wednesday, March 7, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**

Explore your computer's control panel. Learn the ins and outs of maintaining your computer, and what you should be doing to keep your machine performing at top speed. Learn about virus protection, and when you should run virus scans on your computer to keep it safe. Basic computer knowledge is preferred. You do NOT need your computer or tablet for this class.

# KidsSpace Winter 2018 Activities

## Alton Square Activities

**Movers and Shakers Story Time** — Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 8, and 22; February 5, and 12; March 5, 12, and 19, 2018, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 433-2881

- The January 22, 2018 Movers and Shakers Story Time will be held at the Audubon Center at Riverlands, 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, Mo., at 10 a.m.

**Mommy and Me Story Time** — This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 11, 18, and 25; February 1, 8, 15, and 22; March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2018, at 10 a.m. Please register at 433-2881.

**Spanish Story Time** — Come join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square for Stories with Hector. Hector Lozano, from Hayner Public Library's downtown location, will be assisting us for this special story time. This 45-minute activity is a lively combination of books, finger plays, and songs in both English and Spanish for preschool children ages 3 to 5. Hector will be here at 10 a.m. on the following Mondays: January 29, February 26, and March 26, 2018. Please register at 433-2881.

**Legos @ Your Library** — Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are: Thursdays, January 11, February 8, and March 8, 2018, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please register at 433-2881.

**KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt** — Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on March 10, 2018. All children will hunt candy-filled eggs, have a chance to win an Easter bag or book, and sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents don't forget your cameras! Register at 433-2881.

**Stories and Songs with Belle** – Bring your little princess age 2–7 years old to a special story time hosted by Belle from *Beauty and the Beast*. Our story time will be filled with fun stories, songs, and pictures! Belle will arrive on Saturday, January 20, 2018, at 10 a.m. in the Performance Room on the upper level of Alton Square Mall. Space is limited for this program so register now! Please register at 433-2881.

**Superhero Story Time** – Bring your little superheroes ages 2–7 years old to this special one-hour story time with Thor and Captain America. The characters will read a story, play games, teach the superhero oath, and take pictures with the kids. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on February 24, 2018, in the Hayner Library Performance Room on the upper level of Alton Square Mall. Space is limited for this program so register now! Please register at 433-2881.

## Downtown Activities

**Evening Story Time** — Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library Downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, January 8, 22, and 29; February 5, 12, and 26; March 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2018. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Mary Kay's Story Times** — Come join Panda Bear and Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Tuesdays, January 9, 16, 23, and 30; February 6, 13, 20, and 27; March 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2018. Register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**After-School Craft** — Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library Downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 16, February 20, and March 20, 2018. Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.

# TeenSpace Winter 2018 Activities

**Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center** – Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie Event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG–13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movies starts at 3:45 p.m. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 17, February 14, and March 14, 2018. Buses are available to transport after school from Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School. To register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

**RBCC Teen Book Club: Books, Books, and More Books** – Books, Books, and More Books is for teens attending the Riverbender.com after-school program and teens in our community. Teens will choose a book to read each month and then bring it back for a discussion the following month. This book club gives students a chance to read and discuss all genres. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 10, February 7, and March 7, 2018, at 4 p.m.

## Special Events

**Teen Tech Week** – Come join us for some really cool arts and crafts at the Riverbender.com Community Center library on Wednesday, March 7, 2018. For more information about this event or to register, call Shannon at 433-2872.

**Harry Potter Book Night** – We are thrilled to announce 'Fantastic Beasts' as the theme for Harry Potter Book Night 2018. The magical beasts from across five continents are at the very heart of the Harry Potter stories, so what better to celebrate on Harry Potter Book Night 2018! Make a date in your diary for Wednesday, January 31, 2018, 3:30 p.m., at the Riverbender.com Community Center when, once again, fans will have the chance to celebrate J.K. Rowling's wonderful series. For more information call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

**Chocolate Olympics** – Calling all chocolate lovers! If you've always wanted to win a medal, come compete in our inaugural Chocolate Olympics. Join us for an afternoon of chocolate fun! Chocolate crafts, relay races, games, and much more! The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. at the Riverbender.com Community Center. To register for this program please call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

## Nonfiction—

**Baatz, Simon.** The Girl on the Velvet Swing: Sex, Murder, and Madness at the Dawn of the Twentieth Century

**Blum, Howard.** In the Enemy's House: The Secret Saga of the FBI Agent and the Code Breaker Who Caught the Russian Spies

**Chopra, Deepak.** The Healing Self: A Revolutionary New Plan to Supercharge Your Immunity and Stay Well for Life

**Cooking Light.** The All-New Fresh Food Fast: 200+ Incredibly Flavorful 5-Ingredient 15-Minute Recipes

**Davenport, Anthony.** Your Score. An Insider's Secrets to Understanding, Controlling, and Protecting Your Credit Score

**Eggers, Dave.** The Monk of Mokha

**Gifford, Kathie Lee.** The Rock, the Road, and the Rabbi: My Journey into the Heart of Scriptural Faith and the Land Where It All Began

**Greenburg, Zack O'Malley.** 3 Kings: Diddy, Dr. Dre, Jay-Z, and Hip-Hop's Multibillion-Dollar Rise

**Hinton, Anthony Ray.** The Sun Does Shine: How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row

**Hoffman, Carl.** The Last Wild Men of Borneo: A True Story of Death and Treasure

**Hyman, Mark, MD.** Food: What the Heck Should I Eat?

**Junor, Penny.** The Duchess: Camilla Parker Bowles and the Love Affair That Rocked the Crown

**Lieberman, David J.** Never Get Angry Again: The Foolproof Way to Stay Calm and in Control in Any Conversation or Situation

**Magnusson, Margareta.** The Gentle Art of Swedish Death Cleaning. How to Free Yourself and Your Family from a Lifetime of Clutter

**Manning, Ivy.** Instant Pot Italian: 100 Irresistible Recipes Made Easier Than Ever

**Marcum, Andrea.** Close to Om: Stretching Yoga from Your Mat to Your Life

**McNamara, Michelle.** I'll Be Gone in the Dark: One Woman's Obsessive Search for the Golden State Killer

**Morton, Andrew.** Wallis in Love: The Untold Life of the Duchess of Windsor, the Woman Who Changed the Monarchy

**Nolte, Nick.** Rebel: My Life Outside the Lines

**Patterson, James.** All-American Murder: The Rise and Fall of Aaron Hernandez, the Superstar Whose Life Ended on Murderers' Row

**Petrucci, Kellyann.** The 10-Day Belly Slimdown: Lose Your Belly, Heal Your Gut, Enjoy a Lighter, Younger You

**Pink, Daniel H.** When: The Scientific Secrets of Perfect Timing Pinker, Steven. Enlightenment Now: The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism, and Progress

**Pomroy, Haylie.** Metabolism Revolution: Lose 14 Pounds in 14 Days and Keep It Off for Life

**Shriver, Maria.** I've Been Thinking . . .: Reflections, Prayers, and Meditations for a Meaningful Life

**Siegel, Daniel J.** The Yes Brain: How to Cultivate Courage, Curiosity, and Resilience in Your Child

**Smart, Elizabeth A.** Where There's Hope: Healing, Moving Forward, and Never Giving Up

**Stavis, R. H.** Sister of Darkness: The Chronicles of a Modern Exorcist

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha's Flowers: A Practical Guide to Growing, Gathering, and Enjoying

**Taraborrelli, J. Randy.** Jackie, Janet & Lee: The Secret Lives of Janet Auchincloss and Her Daughters Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and Lee Radziwill

**Webber, Andrew Lloyd.** Unmasked

**Zinczenko, David.** The Super Metabolism Diet: The Two-Week Plan to Ignite Your Fat-Burning Furnace and Stay Lean for Life!

## Fiction—

**Andrews, V. C.** House of Secrets: A Novel

**Beaton, M. C.** Death of an Honest Man

**Benjamin, Melanie.** The Girls in the Picture

**Berenson, Alex.** The Deceivers: A John Wells Novel

**Berry, Steve.** The Bishop's Pawn (Cotton Malone)

**Black, Lisa.** Perish (A Gardiner and Renner Novel)

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Flight Attendant

Box, C. J. The Disappeared: A Joe Pickett Novel

**Bradley, Alan.** The Grave's a Fine and Private Place: A Flavia de Luce Novel

**Brown, Dale.** Act of Revenge (Puppetmaster)

**Burke, Alafair.** The Wife

**Burke, James Lee.** Robicheaux

**Cameron, Stella.** Whisper the Dead

**Childs, Laura.** Plum Tea Crazy

Cleveland, Karen. Need to Know

**Cornwell, Bernard.** Fools and Mortals

**Cussler, Clive.** The Rising Sea (Kurt Austin Adventure)

**de los Santos, Marisa.** I'll Be Your Blue Sky

**Deveraux, Jude.** As You Wish

**Dorsey, Tim.** The Pope of Palm Beach (Serge Storms)

**Eisler, Barry.** The Night Trade

**Feehan, Christine.** Covert Game

**Fielding, Joy.** The Bad Daughter

**Fluke, Joanne.** Raspberry Danish Murder

**French, Nicci.** Sunday Silence: A Novel (Frieda Klein)

**Gardiner, Meg.** Into the Black Nowhere: An UNSUB Novel

**Gardner, Lisa.** Look for Me

**George, Elizabeth.** The Punishment She Deserves: A Lynley Novel

**Graham, Heather.** A Dangerous Game

**Graves, Sarah.** Death by Chocolate Cherry Cheesecake

**Gray, Shelley Shepard.** His Risk: The Amish of Hart County

**Grippando, James.** A Death in Live Oak: A Jack Swyteck Novel

**Hannah, Kristin.** The Great Alone

**Harris, Robert.** Munich

**Hart, John.** The Hush

**Howard, Linda.** The Woman Left Behind

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Hellbent

**Jance, J. A.** Duel to the Death

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Night Moves: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Kinsella, Sophie.** Surprise Me

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Promise Not to Tell

**Lansdale, Joe R.** Jackrabbit Smile

**Lescroart, John.** Poison

**Lippman, Laura.** Sunburn

**Mackintosh, Clare.** Let Me Lie

**Mallery, Susan.** Sisters Like Us

**Mamet, David.** Chicago: A Novel (Prohibition Era)

**Margolin, Phillip.** The Third Victim

**Meissner, Susan.** As Bright as Heaven

**Meltzer, Brad.** The Escape Artist

**Mosley, Walter.** Down the River unto the Sea

**Moyes, Jojo.** Still Me

**Neggers, Carla.** The River House

**Palmer, Diana.** All that Glitters

**Patterson, James.** Fifty Fifty

**Patterson, James.** Red Alert: An NYPD Red Mystery

**Perry, Thomas.** The Bomb Maker

**Preston, Douglas.** City of Endless Night

**Reich, Christopher.** The Take

**Robb, J. D.** Dark in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel

**Spillane, Mickey & Max Allan Collins.** The Bloody Spur (A Caleb York Western)

**Steel, Danielle.** Accidental Heroes: A Novel

**Steel, Danielle.** Fall from Grace

**Taylor, Brad.** Operator Down: A Pike Logan Thriller

**Todd, Charles.** The Gate Keeper: An Inspector Ian Rutledge Mystery

**Ward, J. R.** Blood Fury

Weber, Carl. The Family Business 4: A Family Business Novel

**White, Randy Wayne.** Caribbean Rim: A Doc Ford Novel

**Winspear, Jacqueline.** To Die But Once

**Woods, Stuart.** Unbound: A Stone Barrington Novel

## Meet Jake Albert

Jake is part of our great Circulation staff. Jake works at the Alton Square library assisting patrons and checking out their materials. If you have questions about computers or gaming devices he is the guy to see!

Jake was born in St. Louis and lived in Collinsville until his family moved to Alton when he was five. Some of his favorite memories of being young are rollerblading, riding bikes, playing street hockey, and swimming during the summers. He loved meeting friends at Dave's Movies and More. It was just a few blocks away from his home and he would meet his friends there to play video games.

Jake's mom and dad, Lynn and Mike, are both from Jerseyville. His mom worked as the playground helper and after-school program assistant at Saints Peter and Paul School; she worked there a few more years after her children graduated. His dad works for RS Used Oil in Granite City. The company recycles and transports oil. Jake has two sisters, Katie and Ashley. Katie is two years younger than Jake and is a nurse at OSF Saint Anthony's Health Center in Alton; she is married and expecting their first child in March. Ashley is six years younger and works at Alton-Wood River Sportsmen's Club in Godfrey. Jake's memories of his sisters are the usual childhood shenanigans and arguments. Christmas and Easter were special times for him and his sisters. Their goal was to see how early they could wake up everyone in the household. Summer family trips consisted of Six Flags, Cardinal games, and a trip to Florida to see his grandparents.

I asked Jake what his favorite subject in school was and he tells me it was English, especially diagraming sentences.

Jake grew up off of State Street by West Elementary school. He had many fun times with friends on football game nights. Halloween was an exceptional time for Jake and his family. Jake's home was known as the "Halloween house". His mom decorated inside and out. He remembers ghosts, witches, spiders, blood, cobwebs, vampires, coffins, and gravestones. His mom doesn't go all out like she used to but their house is still fondly known as the "Halloween house" by most of the neighbors.

Jake attended Saints Peter and Paul School in Alton. He attended Marquette Catholic High School for two years and finished his high school years at Alton High School. He graduated from Lewis and Clark Community College with an associate degree in Computer Networking. After graduation Jake mowed lawns and worked at Kmart during the Christmas season. He then began working as a Page at the Children's Library in December 2005. Jake now works full time at the Circulation Desk at the Alton Square library

Jake was also a part of the "big move" to our current Alton Square library location from the library's previous location on the upper level of the mall.

Mary Cordes, Assistant Director of Circulation Services, told me that Jake is a wonderful library assistant. She tells me he is reliable, friendly, and unflappable. Jake has a great sense of humor and everyone, his co-workers and patrons alike, enjoy visiting with him. She says that we are very fortunate to have Jake at our library. I can't agree more!

I asked Jake if there was a special teacher who stood out in his mind and, with a wink, said, "Any teacher who might read this!" He did tell me that his mom, dad, and Uncle Jack have left a big impression on his life.

Jake has some great hobbies. He enjoys tech-related video games and computers. He loves the St. Louis Blues hockey team and the television show *The Walking Dead*. He also likes to go to thrift shops and yard sales. Jake has been selling on eBay for about 13 years; he mostly sells video games or tech-related items.

I always like to end my interviews by asking the question, "What is your best piece of advice for living in today's world?" Jake answered, "Learn how to work a smartphone and computer. And, most importantly, get a sense of humor and stop being offended by every little thing someone says!"

We are very happy to have Jake in our Hayner family.

-Stephanie Munson

## New in Our Illinois Room

**American Association of University Women (AAUW): Alton, Illinois Branch 1939 – 2008** IR 378.068 AME

**The Better Part of Valor: Albert Drury and his 1st Vermont Cavalry in the Civil War's Eastern Campaign** IR 973.7443 DRU

**A Book of Favorite Recipes Compiled by Mothers Club of Fosterburg School, 1968** IR 641.5 BOO

**The Dealmakers of Downstate Illinois: Paul Powell, Clyde L. Choate, John H. Stelle** IR 328.730922 HAR

**Godfrey Women's Club** IR 367 977386 GOD

**Growing Up with the River: Nine Generations on the Missouri** IR 977.8 BUR

**Federal Stewardship of Confederate Dead** IR 973.76 UNI

**I.H. Streeper Family of Alton, Illinois** IR 929.2 STREEPER

**Illinois Traction Society 22nd Annual Meet: Grafton, Alton, St. Louis Tour – April 26, 2008** IR 388.46 ILL

**International Vital Records Handbook 7th Edition (2017)** IR 929.1025 INT

**Inventory of Historic Milton Cemetery** IR 977.3865 MIL

**The Logan Regiment: A Regimental History of the 106th Illinois Infantry, 1862-1865** IR 973.7473 BLE

**Main Street United Methodist Church 2006 Directory** IR 287.677386 MAI

**No Excuses: The Biography of Bobby Collins Sr. – Overcoming Jim Crow, Jim Crow Jr., Jim Crow, Esquire, and the Man in the Mirror** IR B COLLINS

**The Neighborhoods of Alton** IR DVD 977.386 NEI

**Penitentiary Alley Art Show and Historic Walking Tour Scrapbook, 1972** IR 708.9773 PEN

**Sangamon County, Illinois Rural Resident Directory, 1983** IR 917.7356 SAN

**Savage Inequalities: Children in America's Schools by Jonathan Kozol** IR 370.91732 KOZ

**St. Louis Union Station: A Place for People, A Place for Trains** IR 385.314 GRA

**Tour of Historic Springfield, 1971** IR 977.356 BAR

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## *Don't Quit Your Day Job...*

Most acclaimed authors held other jobs before finding fame as a writer—and many have used their previous work experiences as inspiration for their stories.

- Margaret Atwood's frustrating experience working in a coffee shop was the motivation for her essay *Ka-Ching*.
- Before penning the young adult classic *The Catcher in the Rye*, J.D. Salinger was an entertainment director on a Swedish luxury liner.
- After practicing dentistry for nine years, Zane Grey closed his office to focus on his writing career.
- In 1961, Harper Lee won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction for her acclaimed novel *To Kill a Mockingbird*. Who would have guessed that, just a few years earlier, she was taking reservations at Eastern Airlines?
- John Green's experiences as a chaplain at a children's hospital encouraged him to write his sixth novel, *The Fault in our Stars*, which tells the story of two terminally ill teenagers.
- Sir Arthur Conan Doyle may have more in common with Dr. Watson than Sherlock Holmes; the acclaimed author of the popular detective series was a physician and surgeon before he was a writer.

## *No Reservations or Tickets Needed!*

Everybody knows the best way to your Valentine's heart is through their stomach! This year, impress your significant other by making them a home-cooked meal. Both Hayner locations have a wide variety of cookbooks including ones that specialize in cozy meals for two!

And while you're at the library, be sure to pick up a romantic movie to make your Valentine's date complete! Both Hayner locations also have impressive movie collections, making it easy to find the perfect movie to tug on your date's heartstrings!

## *I Now Pronounce You A Writing Team!*

These couples produced more than just children; their offspring include mysteries, historical fiction, children's books, and of course, romance novels!

**Stan and Jan Berenstain:** The creators of the long-running *Berenstain Bears* children's books were married for 59 years before Stan's unfortunate death in 2005. In 2012, the couple's son, Mike Berenstain, continued the series after his mother's death.

**Nicci French:** This pseudonym is a combination of Nicci Gerrard and Sean French, who have been married 28 years. The couple have written several psychological thrillers, including the suspenseful Frieda Klein series.

**Faye and Jonathan Kellerman:** Writing is all in the family for the Kellermans! Not only are Faye and Jonathan Kellerman best-selling authors, but their son, Jesse, is also an award-winning writer. In addition, Faye co-wrote the book *Prism* with their daughter Aliza.

**Lars Kepler:** This Swedish couple has three children and six books in their nail-biting Detective Inspector Joona Linna series.

**Judith Michael:** The bestselling romance novelists Judith Barnard and Michael Fain have been writing together since 1979—the same year they were married.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Spring 2018

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Memorial Day, May 27, 28

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## *Reading Under the Sun Summer Reading 2018*

### KidsSpace

Excitement and fun await those ages birth-12 who journey to Hayner Library and participate in the summer reading program, "Reading Under the Sun" The kickoff begins Saturday, June 2, 2018, at 9 a.m., at the Alton Square location. Those who venture in on kickoff day will be entered to win a great gift basket valued at $100. In addition to the weekly prizes and reading great books, library patrons can participate in exciting programs.

Here are just a few of the events planned for you to enjoy: Mr. Landry and Snow Ball, Wednesday, June 6; Puppets by Jeanie Bryan, Wednesday, June 13; Fred and His Feathered Friends, Wednesday, June 20; Comedian Rusty Pliers, Wednesday, June 27; and Circus Kaput featuring Oh My Gosh Josh, Tuesday, July 3. Participants will also enjoy story times, puppet shows, crafts, Lego Quest, and prizes that reflect the theme

Each week, participants will be asked to read at least five books, magazine or newspaper articles, or listen to five books on audio to earn awesome prizes. For this year's program, we will partner with the St. Louis Cardinals and the Gateway Grizzlies.

All participants who complete the five-week program will be invited to our End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party at the Alton High School Commons on Thursday, July 19 There, for all their hard work, they will enjoy a free book, a reading certificate, snacks and entertainment from the hilarious antics of Little Celia and Friends!

### TeenSpace

Fun Under the Sun awaits teens ages 12-18 as they journey to a tropical reading paradise. Kickoff will take place starting at 9 a.m. on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at our Alton Square location Teens who come in on kickoff day will be entered to win a basket including a gift card and summer reading paraphernalia.

Each week teens can enter to win awesome gift cards by reading books, magazines articles or listening to books on tape Teens will also be invited to join us at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesdays for an afternoon of crafts, games and performers. The program ends with a Luau Party, free book, and door prizes. Don't miss all the fun under the sun at the Hayner Public Library Summer Reading Program 2018!

## *It All Adds Up*

In April 2017, Hayner Library introduced a *You Just Saved...* message on the bottom of all patron due date slips. The *You Just Saved...* message helps to remind patrons of the value of library services by displaying how much it would cost to purchase the items that were just checked out. The *You Just Saved ..* message also includes the total value of your year-to-date transactions and the "lifetime" value of all transactions since the feature was implemented.

Theresa McDonald (Hayner Library Assistant) was amazed to find that she saved $11,562.75 just by using the library! In fact, in just one year, Hayner Library patrons have checked out over $6 million worth of library materials! We hope you have enjoyed watching your savings grow with each visit to the library.

## Marilyn Stewart Biography

Marilyn Stewart has been working for The Hayner Public Library District since 2010. In 2009, before becoming a library employee, Marilyn volunteered at the Downtown Library. As a volunteer, she was very organized and kept our books in order.

Marilyn began her career in retail at Venture and was eventually promoted to Human Resources Assistant. With that experience and a little more education, she was hired as Director of Human Resources at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She later worked at Saint Anthony's Health Center in Alton as Manager, Human Resources and Business Operations.

I have known Marilyn for many years. She was a dear friend of my cousin Mary Ann. Marilyn and I helped Mary Ann get ready for her wedding and we became fast friends. As happens in life, we grew apart with marriages, work and families. But the pendulum always swings back—and Marilyn came to the library to volunteer. I was sorry to see her leave as a volunteer but, when a position opened up within the library, I was happy that she would be joining us as a staff member.

Marilyn has fond memories of growing up in the Milton area before it was incorporated by Alton. Marilyn adored her parents. Her dad was self-employed and very entrepreneurial. His first business was C.L. Gissler Shoe Repair and Dry Cleaning, which he ran for 26 years. Marilyn had a brother who was 10 years older. Marilyn, her brother, and her mom all worked at the shop. She feels that this is where she got her business acumen. Since her brother was older and left home when she was young, she felt like an only child. There was very little that she did without. Her dad would say, "It's not a matter of needing it but a matter of wanting it."

She said her dad was a very generous person. He was the middle of three children, he had an older sister and a younger brother who was killed in WWII. Her dad had a 160 acre farm between White Hall and Winchester, Illinois, 80 acres in Scott County, and 80 acres in Greene County. He would take weekend trips to the farm. Marilyn and her mother really didn't like the farm—there was no running water nor any indoor plumbing or electricity. There were no modern conveniences like the girls knew and loved at home; it was not a fun outing for them. Her Dad had quite a sense of humor. One time while visiting the farm, Marilyn asked her dad where to hang her coat. He got out a hammer and nail and hammered into the wall. He told her to hang her coat on the nail. While visiting the farm her dad would often fry up squirrel and ask if she wanted the brain. She would laugh. She still loves fried squirrel.

When her dad retired from the shoe repair business he purchased a Red & White grocery store in Alsey, IL. If you blink once you might miss this little town. Marilyn told me this grocery store was right out of Green Acres. There was a potbelly stove in the store and all the townsfolk gathered around for their daily social gathering.

Marilyn's mom was the third of nine children and lived on a farm north of Brighton. She worked very hard taking care of Marilyn and her brother. She says her mom was the best mom and took great care of her children. Marilyn attended grade school in Alton and graduated from Alton Senior High School and Monticello College in Godfrey. She then attended SIUE and graduated from McKendree College.

While at Monticello she met Tom, her husband of 45 years. I asked Marilyn what made Tom so special and unique. She told me he is the most kind and generous person she knows. And, oh yes, he adores her! What she didn't say, but I know from other conversations, is that Tom is an excellent cook and does 99% of the cooking!

Marilyn is an avid mystery reader. She and Tom have always used Hayner Library for all their reading materials. She also loves to fish and travel with Tom. She loves to spend time relaxing with her knitting.

Marilyn is the Business Operations and Human Resources Assistant at the library, a position she has held since she began working here. She says working at the library has been very enjoyable because of her fun and unique coworkers.

I always ask the people I write about if they have a piece of advice for living into today's world. She said she has two pieces of advice. The first, from personal experience, is to always use sunscreen and wear a hat. The second and most important piece of advice is not to take yourself too seriously. She says others may not remember what you said or what you did but they will always remember how you made them feel! Marilyn makes working at Hayner Library enjoyable and she is always ready to help her coworkers. She too is very unique!

Stephanie Munson

## Famous Former Librarians

It's always the quiet ones! After he became known as the world's greatest lover, Giacomo Casanova worked for 13 years cataloging and organizing the books in Count Waldstein's castle in Dux, Bohemia.

Former first lady Laura Bush is also a former librarian! After earning a Master of Science degree in Library Science from the University of Texas at Austin, she worked as a school librarian in Houston and Austin.

Perhaps J. Edgar Hoover became the director of the FBI to track down lost library books! While employed at the Library of Congress, Hoover mastered their classification system and used those skills for the FBI's files.

Perhaps Beverly Cleary got tired of shelving the same old children's books and decided to write a few of her own. Before penning over 40 children's books, including the treasured Ramona Quimby series, Cleary worked for a children's library in Yakima, Washington and as the post librarian at the U.S. Army Hospital in Oakland, California.

Like many writers, Lewis Carroll was an avid reader. So it's only natural that he worked in a library before he wrote *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*.

## The Results Are In!

In our last newsletter, we conducted a patron poll asking you which type of cookbook you are most likely to check out. It appears that you lead busy lives—because a majority of voters said that cookbooks for quick-and-easy meals are the most popular!

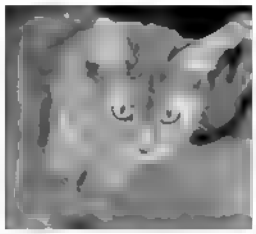
## *Don't Be Scared of Friday, April 13!*

Many stories involve misfortunes occurring on Friday the 13th. But there's no need to fret! Take into consideration these good events that have taken place on various Friday the 13ths before you hide in the safety of your home this year!

- Finland has used this allegedly unlucky day to do some good! In 1995 they introduced National Accident Day, which educates citizens on automotive safety and hazards in the workplace.
- Apollo 11 might not have made it to the moon in 1969 if not for the British Interplanetary Society. These space enthusiasts assembled in October 1933 to educate the public on the wonders of the galaxy and the possibility of space exploration. Thanks to the efforts from societies like these NASA has been able to do many things, including finding evidence of water on the moon, which was reported to the public on a Friday the 13th in 2009
- Heavy metal music is an adrenaline rush of sound for some and a headache for others. So the fact that the first heavy metal album was released in on a Friday the 13th in 1970 could be considered a good or bad thing.
- Weird Al Yankovic fans rejoice! The first U.S. patent for an accordion was granted to Anthony Faas on Friday, January 13, 1854.
- The Super Mario Brothers Nintendo game was released on Friday, September 13, 1985, in Japan.
- The film industry hasn't been the same since Friday, July 13, 1923, when the Hollywoodland sign was officially dedicated in Los Angeles. It was in 1949, while being repaired, that "land" was dropped from the original sign—and an icon was born!

## *Food for Fido*

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month, and in commemoration of this, Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and Hayner Downtown Library will collect pet food and supplies that will be given to the Alton Area 5 A's Animal Shelter. This no-kill shelter is completely dependent upon donations and is run by a dedicated staff who work tirelessly to provide care for an overwhelming number of unwanted animals. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.



Please help our friends at the 5 A's—they work so hard to care for the sadly constant stream of unwanted, neglected, or abused animals brought to the shelter. The shelter is located at 4530 N. Alby Road, Godfrey, and can be reached at 466-3702. Stop by and visit this wonderful facility, perhaps find a new BFF (Best Friend Forever). And, of course, volunteers are ALWAYS welcome.

## *Gardening Classes*

### Herb Gardening

**Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Debbie Owen and Maudie Miller, both Illinois Master Gardeners, will be at the library to talk about growing herbs. You will learn which herbs grow best in part-shade, which herbs do best in our area, and what you can use them for. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Gardening for the Birds

**Tuesday, April 24, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Lisa Dean, Illinois Master Gardener, will present a program on attracting birds to your home garden. Besides the traditional birdfeeders and watering stations, there are a lot of plants that attract our feathered friends. You will learn about a variety of gardening combinations to enhance the bird population in your yard. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Kokedama String Garden

**Saturday, May 5, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Kokedama is a centuries-old Japanese garden art form related to the practice of bonsai. In this class, you will be making a kokedama – moss ball – with an indoor house plant and a ball of moss surrounding its roots, all tied up with string This is a living planter as well as a unique display piece. Class size is limited to 10. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

### Start Your Fall Garden

**Saturday, June 2, 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Extend your garden growing season by sowing seeds for a fall garden. Stop by the library to sow some cool season vegetable seeds to grow under the library's grow lights When seedlings are ready, you take them home to plant. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

### See Water

**Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Libby Reuter, artist and arts administrator, has worked as a painter, found-object sculptor, and an installation artist. After the flood of 1993, her work has been focused on water. Since 2011, she has been building glass sculptures for *Watershed Cairns: Water Marked with Art*. Libby's presentation will be on the awareness of water around us and where it comes from. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

# KidsSpace Spring 2018 Activities

## April 2018

**April 2018**

**Monday, April 2, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, April 2, 2018**
Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, April 3, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, April 5, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, April 9, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, April 9, 2018**
Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, April 10, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, April 12, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-2

**Thursday, April 12, 2018**
Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-12

**Friday, April 13, 2018**
**Staff Development Day – Library Closed**

**Monday, April 16, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, April 16, 2018**
Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, April 17, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Tuesday, April 17, 2018**
After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p.m
Ages 6-12

**Thursday, April 19, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, April 23, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time– 10 a.m. (Will meet at Audubon Center at Riverlands, 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, Mo. 63386)
Ages 3-5

**Monday, April 23, 2018**
Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, April 24, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, April 26, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, April 30, 2018**
Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, April 30, 2018**
Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-6

## May 2018

**Tuesday, May 1, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, May 3, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, May 7, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, May 7, 2018**
Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, May 8, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, May 10, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Thursday, May 10, 2018**
Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-12

**Monday, May 14, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, May 14, 2018**
Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, May 15, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Tuesday, May 15, 2018**
After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-12

**Thursday, May 17, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, May 21, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, May 21, 2018**
Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, May 22, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, May 24, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, May 28, 2018**
**Library closed in observance of Memorial Day**

## Summer Reading Program 2018
## Reading Under the Sun

**Saturday, June 2, 2018**
**9 a.m. Summer Reading Program Kickoff**

**Monday, June 4, 2018**
Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-6

**Tuesday, June 5, 2018**
Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, June 5, 2018**
Lego Quest – 2-3 p.m
Ages 2-12

**Wednesday, June 6, 2018**
Mr Landry with Snowball - 10 a.m
All Ages

**Thursday, June 7, 2018**
Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-12

**Monday, June 11, 2018**
Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-6

**Tuesday, June 12, 2018**
Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, June 12, 2018**
Lego Quest – 2-3 p.m
Ages 2-12

**Wednesday, June 13, 2018**
Jeanie Bryan Puppets – 10 a.m.
All Ages

**Thursday, June 14, 2018**
Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-12

**Monday, June 18, 2018**
Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-6

**Tuesday, June 19, 2018**
Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, June 19, 2018**
Lego Quest– 2-3 p.m.
Ages 2-12

**Wednesday, June 20, 2018**
Fred and His Feathered Friends – 10 a.m
All Ages

**Thursday, June 21, 2018**
Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-12

**Monday, June 25, 2018**
Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-6

**Tuesday, June 26, 2018**
Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-6

**Tuesday, June 26, 2018**
Lego Quest – 2-3 p m.
Ages 2-12

**Wednesday, June 27, 2018**
Rusty Pliers Magician/Comedian – 10 a.m
All Ages

**Thursday, June 28, 2018**
Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-12

**Monday, July 2, 2018**
Stories and Puppets – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-6

**Tuesday, July 3, 2018**
OMG Josh – 10 a.m
All Ages

**Tuesday, July 3, 2018**
Lego Quest – 2-3 p m.
Ages 2-12

**Wednesday, July 4, 2018**
**Library closed in observance of Independence Day**

**Thursday, July 5, 2018**
Drop-In Craft – 10 a.m.
Ages 2-12

**Friday, July 13, 2018**
**Last day to turn in Reading Sheets**

**Thursday, July 19, 2018**
End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party – 5-7 p.m. Performer: Celia and Friends – By Invitation Only!

**To register for any of our spring programs, please call Alton Square KidsSpace at (618) 433-2881 or Downtown KidsSpace at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836. Summer registration will begin on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at our Alton Square location.**

## TeenSpace Spring 2018 Activities

### April and May Events 2018

**Wednesday, April 4, 2018**
Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt – 3:30 p.m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)

**Wednesday, April 11, 2018**
Books, Books, and More Books – 4 p.m

**Wednesday, April 18, 2018**
Teen Movie @ Riverbender.com Community Center – 3:45 p.m

**Wednesday, May 9, 2018**
Teen Movies @ Riverbender.com Community Center – 3:45 p.m

**Wednesday, May 16, 2017**
End-of-the-School-Year Party – 3:30 p m. (Riverbender.com Community Center)

## Teen Summer Reading Program Events

**"Reading Under the Sun"**

**Saturday, June 2, 2018**
**Summer Reading Kickoff**
All participants who sign-up on this day will get a chance to enter to win a $25 gift card.

**Wednesday, June 6, 2018**
Movie and a Pizza (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2-4 p m

**Wednesday, June 13, 2018**
Decorate Your Own Flip Flops Craft (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2-4 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 20, 2018**
Performer: Tommy Wizard (Riverbender.com Community Center) 3-4 p m

**Wednesday, June 27, 2018**
Sharpie Tie-Dye Beach Bags (Riverbender.com Community Center) 2-4 p m

**Wednesday, July 4, 2018**
**Library closed in observance of Independence Day.**

**Friday, July 6, 2018**
**Last day to turn in Reading Sheets**

**Wednesday, July 11, 2018**
End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party – Luau Party and Airbrush Tattoos 2-4 p.m.

**To register for any of our spring programs, please call (618) 433-2872. Registration for summer programming starts on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at our Alton Square location.**

## *Super Hero Story Time at Hayner Library in the Alton Square Mall*

## *Patrons Benefit from High Speed Internet*

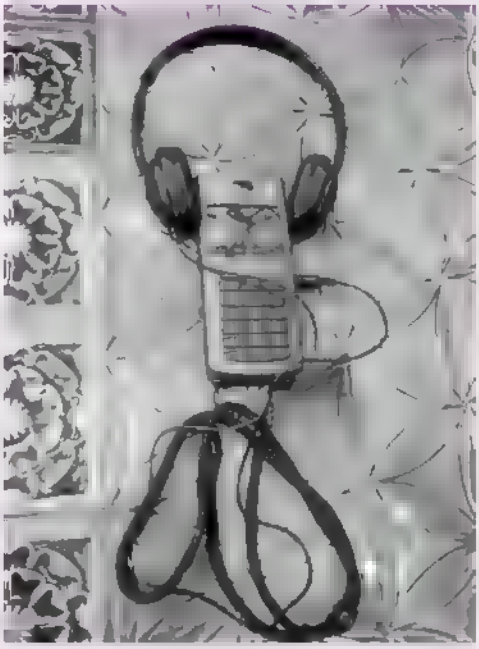
In October 2017, patrons using the public computers at the all Hayner Library locations began to notice a significant increase in the speed of the network—all thanks to the installation of a new Internet fiber connection The installation, which began in late October and took three months to complete, required extensive network upgrades at the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall as well as both downtown locations.

The Assistant Director of Information Technology at Hayner Library was able to secure funding for this project through the E-rate program administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company under the direction of the Federal Communications Commission. The E-rate program provides discounts to assist most schools and libraries in the United States to obtain affordable telecommunications and Internet access

The installation of the new 50Mb Internet connection now allows patrons to access the Internet at significantly higher speeds. It also allows library staff to access the Polaris circulation software without delays in service or a constant need to restart the program— issues that had previously been a problem due to a lack of bandwidth available at the libraries

The Hayner Public Library District is committed to providing patrons with free access to technology. There are a combined 50 public computers available for patron use at all three Hayner Library locations Patrons may access the public computers during regular library hours; patrons can register for computer use using either a library card or current non-expired driver's license or state ID card.

## *Genealogy & Local History Audio Tour Updated!*



Have you ever wondered why our library district is named after Jennie D. Hayner? Did you know that we almost lost our entire collection to the Quincy Public Library in 1865? Want to learn the history behind the beautiful oil paintings in the Genealogy & Local History Library, some of which we've owned for over 100 years? Come listen to our audio tour!

We have ten handsets loaded with the audio tour and historic photographs. The handsets are easy to use, with adjustable volume and a printed instruction sheet.

The tour includes sections on Hayner Library history, the Hayner family, the original building, our most important works of art, and stories related to the local history displays. Our current displays are Hayner Library History, the Haskell Playhouse, Alton Railroads, Elijah Lovejoy, Western Military Academy, artist Agnes Millen Richmond, Monticello Seminary, Illinois Glass Company, and historic Alton postcards.

A few interesting facts from the tour·

In 1867, Ralph Waldo Emerson, whose brother William was practicing medicine in Alton at the time, gave a very well-attended and -received lecture titled "American Culture" to benefit the library.

Alton native Agnes Millen Richmond's paintings were featured at the 1915 World's Fair Panama–Pacific International Exposition in San Francisco.

Elijah Lovejoy's son Edward (1836-1891) worked in the newspaper business for a time, where he wrote articles defending the rights of Japanese Americans and attacking the denial of civil rights when a school district refused to integrate African Americans.

There was an intense football rivalry between Alton High School and Western Military Academy. They first played against each other in 1904. Alton was winning 6-0 when the game ended early due to lightning. The next weekend, a fight broke out between the Alton High players and Western cadets. When Western officials were unable to stop the fight, the cadet corps was locked up in their quarters for the remainder of the afternoon. The two teams didn't meet on the football field again until 1907.

## *Lifespan Linked to Reading Habits*

According to a study conducted by researchers at Yale University School of Public Health, reading as little as 30 minutes each day may be linked to longer life The researchers gathered data from 3,635 people over the age of 50 who had participated in a national Health and Retirement Study Participants answered questions about their reading habits, and the Yale team compared this information to their physical health over a 12 year follow-up period. In short, the results showed that the more a person reads, the more likely they are to live a longer life Overall, readers lived about two years longer than non-readers!

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# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Spring 2018 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all **free of charge**. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, April 7**
**Saturday, May 5**
**Saturday, June 9**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!!

## *Dennis Stroughmatt and His Swingin' Band*

*The Sound of Western Swing and the Music of Legendary Fiddler Wade Ray*

**Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.**

Western Swing is a music that continues to influence musicians across the planet and southwestern IL was home to one of the most influential of Western Swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray. Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, worked with Ray Price, and was well known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows. Fiddler, vocalist, and historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with Wade. His performance and presentation will include a mix of songs from the era of Bob Wills, Wade Ray, Ray Price, and Hank Thompson. Like his mentor Wade Ray, Dennis will make you want to swing! Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

***Sharing and Collaborating on Social Media***
**April 12 & 19**

***Ancestry.com: the Forest and the Trees***
**May 10 & 17**

***Family Search: Records, Books, and Family Tree***
**June 14 & 21**
**10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163

## *Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions Workshop*

***This class meets Wednesday mornings for seven weeks.***
**April 18, 2018 – May 30, 2018,**
**9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.**

*Please note: This class will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

This free seven-session workshop is designed to empower adults who are living with chronic conditions like heart disease, arthritis, diabetes, depression, emphysema and other health conditions. Participants will discover strategies to improve their quality of life while managing the symptoms of their condition. Anyone caring for someone with a chronic condition or wanting to learn more about managing chronic conditions may also register. A free informational book and CD will be provided to those who attend. Class size is limited. **To register, please call 1-800-392-0936.**

## *Color Me Stress Free*

**Thursday, April 19**
**Thursday, June 21**
**5 p.m.–7 p.m.**

*Note: This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Come color with us and enjoy great company. Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two. Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Timothy P. Townsend**

## "The Illinois Freedom Project: 'For a Vast Future Also' "

**Wednesday, April 25, 6:00 p.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton*

The Illinois Freedom Project was undertaken by staff at Lincoln Home National Historic Site and the Old State Capitol State Historic Site, with many community partners, to investigate the places that best represent the inspiring stories of the move from slavery to freedom in Illinois. Historians, youth mentors, videographers, web designers, and others were asked to participate, with the goal of teaching history and inspiring youth by presenting stories of victory through adversity. Timothy P. Townsend is the historian at Lincoln Home National Historic Site in Springfield, Illinois and the Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site in St. Louis, Missouri. Tim will discuss the background of the project as well as plans for how the project will reach young people in Illinois. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## Limited Edition

***The Great American Songbook***

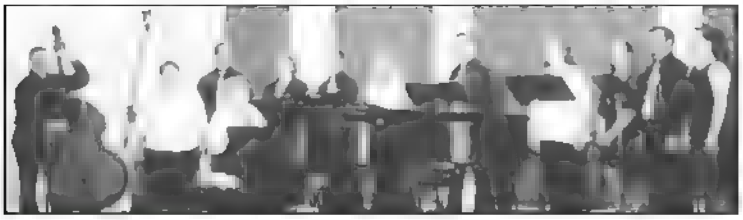
**Sunday, April 29, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at the Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3) There is plenty of easy parking*

Limited Edition is enjoying its fourteenth season under the direction of Susan Parton Stanard. It serves as Lewis & Clark Community College's musical ambassadors to the bi-state area.

The twelve voices mixed ensemble has prepared an afternoon's entertainment with songs from the Great American Songbook, the big band era, Broadway and pop. You will enjoy songs from composers such as Johnny Mercer, George and Ira Gershwin, as well as tunes popularized by artists such as Ella Fitzgerald and Queen.

Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## Steve Davis

***Elvis! Live!***

**Tuesday, May 8, 6:30 p.m.**

Elvis (yes, THE Elvis) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s Don't miss this chance to see The King, live, onstage! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *The Scott Laytham and Karl Holmes Duo*

**Tuesday, May 22, 6:30 p.m.**

Scott Laytham's skills as a musician, arranger, and composer are well known in the St Louis area. Besides his live performances, Scott has also produced music for both local and national radio and television ads For live shows, Scott has his hands full. He plays keys, guitars, and sings and also runs the light show and sound system. Karl "Trickee" Holmes is one of the best vocal impressionists in the country Some of his impressions include Louis Armstrong, Al Green, Ray Charles, Barry White, Michael Jackson, Prince, Marvin Gaye, Nat King Cole, Elvis, Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones, Johnny Mathis, and the Temptations (he performs all five Temptations voices by himself). You must see it and hear it to believe it! Register at 1-800-613-3163

## Switchback

**Sunday, June 3, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL*

Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." FitzGerald and Martin McCormack showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers!

This program is jointly presented by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College

Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Jonathan Len – Formerly of Blend

***A Cappella '50s at Its Best***

**Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Don't miss this great night of entertainment. A Cappella doo-wop performer, Jonathan Len, formerly the lead singer of the immensely popular group Blend, brings back the hits of the '50s and '60s with a twist of fun. He mixes in some favorite country classics and spices everything up with his humor, nostalgia and showmanship!

Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Nonfiction—

**Abrams, Dan.** Lincoln's Last Trial: The Murder Case That Propelled Him to the Presidency

**Baier, Bret.** Three Days in Moscow: Ronald Reagan and the Fall of the Soviet Empire

**Banks, Tyra.** Perfect Is Boring: 10 Things My Crazy, Fierce Mama Taught Me About Beauty, Booty, and Being a Boss

**Bastianich, Lidia.** My American Dream: A Life of Love, Family, and Food

**Bittman, Mark.** How to Grill Everything: Simple Recipes for Great Flame-Cooked Food

**Bowe, Whitney, M. D.** The Beauty of Dirty Skin: The Surprising Science of Looking and Feeling Radiant from the Inside Out

**Bragg, Rick.** The Best Cook in the World: Tales from My Momma's Table

**Chabon, Michael.** Pops: Fatherhood in Pieces

**Coles, Joanna.** Love Rules: How to Find a Real Relationship in a Digital World

**Comey, James.** A Higher Loyalty: Truth, Lies, and Leadership

**De Laurentiis, Giada.** Giada's Italy: My Recipes for La Dolce Vita

**DeFelice, Jim.** West Like Lightning: The Brief, Legendary Ride of the Pony Express

**Di Robilant, Andrea.** Autumn in Venice: Ernest Hemingway and His Last Muse

**Earhardt, Ainsley.** The Light Within Me: An Inspirational Memoir

**Ehrenreich, Barbara.** Natural Causes: An Epidemic of Wellness, the Certainty of Dying, and Killing Ourselves to Live Longer

**Feek, Rory.** Once Upon a Farm: Lessons on Growing Love, Life, and Hope on a New Frontier

**Fisher, Todd.** My Girls: A Lifetime with Carrie and Debbie

**Gaines, Joanna.** Magnolia Table: A Collection of Recipes for Gathering

**Goldstone, Nancy.** Daughters of the Winter Queen: Four Remarkable Sisters, the Crown of Bohemia, and the Enduring Legacy of Mary, Queen of Scots

**Gundry, Steven R.** The Plant Paradox Cookbook: 100 Delicious Recipes to Help You Lose Weight, Heal Your Gut, and Live Lectin-Free

**Hargrove, Brantley.** The Man Who Caught the Storm: The Life of Legendary Tornado Chaser Tim Samaras

**Hernandez, Keith.** I'm Keith Hernandez: A Memoir

**Hersh, Seymour.** Reporter: A Memoir

**Hilburn, Robert.** Paul Simon: The Life

**Hogan, Andrew.** Hunting El Chapo: The Inside Story of the American Lawman Who Captured the World's Most-Wanted Drug Lord

**Itzkoff, Dave.** Robin (Robin Williams biography)

**Jamison, Leslie.** The Recovering: Intoxication and Its Aftermath

**Junor, Penny.** The Duchess: Camilla Parker Bowles and the Love Affair That Rocked the Crown

**Knight, Michelle.** Life After Darkness: Finding Healing and Happiness After the Cleveland Kidnappings

**Kurlansky, Mark.** Milk!: A 10,000-Year Food Fracas

**Kurson, Robert.** Rocket Men: The Daring Odyssey of Apollo 8 and the Astronauts Who Made Man's First Journey to the Moon

**Lawless, Kristin.** Formerly Known As Food: How the Industrial Food System Is Changing Our Minds, Bodies, and Culture

**Lipska, Barbara K.** The Neuroscientist Who Lost Her Mind My Tale of Madness and Recovery

**McNamara, Eileen.** Eunice: The Kennedy Who Changed the World

**Metz, Chrissy.** This Is Me: Loving the Person You Are Today

**Morton, Andrew.** Meghan: A Hollywood Princess

**Myers, Amy, M.D.** The Autoimmune Solution Cookbook: Over 150 Delicious Recipes to Prevent and Reverse the Full Spectrum of Inflammatory Symptoms and Diseases

**Nashawaty, Chris.** Caddyshack: The Making of a Hollywood Cinderella Story

**Rappaport, Helen.** The Race to Save the Romanovs: The Truth Behind the Secret Plans to Rescue the Russian Imperial Family

**Renton, Claudia.** Those Wild Wyndhams: Three Sisters at the Heart of Power

**Rivera, Geraldo.** The Geraldo Show

**Roker, Al.** The Tragic Epic of the Johnstown Flood

**Sanger, David E.** The Perfect Weapon: War, Sabotage, and Fear in the Cyber Age

**Sedaris, David.** Calypso

Smith, Ian K. The Clean 20: 20 Foods, 20 Days, Total Transformation

**Stark, Peter.** Young Washington: How Wilderness and War Forged America's Founding Father

**Wiehl, Lis.** Hunting Charles Manson: The Quest for Justice in the Days of Helter Skelter

**Winchester, Simon** The Perfectionists: How Precision Engineers Created the Modern World

**Wohlleben, Peter.** The Weather Detective: Rediscovering Nature's Secret Signs

## Fiction—

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Queen Anne's Lace

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** The High Tide Club

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B Parker's Old Black Magic

**Backman, Fredrik.** Us Against You

**Baldacci, David.** The Fallen (Memory Man Novel)

**Bell, Ted.** Overkill

**Bond, Larry.** Arctic Gambit

**Brown, Dale.** The Moscow Offensive

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Probable Claws: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery

**Cameron, Stella.** Whisper the Dead

**Carr, Robyn.** The Family Gathering

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** I've Got My Eyes on You

**Clinton, Bill.** The President is Missing

**Connolly, John.** He: A Novel

**Connolly, John.** The Woman in the Woods

**Coulter, Catherine.** The Sixth Day (A Brit in the FBI)

**Cussler, Clive.** The Gray Ghost

**Dailey, Janet.** My Kind of Christmas

**Dallas Sandra.** The Patchwork Bride

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Cutting Edge

**Dekker, Ted.** The 49th Mystic

**Delinsky, Barbara.** Before and Again

**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** Bad Men and Wicked Women

**Dodd, Christina.** Dead Girl Running

**Dray, Stephanie.** My Dear Hamilton

**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Forgotten Road

**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** By Invitation Only

**Frazier, Charles.** Varina

**Freeman, Brian.** Alter Ego

**Giffin, Emily.** All We Ever Wanted

**Graham, Heather.** Fade to Black

**Griffiths, Elly.** The Dark Angel

**Grimes, Martha.** The Knowledge

**Haines, Carolyn.** Charmed Bones

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** The Perfect Couple

**Hillerman, Anne.** Cave of Bones

**Hooper, Kay.** Hold Back the Dark

**Jewell, Lisa.** Then She Was Gone

**Johansen, Iris.** Shattered Mirror (Eve Duncan)

**Kava, Alex.** Lost Creed

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Death Doesn't Bargain

**King, Laurie R.** Island of the Mad (Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes)

**King, Stephen.** The Outsider

**Kingsbury, Karen.** To the Moon and Back

**Koontz, Dean.** The Crooked Staircase: A Jane Hawk Novel

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Road Home

## *New and Forthcoming Books*

**Fiction continued—**

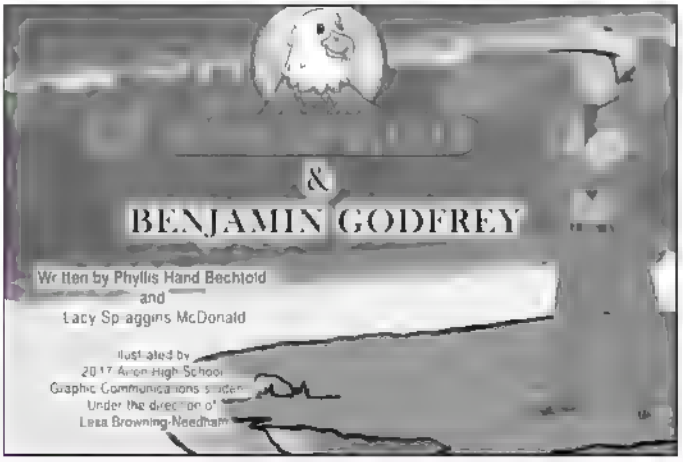
**Maden, Mike.** Tom Clancy Line of Sight: A Jack Ryan Jr. Novel
**Martin, George R. R.** Low Chicago: A Wild Cards Novel
**Mayes, Frances.** Women in Sunlight: A Novel
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Good Pilot Peter Woodhouse
**McKevett, G. A.** Hide and Sneak
**McLain, Paula.** Love and Ruin
**Monroe, Mary Alice.** Beach House Reunion
**Moore, Christopher.** Noir: A Novel
**Nesbø, Jo.** Macbeth
**Oates, Joyce Carol.** Night-Gaunts and Other Tales of Suspense
**Palmer, Diana.** Unbridled
**Palmer, Michael.** The First Family
**Paris, B. A.** Bring Me Back: A Novel
**Patterson, James.** The 17th Suspect
**Patterson, James.** Princess (Private No. 14)
**Pearl, Matthew.** The Dante Chamber
**Pearson, Allison.** How Hard Can It Be?
**Perry, Anne.** Twenty-One Days: A Daniel Pitt Novel
**Preston, Douglas.** The Pharaoh Key
**Pronzini, Bill.** Give-A-Damn Jones
**Quick, Amanda.** The Other Lady Vanishes
**Robards, Karen.** The Moscow Deception
**Roberts, Nora.** Shelter in Place
**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Raises the Roof
**Sandford, John.** Twisted Prey: A Lucas Davenport Novel
**Scottoline, Lisa.** After Anna
**Shalvis, Jill.** Rainy Day Friends
**Simsion, Graeme.** Two Steps Forward
**Steel, Danielle.** The Cast
**Thayer, Nancy.** A Nantucket Wedding
**Trollope, Joanna.** An Unsuitable Match
**Ware, Ruth.** The Death of Mrs Westaway
**Weir, Alison.** Jane Seymour, the Haunted Queen
**Weisberger, Lauren.** When Life Gives You Lululemons
**White, Karen.** Dreams of Falling
**Wiggs, Susan.** Between You and Me
**Wolitzer, Meg.** The Female Persuasion
**Woods, Stuart.** Shoot First
**Woods, Stuart.** Turbulence: A Stone Barrington Novel

## SORRY... WE'RE CLOSED

All locations of The Hayner Public Library District will be closed on Friday, April 13th so our staff can attend a training seminar. We will open at regular business hours on Saturday, April 14th

## *Benjamin Godfrey Book Receives International Award!*

Our very own *Seymour Bluffs and Benjamin Godfrey* book has received an international award! The book was entered as a Group Project in the Industrial Arts/Technology Prepress division of the Gutenberg Awards and took second place. Local author Phyllis Bechtold and Genealogy & Local History Library Manager Lacy McDonald wrote and edited *Seymour Bluffs and Benjamin Godfrey* last year, and Lexa Browning-Needham's Alton High School Graphic Communications students created the illustrations, Blippar app content, and page layout. The Gutenberg Awards are sponsored by the Graphic Communications Education Association and entries are scrutinized for page layout and design difficulty, the use of graphics, typography, difficulty, and presentation. Austin Curvey, Jake Edelen, Julianna Fair, Shaw Smeltzer-Baer, Anna Summers, Chance Stice and Tristan Wuellner were extremely dedicated, and spent time in and out of the classroom working on the project. This award celebrates the time and energy they put into the book.




*Seymour Bluffs and Benjamin Godfrey* can be checked out in the Alton Square and Downtown libraries (call number: EB GODFREY) and read anytime in the Genealogy & Local History Library (IR B GODFREY). Come check out the students' award winning work!

## *Two in One*

### *Do you know that these authors are the same person?*

- Romance novelist Jayne Anne Krentz also writes under the names Jayne Castle and Amanda Quick.
- Ruth Rendell is the author of the best-selling Chief Inspector Wexford series. She also writes stand-alone psychological crime novels under the pseudonym Barbara Vine.
- Acclaimed romance novelist Nora Roberts also writes romantic suspense books under the name J.D. Robb.
- The name Agatha Christie immediately brings to mind mystery novels—which is probably why she wrote romantic fiction under the name Mary Westmacott.
- Alice Addertongue, Anthony Afterwit, the Busy-Body, Caelia Shortface, Martha Careful, and Silence Dogood are just a few of the pseudonyms used by Benjamin Franklin.

# *Congratulations, Class of 2018!*

## Now, What are You Going to Do With Your Life?!?

The next stage in your life will be an adventure that can be exciting but also very stressful. Attending college, job hunting and living on your own is a lot to manage! Here are a few tips to help ease your transition.

## College Life

• Toto, I have a feeling we're not in high school anymore! – Unlike your high school teachers, your college professors are not going to hound you about homework or remind you over and over about upcoming tests. Sounds like a dream come true, huh? Well, miss a few assignments and flunk a few tests, and that dream will become a nightmare! Get organized and take responsibility for your own schoolwork.

• Take care of yourself – Living away from your parents in a dorm or starter apartment can be just as overwhelming as it is exciting. Your education, finances, social life, schedule, as well as your physical and mental health, will be your own responsibility. Don't give up the moment you feel stressed for the first time; give yourself time to adjust to your new life, and seek help from family, friends or professionals, if needed.

## Job Application Tips

• Your first impression does not happen at an interview. It begins when you pick up the job application. Remember to dress nicely, be well-groomed, bring your own pen, and be polite.

• If possible, take the application home so you can take your time, print neatly, and double check your information.

• Try to fill in as much information as possible. Write "N/A" in areas that don't apply to you rather than leaving a section blank.

## Resume Tips

• Stick to the more traditional Times New Roman font with a 9-12 point font size.

• You may think you don't have enough experience to list on a resume but you can always list your academic achievements such as a high GPA, any academic awards, or that you've taken a specialty course related to the job for which you are applying.

• Remember to proofread. Then, go back and proofread again. And when you think your resume looks good, have somebody else proofread it!

## Job Interviews

• Arrive a few minutes early. Never be late.
—Bernadette, Executive Director, The Hayner Public Library District

• One of the biggest things I look for is a candidate who has done his or her homework. It's important to do research on the organization to which you are applying and be able to demonstrate that you understand the value of that organization.
—Lacy, Manager, Genealogy & Local History Library

• A follow-up thank you note is always appreciated, and may even be the deciding factor if I have multiple qualified candidates.
—Sue, Assistant Director, Human Resources

• Turn off your cell phone. Turn it off completely; even the vibrate setting can be distracting.
—Mary, Assistant Director, Circulation and Strategic Services

Be sure to visit any Hayner Library location for more information about preparing for college and employment. Our libraries are equipped with study rooms, computers, resume templates, and book topics covering resumes, employment opportunities, career outlook statistics, college reviews, financial aid, study guides and more! Also be sure to visit the Online Resources section of our website (www.haynerlibrary.org) for more information pertaining to education and employment. Good luck!

# *New in Our Illinois Room*

**2005-2017 Alton Area Paintings by Michael B. Mossman** 977 386 MOS

**Audio Visual Records in The National Archives of the United States Relating to World War II** IR 940.54 AUD

**Brocton: A Prairie Village** IR 977.369 BRO

**Calvary Baptist Church 1970-71 Directory** IR 287.77386 CAL

**Centennial History of Highland Illinois** IR 977.386 SPE

**The Genealogist's Encyclopedia by L.G. Pine** IR 929.1 PIN

**The German Churches of Metropolitan New York** IR 943 HAB

**The Great American Bottom by Georgia M. Engelke** IR 977.39 ENG

**The Great and Powerful Piasa Bird** IR 398 209773 BIR

**History of Saint Louis: The Fourth City 1764-1909 Vol. I – III** IR 977.866 STE

**History of Warrick, Spencer, and Perry Counties, Indiana** IR 977.23 HIS

**Home Front Heroes: Evansville and the Tri-State in WWII IR** 977 264 MOR

**An Icarian Communist in Nauvoo** IR 977.343 VAL

**The Last Village of the Kaskaskia Indians** IR 977.266 THR

**Log Cabins to Steeples: The United Methodist Way in Illinois** IR 287.6773 MEL

**The Mound Builders of Illinois** IR 977.389

**St. Clair County Bicentennial Calendar 1990-1991** IR 977 389 NIN

**The Story of Sergeant Robert G. Ardrey 111th Illinois Inf. 1862-1865** IR 973.7473 ARD

**Using Civilian Records for Genealogical Research in the National Archives Washington, DC, Area** IR 929.1 UNI

**Your Land, Our Land: Two Centuries of American Words and Images from the Regions of the National Archives** IR 973 DOD

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Closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

## *Please Indulge My Reminiscence*

Growing up (and long before I was employed at Hayner Library), my family and I were frequent visitors to the children's library which, at that time, was located in the Hayner Library building at 401 State Street, Alton. During one particular visit, I noticed a set of stairs behind the Circulation Desk leading downward into the unknown. Being five years old at the time, I was under the impression that my mother knew the answer to every question on the face of the Earth—so naturally I asked her where the stairs led. While my mother is smart, it turns out she does not know the answer to every question, and she did not know the answer to this one. But, not wanting to disappoint me, she did what every mother does at one time or another—she thought on her feet and made something up! She told me that the stairs led to the area where they made the books!

In 2005, I was lucky enough to be hired by The Hayner Public Library District; I worked part-time as a Page at the Alton Square Library where I spent my time shelving books and keeping the materials in order.

As time progressed, I was promoted to a part-time Library Assistant in the Circulation department. I kept my fingers crossed for a full-time position.

In 2009, I was promoted to full-time status—but there was a catch. My time would have to be split between working in the Circulation department as well as the Technical Services department. The Technical Services department is housed in the lower level of the former children's library. There are a number of tasks to perform, but my main job is processing new materials in order to make them ready for the shelves. Wow! My mother wasn't far off in her description!

While I periodically help at the circulation desk when needed, I eventually moved exclusively to the Technical Services department where I "make the books."

We would love to hear your own personal library memories. You may email your memories to memories@haynerlibrary.org. Please include your name and contact information (email and telephone number).

Theresa McDonald

## *Benjamin Franklin, Librarian*

Being a founding member of one of the first lending libraries in the nation can get lost in Benjamin Franklin's list of accomplishments. However, Franklin's involvement in the development of libraries in the United States is quite interesting.

In the 1730s books were rare and highly expensive and public libraries, as we know them today, did not exist. This problem was especially troublesome to the members of the Junto Club, a philosophical group who would meet to discuss a wide range of important issues of the day. As intellectual as their group was, they had only a few books amongst them to which they could refer when they needed to settle debates or enrich their knowledge. Therefore, on July 1, 1731, the Junto Club outlined an idea to form a subscription library, which would eventually be called The Library Company, in which the 50 members would invest 40 shillings each towards the purchase of new books. The members agreed to give another 10 shillings each year thereafter towards the purchase of additional books. Franklin initiated the expansion of The Library Company collection by offering memberships to the locals of Philadelphia who might otherwise not have access to books. The idea spread like wildfire when visitors to Philadelphia became impressed by the intelligence and sophistication of the locals. And the rest, as they say, is history.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township Summer 2018

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 2 & 3

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## Another New Service

Hayner Library is happy to announce that we are now offering the RBdigital app to our patrons—giving you access to thousands of more e-books and e-audiobooks than ever before!

The RBdigital app also allows patrons to check out hundreds of full-color, digital magazines including all of your favorites such as *Newsweek, US Weekly, HGTV Magazine, Reader's Digest, Popular Mechanics, Better Homes and Gardens, Family Handyman, GQ, Martha Stewart Living, WIRED, Smithsonian Magazine, Runner's World,* and many more!

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The RBdigial app can be downloaded directly to your mobile device. For more information about this service, please be sure to visit any Hayner Library location or visit the *Help With Your eReader and Download Audio & eBooks* section of our website.

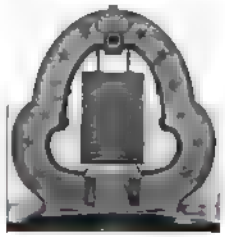
Please note that the RBdigital app is being offered in addition to our Cloud Library e-book and e-audiobook collection. It is our hope that the two collections will complement one another and give you even more digital choices for reading and listening to your favorite authors and magazine titles

Hayner Library strives to bring you innovate ways to use your library—including the ability to access digital materials from home or on-the-go. We hope you enjoy this new product. Happy (digital) reading!

## History Comes to Hayner

The Hayner Public Library District is thrilled to announce that the Elijah P. Lovejoy printing press is coming to the Genealogy & Local History Library. We would like to thank *The Telegraph* and Hearst Communications for their very generous donation of this extraordinary artifact. The press will be on permanent display in the library, just up the hill from the location of the Godfrey & Gilman warehouse, where it was originally stored and where Lovejoy made his last stand fighting for the freedom of the press. A reception and dedication will be held at the Genealogy & Local History Library in autumn 2018. All are invited. Please be on the lookout for more information in our next newsletter.

We are so honored to be the new home for such an important part of local and national history.



## Take A Hike!

Hayner Library is introducing a new program designed to get families active, enjoy the outdoors, and read a good book—all at once! We are participating in StoryWalk®, a program created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library.

The StoryWalk® program consists of laminated pages from a children's book attached to wooden stakes, which are installed along a walking path. The books will be changed out periodically so that families can enjoy the program from spring until fall. StoryWalk® is a terrific way for families to engage in literacy and the great outdoors all at once!

Our first StoryWalk® site will be installed at The Nature Institute, 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey, Illinois. We hope to have other sites installed in Alton and Godfrey this summer.

Please be sure to visit our website for more information about StoryWalk®, including the kickoff date for this exciting program.

## *Looking for a New Author?*

In the article, "Writers to Watch Spring 2018: Anticipated Debuts", *Publishers Weekly* highlighted some of the best new contemporary fiction authors making their debut this year. The following titles are available at Hayner Library.

### *Peach* by Emma Glass

"Glass' prose is capable of breathtaking deftness . . . the clipped sentences and obsessive repetitions provide a terrifying window into a freshly traumatized psyche With paragraphs that read like poems, this is a memorably crafted entry into the canon of revenge narratives." –*Kirkus Reviews*

### *There There* by Tommy Orange

"*There There* is an urgent, invigorating, absolutely vital book by a novelist with more raw virtuosic talent than any young writer I've come across in a long, long time. Maybe ever. Tommy Orange is a stylist with substance, a showboater with a deeply moral compass. I want to call him heir to Gertrude Stein by way of George Saunders, but he is even more original than that. This book will make your heart swell." –*Claire Vaye Watkins*

### *Parking Lot Attendant* by Nafkote Tamirat

"Tamirat's wonderful debut novel weaves growing pains, immigrant troubles, and moments of biting humor. . . .[a] riveting coming-of-age story full of murky motives, deep emotion, and memorable characters." –*Publishers Weekly*

### *Bring Out the Dog* by Will Mackin

"Unforgettable . . . It is the language as much as the experience that drives the action, creating taut, almost terrifying suspense Mackin's masterful prose is both poetic and aggressive." –*Publishers Weekly*

## *Enjoy Local and Community History!*

Do you know any of the interesting facts surrounding your local community, neighborhood, or the town where you grew up? Local history holds the details and stories that help reveal how societal changes impacted the lives of ordinary people within a community Since 1837, Alton has had its fair share of interesting events and colorful characters that helped shape the temperament and forge the personality of this old river town

Here are some interesting local history facts about our community·

The town of Alton, Illinois was founded by Rufus Easton Easton had many titles during his life He was an attorney, a United States Congressman and the first appointed postmaster of St. Louis. Although he never lived on Alton soil, he developed the town in the year 1818 It was not incorporated as a city until 1837, three years after his death He named many of the streets after family members, but the town itself was named for his eldest son, Alton Easton.

In 1833, the first penitentiary in the State of Illinois was built and opened in Alton. It was closed in 1860 but reopened during the Civil War to be used for Confederate prisoners. A somber remnant of stone still stands on William Street as a poignant reminder of one of the most dreadful tragedies in Alton history.

For many years, the Owens-Illinois Glass Works that sat in the 1600 block of East Broadway was the largest glass company in the world. The first item produced was an ashtray but the company quickly grew into a distinguished bottle manufacturing plant recognized around the world. After many successful years of leading the world in the glass manufacturing industry, as well as providing employment to thousands of area families, it closed its doors in 1993.

James Earl Ray, the man convicted of murdering Dr Martin Luther King, Jr in 1968, was born on West Ninth Street in Alton. However, his family ties run much deeper than just being born here. Although his family moved to Missouri while Ray was a 6-year-old student at St. Mary's Catholic School, he eventually came back to live with his grandmother in her rooming house on Broadway while his brothers and sisters went to live at the Catholic Children s Home on State Street When his mother died in 1961, she was buried in a Godfrey cemetery under the last name of Ryan

The first Alton Memorial Day Parade, known then as Decoration Day, was held on Saturday, May 30, 1868 The evening edition of the *Alton Daily Telegraph* said it was a "very imposing and appropriate demonstration" Alton's parade has been considered to be the oldest most consecutive running parade in the United States.

Abraham Lincoln was a frequent visitor to Alton In 1842 he came to Alton from Springfield after being challenged to a brawl with James Shields who was the Illinois State Auditor at the time The sword duel was to take place on an island in the Mississippi River as dueling on Illinois grounds was illegal After boating from the Alton shore to the small island in the river both parties reconsidered their argument and agreed to a truce, sending both men back to the Alton riverbank unscathed.

When not on display, the mummified corpse of a local fisherman William "Deaf Bill" Lee was kept inside the closet of a local funeral home for eight decades In 1996, the Burke Funeral Home decided to lay Bill to rest in proper fashion The body was dressed in a fine suit, laid inside an open casket for a final exhibition and a complete and sincere funeral was held for the deaf fisherman who used to walk among the streets of Alton Over 350 people were in attendance for the occasion Eighty-one years after his death, Deaf Bill was finally laid to rest in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery in West Alton.

World War II Air Force pilot Paul Warfield Tibbetts Jr dropped the atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan on August 6, 1945. It was the historic event that ultimately ended the war Tibbetts was a 1933 graduate of Western Military Academy Although he was born in Quincy, Illinois and grew up in Miami, Florida he had been a student at the Alton military school on Seminary Street for five years before his extraordinary military service began.

The Lovejoy monument that stands in the Alton Cemetery towers a total of 110 feet toward the sky Erected in 1897, the bronze sculpture was made by the American Bronze Company of Chicago and the granite was a product of the stone quarries of Vermont. The 17-foot winged statue at the top is called Victory.

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## *Enjoy Local and Community History! (continued)*

In 1867, the Chicago & Alton and the Big Four railroads built a substantial depot in downtown Alton. The two-story building included a hotel and restaurant but the unique feature about this imposing structure was that it was built in the shape of a locomotive. It was such a fine example of architecture that the *Alton Telegraph* called it the ornament of the city. The depot was razed in 1956 with plans of building a new hose house for the fire department. This was a plan that never happened; a parking lot was formed on the site instead.

Humbert Road is named for Dr. Frederick Humbert, a German immigrant who came to the United States in 1833 and set up a successful medical practice in the Alton and Upper Alton areas. The doctor was a beloved physician and a highly respected surgeon for over 56 years. His palatial home sat on the site of the Alton Middle School on College Avenue.

During the building of Alton's first lock and dam along the edge of Riverfront Park, bones were unearthed by the construction of the cofferdam. The bones were thought to be those of smallpox victims who had been buried on an island during the Civil War. The island was appropriately known as Smallpox Island.

The beautiful Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel that sits on the campus of Lewis and Clark Community College was picked up and moved with flawless effort from its original location in 1991. It initially sat across the road facing the college. The entire move was made with such efficiency that a glass of water sitting on a beam was unaffected during the four-hour ride across Godfrey Road.

In 1901, the world-renowned Anheuser Busch Company of St. Louis built and maintained a factory at 100 Alby Street. The company stayed at that location for nearly 30 years.

The mighty Mississippi River has always been an integral part of Alton's history for many reasons such as floods, fishing and barge freight. But on September 8, 1937, the great river surprised everyone when it handed over a five-foot, 84-pound bull shark to local fishermen "Dudge" Collins and Herbert Cope.

Older Altonians may remember the tricky curve and the shallow lanes of the first Clark Bridge, but who remembers the toll booth that was placed right in the middle of the chaos? Maneuvering across the bridge without scraping the sidewalls or snipping the bumpers of oncoming traffic was complicated enough without a toll booth in the hub of it all! To the delight of travelers, the precariously placed toll booth was removed in April 1958.

This is just a small sampling of Alton's interesting past. There are many other characters, countless more events, and various other milestones resting in the dusty old memories of this wonderful city.

If you would like to know more about the bold multi-colored blanket of local history that stretches over this community, just read through the society pages of an old *Alton Evening Telegraph* newspaper (available at all Hayner locations), drive through one of the historical districts, walk through one of the cemeteries, or visit the larger-than-life statues at Lincoln-Douglas Square.

Discover more history at the Hayner Geneaology & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton. Library staff is always available to help you with your research.

Pam Bierman
Library Assistant IV
Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

**Alton Community Service League Scrapbook**
IR 977 386 ALT

**The Changing Emblems – National Railway Historical Society** IR 385 09773 COO

**Hope From the Heartland: Jobs, Clean Air, Energy Security** IR 363.70525 HOF

**Images of Midwestern Architecture: Missouri by Ronald E. Schmitt** IR 720 9778 SCH

**Laclede Steel News 1960 – 1966**
IR 669 1420977306 LAC

**Let's Look for Industry in Illinois Post Offices by Mary Emma Thompson** IR 977.3 THO

**Let's Look for Farming in Illinois Post Offices by Mary Emma Thompson** IR 977.3 THO

**Let's Look for Transportation in Illinois Post Offices by Mary Emma Thompson** IR 977.3 THO

**Let's Look for Pioneers in Illinois Post Offices by Mary Emma Thompson** IR 977.3 THO

**Let's Look for Mail Delivery in Illinois Post Offices by Mary Emma Thompson** IR 977.3 THO

**Let's Look for Cultures, Education and Such in Illinois Post Offices by Mary Emma Thompson**
IR 977.3 THO

**Likeness and Landscape: Thomas M. Easterly and the Art of the Daguerreotype**
IR 779 09034 KIL

**Maryville, Illinois: 1902-2002** IR 977 386 MAR

**The Mysteries of St. Louis by Henry Boernstein**
IR F BOR

**Norvell Family History** IR 929 2 NORVELL

**Ouatoga Bluff Abstract of Title** IR 346 0438 OUA

**Preservation Comes of Age by Charles B. Hosmer, Jr.** IR 720 973 HOS

**St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church Records Prairietown, Illinois 1852 – 1876**
IR 284 977386 STP

**A Walk Through Time: A Pictorial History of the Village of Caseyville, Illinois 1849 to 1999**
IR 977 389 STE

**Western Military Academy Alumni Newsletter**
IR 373.77386 WES 1994 – 2009

**Youth Inspects the New World at a Century of Progress Exposition** IR 977 311 HEN

# *The Hidden Treasures of the National Archives at Spanish Lake*

By George Fuller

Wednesday evenings and Saturdays, I work at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, but my full-time job is at the National Archives in Spanish Lake, MO. I process the deceased veterans claim files for World War I. I often tell my Hayner co-workers stories of the treasures I've found while processing these files at the archives.

Processing, in this sense, means taking the files from their old non-archival boxes and inspecting them for damage and mold. I confirm that the files contain only one veteran's information and remove any misfiles. I then place the file in a new archival box, label the box, and re-shelve it in the designated archive space. There are millions of claim files, and this year I was tasked with rehousing 3500 cubic feet, which translates to over seventy thousand files. This work can be very tedious, but occasionally I stumble across something very interesting. I tell people that I think of each file box as being like a box of Cracker Jack, with a surprise inside each one. Most files are rather run-of-the-mill, with claims and documentation, as well as official correspondence; but some are little treasure troves

In one file, I came across a newspaper article about the gang wars of New York. It was included in the veteran's file because he was one of the featured gangsters. He had served honorably for two years in WWI, and then shortly after returning home he "bumped off" the local dock gang/mob boss in order to control the docks. The newspaper described him (positively) as a fighter and a drinker who was quick with a pistol and took no lip from anyone. Being from New York, I can attest we do sort of love our mob stories, but this article was truly a glowing homage to the man

When I think of the men and women who served, I am struck by the amazing array of first-generation immigrants who chose to serve in the U.S. Armed Forces. They came from all over the world, including countries we would end up fighting against in WWII. Often in the files I will find correspondence in the native language of the person, from their families or from official agencies in their country of birth, complete with wax seals.

One file that stands out is the file of a Japanese man who quit his family tailoring business to join the U.S. Navy; he served honorably and was discharged. The curious thing about this man was that he served in the Navy under a Chinese alias. When he returned to Japan after being discharged, he lived in different locations under three other assumed names. The file does not detail why he assumed these identities; it would appear the focus of the investigation was on what name he assumed and when he assumed it. The file contained a collection of photos and correspondence in Japanese, from his brother and authorities in Japan. The correspondence and photos are beautiful artifacts, but do not solve the mystery of his identities.

There was also the Irishman who joined the U.S. Navy to escape his wife and several children back home in Ireland. His file contained photos and correspondence from his wife, who was trying to track him down and make him own up to his responsibilities. She included photos of herself as well as all the children. The Armed Forces were very good about connecting runaway fathers to their abandoned families, and this was no exception. Back he went to Ireland.

When the claim files were no longer in daily use, they were sent to wooden warehouses for storage. As time passed, those warehouses developed leaky roofs, had insect activity, and sometimes even caught fire; I find evidence of this in and on the boxes. I often find signs of the maintenance team's efforts to solve those issues as well: nails, bolts, nuts, wire, conduit pieces, roofing stone, lots of dust, and mold. I have also found pens and pencils of record center employees who lost them in the files long ago.

Part of my processing work is to remove metal fasteners because they are a source of damage to old records; when they rust they speed the deterioration of the paper. Though they are a danger and I must remove them, I enjoy the variety of fasteners that people employed when compiling these files—every imaginable configuration of paper clip (some truly ornate ones), straight pins, T-pins, flat pins with a triangular head, and more. I have collected hundreds. Though some are a rusty mess, others are as shiny and new as the day they were placed in the files

The postage stamps on the correspondence, often decorated with beautiful artwork, are like time capsules themselves. I see stamps dated from the 1910s to the 1960s, originating from all over the world. Some of the correspondence, postage stamps, and official seals and stamps come from countries that no longer exist: the Kingdom of Italy, several grand duchies that have been absorbed into Germany, and many small countries that were absorbed by the Soviet Union and are today located within a former satellite country. I discovered places that I never knew existed, that I was never taught about in Social Studies class, and never saw on a globe or world map

To me these files are time capsules. When a researcher comes to view the file, they are often seeking information about the veteran—but I wonder, do they appreciate the little treasures I find as well? I'd like to coin a term, peripheral history, and define it as the things we do not focus our intent upon. The researchers come with a specific intent, but do they ever take in the peripheral history?

## *E-Book Help for Cloud Library*

The library will present a class on Saturday, September 15, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios from the library catalog to your e-reader. Help will also be available for our new RBdigital app.

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

# KidsSpace Summer/Fall 2018 Activities

## Alton Square Activities

**Monday, August 20, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, August 23, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, August 27, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, August 27, 2018**
Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, August 30, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Thursday, September 6, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, September 10, 2018**
Movers and Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, September 13, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-2

**Thursday, September 13, 2018**
Legos at Your Library – 3:30 p.m

**Monday, September 17, 2018**
Movers and Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, September 20, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, September 24, 2018**
Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, September 27, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

## Special Activities

**Friday, September 14, 2018**
Grandparents Day Celebration – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

## Downtown Activities

**Monday, August 20, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, August 21, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, August 27, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, August 28, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Tuesday, September 4, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, September 10, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, September 17, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, September 18, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Tuesday, September 18, 2018**
After-School Fun – 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-10

**Monday, September 24, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, September 25, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

# TeenSpace July – September 2018 Activities

**Wednesday, September 5, 2018**
Back-to-School Bash - 4 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 12, 2018**
Books, Books, and More Books - 4 p.m

**Wednesday, September 19, 2018**
Teen Movie Nights at Riverbender.com Community Center - 3:45 p m

**Wednesday, September 26, 2018**
Color Meet-Ups - 4 p m

# Computer Classes 2018 Activities

**Computer Classes**
*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is required. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering*

*Do not bring your own computers and laptops to class to use. Laptops will be provided. All classes are taught using Windows 7.*

### Flash Drives and Saving Files (Class limit: 12)

**Tuesday, August 14, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
Flash drives, USB drives, thumb drives, they're all the same thing. In this class, you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

### Microsoft Excel (Class limit: 12)

**Wednesday, August 15, 6 p.m.-8 p.m.**
Do spreadsheets scare you? Join us for a class on how to use Microsoft Excel. Christian Forrester has volunteered to guide students through the perils of Excel. The class will be presentational, as well as question-oriented and student-led, with the availability of laptops for student use. If you have any questions or problem areas with Excel, bring them to the class and Christian will try his best to get you the answers you seek.

### PC Basics: Introduction to Computers* (Class limit: 12)

**Wednesday, August 29, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
This is an introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse

techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.
**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

### Internet Basics*
### (Class limit: 12)

**Wednesday, September 5, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
This is an introduction to web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.

**You will need your cell phone to complete the email set-up process.*

### Microsoft Word for Beginners
### (Class limit: 12)

**Part 1, Wednesday, September 12, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**

**Part 2, Wednesday, September 19, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals two progressive sessions which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the two sessions.

**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns • Printing/ Indenting/Tabs • Templates

**Part 2**
• Refresh of Part 1 • Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/Formatting Pictures

## *Keep Your Child's Mind Strong All Summer Long*

Your child's education doesn't need to be put on hold during the summer months. Here are a few ways to keep their intellect growing during summer vacation.

**Set a good example**
Children look to their parents for guidance—so set a good example by picking up a book yourself

**Let them decide**
While it may seem obvious, one of the fundamentals of recreational reading is choosing a book you enjoy! Children are given assigned reading throughout their school year which might not interest them; it may also sour the idea of reading for fun. During the summer let them pick the books they wish to read. These books might not be the most educational, but they will excite your child!

**Excuse me, where are your books about...**
The library's card catalog can be searched by subject. Keep an ear open for what your child is interested in. Whether it's unicorns, baseball players, Barbie dolls, or painting, just about anything can be searched! And the friendly staff of Hayner Library will be happy to point you in the direction of the books your child might enjoy

**E-books**
Nearly any place you visit during the summer is going to have a long line. Turn your wait-time into reading time by downloading an e-book! Ask one of our librarians for more details

**Visit your local library!**
No, this isn't just a ploy to get you to visit Hayner Library! The library offers a wide selection of programs available throughout the summer including our annual Summer Reading Program for kids and teens. Stop by for some (free) fun and leave with some books! For more information about summer programing, look for the *Special Events at Hayner* section of this newsletter and the *Events Calendar* on our website

## *Patience is a Virtue... Along With the Fast-Forward Button*

When the screen fades to black and the credits begin to roll, you might think that the movie is over. However, these films prove that sometimes it's worth waiting until after all credits have run in order to view an extra scene!

*Ferris Bueller's Day Off:* Throughout the movie, Ferris Bueller breaks the fourth wall by talking directly to the audience, so it should be no surprise that he has one final message.

*Planes, Trains and Automobiles:* At the beginning of the movie, Neal Page is in a rush to catch his flight due to the indecisiveness of a high-level executive during a business meeting. Ever wonder how this executive spent his Thanksgiving holiday? Stay tuned after the credits to find out!

*Airplane:* Another minor plot point that is revisited after the credits is what happened to the passenger who gets into Ted Striker's cab at the beginning of the film

*The Disaster Artist:* After the credits there is a party scene that takes place featuring the main character, Tommy Wiseau, and a strange man. At first glance, you might wonder about the significance of the scene. However, the strange man is actually played by someone who had a key role in the film's production. Need a hint? Just listen to his voice.

*Napoleon Dynamite:* Stay tuned after the credits for a special scene that takes place months later!

## *New Graphic Novels Available in Teen Space at the Alton Square Mall Library*

The Hayner Public Library District was awarded a $2000 "Back to Books" grant from the Illinois State Library. The funding priority for this grant was to encourage patrons to get back to books as their primary source of information and entertainment. Funding is being used to update The Hayner Public Library District's collection of graphic novels in order to meet the high demands of our pre-teen, teen, and young adult patrons for this genre.

**Series include:**

- *Bleach*
- *Chobits*
- *Blue Exorcist*
- *Alice 19th*
- *Captive Hearts*
- *Inuyasha*
- *Marvel Universe: The End*
- *Fruit Basket*
- *Dragon Ball Z*
- *Fullmetal Alchemist*
- *Fushigi Yugi*
- *Lenore*
- *The Backstagers*
- *Jonesy*
- *Lighter Than My Shadow (non-series)*
- *Pashmina*
- *Akira*
- *Wings of Fire*
- *Phoebe and Her Unicorn*

More book titles are forthcoming, including historical fiction, science, and nonfiction titles. Watch our website for new titles and series!

Funding for this grant was awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

## *Author Fun Facts*

**Authors write amazing stories—but sometimes the stories about authors can be just as interesting!**

- L. Frank Baum stated that he came up with the name "Oz" when he saw it on his file cabinet One cabinet was labeled A-N and the second cabinet was labeled O-Z.
- Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* was originally entitled *First Impressions*.
- Charles Dickens exhibited symptoms of mild obsessive-compulsive disorder. He touched things three times for luck, combed his hair one hundred times a day, and could only write after sleeping in a bed facing north because he felt the North Star made him more creative.
- Sylvia Plath's first poem, entitled "Poem", was published in the *Boston Herald* when she was only eight years old. At the age of twelve her IQ was recorded at 160
- Is has been reported that Sophia Tolstaya, wife of *War and Peace* author Leo Tolstoy, copied and edited her husband's famous 1,225 page novel seven times (by hand!) before he felt it was fit for publication.
- Shel Silverstein is not only a renowned author, penning many classic children's works such as *A Light in the Attic, Where the Sidewalk Ends,* and *The Giving Tree,* but also an accomplished songwriter. He wrote the classic country song "A Boy Named Sue," which was made famous by Johnny Cash!
- Best-selling author Stephen King grew so frustrated while writing his first novel, *Carrie,* that he threw the unfinished manuscript in the trash. His wife, Tabitha, salvaged the rough draft and encouraged him to continue writing it.
- Dan Brown, author of *The Da Vinci Code*, has stated that he hangs upside down when he has writer's block. He feels it gets the creative juices flowing again

## *Hayner Library Offers Books, Movies, CDs and...Fishing Poles?*

Are you planning a fishing trip this summer? If so, you'll find that fishing poles can be expensive—some poles can cost more than $100. But if you have a Hayner library card, you can check out a fishing pole for free!

For over ten years, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources has provided Hayner Library with thirteen fishing poles that are available for patron use. The fishing poles can be checked out for two weeks from our Downtown library location.

Please note: The Illinois Department of Natural Resources does require a fishing license for anglers over the age of 16. Please visit the Illinois Department of Natural Resources website for more information on fishing in Illinois (www.dnr.illinois.gov).

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Summer 2018 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all* ***free of charge*** *All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and JCPenney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, Ill.*

**Saturday, July 14**
**Saturday, August 11**
**Saturday, September 8**
**10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!!

## *Buckhannon Brothers*

**Tuesday, July 10, 6:30 p.m.**

The Buckhannon Brothers have been playing music together since they were young children. During their late teen years they became quite interested in old-time string band music and fiddle tunes. Many of the pieces you'll hear them play are actually learned from fiddlers and other musicians they've had the pleasure of meeting throughout their years of playing music. Vince, a gifted performer, is the regular upright bass player and a member of many acoustic and bluegrass bands around St. Louis. Dennis has been playing guitar since the early days. Curtis, on mandolin, took up the instrument after hearing it played in the Smoky Mountains in 1973. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street. These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher..*

***From the Courthouse to the Church: Using Official Records***

**July 12 & 19, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

***All That's Fit to Print & More: Newspaper Research***

**August 9 &16, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

***Where We've Lived: Researching Property***

**September 13 & 20, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

Register at 1-800-613-3163. Please identify the specific class(es) you wish to attend.

## *Josh McVicar*

**McVicar the Trickster**

**Tuesday, July 24, 6:30 p.m.**

McVicar the Trickster's award-winning magic show is outrageous and mind-blowing! His energetic and comical performance leaves audience members in stitches. Josh's mix of magic and humor will delight the whole family. From Menlo College: "By far the best magic performance any of us have seen. Unique, creative, and magical." To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## *Cooking with Herbs*

**Saturday, July 28, 11:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Barb O'Brien from the St. Louis Herb Society will be presenting a class on cooking with herbs. Join us for a demonstration of the basics of using herbs for food and more. Come be inspired to consider the many possibilities of using plants/herbs in your everyday lives. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## *A Taste of the Local Farmers' Market*

**Saturday, August 4, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Join the Sierra Club and Hayner Library in sampling organic produce from the local farmers' market. Parents, this is a great way to introduce your children to some delicious vegetables! Pick up some recipes too! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *George Portz & the Friends of Bluegrass*

**Tuesday, August 14, 6:30 p.m.**

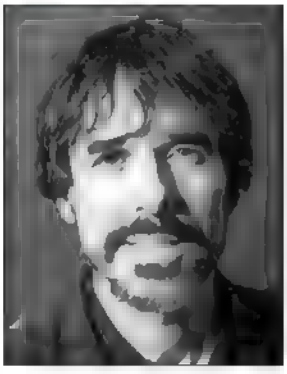
George Portz & the Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more" . . . and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Spook Handy*

**America's Story Through Folk Songs**

**Tuesday, September 11, 6:30 p.m.**

The ideals and principles that define America are not only found in the Declaration of Independence or the Constitution, they are also embedded in songs like "America the Beautiful" and folk songs like "This Land is Your Land" and "If I Had a Hammer." September 11 is an important day to remember these ideals and principles. Join us for a concert full of uplifting songs that highlight and celebrate what America is really about. Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## *Suzanne & Jim*

**Courtin' and Sparkin'**

**Tuesday, September 18, 6:30 p.m.**

Suzanne will give free guidance to the lovelorn. At a performance, a young lady from the audience once asked Suzanne how she could get herself a husband. Suzanne replied that she should stay away from the husbands and get herself a single man! Now that's some good advice! As we all know, even the purest heart can become tangled in the web of LOVE, and oh, the possibilities for ensnarement! Jim enumerates just how many ways there are to be misconstrued and misunderstood and finally decides to leave the Misses alone! Our happy duo sings to their accompanying banjo and guitar and as an added treat they perform on the courtship dulcimer, an instrument once used in the mountains of Appalachia and the Ozarks by young folks getting to know one another. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Dave Foraker*

**Uniquely Blues, Inspirationally Gospel**

**Tuesday, October 9, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

Dave's inimitable style includes sparse phrasings on the piano, soulful vocals and the counterpoint of a bluesy harmonica. You can call it Bluesified Gospel or Gospel Blues – just don't call it Southern Gospel! With great humor, Dave also recounts his musical journey playing with some of the biggest names in Memphis and Motown. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Nonfiction—

**Bascomb, Neal.** The Escape Artists: A Band of Daredevil Pilots and the Greatest Prison Break of the Great War

**Beevor, Antony.** The Battle of Arnhem: The Deadliest Airborne Operation of World War II

**Blum, Deborah.** The Poison Squad: One Chemist's Single-Minded Crusade for Food Safety at the Turn of the Twentieth Century

**Bones, Bobby.** Fail Until You Don't: Fight Grind Repeat

**Brown, Craig.** Ninety-Nine Glimpses of Princess Margaret

**Casillo, Charles.** Marilyn Monroe: The Private Life of a Public Icon

**Chertoff, Michael.** Exploding Data: Reclaiming Our Cyber Security in the Digital Age

**Clark, Anna.** The Poisoned City: Flint's Water and the American Urban Tragedy

**Collins, Max Allan.** Scarface and the Untouchable: Al Capone, Eliot Ness, and the Battle for Chicago

**Coulter, Ann.** Resistance is Futile!: How the Trump-Hating Left Lost Its Collective Mind

**Crowley, Chris.** The Younger Next Year Back Book: The Whole-Body Plan to Conquer Back Pain Forever

**Ellis, Blake.** A Deal with the Devil: The Dark and Twisted True Story of One of the Biggest Cons in History

**Field, Sally.** In Pieces

**Goodwin, Doris Kearns.** Leadership: In Turbulent Times

**Hargrave, Courtney.** Burden: A Preacher, a Klansman, and a True Story of Redemption in the Modern South

**Harp, Clint.** Handcrafted: A Woodworker's Story

**Jarrett, Gregg.** The Russia Hoax: The Illicit Scheme to Clear Hillary Clinton and Frame Donald Trump

**Kandel, Eric R.** The Disordered Mind: What Unusual Brains Tell Us About Ourselves

**Leake, Lisa.** 100 Days of Real Food: On a Budget: Simple Tips and Tasty Recipes to Help You Cut Out Processed Food Without Breaking the Bank

**Lucado, Max.** Unshakable Hope: Building Our Lives on the Promises of God

**Lukianoff, Greg.** The Coddling of the American Mind: How Good Intentions and Bad Ideas Are Setting Up a Generation for Failure

**Macy, Beth.** Dopesick: Dealers, Doctors, and the Drug Company that Addicted America

**Martha Stewart Living.** Martha Stewart's Pressure Cooker: 100+ Fabulous New Recipes for the Pressure Cooker, Multicooker, and Instant Pot®

**Mazzeo, Tilar J.** Eliza Hamilton: The Extraordinary Life and Times of the Wife of Alexander Hamilton

**McCubbin, Lisa.** Betty Ford: First Lady, Women's Advocate, Survivor, Trailblazer

**Moore, Michael Scott.** The Desert and the Sea: 977 Days Captive on the Somali Pirate Coast

**O'Brien, Keith.** Fly Girls: How Five Daring Women Defied All Odds and Made Aviation History

**O'Connor, Ian.** Belichick: The Making of the Greatest Football Coach of All Time

**O'Reilly, Bill.** Killing the SS: The Hunt for the Worst War Criminals in History

**O'Rourke, P. J.** None of My Business

**PBS.** The Great American Read: The Book of Books: Explore America's 100 Best-Loved Novels

**Ribowsky, Mark.** In the Name of the Father: Family, Football, and the Manning Dynasty

**Rowbottom, Allie.** JELL-O Girls: A Family History

**Scottoline, Lisa.** I See Life Through Rosé-Colored Glasses: True Stories and Confessions

**Shatner, William.** Live Long And . . .: What I Learned Along the Way

**Sherman, Casey.** 12: The Inside Story of Tom Brady's Season of Redemption

**Siegel, Daniel J., M.D.** Aware: The Science and Practice of Presence-The Groundbreaking Meditation Practice

**Sings, Miranda.** My Diarrhe

**Starr, Ken.** Contempt: A Memoir of the Clinton Investigation

**Tebow, Tim.** This Is the Day: Reclaim Your Dream Ignite Your Passion. Live Your Purpose.

**Vincent, Lynn.** Indianapolis: The True Story of the Worst Sea Disaster in U.S. Naval History and the Fifty-Year Fight to Exonerate an Innocent Man

**Willink, Jocko.** The Dichotomy of Leadership: Balancing the Challenges of Extreme Ownership to Lead and Win

**Witherspoon, Reese.** Whiskey in a Teacup: What Growing Up in the South Taught Me About Life, Love, and Baking Biscuits

## Fiction—

**Andrews, Donna.** Toucan Keep a Secret

**Andrews, Ilona.** Magic Triumphs

**Andrews, V. C.** Echoes in the Walls

**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the King's Ransom

**Atkins, Ace.** The Sinners (Quinn Colson)

**Atkinson, Kate.** Transcription

**Bowen, Rhys.** Four Funerals and Maybe a Wedding

**Brennan, Allison.** Abandoned

**Brown, Sandra.** Tailspin

**Castillo, Linda.** A Gathering of Secrets

**Coes, Ben.** Bloody Sunday: A Thriller

**Coleman, Reed Farrel.** Robert B Parker's Colorblind (Jesse Stone)

**Coulter, Catherine.** Paradox (An FBI Thriller)

**Cussler, Clive.** Shadow Tyrants (Oregon Files)

**Dailey, Janet.** Texas Free (Tylers of Texas)

**Deveraux, Jude.** A Willing Murder

**Evanovich, Janet.** The Mark (Fox and O'Hare)

**Feehan, Christine.** Dark Sentinel

**Fluke, Joanne.** Christmas Cake Murder

**Flynn, Vince.** Red War (Mitch Rapp)

**French, Nicci.** Day of the Dead

**Graham, Heather.** Echoes of Evil (Krewe of Hunters)

**Graham, Heather.** Pale as Death (Krewe of Hunters)

**Gray, Shelley Shepard.** Her Fear

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Serpentine (Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter)

**Hannah, Sophie.** The Mystery of Three Quarters

**Harkness, Deborah.** Time's Convert

**Hoover, Colleen.** All Your Perfects

**Jance, J. A.** Field of Bones (Joanna Brady)

**Johansen, Iris.** Double Blind (Kendra Michaels)

**Johnson, Craig.** Depth of Winter: A Longmire Mystery

**Johnstone, William.** Springfield 1880

**Kearsley, Susanna.** Bellewether

**Kellerman, Faye.** Walking Shadows: A Decker/Lazarus Novel

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** A Measure of Darkness (Clay Edison)

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Born of Blood (The League: Nemesis Rising)

**Kenyon, Sherrilyn.** Stygian: A Dark-Hunter Novel

**Krueger, William Kent.** Desolation Mountain: A Novel

**Lewis, Beverly.** The First Love

**Lindsey, Johanna.** Marry Me by Sundown

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Four Dominions: A Testament Novel

**Macmillan, Gilly.** I Know You Know: A Novel

**Macomber, Debbie.** Cottage by the Sea

**Mallery, Susan.** When We Found Home

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Quiet Side of Passion (Isabel Dalhousie)

**Meier, Leslie.** Silver Anniversary Murder

**Michaels, Fern.** Safe and Sound

**Mosley, Walter.** John Woman

**Muller, Marcia.** The Breakers (Sharon McCone)

**Neggers, Carla.** Impostor's Lure (Sharpe & Donovan)

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## *New and Forthcoming Books*

**Fiction continued—**

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** Swift Vengeance
**Patterson, James.** Juror #3
**Patterson, James.** Texas Ranger
**Pelecanos, George.** The Man Who Came Uptown
**Perry, Anne.** Dark Tide Rising: A William Monk Novel
**Peterson, Tracie.** In Dreams Forgottenn
**Peterson, Tracie.** In Times Gone By
**Pinborough, Sarah.** Cross Her Heart
**Robb, J. D.** Leverage in Death (Eve Dallas)
**Roby, Kimberla Lawson.** Better Late Than Never
**Rosenfelt, David.** Rescued: An Andy Carpenter Mystery
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Feared: A Rosato & DiNunzio Novel
**Sefton, Maggie.** Dyeing Up Loose Ends
**Silva, Daniel.** The Other Woman
**Slaughter, Karin.** Pieces of Her
**Smith, Wilbur.** Courtney's War
**Steel, Danielle.** In His Father's Footsteps
**Steel, Danielle.** The Good Fight
**Thor, Brad.** Spymaster: A Thriller
**Todd, Charles.** A Forgotten Place (Bess Crawford
**Turtledove, Harry.** Through Darkest Europe
**Tyler, Anne.** Clock Dance
**Williams, Beatriz.** The Glass Ocean
**Williams, Beatriz.** The Summer Wives
**Woods, Stuart.** The Money Shot

## BOOK SALE!!

**All items will be sold for 10¢, with the exception of certain "special price" books.**

The book sale will be held in the [illegible] Hayner Library building, [illegible] Alton. All proceeds from the Friends of Hayner Library book sale benefit Hayner Library.

## *BBQ? Yes, please!*

Whether you are grilling classics or want to try something new, no summer is the same without a BBQ! Hayner Library has an extensive collection of BBQ and grilling cookbooks for anything you might want to throw on the grill.

## *Whip Up a Summer Treat From Hayner's Own Cookbook*

### On Sale Now for Only $10

Hayner Library has copies of our very own cookbook, *Read 'Em and Eat*, on sale now for only $10 per book. This cookbook contains hundreds of tasty recipes submitted by library staff and patrons as well as helpful kitchen hints, baking guides, equivalency and measurement charts, and much more.

Here's a fresh and easy summer recipe for you to enjoy:

Summer Fruit Salad with Lemon, Honey and Mint Dressing

- 4 c. cubed watermelon
- 2 c. sliced fresh strawberries
- 2 large fresh peaches, cut into cubes
- 2 large nectarines, cut into cubes
- 1 pear, cut into cubes
- 1 c. seedless grapes, halved
- ¼ c. fresh lemon juice
- ¼ c. minced fresh mint
- ½ lemon, zested
- 1 T. honey

Combine fruit in a large mixing bowl and set aside. Whisk lemon juice, mint, lemon zest, and honey together in a small bowl; drizzle over the fruit mixture and toss to coat. Refrigerate for one hour before serving.

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Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m

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Sunday, 12:00 Noon to 6 p.m

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Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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www.haynerlibrary.org

## *A Patron's Reminiscence*

In 2005, my family and I moved to Alton for an employment opportunity. My girls were four and two years old at the time. I was still enrolled in college with two years left to finish. How fortunate for me that a library was nearby where I could do my reading, research, and notes for class. Meanwhile, my ladies could occupy themselves with interactive materials and begin their lifelong interest of books.

In December 2007, the long and nontraditional route of a college bachelor's degree was complete and I was now ready to go forward with a graduate degree. However, fate had a different plan for the postgraduate and family; our youngest daughter was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia on January 2, 2008. After long stints at Cardinal Glennon and intense chemotherapy treatments for the next two and a half years, she was left less than able to run around at the parks. Because of the immune deficits related to the treatment of most cancers, we tried to limit excessive contact with others when possible. The most appropriate and safe place for a family outing was Hayner Library. Hours were spent picking out movies, memorizing jokes and riddles, and reading Shel Silverstein, Dr. Seuss and Warrior Cats. Throughout the next few years, as my ladies were getting older, it was Mario Cart competitions, 3D printer classes, and other entertaining events offered at the library. In 2012, there was another turn of events as we gained custody of my five-year-old niece. Enrolled in school for the first time and eager to learn all she could, it was straight to Hayner Library. The year we had with her, watching her learn to read and then excel to an honors reading level was so dear to me. She is now in the fifth grade and back with her mother frequenting the libraries in Texas.

In 2014, I again revisited completing a graduate degree program. I needed a quiet place to obtain research articles, the use of a printer when mine was out of ink, and the use of a computer when mine was bogged down by endless game downloads. With the support and convenience of Hayner Library, I was able to complete my master's degree in May 2017.

I still frequent the library to keep myself abreast of the most up-to-date articles regarding research or new and upcoming ideas in my field. Other times, I just come to sit and recall life's events, engage in people watching, or occupy the afternoon writing an article about my time spent at Hayner Library.

- Patron J.D. Bradley - Godfrey, IL

## *Since You Asked: Veterans Share Their Memories*

Hayner Library recently acquired a copy of the book *Since You Asked: Veterans Share Their Memories*, a Veterans Heritage Project book. The book was graciously donated by Kathleen Botterbush, who is also a contributor to the project. The mission of the Veterans Heritage Project is to connect students with veterans in order to honor veterans, preserve America's heritage, and develop future leaders. The book contains student-conducted interviews of veterans in an effort to preserve their stories for future generations. Kathleen contributed three veteran interviews to the book—and also shares a wonderful story of how her involvement with the Veterans Heritage Project has inspired her to pursue a career as an orthopedic surgeon and prosthetist for the Veterans Health Administration. Kathleen will be attending St. Louis University in the fall and will be majoring in biomedical engineering. We wish Kathleen all the best as she prepares for college. We thank her for her contribution to this book and we thank all of our veterans for their service to our country.

*Since You Asked: Veterans Share Their Memories* (IR 940 53773 SIN) can be found in the Illinois Room collection at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Veterans Day – Nov. 11
Thanksgiving – Nov. 22, 23
Christmas – Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1

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## *Kids Summer Reading Program 2018*

Young patrons of Hayner Library had a wonderful time at this year's Summer Reading Program, "Reading Takes You Everywhere." The KidsSpace staff kept children busy with craft times, performers, movies, puppet shows, and stories.

The program drew in more than 500 children over six weeks. Participants were rewarded each week with a prize and a raffle ticket for one of our three grand prizes. At the end of the program, participants were treated to a party held at the Alton High School Commons where they were entertained by Celia and Friends. Each participant also received a free book, snacks, and a certificate for all their hard work.

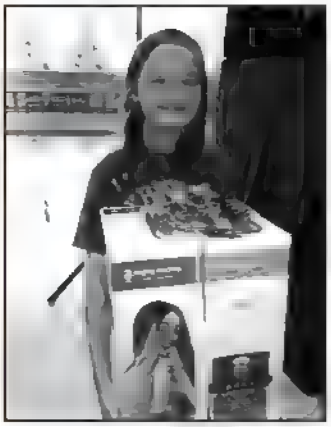
At the End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party, a ticket was drawn for each of the three grand prizes. The winner of the STEM robot was Liam N. The winner of the karaoke machine was Tayla B. The winner of the magnetic building blocks kit was Owyn T. Tickets were also drawn for artwork created by Jennifer Grassle of Cheerful Canvas. Winners for the artwork include Genesis S., Vivienne C., Clare C., Kaylie S., Isaac S., Penny L., Emily M., Juniper P., and Claire H. We hope to see everyone again next year at our 2019 Summer Reading Program, "It's Showtime at Your Library." Congratulations to all our winners!

We would also like to thank our sponsors: Alton High School, Dollar General, Riverbender.com Community Center, St. Louis Cardinals, Cheerful Canvas, and Gateway Grizzles.

## *2018 Teen Summer Reading Program: "Reading Takes You Everywhere"*

The 2018 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Reading Takes You Everywhere," was another great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on some much-needed reading. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a weekly fun day at the Riverbender.com Community Center. At the end of the five week program, each participant was given a free book, a certificate of participation, and a goody bag. The participants were also offered an airbrush tattoo by Circus Kaput. We would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner for the most hours of reading, Trinity Vatole. Trinity was rewarded with a gift basket full of books, gift cards, and iRead memorabilia. Congratulations to Trinity and to all of our participants. We hope to see everyone back for next year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "It's Showtime at Your Library."

***Trinity Vatole***
*Summer Reading Program 2018 Winner!*



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## Check out these $!!

In our spring newsletter, we described our newest feature, the *You Just Saved…* message on the bottom of all due date slips. The *You Just Saved…* message helps to remind patrons of the value of library services by displaying how much it would cost to purchase the items that were just checked out. The *You Just Saved…* message also includes the total value of your year-to-date transactions and the "lifetime" value of all transactions since the feature was implemented.
We are happy to announce that Hayner Library patrons have saved over $9.4 million from April 2017 to August 2018—just by using the library! How much have you saved?

## RBdigital App Provides Hayner Patrons with Access to e-Audiobooks and Digital Magazines

Have you checked out the RBdigital app yet? If not, you're missing a great opportunity to access thousands of e-audiobooks and over one hundred popular full-color, digital magazines, all at the touch of a button!

The RBdigital app is a product of Recorded Books, the largest independent producer of audiobooks in the world.

The RBdigital app can be downloaded directly to your mobile device for free. For more information about this service, please be sure to visit any Hayner Library location or visit the *Help With Your eReader* and *Download Audio & eBooks* section of our website

Please note that the RBdigital app is being offered in addition to our Cloud Library e-book and e-audiobook collection. It is our hope that the two collections will complement one another and give you even more digital choices for reading and listening to your favorite authors and magazine titles.

## Please Join Us for an Open House to Celebrate the Elijah P. Lovejoy Press Dedication

**Sunday, November 4, 2–4 p.m.**
*Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

The Genealogy & Local History Library will host a dedication of the Elijah P. Lovejoy printing press. Please come help us celebrate! *The Telegraph* and Hearst Communications donated the press to Hayner earlier this year and it will be on permanent display in the library. Light refreshments will be served and local actor John Meehan will portray Elijah Lovejoy in a brief presentation. The press came out of the Mississippi River in 1915 and has been on display in several locations since. We are very honored to be the new home of the Elijah P. Lovejoy Printing Press!

**Elijah P. Lovejoy Printing Press: A History**
"Lovejoy's tragic death for freedom in every sense marked his sad ending as the most important single event that ever happened in the new world."—Abraham Lincoln

Reverend Elijah P. Lovejoy was assassinated on November 7, 1837 at the Godfrey & Gilman warehouse and his press was smashed and thrown into the river. Lovejoy was an abolitionist, fiercely opposed to slavery, and published anti-slavery views in his newspaper, the *Alton Observer*. He became the first martyr to the Freedom of the Press. His final printing press was lost to the Mississippi River for three-quarters of a century.

On July 13, 1915, Doug Sparks of Sparks Mill discovered a piece of iron embedded in soil deep in the Mississippi River. Sparks and others speculated that it was a piece of Elijah Lovejoy's printing press. The next day, the cast iron frame, which weighed close to half a ton, was lifted from the excavation site at the corner of the Sparks Milling Company. Experts quickly confirmed that the bell-shaped object was a piece of an old hand press. Research by the firm of C.B. Cottrell & Sons determined that the object was a Smith hand printing press (also called an Acorn press), which meant that "unquestionably the frame is that of the Lovejoy printing press."

Sparks Milling Company had a bronze tablet created to hang from the press frame and placed the frame on a granite base in front of their office building on William Street. In September of 1915, Lovejoy's niece, named only as "Miss Lovejoy" in the paper, came from Jackrabbit, Arizona, to see the printing press frame. In October 1919, Lovejoy's nephew (and namesake) Elijah P. Lovejoy, son of Owen Lovejoy, visited Alton and viewed the press as well.

In 1937, to celebrate Alton's centennial (and to mark the Lovejoy centennial), the press was moved to the *Alton Evening Telegraph* office. Another item on display was a rock from Lovejoy's home in Albion, Maine. This rock is now housed at Hayner Library as well. The Lovejoy Press stayed at The Telegraph building for eighty years, where it could be viewed in the newspaper's foyer.

When *The Telegraph* newspaper moved to its new location earlier this year, Publisher Jim Shrader coordinated donating the Lovejoy Press to Hayner Library. It is truly an honor to have the press here and we are very grateful to *The Telegraph* and Hearst Communications. The Genealogy & Local History Library has a museum display on Lovejoy, many books about his life, and digitized copies of Lovejoy's newspaper, the *Alton Observer*. We are also a National Park Service passport location for the Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area, so visitors interested in Lincoln's legacy will get a chance to see the press as well. John E. Hayner, the donor of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Building, who funded and built the Library as a memorial to his late wife, would be so proud to have the press at his library. Hayner was an ardent anti-slavery man and was interested for many years in the project of building a monument in memory of Elijah P. Lovejoy. Hayner was Treasurer of the Lovejoy Monument Association. The monument was dedicated on November 7, 1897, the sixtieth anniversary of Lovejoy's death. John Hayner died several years later and lies at rest in the shadow of that very monument.

Since its removal from the Mississippi River in 1915, the press has always resided in locations that are easily accessible. A piece of history this important deserves to be shared. The press will be placed on a granite slab in the foyer of the Genealogy & Local History Library and we invite everyone to come to the dedication on Sunday, November 4, 2018, from 2 to 4 p.m.

## Wreaths Across America

**Wreaths Across America** is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, Teach," is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies on a specified Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery and at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. Through the wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events, the organization spreads its message about the importance of **remembering** our fallen heroes, **honoring** those who serve, and **teaching** our children about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 15, 2018, our community will participate in the national Wreaths Across America ceremony. The ceremony will start at 11 a.m. in the Alton National Cemetery at Pearl Street and Joesting Avenue. Third grade students from West Elementary School in Alton, with the assistance of area veterans, will participate and help lay the wreaths on the veterans' graves.

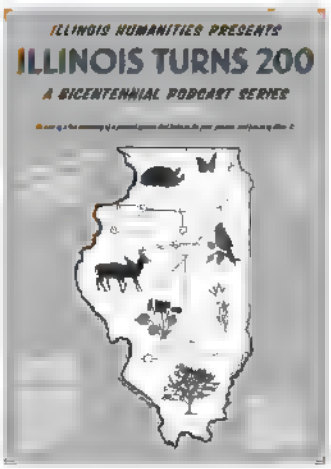
In 2017, through community financial donations, 560 wreaths were placed on gravesites in our local national cemetery. Every dollar you can donate helps ensure a wreath at a veteran's gravesite. Help continue the success of this program by sending a financial donation to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton, IL 62002. Each $30 of contributions enables the local organization to purchase three 20-inch live balsam wreaths.

For the third year, the local WAA effort will continue to offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their veteran loved one at other local cemeteries. Wreath reservations must be received by Friday, November 23, 2018, by calling Margaret Hopkins at 618-570-8804.

Support our community in carrying forward the mission "Remember, Honor, Teach." Join the whole country in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own future Christmas celebrations for us. For more information, call Margaret Hopkins at 618-570-8804. Additional information is also available on the website www.wreathsacrossamerica.org.

## Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House Celebrates Illinois Statehood

*Saturday, December 8, 2018 1–3 p.m.*
*401 State Street, Alton, Illinois 62002*




Happy birthday, Illinois! This year's Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House will celebrate the 200th anniversary of Illinois statehood. Join us for a special airing of the first episode of the "Illinois Turns 200" podcast amidst holiday decorations, family activities and more. Some of the panelists from the podcast will be "live and in person" to answer your questions and elaborate on the stories of Illinois.

Illinois entered the Union as the twenty-first state on December 3, 1818, and takes its name from the Illinois Confederation—a group of Algonquian-speaking tribes native to the area. An Algonquian word, "Illinois" means "tribe of superior men."

In August 2018, the Illinois Humanities Council kicked off a series of podcasts (pre-recorded radio shows) about Illinois history. The podcast, titled "Illinois Turns 200", looks at the past, present, and potential futures of seven Illinois communities that arose along rivers, railroads, and significant roads and tells their stories through live interviews, dramatic readings, archival material, and musical performances. Some of the research for the episode on Alton was done in the Genealogy & Local History Library, so we're very excited to hear which stories are included in the final recording.

## New in Our Illinois Room

**Ancestors of Royal Conklin Marsh and Alice Elizabeth Bartlett** IR 929 2 MARSH

**The Artwork of Ruth Waggoner Means** IR 759 13 ART

**Bluff Line Railroads: Along the Mississippi River between Alton and Grafton, Illinois by Ronald Schmitt.** IR 385 09773 SCH

**Bondage in Egypt: Slavery in Southern Illinois** IR 977 39 DEX

**Boom and Bust: A Story of East St. Louis** IR 977 389 BOS

**Early Pioneer Gravestones of Pope County, Illinois** IR 977.3991 MCN

**Flight of the Enola Gay** IR B TIBBETS

**1852-1952: The Celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of Evangelical and Reformed Church, Alton, Illinois** IR LOCKED CASES 289 977386 ALT

**Flood and Erosion Control Alternatives: Wood River Basin, Illinois** IR 627 42 ILL

**Korea Reborn: A Grateful Nation Honors War Veterans for More Than 60 years of Growth.** IR 951 9042 REM

**Macoupin County, Illinois: History & Families** IR 977 383 MAC

**The Memorial Windows of College Avenue Presbyterian Church by Marjorie A. Beane** IR 285 977386 BEA

**Mississippi Expedition: Levees, Locks and Lands of Opportunity. Prepared by and Compliments of Upper Mississippi, Illinois and Missouri Rivers Association.** IR 976.2 MIS

**The Philip and Catherine Meisenheimer Family of Fosterburg, Illinois 1849** IR 929 2 MEISENHEIMER

**Railroads of St. Louis Metro East, 1937-1987** IR 385 09773 SCH

**A Significant Gap by David Irvine** IR F IRV

**Sightlines: A Family Love Story in Poetry & Music** IR AUDIO/CD 811 54 RIE

**Soldiers with Picks and Shovels: the CCC camp at Carlinville, Illinois / Tom Emery** IR LOCKED CASES 977 3042 EME

**Wanderlust: An Artist's Exploration of St. Clair County, Illinois** IR 977 389 KAR

**War of 1812 Research by the War of 1812 Preserve the Pensions Fund** IR 973.52 WAR

**Williams Family Ancestry 1700-2003: Freer Family Ancestry 1600-2003 of Greene County, Illinois** IR 929.2 WILLIAMS

# *With Deepest Sympathy*

Harold L. Meisenheimer (1927-2018)

**We call that person who has lost his father, an orphan; and a widower that man who has lost his wife. But that man who has known the immense unhappiness of losing a friend, by what name do we call him? Here every language is silent and holds its peace in impotence.**

**– Joseph Roux**

There are no words to describe the sorrow of losing someone of whom we don't want to let go. There isn't a book or an author inside the walls of any library that can accurately tell us how we should react to, or recover from, the grief and sorrow of loss. It is a private journey.

I lost a remarkable friend on July 3, 2018. The sadness of his passing is as heavy as the weight of a wool coat in the summer heat. Throughout the course of my day, memories of our friendship tap me on the shoulder and I feel the sadness return. I watch the door for him to come inside, but he doesn't. I missed him yesterday, I still miss him today, and I will miss him for the rest of my tomorrows. It is what it is.

My friend possessed a modest, jovial soul. He was strong-spirited yet kind and gentle. Humility was an easy feat for him. He had an amazing knack for remembering history in extreme detail and he enjoyed sharing his knowledge without boasting.

His friendship was a genuine gift with no conditions attached. Once you got to know him he was simply your friend. He was someone on whom you could count and trust.

He cared deeply about family, he respected his fellow man and his presence in this world undoubtedly made it a better place. His life was a testament to his personal beliefs and unique talents. He maintained a strong but humble character.

The Hayner Public Library District was fortunate to have my friend as a loyal patron for many years. He was an ardent reader who used the library regularly to check out the newest western fiction books. But, to our great fortune, books were not his only reason for visiting the library. He would also stop by just to say hello, share a funny story, or to our delight, hand-deliver special treats, oftentimes sweet and homemade or fresh from the garden. We will always be grateful for his friendship and his various abilities that helped to enhance our library and our lives.

Entering his name as an author into the card catalog, ninety-nine records appear. Ninety-nine unique projects of his own handiwork, donated to Hayner Library with the purpose of preserving the history of the Alton area and the people who live here. Saying he had a passion for preserving history is an extreme understatement. This man was a walking history museum!

Hayner Library wasn't the only recipient of his contributions. The local newspaper interviewed and highlighted his life and his charitable endeavors many times during the last two decades. The Madison County Historical Society in Edwardsville also maintains a large collection of his projects. It seems as though many people around our community knew my friend too.

Over the past 15 years, I had the opportunity to spend countless hours working on special local history projects with my friend. There was never a dull moment. He made my job fun. Never one to avoid hard work or responsibility, he was honest, industrious and always willing to do whatever needed to be done. He was invaluable.

My friend was Harold L. Meisenheimer and there are no words in any language that can accurately describe the sorrow of losing such a dear person.

Harold was born and raised in Alton and he was proud to be a lifelong resident of this community. As a local boy, he worked at being loyal to his hometown roots. He attended Alton public schools, he was a faithful member of the Church of Christ and he retired from Owens-Illinois Glass Works after many years working in the maintenance department. But things changed for Harold in 1946 when he decided to leave the comforts of his beloved city, say goodbye to his family and friends and head into the great unknown to serve his country as a soldier in the United States Air Force. He told me once that he enjoyed his military career but he didn't much enjoy being away from home. According to Harold, it turned out okay because he said he came back with the prettiest gal in the whole state of Alabama on his arm. In 1949, Harold and his new bride, Alvie Sharp, settled into a home on the same street where he grew up and together they shared life for the next 69 years.

Harold had other interests besides history and reading. He also enjoyed wood working, collecting coins and gardening. During the winter holidays, he stayed busy making and sharing his homemade fudge recipes. He was also quite fond of Alvie's cats, although he wasn't open to admitting that very often!

On July 3, at approximately 10 p.m., Mr. Harold Meisenheimer passed away at Alton Memorial Hospital. He was 90 years old, but still an active library supporter. At the time of his departure, Harold was in the middle of three history projects for the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. I went to visit my dear friend on what (I didn't know at the time) would be his last day in this world. His parting words to me regarding his current situation were ones I will never forget. When I asked the customary question, "How are you doing?", my wonderful friend lifted his hands, looked me in the eyes and said, "Well, Pam, it is what it is." He didn't complain. He just accepted all things, including life and death, for "what it is."

Harold left this world while the Alton fireworks were lighting up the sky above his hometown. I wondered if this was a grand goodbye or the proper fanfare for a man who lit up every room he entered. I think both.

It has been said that history repeats itself. I am not sure this is true, because as long as there is life, history will never give us another Harold Meisenheimer. He was one-of-a-kind.

The Hayner Public Library District extends heartfelt sympathy to the family of Harold Meisenheimer. We will always be grateful for his friendship as well as the numerous contributions he so generously bestowed to our library. He will be missed.

– Pam Bierman
Library Assistant IV
Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library

# KidsSpace Fall 2018 Activities

## Alton Square Activities

**Monday, October 1, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, October 4, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, October 8, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, October 11, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Thursday, October 11, 2018**
Legos @ Your Library – 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 6-11

**Monday, October 15, 2018**
Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, October 18, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, October 22, 2018**
Movers and Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, October 25, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, October 29, 2018**
Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, November 1, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, November 5, 2018**
Movers and Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, November 8, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-2

**Thursday, November 8, 2018**
Legos @ Your Library – 3:30-4:30 p m.
Ages 6-11

**Monday, November 12, 2018**
Movers and Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, November 15, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, November 26, 2018**
Spanish Story Time – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, November 29, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, December 3, 2018**
Movers and Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, December 6, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Monday, December 10, 2018**
Movers and Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, December 13, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

**Thursday, December 13, 2018**
Legos @ Your Library – 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Ages 6-11

**Monday, December 17, 2018**
Movers and Shakers Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Thursday, December 20, 2018**
Mommy and Me Story Time – 10 a.m.
Ages Birth-2

## Special Activities

**Saturday, October 13, 2018**
Star Wars Reads Day – 2-4 p m.
Ages 6-12

**Saturday, December 1, 2018**
Stories with Santa – 10 a m

## Downtown Activities

**Monday, October 1, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, October 2, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, October 8, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, October 9, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Monday, October 15, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, October 16, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m
Ages 3-5

**Tuesday, October 16, 2018**
After-School Fun – 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-11

**Monday, Ocotber 22, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, October 23, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, October 29, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, October 30, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, November 5, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, November 6, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, November 12, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, November 13, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, November 26, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, November 27, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, December 3, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, December 4, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, December 10, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, December 11, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Monday, December 17, 2018**
Evening Story Time – 6:30 p.m.
Ages 2-5

**Tuesday, December 18, 2018**
Mary Kay's Story Times – 10 a.m.
Ages 3-5

**Tuesday, December 18, 2018**
After-School Fun – 3:30 p.m.
Ages 6-11

# TeenSpace October-December 2018 Activities

**Wednesday, October 3, 2018**
GN Teen Book Club - 4 p m

**All Week, October 7-13, 2018**
Teen Read Week Event: "It's Written in the Stars" - 3:30 p m

**Wednesday, October 10, 2018**
Teen Read Week Event: "It's Written in the Stars" - 3:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 17, 2018**
Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender com Community Center - 3:45 p.m.

**Wednesday, November 7, 2018**
GN Teen Book Club - 4 p m

**Wednesday, November 14, 2018**
Teen Coloring Meetups - 4-5 p.m.

**Wednesday, November 28, 2018**
Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender com Community Center - 3:45 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 5, 2018**
GN Teen Book Club - 4 p m

**Wednesday, December 12, 2018**
Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender com Community Center - 3:45 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 19, 2018**
Holiday Contest - 4 p m.

# Computer Classes 2018 Activities

**Computer Classes**

*All classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of the Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is required. Please note the skills taught in each session. You may register for one or more sessions at a time. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the section(s) for which you are registering.*

*Do not bring your own computers and laptops to class to use. Laptops will be provided. All classes are taught using Windows 7.*

### Flash Drives and Saving Files (Class limit: 12)

**Tuesday, November 13, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
Flash drives, USB drives, thumb drives, they're all the same thing. In this class, you will learn how to use your flash drive properly, regardless of what you call it. Save, copy, and move files from your flash drive to your computer and back again. You do need to have basic computer knowledge for this class. You may bring your own flash drive to practice with after class. Flash drives will NOT be provided.

### Microsoft Excel (Class limit: 12)

**Wednesday, November 14, 6 p.m.–8 p.m.**
Do spreadsheets scare you? Join us for a class on how to use Microsoft Excel. Christian Forrester has volunteered to guide students through the perils of Excel. The class will be presentational, as well as question-oriented and student-led, with the availability of laptops for student use. If you have any questions or problem areas with Excel, bring them to the class and Christian will try his best to get you the answers you seek.

### PC Basics: Introduction to Computers* (Class limit: 12)

**Wednesday, November 21, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
This is an introduction to personal computers. Overcome your fears and gain skills to use personally and professionally. After this class, you will be able to identify basic computer terminology as well as the components and operating systems features; execute basic mouse techniques, use the keyboard features, and printer; open and exit software programs; utilize storage media such as CDs and flash drives; and identify and use the various toolbars.
**If you already use a computer and a mouse, this course is not for you.*

### Internet Basics* (Class limit: 12)

**Wednesday, December 12, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
This is an introduction to web-surfing and e-mail. This class is designed for individuals with little to no experience in using the Internet. This class will teach you how to set up an e-mail account, use basic e-mail features, and use a search engine to locate information.
**You will need your cell phone to complete the email set-up process.*

### Microsoft Word for Beginners (Class limit: 12)

**Part 1, Wednesday, November 28, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**

**Part 2, Wednesday, December 5, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
This class is for the beginning or novice user of Microsoft Word. It totals two progressive sessions which will teach you to create, save, copy, move, and retrieve electronic files. You will also be able to produce a document using a word processing program, edit it, use spell checker, and use editing features such as bold, italics, etc., to produce a finished product. You may register for both sections or register for each separately, according to your need. Topics that will be covered are listed below for each of the two sessions.

**Part 1**
• Getting Started • Saving Documents/Page Formatting • Spacing/Columns • Printing/ Indenting/Tabs • Templates

**Part 2**
• Refresh of Part 1 • Using Shapes/Text Boxes • Clip Art/Formatting Pictures

## *Free Medicare Enrollment Event at Hayner Library*

***Tuesday, November 20, 9 a.m. to 12 noon***

***Alton Square Library, Multipurpose Room***

Medicare's open enrollment period is October 15 through December 7. This is the time to sign-up for Medicare Part D and to make changes to your drug plan coverage. Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) Counselors from Senior Services Plus will be available, by appointment only, at Hayner Library Alton Square Mall to assist you at no cost. Appointments are 30 minutes for individuals and 60 minutes for couples.

SHIP counselors can help you make the best choices for your needs from all of the available options. SHIP counselors are trained and certified by the Illinois Department on Aging. They are not affiliated with any insurance company and counselors do not sell or solicit any type of insurance.

Just bring your "red, white and blue" Medicare card and a list of your prescription medications, including the full name of the medication, the dosage and quantity. To schedule your appointment, call the Alton Square Mall library at 618-462-0677, option 2.

## E-Book Help for Cloud Library and RBdigital

The library will present a class on Saturday, December 15, on the basics of downloading e-books and e-audios to your e-reader from the library catalog

The class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. This class is free of charge but does require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163 Please leave your name, phone number, the number in your party, and the type of device you have.

## Alton Little Theater's Vintage Voices 2018: "The Lasting Legacy"

Vintage Voices, now in its seventeenth year, will continue its tradition of guided gentle walking tours in the Alton Cemetery on October 6, 7, 13, and 14, from noon until 3 p.m. Tours will leave from the main gate of the cemetery (at Vine & 5th Streets) every 15 minutes. Each tour includes eight stops and eleven actor/docents who portray notable persons from Alton's rich history.

The characters and themes of this year's tours were carefully selected by Alton Little Theater Director Lee Cox. They represent the pride she feels in being a "hometown" girl who has come to appreciate her community, even more than before, through her work with Vintage Voices over the last six years. Knowing that this may be the last year her schedule allows her to coordinate the project, Lee wanted to leave a lasting impression of inspiration for the many loyal visitors who attend the fall fundraiser each year. Lee and others will bring to "life" some entertaining characters and will commemorate of some of Alton's finest (and saddest) hours in the hopes of inspiring us all to pick up the mantle of responsibility for making our community a better place for all.

The Legacy of Strong Women (Sophie Demuth and Mother Jones) will be portrayed by Loretta Williams; the Legacy of Gentle Strength (and commemoration of Robert Wadlow) will be portrayed by Nick Trapp and Kerry Miller (as Charles Goulding); The Legacy of Love and Literacy, celebrating the Haskell and Hayner families, will be portrayed by Nadja Kapetanovich and Diana Kay; The Legacy of Philanthropy will commemorate Dr. Gordon Moore, portrayed by Brant McCance; The Legacy of Life Lessons, remembering Elijah P. Lovejoy, will feature Lief Anderson as Edward Lovejoy and Lorian Warford as Anson B. Platt; The Legacy of Hometown Pride will commemorate Illinois statehood and Alton's history through the eyes of Don Alonzo Spaulding, portrayed by Michael Cox; The Legacy of Arts and Culture will feature an homage to Alton Little Theater founder Dorothy Colonius, portrayed by Pat Kulish; and The Legacy of Tolerance and Inclusion will celebrate the YWCA's 100th birthday, as seen through the eyes of Mary White Ovington, portrayed by Gail Drillinger.

The cost of adult tours is $15; students under 18 may attend for $10. Tickets will be available at the Alton Visitor's Center by September 1 and at the main gate of the Alton Cemetery at least 30 minutes before the tours begin

A non-walking brunch, catered by My Just Desserts, will be held at the Alton Little Theater Showplace on Saturday, October 13, 2018, at 10 a.m. Tickets for the brunch and presentation are $25 and may be purchased through the Alton Little Theater box office (462-3205) and through the Alton Little Theater website (www.altonlittletheater.org)

## Have a Hayner Library Card? Check Out These Local Business Discounts!

The following businesses are offering discounts for showing your Hayner library card during the week of Saturday, November 24–Saturday, December 1, as part of our sixth annual library card drive

Are you an Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township resident without a library card? Make sure to come get one at the Downtown or Alton Square library before the end of November! You will need to fill out a short library card application and provide a photo ID—a valid driver's license or state ID with your current address. If your photo ID does not have your current address, you will need to provide a piece of business mail dated within the last 30 days as proof of residency.

A huge thank-you to all of these businesses for supporting The Hayner Public Library District!

**Restaurants/Specialty Food Stores**

- *Duke Bakery – 10% off*
- *Godfrey Meat Market – 10% off (excluding alcohol)*
- *Hansen Meat Company – 10% off*
- *Johnson's Corner – 20% off*
- *Lovett's Soul Food – 10% off*
- *LuciAnna's Pastries – $.50 off any pastry*
- *Mister Donut – 10% off*
- *Morrison's Irish Pub – 10% off food*
- *My Just Desserts – 10% off*
- *Old Bakery Beer Company – 10% off*
- *Olga's Kitchen – 10% off*
- *Olive Oil Marketplace – 10% off (excluding other promotions)*
- *PopUtopia Gourmet Popcorn and Sweets – 10% off*
- *Sammi's Sandwiches – 10% off*
- *Sherry's Snacks – 10% off*

**Retail**

- *1904 General Store – 10% off*
- *Black's Sporting Goods – 10% off*
- *The Cyclery and Fitness Center: Alton – 20% off regularly priced parts and accessories (excluding Garmin, GoPro, and Oakley)*
- *Cleta's Nutrition – 15% off*
- *Crown Vision Center – Free eye exam w/ purchase of glasses*
- *Dick's Flowers – Free rose*
- *Dora's Spinning Wheel – 10% off*
- *The Gift Box – Free 18K bookmark or journal with purchase at either Gift Box location*
- *The Grapevine of Alton Children's Boutique – 10% off (excluding other promotions)*
- *Halpin Music – 10% off*
- *Jacoby Arts Center – 10% off in the Artist Shop*
- *Kinzels Flower Shop – 10% off*
- *Market Basket – 10% off*
- *Mississippi Mud Pottery – 10% off (excluding other promotions)*
- *Picture This & More – 15% off*
- *It's Raining Zen – 10% off*
- *River Bend Yoga – 50% off regular and hot yoga classes*
- *Roberta's Lovely Ladies Boutique – 10% off*
- *Rumours Salon, Stylist Mary Beth Siampos – 10% off all hair services with Mary Beth*
- *Second Reading Book Shop – 10% off all used books*
- *St. Peters Hardware & Rental, Inc. – 10% off regularly priced merchandise*

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Fall 2018 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and JCPenney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, October 13, 10 a.m.–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, November 10, 10 a.m.–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, December 8, 10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's agreat way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Dave Foraker*

**Uniquely Blues, Inspirationally Gospel**
**Tuesday, October 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Dave's inimitable style includes sparse phrasings on the piano, soulful vocals and the counterpoint of a bluesy harmonica. You can call it Bluesified Gospel or Gospel Blues – just don't call it Southern Gospel! With great humor, Dave also recounts his musical journey playing with some of the biggest names in Memphis and Motown. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

***Uncovering Family Details through Cemetery Research***
**October 11 & 18, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
***Heroes in Our History: Military Records***
**November 8 & 15, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**
***Making a Home in a New Land: Immigration, Naturalization, & Asylum***
**December 13 & 20, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Gardening Classes*

**Gourd Birdhouses**
**Tuesday, October 16, 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.* Make your own birdhouse to hang outside in spring and enjoy the birds as they come to nest. Gourds will be provided and tools will be available for you to create your birdhouse. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Pine Cone Creations with Jenn**
**Tuesday, November 6, 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.* Local artist Jennifer Grassle will be here to guide us in creating designs with a variety of natural pinecones and nuts. Join us for an enjoyable evening working with your hands to create something original from nature's bounty. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Color Me Stress Free*

**Thursday, October 18, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**
**Thursday, December 6, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.**

*Note: This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.* Come color with us and enjoy great company. Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two. Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Switchback*

**Let's Get Ready for Halloween!**
**Sunday, October 28, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.* The evenings are brisk; mystery and intrigue are in the air. Look who will be in the area and

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returning to Godfrey for a spooktacular afternoon! The privilege is ours to host this dynamic duo, Switchback, at a special performance in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel. If your spirit so moves, and you decide to come in costume, we would be over the harvest moon to welcome your festive garb whether it be Gaelic, ghostly, ghastly, or just goofy. Bring the kids to show off their Halloween garb. For security's sake, we would request that you not don masks and leave all costume weaponry at home. No trick, just call to register for the wonderful treat of music with our friends Martin McCormack and Brian FitzGerald. It is certain to be an afternoon to remember full of fun for all ages and maybe a few frights! Call today to register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Seventh Annual Open House*

**Saturday, November 3, 10:00 a.m.–Noon**

*Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to guide you through the DAR application process. Don't think you have a soldier in your family? There's also the more general category of "Patriotic Service," which includes things like members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity. Admission is free and registration is not necessary.

## *Dennis Stroughmatt and His Swingin' Band*

### The Western Swing Sounds of Bob Wills, Ray Price and Wade Ray Folk Songs

**Tuesday, November 13, 6:30 p.m.**

Western Swing is a music that continues to influence musicians across the planet and southwestern Illinois was home to one of the most influential of Western Swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray. Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, worked with Ray Price, and was well known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows. Fiddler, vocalist, and historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with Wade. His performance and presentation will include a mix of songs from the era of Bob Wills, Ray Price and Wade Ray. Like his mentor Wade Ray, Dennis will make you want to swing! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Limited Edition*

### Sounds of the Holidays

**Sunday, November 25, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey, Ill. (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3). There is plenty of easy parking.* This is a favorite event of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This extraordinary ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. The program is free but does require registration. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Switchback*

### A Celtic Christmas in the Chapel

**Sunday, December 2, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.* They're back!! The amazing duo Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. This annual performance has become a great holiday tradition for our community. When they have performed for us previously, their program filled up immediately, so don't wait to register for this event. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Nonfiction—

**Amen, Daniel G., M.D.** Feel Better Fast and Make It Last: Unlock Your Brain's Healing Potential to Overcome Negativity, Anxiety, Anger, Stress, and Trauma

**Barry, Dave.** Lessons From Lucy: The Simple Joys of an Old, Happy Dog

**Beschloss, Michael.** Presidents of War

**Bradlee, Ben, Jr.** The Forgotten: How the People of One Pennsylvania County Elected Donald Trump and Changed America

**Brand, H. W.** Heirs of the Founders: The Epic Rivalry of Henry Clay, John Calhoun and Daniel Webster, the Second Generation of American Giants

**Brown, Brené.** Dare to Lead: Brave Work. Tough Conversations. Whole Hearts

**Carlson, Tucker.** Ship of Fools: How a Selfish Ruling Class Is Bringing America to the Brink of Revolution

**Carter, Stephen L.** Invisible: The Forgotten Story of the Black Woman Lawyer Who Took Down America's Most Powerful Mobster

**Dawson, Paul.** Did You Just Eat That?: Two Scientusts Explore Double-Dipping, the Five-Second Rule, and other Food Myths in the Lab

**Doocy, Steve.** The Happy Cookbook: A Celebration of the Food That Makes America Smile

**Ellis, Joseph.** American Dialogue: The Founders and Us

**Feinstein, John.** Quarterback: Inside the Most Important Position in the National Football League

**Flea.** (Red Hot Chili Peppers) Acid for the Children: A Memoir

**Gaines, Joanna.** Homebody: A Guide to Creating Spaces You Never Want to Leave

**Garten, Ina.** Cook Like a Pro: Recipes and Tips for Home Cooks

**Godin, Seth.** This Is Marketing: You Can't Be Seen Until You Learn to See

**Griffin, Mark.** All that Heaven Allows: A Biography of Rock Hudson

**Groom, Winston.** The Allies: Roosevelt, Churchill, Stalin, and the Unlikely Alliance That Won World War II

**Hartwig, Melissa.** The Whole30 Slow Cooker: 150 Totally Compliant Prep-and-Go Recipes for Your Whole30 – with Instant Pot Recipes

**Hastings, Max.** Vietnam: An Epic Tragedy, 1945-1975

**Hawking, Stephen.** Brief Answers to the Big Questions

**Heller, Marla.** The DASH Diet Mediterranean Solution: The Best Eating Plan to Control Your Weight and Improve Your Health for Life

**Homolka, Gina.** Skinnytaste One & Done

**Idle, Eric.** Always Look on the Bright Side of Life: A Sortabiography

**Johnson, Spencer.** Out of the Maze (sequel to Who Moved My Cheese?)

**Kimball, Christopher.** Milk Street: Tuesday Nights (cookbook)

**Lamott, Anne.** Almost Everything: Notes on Hope

**Leavy, Jane.** The Big Fella: Babe Ruth and the World He Created

**Lewis, Michael.** The Fifth Risk

**Michaels, Jillian.** The 6 Keys: Unlock Your Genetic Potential for Ageless Strength, Health, and Beauty

**Miller, Greg.** The Apprentice: Trump, Russia and the Subversion of American Democracy

**Namath, Joe.** All the Way: Football, Fame, and Redemption

**Norman, Philip.** Slowhand: The Life and Music of Eric Clapton

**Obama, Michelle.** Becoming

**Offerman, Nick & Mullally, Megan.** The Greatest Love Story Ever Told

**Pagels, Elaine.** Why Religion?: A Personal Story

**Pansino, Rosanna.** Baking All Year Round

**Philbrick, Nathaniel.** In the Hurricane's Eye: The Genius of George Washington and the Victory at Yorktown

**Rickards, James.** Aftermath: Seven Secrets of Wealth Preservation in the Coming Chaos

**Sanders, Bernie.** Where We Go from Here

**Savage, Michael.** Stop Mass Hysteria: America's Insanity from the Salem Witch Trials to the Trump Witch Hunt

**Sides, Hampton.** On Desperate Ground: The Marines at the Reservoir, the Korean War's Greatest Battle

**Talty, Stephan.** Saving Bravo: The Greatest Rescue Mission in Navy SEAL History

**Timberlake, Justin.** Hindsight: & All the Things I Can't See in Front of Me

**Turner, Tina.** My Love Story: A Memoir

**Zinczenko, David.** Zero Sugar Cookbook

## Fiction—

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** The Darling Dahlias and the Poinsettia Puzzle

**Albom, Mitch.** The Next Person You Meet in Heaven

**Andrews, Donna.** Lark! The Herald Angels Sing

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Heads You Win

**Baldacci, David.** Long Road to Mercy

**Beaton, M. C.** The Dead Ringer

**Berg, Elizabeth.** Night of Miracles: A Novel

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** Master of His Fate

**Brown, Rita.** Homeward Hound

**Cameron. Marc.** Tom Clancy Oath of Office (Jack Ryan)

**Chamberlain, Diane.** The Dream Daughter

**Child, Lee.** Past Tense: A Jack Reacher Novel

**Childs, Laura.** Glitter Bomb (A Scrapbooking Mystery)

**Childs, Laura.** Eggs on Ice (Cackleberry Club)

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** You Don't Own Me

**Connelly, Michael.** Dark Sacred Night

**Cook, Robin.** Pandemic

**Cornwell, Bernard.** War of the Wolf

**Cussler, Clive.** Sea of Greed (The NUMA Files)

**Dekker, Ted.** Rise of the Mystics

**Estleman, Loren.** Wild Justice

**Evanovich, Janet.** Look Alive Twenty-Five

**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Noel Stranger

**Francis, Felix.** Crisis (A Dick Francis Novel)

**French, Tana.** The Witch Elm

**Griffin, W.E.B.** The Enemy of My Enemy (Clandestine Operations)

**Grisham, John.** The Reckoning

**Harris, Charlaine.** An Easy Death

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Winter in Paradise

**Hoag, Tami.** The Boy

**Johansen, Iris.** Vendetta

**King, Stephen.** Elevation

**Kingsbury, Karen.** When We Were Young

**Kingsolver, Barbara.** Unsheltered: A Nove

**Koontz, Dean.** The Forbidden Door

**Lethem, Jonathan.** The Feral Detective

**Lupica, Mike.** Robert B Parker's Blood Feud

**Macomber, Debbie.** Alaskan Holiday: A Novel

**Mallory, Susan.** Not Quite Over You

**Martin, George R. R.** Fire & Blood: 300 Years Before A Game of Thrones

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Colors of All the Cattle (No. 1 Ladies')

**McDermid, Val.** Broken Ground

**Moriarty, Liane.** Nine Perfect Strangers

**Morton, Kate.** The Clockmaker's Daughter

**Palmer, Diana.** Wyoming Legend

**Paretsky, Sara.** Shell Game

**Patterson, James.** The 13 Minute Murder

**Patterson, James.** Ambush (Michael Bennett)

**Patterson, James.** Target: Alex Cross

**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Revelation

**Picoult, Jodi.** A Spark of Light

**Rankin, Ian.** In a House of Lies

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## New and Forthcoming Books

**Fiction continued—**

**Rice, Anne.** Blood Communion: A Tale of Prince Lestat
**Roberts, Nora.** Of Blood and Bone (Chronicles of The One)
**Rosenfelt, David.** Deck the Hounds
**Sandford, John.** Holy Ghost (Virgil Flowers)
**Sparks, Nicholas.** Every Breath
**Steel, Danielle.** Beauchamp Hall
**Stoker, Dacre.** Dracul
**Trigiani, Adriana.** Tony's Wife: A Novel
**Unger, Lisa.** Under My Skin
**Woods, Stuart.** A Delicate Touch (Stone Barrington)
**Woods, Stuart.** Desperate Measures (Stone Barrington)
**Zusak, Markus.** Bridge of Clay

## Just in Time for the Holidays

Looking for a new recipe for Thanksgiving? Looking for the perfect holiday gift? Look no further than Hayner Library! Hayner's original cookbook, *Read' Em and Eat*, is being sold for only $10! The cookbooks can be purchased at any Hayner Library location.

## Food for Fines

Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period.

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2017, anyone who has an overdue item can pay his or her fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and only Hayner materials are eligible. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

**Please Note!**

Crisis Food Center is seeking volunteers to help sort food donations, pack bags, assist clients in selecting food, and load the items into their vehicles. They are also seeking volunteers to work in the clothing store. If you are looking for a great opportunity to volunteer in the community, this is it. Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Volunteer applications may be obtained by visiting Crisis Food Center, 21 E. 6th Street, Alton, Monday through Friday, between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. For questions, please contact Executive Director Nick Kessinger at 618-462-8201, Monday through Friday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. You may also visit their website at www.crisisfoodcenter.org. Crisis Food Center is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.

## StoryWalk® Program

Hayner Library's newest program is bringing literacy to the great outdoors. The StoryWalk® program allows families the opportunity to read a story while visiting the inclusive playground at Gordon Moore Park and Hellrung Park, both in Alton.

StoryWalk® consists of taking laminated pages from a children's book and attaching them to core boards which are then posted at different intervals around the parks. Families begin with the first board and then move around the parks, going board-to-board, to read the rest of the story.

The program is designed to allow families to move around, enjoy the wonderful parks that the city has to offer, and most importantly for the library, to help improve literacy skills and a foster a love of reading. We hope this community program encourages families to visit the library and take home more books to read together.

The first story, *Click, Clack, Moo: Cows That Type* by Doreen Cronin (author) and Betsy Lewin (illustrator), was posted in August. The second story, *Amazing Grace* by Mary Hoffman (author) and Caroline Binch (illustrator), was posted in September. October's book will be *The Little Old Lady Who Was Not Afraid of Anything* by Linda D. Williams (author) and Megan Lloyd (illustrator).

If the program proves to be successful, the library will create more permanent StoryWalk® structures, spread out in greater distances, beginning in the spring.

Families are encouraged to send feedback to the library via email at outdoorstories@haynerlibrary.org or by visiting any Hayner Library location. The StoryWalk® program was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.

## It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Winter!

Winter is just around the corner, bringing with it the potential for snow and ice. In order to ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If bad wintery weather in the forecast, please call us at 462-0677 before making a trip to visit one of our locations; an outgoing message will inform you of any changes to our regular hours of operation. Drive carefully!

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Sunday, 12:00 Noon to 6 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Wed., 12:00 Noon to 7 p.m.
Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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## *Patron Profile: John Hentrich*

John Hentrich is founder and Director of Riverbender.com and Riverbender.com Community Center. John has been a wonderful partner to The Hayner Public Library District since 2010, when he graciously allowed the library to begin using the Riverbender.com Community Center for our teen library programming. He even allowed the library to create a teen library room inside the center! John also allows library staff to hold our annual Staff Development Day training in the building as well.

John kindly agreed to answer some questions for the library's quarterly newsletter. I was curious as to how and when he came up with his great idea for the Riverbender.com website. While living and working in Chicago, John originally created an internet website for buying and selling cars. In fact, I could fill an entire article solely about John's love of cars! Six years after creating his automotive website, he sold it to AutoTrader.com and moved back to Alton. It was with this money, and his newfound freedom, that he was able to start the Riverbender.com website in 2005.

The goal of Riverbender.com is to build a website that helps the community prosper through affordable communication and advertising while shedding a positive spotlight on our region. The new site would allow people to advertise their business, be an avenue to sell products, become a place to congratulate others, and report success stories. "We want our community to shine. We want to attract new families to move here and existing families to stay. After all, Alton is a great community in which to raise a family and grow old together," said John.

The local economy is always a factor for the Riverbender.com website and business. According to John, "Our type of website and business gets better as the community and its economics get stronger."

In 2010, John launched the Riverbender.com Community Center, a nonprofit organization that invests in the area's youth. At the time of the community center's founding, Riverbender.com's customer base had grown to approximately 200. It was to this group that John turned for help in funding the project. Nearly every customer he talked with shared his vision; they were happy to help out with donations to get the project off the ground. John is extremely grateful to all the small business owners and private individuals who helped make his dream a reality! "The generosity of small business owners and private individuals is why we have been able to provide this service to thousands of kids over the last eight years," said John. The Riverbender.com Community Center receives no federal, state, or local money and no other organizations provide funding for its day-to-day operations.

Some of the original businesses and individuals who helped with the launch of the center still volunteer and serve on the Board of Directors. The community center has survived as a result of very committed volunteers who believe in the goal of "providing teens a safe and fun alternative to at-risk behaviors and negative peer pressure." Volunteers chaperone and mentor the youth on Friday nights and at all other events such as dances and lock-ins. They also help with fundraisers, policies, and overall direction. I asked John what he found to be the most challenging responsibility for him and others at the Riverbender.com Community Center. He said there is always a need for new volunteers, community supporters, and youth. Long-term volunteers grow tired, businesses who donate to the center sometimes struggle to make ends meet, and his best customers, the teens, grow up and no longer come to fun nights at the Riverbender.com Community Center. He told me it takes a huge amount of effort to sustain the service to the community.

I asked John what he would most like to tell the community about the Riverbender.com Community Center. His answer was, "Get involved! Participation alone makes all the difference in how we succeed as a community. Everyone can do something!"

Thank you, John, for coming back to Alton to do something good for your community!

—Stephanie Munson

# The Hayner Public Library District

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About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Dr. Martin Luther King Day – Jan. 21
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## *A Very Grand Gesture*

### Lovejoy Press Yoke Donated to Hayner Library

By David Blanchette
From *The Telegraph*, Monday, November 5, 2018
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ALTON — An original piece of the most significant event in Alton's history has a new permanent home at the Hayner Public Library's Genealogy and Local History Library at 401 State St.

The yoke, or main framework, of the printing press that was thrown into the Mississippi River the night that Elijah P. Lovejoy was murdered by an angry mob on Nov. 7, 1837 can now be seen in the lobby of the Genealogical and Local History Library following a dedication ceremony on Sunday attended by approximately 100 people.

The half-ton, acorn-shaped, black metal artifact had been displayed for more than 80 years in the lobby of *The Telegraph* Building at 111 E. Broadway. The newspaper's new owners, Hearst Corporation, donated the yoke to the library after the paper's offices moved to a new building.

"What better match for the Lovejoy press is there than a library, where we promote freedom of speech and freedom of information," said The Hayner Public Library District Executive Director Bernadette Duvernoy. "This is a very grand gesture from *The Telegraph* and the Hearst Corporation."

The Lovejoy press yoke has only been in three locations since its 1915 discovery by personnel from the Sparks Milling Company – at the milling company, now the site of Ardent Mills; *The Telegraph*; and Hayner Library.

*Elijah P. Lovejoy reenactor John Meehan speaks during Sunday's dedication ceremony while former Telegraph publisher Jim Shrader looks on*

"It's what the press stands for more than the physical piece itself," said Lacy McDonald, the Genealogy and Local History Manager for Hayner Public Library. "Lovejoy's murder was looked upon as the first death of the Civil War and it motivated a lot of Abolitionists to really fight for the cause. Elijah Lovejoy's brother Owen was a U.S. Senator from Illinois who helped write the 13th Amendment, which abolished slavery. Abraham Lincoln also talked about Lovejoy when he was formulating his views on slavery."

"1837 was also the year Alton was incorporated, so our entire identity as a city is wrapped up in the Lovejoy story," McDonald said.

The decision to move the historical artifact to Hayner Library came after a suggestion by Steve Cousley, publisher of *The Telegraph* from 1970 to 1986, when he realized there was no realistic plan for the the yoke when the newspaper moved to its new offices.

"This press was too close to the door and to the dumpster, so I had to do something about it," Cousley said. "It gives me a great deal of satisfaction to see it rescued. I had a lot of help from a lot of people. I tried to be low-key but it's hard to do sometimes, especially with something as important as this."

One of the people instrumental in the events leading to Sunday's dedication was Jim Shrader, the recently retired publisher of *The Telegraph*, whom Cousley first contacted about the possibility of moving it to Hayner Library.

Shrader said Mike St. Peters from Abbott Machine Company offered to move the press piece out of the newspaper offices and store it until Hayner was ready for it, then installed the yoke in the Hayner lobby, all at no cost to the library

"I can think of no better place for it. This is something that needs to be taught to folks," Shrader said. "This press yoke is a monument to the martyr Elijah Parish Lovejoy, to the First Amendment, to the Abolitionist movement, and to the racial freedom that we enjoy today that never would have been imagined in 1837."

"This Presbyterian minister who had a fourth press shipped to him in Alton, Illinois had no idea how long his memory would live," Shrader said. The 1830s iron hand press was called an acorn press because of the shape of the supporting cast iron frame, or yoke, which is what remains today of Lovejoy's press, according to research performed by McDonald When these presses were made in the 1830s it was immediately before the printing revolution of the mid 19th century during which all facets of the printing operation became mechanized.

Printing during Lovejoy's day was a very labor-intensive process Ink was made by hand every morning by mixing carbon and boiled linseed oil. Printing plates containing the words intended for publication were made by hand, composed of thousands of individual pieces of metal type and arranged on a metal plate The ink was applied to the type, the strong pull of a horizontal lever "pressed" paper onto the inked type, the printed piece of paper was removed, and the process repeated. Two trained operators could perform these steps every 15 seconds for ten to twelve hours a day.

*Librarian George Fuller and Alton Area Landmarks Association member John Lindsay examine the Lovejoy press*

Elijah Parish Lovejoy was born in Maine in 1802, moved to St Louis in 1826, became a Presbyterian minister, and in the 1830s began publication of *The St. Louis Observer*, a religious newspaper that advocated the abolition of slavery. Lovejoy's anti-slavery editorials enraged slavery supporters who then destroyed his printing presses, so Lovejoy decided in 1836 to move from the slave state of Missouri to the free state of Illinois

Lovejoy continued to publish vehement antislavery sentiments in his *Alton Observer* despite threats from pro-slavery factions in Alton. When pressured to leave the city, the Presbyterian minister replied, "You may hang me… You may burn me at the stake, tar and feather me, or throw me into the Mississippi, but you cannot disgrace me. I and I alone can disgrace myself; and the deepest of all disgrace would be, at a time like this to deny my Master by forsaking his cause."

*Abbott Machine Company management and staff who volunteered their time and efforts to move the Lovejoy Press from The Telegraph building on Broadway to its new home at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library*

Lovejoy was killed the evening of Nov. 7, 1837 when a mob attacked a warehouse where the publisher and his supporters were guarding a new printing press for the *Observer*. After Lovejoy was shot to death the mob broke his press into pieces and threw it out the warehouse window into the Mississippi River. It was the fourth Lovejoy printing press destroyed during his brief publication career.

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The Library of Congress and the National Endowment for the Humanities, National Gallery of Art, National Park Service, Smithsonian Institution, United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and U.S. National Archives and Records Administration have collaborated to create a web portal dedicated to exploring the African American experience in the United States. This portal, which can be found at www.africanamericanhistorymonth gov, is a wonderful resource for viewing historical documents, images, artifacts, exhibits, lesson plans, art, biographies, journals, videos, and much more.

***For more African American history resources, please visit:***

- The Smithsonian National Museum of African American History & Culture https://www nmaahc.si edu/
- The National Park Service https://www nps.gov/aahistory/
- National Park Service – Telling All Americans' Stories: African American Heritage https://www.nps.gov/subjects/tellingallamericansstories/africanamericanheritage htm
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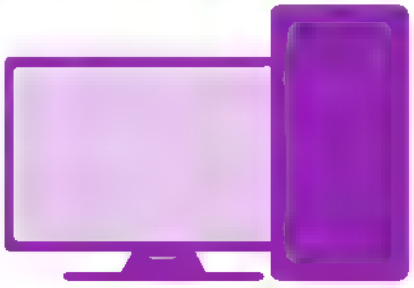

## *Join Us for Our Historic Preservation Series*

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 1**
**Lucy Semple Ames and the Principia Campus**
Saturday, January 26, 10 a.m.

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*
The Genealogy & Local History Library is partnering with Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA) this winter to provide a three-part Saturday lecture series on historic preservation; lectures will be held in January, February, and March. AALA is dedicated to educating, promoting, and saving the architectural heritage of the Alton area. Feel free to register for one talk or all three. The first of these lectures concerns Lucy Semple Ames, whose country estate is now the Principia College campus. The daughter of James Semple (founder of Elsah), Lucy was an astute businesswoman as well as a society leader and suffragette, and her four children also led interesting lives. The talk will be given by Esley Hamilton, who retired as preservation historian for the St. Louis County Parks and Recreation Department in 2015, after 38 years of service. As preservation historian, Esley added eight districts and 30 individual properties to the National Register of Historic Places and gave countless speeches about the importance of historic homes and towns. Seating is limited.
Register at 1-800-613-3163

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 2**
**Paint It Right! – Historic Houses**
Saturday, February 23, 10 a.m.

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*
Bob Yapp, President of Preservation Resources Inc. and founder of the Belvedere School for Hands-On Preservation, will describe how to get a 15 to 20 year, cost-effective paint job for your historic house. Replacement siding can seem like a really great way to make your house look better and avoid the hassles of painting, but with Bob's tips, you can hire a contractor to paint your house twice in 30 to 40 years, never lift a finger, and pay less than installing plastic siding that will last approximately 18 to 20 years. This presentation will include a question-and-answer session, props, and handouts. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 3**
**Understanding and Utilizing Historic Tax Credits**
Saturday, March 30, 10 a.m.

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*
Bonnie McDonald, president & CEO of Landmarks Illinois, will give a talk on historic tax credits. Bonnie joined Landmarks Illinois as its president in June of 2012 and has worked with the state legislature and other organizations, including the American Institute of Architects–Illinois, to establish new statewide historic preservation tax credits across Illinois. Bonnie graduated from the University of Minnesota with a Bachelor of Arts in Art History (Summa Cum Laude) and received a Master of Arts in City and Regional Planning-Historic Preservation Planning from Cornell University. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Hayner Library DVDs Now Have a Two Week Loan Period*

As of November 1, 2018, all Hayner Library DVDs have a two week loan period. Hayner Library DVDs may be renewed once, for another 14 days, as long as there are no outstanding requests for the item. We hope that this extended loan period will be helpful to patrons. Happy viewing! Please note: DVDs and other materials borrowed via interlibrary loan are subject to the loan rules and renewal limits established by the owning library.

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

**Always of Home: A Southern Illinois Childhood**
IR 977 3994 IMH

**American Settlements and Migrations: A Primer for Genealogists and Family Historians**
IR 929 1 BOC

**Cemetery Inscriptions, Mason County, Illinois. Vol. 3** IR 977 3553 CEM

**A Chautauqua to Remember: The Story of Old Salem: Dedicated to the Memory of Abraham Lincoln by Katharine Aird Miller, Raymond H. Montgomery** IR 318.1554 MIL

**Checkmate: News and Information for Employees and Friends of St. Joseph's Hospital, 1971-1989** IR 362.11097 STJ

**Country Schools of Sangamon County**
IR 977 356 MUR

**Discovering African American St. Louis: A Guide to Historic Sites (Second Edition)**
IR 977 866 WRI

**DNA for Genealogists by Kerry Farmer**
IR 929 1072 FAR

**Every Family Has a Story: Tales from the Pages of Avotaynu** IR 929 1028 EVE

**The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy by Blaine T. Bettinger**
IR 929 1072 BET

**The Good Things of East St. Louis**
IR 977 389 ENG

**New Philadelphia by Gerald A. McWorter and Kate Williams-McWorter** IR 977.3453 MCW

**History for Genealogists: Using Chronological Time Lines to Find and Understand Your Ancestors by Judy Jacobson** IR 929.1 JAC

**Menard County Schools / researched and produced by the Historic Sites Committee, Menard County Historical Society**
IR 977 3555 MEN

**North Junior High School, Godfrey, Illinois Yearbooks: 1967-1968, 1968-1969, 1969-1970** IR LOCKED CASES 373 77386 NOR

**Shurtleff College Bulletins February 1939 and February 1940** IR LOCKED CASES 378 SHU

**Without Indentures: Index to White Slave Children in Colonial Court Records [Maryland and Virginia]** IR 975 PHI

**Women Patriots in the American Revolution: Stories of Bravery, Daring, and Compassion by Jack Darrell Crowder** IR 973 3082 CRO

# *The History of Black History Month*

Black History Month has been officially celebrated in the United States every year since 1976 Other countries such as Canada and the United Kingdom recognize this American tradition as well. The history behind this properly respected celebration is actually a riveting story intertwined around the life of a man named Dr. Carter G. Woodson that began ninety-three years ago.

Dr. Woodson was a noted scholar of African American history. Born in 1875 to former slaves and a brother to eight siblings, he started life with humble beginnings His parents, James and Anne (Riddle) Woodson, had overcome mountains of challenging circumstances to gain their freedom, purchase land and start a family in New Canton, Virginia. But even as free landowners, life was hard for the couple. Racial tension and cultural differences created strains while raising their family in late nineteenth century America.

At a young age, Carter exhibited an ambitious character with a natural ability for learning. During his grade school years he oftentimes had to miss months of class in order to work various jobs on the family farm. Despite being away from school for long periods, his grades stayed steady and he never gave up his ultimate goal of receiving a strong education. This would become his personal tool in educating the world on the history of the African American people.

Continuous obligations to his family kept him from entering high school until the age of twenty, but even then he did it skillfully enough to finish the curriculum in half the time Carter had no plans of ending his formal education at the high school level. He had always known the value of education and he put a high price on that belief. He began his college career by first earning a Bachelor of Literature degree from Berea College in Kentucky and then, while traveling and working abroad, he studied for a short period at Sorbonne University in Paris.

Woodson earned a master's degree from the University of Chicago in 1908 and in 1912 he earned his doctorate in history from Harvard University, becoming just the second African American (after W.E B. Du Bois) to earn a Ph D. from the prestigious institution. During his collegiate studies, Woodson held several positions in academia. He served as principal of the high school from which he had graduated, was the dean of Howard University, and also worked for the U.S. government as a school superintendent in the Philippines Even while receiving his own education, educating others was a high priority to Carter Woodson.

By 1915, Woodson had become extremely frustrated with the education system's underrepresentation, or more disturbingly in some cases, exclusion, of African Americans in history. Proclaiming, "If a race has no history, it has no worthwhile tradition, it becomes a negligible factor in the thought of the world, and it stands in danger of being exterminated," he began what would become a lifelong mission to ensure African Americans were given their rightful place within the education system, and ultimately in history. It was in this same year that he published his first book (one of many he would write) entitled *The Education of the Negro Prior to 1861* and co-founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (ASNLH). Dr Woodson wanted the world to know and to acknowledge that African Americans had played major parts in our nation's history. He wanted this information taught in schools and documented in written works This was his purpose in life and he was amazingly successful in making both happen.

*Photo credit: Library of Congress*

In 1926, Dr. Woodson established 'Negro History Week'. He chose the second week in February so that it would coincide with the birthdays of President Abraham Lincoln and renowned abolitionist Frederick Douglass. Negro History Week became the foundation for the month-long celebration we now recognize as Black History Month.

Woodson's monumental efforts to educate and to document the history of his race earned him the well-deserved and distinguished title of The Father of Black History. Carter probably never realized that his passion for history actually made history itself!

Dr Carter Woodson passed away on April 3, 1950. He was laid to rest in the Lincoln Memorial Cemetery in Suitland, Maryland. He never married and had no children yet his legacy lives on in many ways and particularly so every February

No matter how you chose to celebrate Black History, don't forget to give honor to the remarkable man who made this month happen, Dr. Carter G Woodson

– Pam Bierman
Library Assistant IV
Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library

# KidsSpace
## WINTER 2019 ACTIVITIES

## ALTON SQUARE ACTIVITIES

### *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

**Saturday, January 12, 10–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, February 9, 10–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, March 9, 10–11 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

### *Movers and Shakers Story Time*

Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds Meeting dates are Mondays, January 7, 14 and 28; February 4, 11 and 25; March 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2019, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available.
***Please register at 433-2881.***

*** The January 14, 2019 Movers and Shakers Story Time will be held at the Audubon Center at Riverlands, 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, Mo., at 10 a.m.**

### *Mommy and Me Story Time*

This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulatives. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 10, 17, 24 and 31; February 7, 14, 21, and 28; March 7, 8, 14, 21, and 28, 2019, at 10 a.m.
***Please register at 433-2881.***

### *Legos @ Your Library*

Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 10, February 14, and March 14, 2019, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.
***Please register at 433-2881.***

### *Painting with Jennifer*

Jennifer Grassle from Grokking Tree will assist us for a fun one-hour painting class. Each child ages 6-10 years will take instruction from Jennifer while learning the basics of painting. Each participant will take home an 8x10 picture of their design. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 9, 2019 Space is limited!
***Please register at 433-2881.***

### *Teddy Bear Workshop*

During this magical workshop, children ages 3-7 will be read the story *Over in the Artic Where the Cold Wind Blows*. They will then bring a 15" plush polar bear to life by filling it with stuffing and naming, it before taking it to its forever home. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 16, 2019 **Space is limited!**
***Please register at 433-2881.***

### *KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt*

Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Public Library at Alton Square The fun begins at 10 a.m on April 13, 2019 All children will hunt candy-filled eggs, have a chance to win an Easter bag or book, and sit on the Easter Bunny's lap Parents, don't forget your cameras! ***Please register at 433-2881.***

## DOWNTOWN ACTIVITIES

### *Evening Story Time*

Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library Downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m on Mondays, January 7, 14, and 28; February 4, 11, and 25; March 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2019. ***Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.***

### *Mary Kay's Story Times*

Come join Panda Bear and Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m. on Tuesdays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29; February 5, 12, 19, and 26; March 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2019. ***Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.***

### *After-School Fun*

Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Public Library Downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 5–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 15, February 19, and March 19, 2019 ***Please register at 462-0677, ext. 2836.***

# TeenSpace
## WINTER 2019 ACTIVITIES

### *Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center*

Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our Teen Movie Event. Each month, Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG–13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movies start at 3:45 p m Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 16, February 20, and March 20, 2019. Buses are available to transport after school from Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School. ***To register, call Shannon at 618-433-2872.***

### *GN Teen Book Club*

Graphic Novel Book Club is for teens attending the Riverbender.com after-school program and teens in our community. Teens will choose a book to read each month and then bring it back for a discussion the following month. This book club will introduce graphic novels to teens ages 12-14. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 9 and February 6, 2019, at 4 p.m.

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# SPECIAL EVENTS

## Teen Tech Week

Come join us for some really cool arts and crafts at the Riverbender.com Community Center library on Wednesday, March 6, 2019, at 3:30 p m.
***For more information about this event or to register, call Shannon at 618-433-2872.***

## Harry Potter Book Night

We are thrilled to announce "Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry" as the theme for Harry Potter Book Night 2019. As the scene of so many seminal moments in the Harry Potter stories, it feels high time we celebrate all things Hogwarts! Make a date in your diary for Wednesday, January 30, 2019, at 3:30 p m., at the Riverbender.com Community Center when, once again, fans will have the chance to celebrate J.K. Rowling's wonderful series.
***For more information call Shannon at 618-433-2872.***

## Pick Your Poison Board Game Day

Everything good comes at a cost. What are you willing to live with? Come join teens at Riverbender com Community Center and play the board game Pick Your Poison. The fun begins at 3.30 p m. on Wednesday, February 27, 2019, at Riverbender com Community Center. ***To register call Shannon at 618-433-2872.***

## St. Patrick's Day Minute to Win It

Come join teens at the Riverbender com Community Center for three Minute to Win It St. Patrick's Day challenges. The fun begins on Wednesday, March 13, 2019, at 3 30 p m. ***To register call Shannon at 618-433-2872.***

## Conversation Heart Catapults

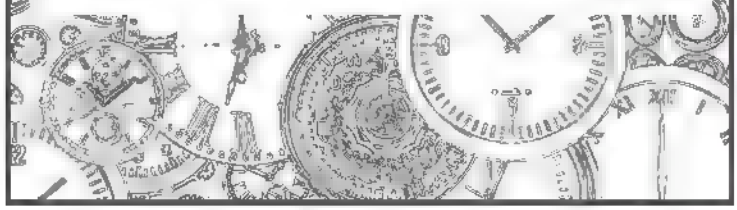
Come design your very own Conversation Heart Catapult at Riverbender. com Community Center on Wednesday, February 13, 2019, at 3 30 p.m. Prizes will be awarded!
***To register call Shannon at 618-433-2872.***

## Teen Coloring Meetups

Come meet up with other teens for a fun afternoon of coloring, music and snacks. Teens will meet at the Riverbender com Community Center on Wednesday, January 23 and Wednesday, March 27, 2019, from 4–5 p.m. Coloring pages and pencils will be supplied.
***To register call Shannon at 618-433-2872.***

## Take a Leap Forward

Remember to move your clocks ahead one hour on **Sunday, March 10, 2019.**



## Gardening Classes

***Plant Party***
**Wednesday, January 23, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**
*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*
Getting the winter doldrums? Brighten up your home with houseplants. Come join us for an enjoyable evening of planting various houseplants or succulents to take home. Refreshments will be served. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

***Seed Swap***
**Saturday, February 2, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.**
*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*
Celebrate the end of winter with an enjoyable gathering of fellow gardeners while sharing your seeds, seedlings, cuttings and bulbs you have collected from last fall. All are welcome! Having your own home-grown seed is not required. This program is sponsored jointly with the Sierra Club. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

***Start Your Herb Seeds***
**Saturday, February 23, 10–11 a.m.**
*Note. This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*
Stop by the library to sow seeds for your garden this year! There will be a variety of herb seeds to choose from. Select the ones best suited to your needs and sow them to grow under the library's grow lights. Seedlings will be ready to take home just in time to plant! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

***How to Grow Herbs in Gardens and Containers***
**Saturday, March 16, 10–11 a.m.**
*Note. This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*
Members of the St. Louis Herb Society will demonstrate exciting ways to incorporate herbs into your garden and containers. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

*Genealogy & Local History Library staff members Lacy McDonald and Reneé Johnson take a quick break from research to snap a photo with Mary Freeman from Chicago. Mary has been working on Alton family history research for several years and finally made the trip down to see us this fall! People come from all over the United States to use our collection, and our staff has corresponded with researchers in other countries as well. We love getting to know everyone who uses our library!*

## Hayner KidsSpace Christmas Party

Hayner Library celebrated its annual children's Christmas Party on Saturday, December 1, 2018. The children who attended were treated to performer Richard Landry and his rabbit sidekick Snowball, followed by sweet treats provided by the Friends of Hayner Library and a visit from the jolly man himself, Santa.

## Adult Winter Reading Program

Warm up with a good book and join us this winter for our Adult Winter Reading Program! From February 1 to February 28, Hayner Library patrons ages 18 and older are invited to join in the winter reading fun—and a chance to win an Amazon Echo! Registration and participation are easy. Simply visit either Hayner library location and fill out a short registration form. For each book, e-book, or audiobook you read, you get a chance to enter a drawing for the grand prize. The more you read the more chances you have to win! One winner will be selected at both the Downtown and Alton Square locations.

For even more chances to win, follow along with our Winter Mystery series, a continuation of the Summer Murder Mystery. Participants may submit three enteries for each of the four books put out as part of the Winter Mystery series. Happy reading!

## Reading at Your Fingertips

Braille is an extraordinary tool used by millions of visually impaired individuals every day. Celebrate National Braille Literacy Month by learning the fundamentals of this code of raised dots as well as the history behind the system.

Here are a few titles offered in the Hayner Library collection:

- *Louis Braille* by Stephen Keeler
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- *What is Braille?* by Deborah Kent
  j411 KEN
- *Counting* by Fleur Star
  BOARD BOOK E STA
- *Shapes* by Fleur Star
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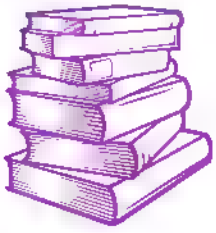
- *Out of Darkness: The Story of Louis Braille* by Russell Freedman
  jB BRAILLE



# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Winter 2019 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and JCPenney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, January 12, 10–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, February 9, 10–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, March 9, 10–11 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

**At Your Fingertips: New Items in our Illinois Room Collection – January 10 & 17, 10-11:30 a.m.**

**Let's Get Physical: Organizing the Stuff of Your Family History – February 14 & 21, 10-11:30 a.m.**

**Bridging the Digital Divide: Scanning, Software Programs, and Storage – March 14 & 21, 10-11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Updated information and new tips every year! We also take requests if there are specific things you'd like to learn about. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Bridging the Generations*
## *Dr. Shirley Portwood*

*Note: To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

**Saturday February 9, 10–11:30 a.m.**

Shirley Portwood holds a Ph.D. in history from Washington University in St. Louis. She is an emerita professor of Historical Studies at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and currently serves on the Board of Trustees for the SIU System. Dr. Portwood has researched and published in Illinois history and other areas. *Tell Us a Story: An African American Family in the Heartland*, published by SIU Press in 2000, is her family history and autobiography.

Dr. Portwood will discuss the ways in which genealogy, family history and storytelling can enrich both one's personal and family experience. Her talk will draw upon examples from historical research, insights gained as a history professor, as well as family history and other oral history stories. Dr. Portwood will also invite audience participation in sharing their own family and personal history stories. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *The Scott Laytham and Karl Holmes Duo*

**Tuesday, February 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Scott Laytham's skills as a musician, arranger, and composer are well known in the St. Louis area. Besides his live performances, Scott has also produced music for both local and national radio and television ads. For live shows, Scott has his hands full. He plays keys, guitars, and sings and also runs the light show and sound system.

Karl "Trickee" Holmes is one of the best vocal impressionists in the country. Some of his impressions include Louis Armstrong, Al Green, Ray Charles, Barry White, Michael Jackson, Prince, Marvin Gaye, Nat King Cole, Elvis, Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones, Johnny Mathis, and the Temptations (he performs all five Temptations voices by himself). You must see it and hear it to believe it! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Jared Hennings*

**Tuesday, February 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Spirituals were a style of music that was transformative during slavery times. Relying on a relationship with God was the only comfort many slaves had. In celebration of Black History Month, Jared Hennings will explore the communicative and restorative aspects of spirituals. Religiously styled music, including gospel, will also be performed. Well-known keyboardist Ralph Monroe and bassist Brian McKinney will accompany Jared. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## *Bud Shultz & the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*

**Celebrate Fat Tuesday**

**Tuesday March 5, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Trimpe Building on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill.*

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in real New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—always with fun and surprises. This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Blend- Jonathan Len*

**A Cappella '50s at Its Best**

**Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Don't miss this great night of entertainment. A cappella doo-wop performer Jonathan Len, formally the lead singer of the immensely popular group Blend, brings back the hits of the '50s and '60s with a twist of fun. He mixes in some favorite country classics and spices everything up with his humor, nostalgia and showmanship! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *What to do with Your Old Christmas Lights?*

Did you know that the Piasa Palisades Group, the Riverbend area's local Sierra Club, collects broken and unwanted incandescent Christmas and string lights for recycling purposes? You can drop lights off at the Piasa Palisades office, located at 200 W Third Street (the Riverbender.com building), and they will ensure that the items are disposed of in an environmentally-friendly way.

## *February is National Wedding Month*

Weddings can be very special—and stressful—occasions. The library offers many books to make wedding planning easier Here are just a few of the many books in our collection guaranteed to make your trip down the aisle easier

- *Bridal Guide Magazine's How to Plan the Perfect Wedding... Without Going Broke* by Diane Forden 395.22 BRI
- *The Knot Ultimate Wedding Look Book: More Than 1,000 Cakes, Centerpieces, Bouquets, Dresses, Decorations, and Ideas for the Perfect Day* by Carley Roney 745.594 RON
- *Bridal Bible: Inspiration for Planning Your Perfect Wedding* by Sharon Naylor 395 22 BRI
- *Style Your Perfect Wedding* by DK Publishing 392.5 STY
- *Groomology: What Every (Smart) Groom Needs to Know Before the Wedding* by Michael Essany 395 22 ESS

And remember, you can always get something old (look up your parents' wedding announcement in *The Telegraph* digital archives), something new (check out a new bestseller for beach reading on your honeymoon), something borrowed (anything in our collection), and something blue (you'd be amazed at how many book covers are blue!) at Hayner Library as well!

## Nonfiction—

**Axe, Josh, Dr.** Keto Diet: Your 30-Day Plan to Lose Weight, Balance Hormones, Boost Brain Health, and Reverse Disease

**Bayer, Mike.** Best Self: Be You, Only Better

**Beschloss, Michael.** Presidents of War

**Boyce, W. Thomas, M.D.** The Orchid and the Dandelion: Why Some Children Struggle and How All Can Thrive

**Chatzky, Jean.** Women with Money: The Judgment-Free Guide to Creating the Joyful, Less Stressed, Purposeful (and Yes, Rich) Life You Deserve

**Clavin, Tom.** Wild Bill: The True Story of the American Frontier's First Gunfighter

**Damour, Lisa. Ph.D.** Under Pressure: Confronting the Epidemic of Stress and Anxiety in Girls

**Esmonde-White, Miranda.** Aging Backwards: Fast Track: 6 Ways in 30 Days to Look and Feel Younger

**Gundry, Steven R.** The Plant Paradox Quick and Easy: The 30-Day Plan to Lose Weight, Feel Great, and Live Lectin-Free

**Hannah, Sophie.** How to Hold a Grudge: From Resentment to Contentment – The Power of Grudges to Transform Your Life

**Hogan, Chris.** Everyday Millionaires: How Ordinary People Built Extraordinary Wealth – and How You Can Too

**Hollis, Rachel.** Girl, Stop Apologizing: A Shame-Free Plan for Embracing and Achieving Your Goals

**Humes, Edward.** Burned: A Story of Murder and the Crime That Wasn't

**Kotlowitz, Alex.** An American Summer: Love and Death in Chicago

**Land, Stephanie.** Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother's Will to Survive

**Leamer, Laurence.** Mar-a-Lago: Inside the Gates of Power at Donald Trump's Presidential Palace

**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl Simply 6: All-Natural Recipes with 6 Ingredients or Less

**Mayes, Frances.** See You in the Piazza: New Places to Discover in Italy

**McNamee, Roger.** Zucked: The Education of an Unlikely Activist

**Meltzer, Brad.** The First Conspiracy: The Secret Plot to Kill George Washington

**Milton, Giles.** Soldier, Sailor, Frogman, Spy, Airman, Gangster, Kill or Die: How the Allies Won on D-Day

**Ornish, Dean, M.D.** Undo It!: How Simple Lifestyle Changes Can Reverse Most Chronic Diseases

**Paltrow, Gwyneth.** The Clean Plate: Eat, Reset, Heal

**Pedersen, Dan.** Topgun: An American Story

**Pipher, Mary.** Women Rowing North: Navigating Life's Currents and Flourishing as We Age

**Robertson, Cara.** The Trial of Lizzie Borden

**Rubin, Gretchen.** Outer Order, Inner Calm: Declutter and Organize to Make More Room for Happiness

**Russo, Gianni.** Hollywood Godfather: My Life in the Movies and the Mob

**Stewart, Martha.** The Martha Manual: How to Do (Almost) Everything

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Grilling: 125+ Recipes for Gatherings Large and Small

**Stratton, W. K.** The Wild Bunch: Sam Peckinpah, a Revolution in Hollywood, and the Making of a Legendary Film

**Thomas, Evan.** First: Sandra Day O'Connor

**Winfrey, Oprah.** The Path Made Clear: Discovering Your Life's Direction and Purpose

## Fiction—

**Armstrong, Kelley.** Watcher in the Wood

**Barron, Stephanie.** That Churchill Woman

**Barton, Fiona.** The Suspect

**Benedict, Marie.** The Only Woman in the Room

**Berry, Steve.** The Malta Exchange

**Block, Lawrence.** A Time to Scatter Stones: A Matthew Scudder Novella

**Bowen, Rhys.** The Victory Garden

**Box, C. J.** Wolf Pack: A Joe Pickett Novel

**Bradley, Alan.** The Golden Tresses of the Dead: A Flavia de Luce Novel

**Burke, James Lee.** The New Iberia Blues: A Dave Robicheaux Novel

**Carr, Robyn.** The Best of Us (Sullivan's Crossing)

**Castle, Richard.** Crashing Heat

**Childs, Laura.** Broken Bone China (A Tea Shop Mystery)

**Coben, Harlan.** Run Away

**Coulter, Catherine.** The Last Second (A Brit in the FBI)

**Cussler, Clive.** Celtic Empire: A Dirk Pitt Novel

**Dailey, Janet.** Letters from Peaceful Lane

**Deveraux, Jude.** A Justified Murder

**Dorsey, Tim.** No Sunscreen for the Dead

**Evanovich, Janet.** The Big Kahuna (Fox and O'Hare)

**Fairstein, Linda.** Blood Oath

**Feehan, Christine.** Toxic Game

**Fielding, Joy.** All the Wrong Places

**Finch, Charles.** The Vanishing Man (Charles Lenox)

**Finder, Joseph.** Judgment: A Novel

**Fluke, Joanne.** Chocolate Cream Pie Murder

**Fox, Candice.** Redemption Point: A Crimson Lake Novel

**Graham, Heather.** A Lethal Legacy

**Greaney, Mark.** Mission Critical (Gray Man)

**Grippando, James.** The Girl in the Glass Box

**Hannah, Sophie.** The Next to Die

**Harper, Jane.** The Lost Man

**Hendricks, Greer.** An Anonymous Girl

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Out of the Dark: An Orphan X Novel

**Iles, Greg.** Cemetery Road

**Johansen, Iris.** Dark Tribute

**Johnstone, William W.** Cutthroats

**Jones, Darynda.** Summoned to Thirteenth Grave

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** The Wedding Guest: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Kinsella, Sophie.** I Owe You One: A Novel

**Kleypas, Lisa.** Devil's Daughter: The Ravenels Meet the Wallflowers

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Untouchable

**Lescroart, John.** Rule of Law

**Mallery, Susan.** California Girls

**Margolin, Phillip.** The Perfect Alibi

**Martin, Kat.** The Conspiracy

**McNaught, Judith.** The Sweetest Thing

**Meissner, Susan.** The Last Year of the War

**Michaels, Fern.** Deep Harbor

**Neggers, Carla.** Stone Bridges

**Patrick, Phaedra.** The Library of Lost and Found

**Patterson, James.** The Chef

**Patterson, James.** The Cornwalls Are Gone

**Patterson, James.** The House Next Door

**Patterson, James.** Liar Liar (Harriet Blue)

**Peterson, Tracie.** Under the Midnight Sun (The Heart of Alaska)

**Peterson, Tracie.** When You Are Near

**Pronzini, Bill.** The Flimflam Affair (Carpenter and Quincannon)

**Riley, Lucinda.** The Moon Sister: A Novel (The Seven Sisters)

**Robards, Karen.** The Fifth Doctrine

**Robb, J. D.** Connections in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel

**Robinson, Peter.** Careless Love: A DCI Banks Novel

**Rollins, James.** Crucible: A Thriller (Sigma Force Novels)

**Rosenfelt, David.** Black and Blue: A Doug Brock Thriller

**See, Lisa.** The Island of Sea Women

**Shalvis, Jill.** Playing for Keeps (Heartbreaker Bay)

**Steel, Danielle.** Silent Night

**Steel, Danielle.** Turning Point

**Taylor, Brad.** Daughter of War: A Pike Logan Thriller

**Todd, Charles.** The Black Ascot

**Winspear, Jacqueline.** The American Agent: A Maisie Dobbs Novel

**Woods, Stuart.** Wild Card (Stone Barrington)

# *Theresa McDonald Biography*

When I interview biography subjects for the newsletter, I usually have them fill out a questionnaire. The questionnaire acts as a primer and helps me to dig a little deeper with other questions later. This month, I am writing about Theresa McDonald who works in the library's Technical Service department. This young woman is very bright, creative, fun and quirky. Quirky, when used to describe this young woman, is meant to be a loving compliment. Let me give you an example. My first question posed to Theresa was, "Where were you born?" Theresa's answer was, "In a hospital." I thought to myself, "Oh, Lord, how am I going to bring her down to my way of thinking?"

Guess what? I am not bringing her down to my way of thinking—I am going up to her level! Here it goes!

I asked her to tell me a little about growing up. She told me she got taller. The street on which she grew up was the perfect combination of Winnipeg during hockey season and a rustic 1950s sheep farm. The neighborhood children were reminiscent of the Lollipop Guild from *The Wizard of Oz* and she is still haunted by their singing! She has an older brother and sister. She tells me she is legally bound not to talk about the crimes, I mean the mischief, the McDonald children got into.

She attended Mark Twain Elementary and Lovejoy Elementary, East Middle School and Alton High School. Her parents wanted to keep life interesting so they had her attend high school first and then work her way down. In fifth grade she made her acting debut as Elf Number Four in the school Christmas play. Despite glowing reviews, she declined offers to star on Broadway in order to remain humble.

After high school, she thought she wanted to be a daycare teacher. She enrolled in early childhood education classes for a semester but realized it wasn't what she wanted to spend her life doing. She decided to take some time off from school in order to contemplate her future. It was during this time that she became an employee at Hayner Library, starting as a Page. Library Pages shelve books and keep library materials in order. After working at the library for a little while, Theresa was promoted to the Circulation department. In 2010, she moved into the Technical Service department. Patrons may still see her roaming around the library filling in for other departments when the need arises.

Theresa says she will never forget "the big move" when the Alton Square Library moved from the upper level of the Alton Square Mall into its current location on the lower level. Theresa said that the move involved many hours of hard work boxing up books, audiobooks, CDs, and DVDs and making sure everything was kept in order so that unpacking and re-shelving would be easier in the new library. She says it was tense, hectic and exhausting work but she proudly looks back and says, "I was a part of the big move!"

One of the most important people in Theresa's life was her grandfather William Daniels. He was a large John Wayne-type of guy, was very generous and had a big heart! Theresa will also be forever grateful for her friend Shannon W. who is always there for her! Theresa has always loved her imaginary friend Guido, whom she admires for his honesty, even when he told her she was too weird for him and promptly disappeared from her life.

Theresa is very imaginative. She loves to create things and she does it in many ways. She sews, cooks, builds things and loves to write. Her biggest accomplishment was making a couch out of discarded VHS tapes!

I asked Theresa what her favorite book is and why. You won't be surprised. Her favorite book is *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*. She feels it is as if Lewis Carroll traveled through time and crawled inside her mind and said, "Hmm, this place is a wonderland."

She feels terribly indebted to friends and family who have helped her through some rough patches. One of Theresa's favorite inspirational quotes is from Carole King, "You've got to get up every morning with a smile on your face and show the world all the love in your heart."

Theresa McDonald is very kind, bright and has a heart big enough to share with us all.

I would like to end this fun and quirky article with a quote from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*.

*"And the moral of that is—'Be what you would seem to be'—or, if you'd like it put more simply—'Never imagine yourself not to be otherwise than what it might appear to others that what you were or might have been was not otherwise than what you had been would have appeared to them to be otherwise.'" —Chapter 9, "The Mock Turtle's Story"*

*–Stephanie Munson*

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## *Attention, Fellow Insomniacs*

Since middle school, I've had difficulty turning my brain off at night in order to get a good night's sleep. Over the years, I've tried many things that I thought might help: breathing exercises, over-the-counter sleep aids, playing mind games, scenting my pillow with lavender, etc. The remedies had mixed results, but recently, I've accidently stumbled upon a method that has, so far, worked perfectly.

A while ago, I checked out a thirty-seven disc audiobook (yikes!) with a two-week checkout period. I decided to listen to some of the discs at night while trying to get to sleep. On the first night, a miracle occurred! As I focused my mind on the book's plot, no other thoughts invaded, allowing me to drift off to sleep. It's hard to believe that there have been times when I have lost an entire night's sleep and nowadays I'm asleep even before the third track starts!

*–Theresa McDonald*

## *Hmm, This Voice Sounds Familiar*

Have you ever listened to an audiobook and thought to yourself, "I know I've heard the narrator's voice before." That might be because some of Hollywood's most famous stars also narrate audiobooks!

Here are some examples, all of which can be checked out at Hayner Library:

Benedict Cumberbatch—*Sherlock Holmes. The Rediscovered Railway Mysteries and Other Stories* by John Taylor

Alan Cumming—*Behemoth* by Scott Westerfeld, *Leviathan* by Scott Westerfeld, and *Vittorio the Vampire* by Anne Rice

Claire Danes—*The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood and *The Snow Queen* by Michael Cunningham

Johnny Depp—*A Life* by Keith Richards.

Octavia Spencer—*The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

Meryl Streep—*The One and Only Shrek!* by William Steig and *Rabbit Ears: Stories by Beatrix Potter* by Beatrix Potter

# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 21
Memorial Day, May 26, 27

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## *Library Crawl*

Congratulations to the winners of our inaugural Library Crawl 2019! The winners had a lot of fun visiting other participating libraries in the Illinois Heartland Library System and getting their Library Crawl 2019 passport stamped. One of our participants, Sally Bland, visited all 26 libraries on the Crawl—and said it was the most fun she's had in a long time!

The Library Crawl was a great way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit other libraries—and to experience the wide array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state.

We had so much fun visiting with patrons from other libraries who came to Hayner Library to get their passport stamped. We can't wait to participate in next year's Library Crawl.

Each winner received a gift certificate to an Alton restaurant: My Just Desserts, Morrison's Irish Pub, and Old Bakery Beer Company. We would also like to thank Morrison's Irish Pub for their generous donation of a gift certificate.

The 2019 Library Crawl winners: Wendy Krause, Sally Bland, Brien Gill, Sharon Eberlin, Marilyn Stewart, and Sallie Cain.

*We hope to see everyone at next year's Library Crawl!*

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*It's spring fever. That is what the name of it is. And when you've got it, you want – oh, you don't quite know what it is you do want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache, you want it so!*

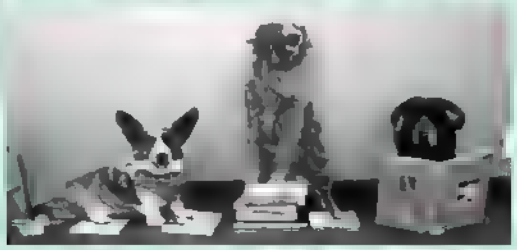
*—Mark Twain*

Spring is finally here! It's time to shake off winter and head outside to enjoy the warmer days. Hayner Library has everything you need to enhance your enjoyment of the great outdoors. We offer gardening kits, fishing poles, and telescopes, all of which can be checked out for free with a library card.

## *Meet the Pups*

Did you happen to admire the pictures of the cute dogs in the Alton Square Library display window last month? Well then meet the dogs in person at one of our Bow-wow Pow-wow programs! These canines are professionally-trained therapy dogs and they enjoy meeting new people, especially kids.

Just like all of Hayner Library's programs, Bow-wow Pow-wow is absolutely free. No registration is needed for this program. Tails begin wagging at 10 a.m. on the second Saturday of every month at the Alton Square Library. Be sure to bring the whole family—it's a doggone good time!



## *Food for Fido*

***Help us Help Them***

Do you have Hayner Library materials that are still checked out and are embarrassingly overdue? Do you keep getting notices in the mail and are scared of what your fine is? Then breathe a sigh of relief. From April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.

All the donations will go to our furry friends residing at the 5A's Animal Shelter. The devoted staff of this no-kill shelter relies entirely on donations to provide proper care to the adoptable animals that have been abandoned, neglected, or abused…animals like Melissa and Karma (pictured below ) For more information about this worthy organization, call (618) 466-3702, visit their website at www.fiveas org, visit their Facebook page, or pay them a visit at 4530 N. Alby St., Godfrey, IL.

## Have a Reference Librarian in Your Own Home!

We all know that the Internet is a great tool for performing quick searches and obtaining basic information. But the online world can be a bit scary when you need reliable, credible and timely information. In years past, patrons would call the Reference department of their public library to obtain information; they knew that the librarians would use up-to-date reference works and cite their sources when answering questions. Libraries still provide this wonderful one-on-one service, but what should you do when the library is closed and you need information? Before you turn to Google, try a research database!

What is a research database? A research database is a searchable collection of information, including journals, newspapers, magazines, reports, maps, newsletters and more Unlike some information found on the Internet, the information contained in research databases has a scholarly and/or peer-reviewed filter and authority and trustworthiness are virtually guaranteed Research databases are focused by subject, eliminating irrelevant information. Research databases are also equipped to make research easier—users have the ability to save, print and email articles, and there's even a citation format tool for students (MLA, APA, AMA, etc.).

Hayner Library offers several research databases, which are available 24/7 on the library's website. All you need is a Hayner Library card to use these FREE resources from the comfort of your own home. Our databases cover a wide range of topics, including:

- AutoMate: Auto repair and maintenance information. Includes diagnostic manuals, diagrams, labor times, recall information, repair information, etc
- NoveList Plus: Readers' advisory database for fiction. Includes recommendations and reviews, what-to-read-next information, read-alike information, etc.
- NoveList Plus K-8 Readers' advisory database for children's fiction Includes recommendations and reviews, what-to-read-next information, read-alike information, etc.
- Primary Search: A full-text database providing popular children's magazines, easy-to-read encyclopedic entries and a vast image collection. Students can learn about a variety of topics
- MasterFILE Premier: This database provides full-text magazines, reference books and primary source documents It also includes an extensive image collection containing photos, maps and flags
- Consumer Health Complete: Supports the information needs of patients and fosters an overall understanding of health-related topics. This resource provides content covering all key areas of health and wellness, from mainstream medicine to the many perspectives of complementary and holistic medicine
- ConsumerReports.org: Digital archive of *Consumer Reports* magazine. Includes product reviews, tests, etc.

To access the databases from home or your mobile device, visit www haynerlibrary org and click on the *Online Resources* link at the top of the page. You will need a valid Hayner Library card to access the databases from home. The databases are also available for use on any Hayner Library computer during normal library hours.

## Use the Force . . . Or Your Library Card

Any self-respecting *Star Wars* fan knows that *Star Wars* Day is May 4. Let Hayner Library help you celebrate! Are you planning a movie marathon? The library has all of the essential movies on DVD or Blu-ray. We also have the *Star Wars: The Clone Wars* animated series and several *Lego: Star Wars* adventures But why stop at the movies? The library has over two hundred *Star Wars* themed books, suitable for every age, including fiction and non-fiction; the intergalactic titles include the family-friendly craft book *The Star Wars Craft Book* by Bonnie Burton as well as *5-Minute Star Wars Stories,* which you can read to your little Jedis before bed!

## New in Our Illinois Room

**The Advancement of Alton, Illinois, a General City Plan Study for the Board of Trade, 1914** IR 977 386 ROB

**The Alton Military Prison: A Collection of Articles & Stories About Living Conditions, Prison Life, Women Prisoners, Guards, Escapes, and Matters Concerning the "Smallpox Island" compiled by Tom Kaiman** IR 973 77 ALT

**The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Joseph Cummings and Ada Stella Spry: History of the Cummings-Duddy and Spry-Simpson Families** IR 929 2 CUMMINGS

**Boston Marriages from 1700 to 1809** IR 974 461 MCG Vols 1 and 2

**The Civic Development Plans of Alton, Illinois/ Prepared Under the Direction of the Alton City Plan Commission; Jacob L. Crane, Jr., George F. Ingalls, Associate Engineers and Consultants** IR LOCKED CASES 333 770977386 ALT

**Civil War: A Narrative, Fort Sumter to Perryville by Shelby Foote** IR 973 7 FOO

**Combined Atlases of Bond County, Illinois, 1875 & 1900** IR 912.773873 COM

**Deaths and Marriages from Early Quincy Papers, 1835-1850** IR 977 344 PA

**The Dinky: A Collection of Newspaper Articles, Photos and Miscellaneous Information about the Illinois Terminal Railbus** IR 385 09773 DIN

**Glen Carbon Grade School, Glen Carbon Heritage Museum: National Register of Historic Places Registration Form** IR 977.386 GLE

**Glen Carbon Village Hall and Firehouse: National Register of Historic Places Registration Form** IR 977.386 GLE

**Illustrated Atlas Map of Montgomery County, Ill.: Carefully Compiled from Personal Examinations and Surveys** IR 912.77382 BRI

**Lincoln's Yarns and Stories: A Complete Collection of the Funny and Witty Anecdotes That Made Abraham Lincoln Famous as America's Greatest Storyteller** IR 973.7092 MCC

**Moments in Lincoln's Life by Tom Emery** IR B LINCOLN EMERY

**Out of the Vault Recipes: My Just Desserts --31 E. Broadway, Alton, Illinois, by Yvonne Campbell, illustrated by David Alan Badger** IR 641 5 CAM

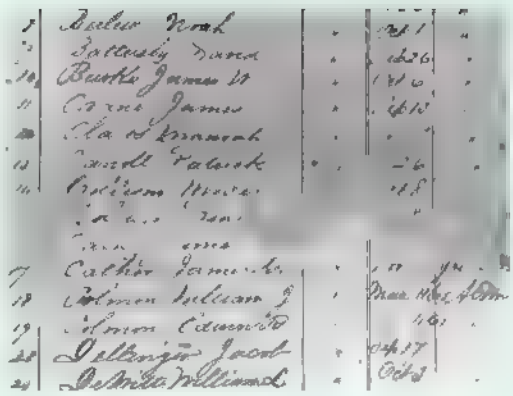
**Printing Presses in the Graphic Arts Collection: Printing, Embossing, Stamping and Duplicating Devices by Elizabeth M. Harris. National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution** IR 686 2 HAR

**The University Greys: Company A, Eleventh Mississippi Regiment, Army of Northern Virginia, 1861-1865 by Maud Morrow Brown** IR 973.7462 BRO

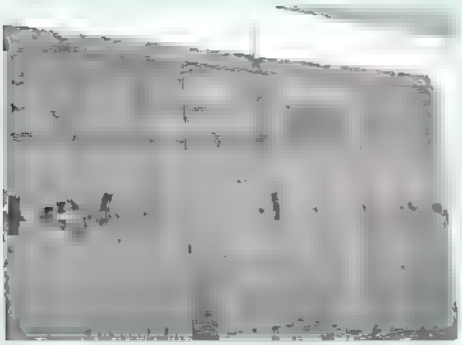
# *A Civil War Muster Roll Journeys North*

***Jean Shimunek, Hayner Reference Librarian:***

While cleaning out our mother's house, my sisters and I came across a document tucked away in one of her drawers. It was rolled up in a cardboard cylinder and could easily have been tossed out. Thank goodness we saved it!



As it turned out, the document was a long-missing muster roll (a handwritten list of names of prisoners) from the Alton Penitentiary, dated April 30–June 30, 1865. We actually did not know the real historical value, just that it was from the Civil War and that it had to do with my mother's grandfather, Charles H. Bartlett, and his two year service as clerk at the Alton Penitentiary.



Charles H. Bartlett migrated with his family by canal boat from Boston and in 1858 settled on a farm located near Scarritt's Prairie in Godfrey (originally known as Monticello). He was a farmer who was a former member of The Bach Society of Boston and the Literary Guild of St. Louis. An incident during his service as clerk at the Alton Penitentiary became part of family lore. When he was out exercising the prisoners, a wagonload of parched corn came down the hill traveling towards the river. The starving prisoners eyed the corn as it started to pass by. Understanding their dire need to eat, he compassionately turned his back so they could get handfuls of the corn.

Soon after I discovered the muster roll, I called Hayner Genealogy & Local History Manager Lacy McDonald. She was ecstatic and knew exactly where the muster roll would be best preserved.

***Lacy McDonald, Hayner Genealogy & Local History Manager:***

Alton was an extremely important city during the Civil War, and when Jean called to tell me that she had found an original muster roll, I was shocked. The 144th Illinois Infantry Regiment was organized at Alton, Illinois, and was mustered into Federal service on October 21, 1864. The regiment served in garrisons in the Saint Louis, Missouri area and at the Alton Penitentiary and was mustered out of service at the end of the war, on July 14, 1865. At the end of the war, the muster rolls were supposed to go the state of Illinois, but for some reason the 144th Illinois Infantry Regiment's rolls never made it. Some of their muster rolls have been found here and there, like Jean's family's, but most have been missing for the last 150 or so years, so Jean's discovery is a big deal for the state. I emailed the director of the Illinois State Archives, Dave Joens, and he immediately got back in touch to say that they would love to have the roll and that he would come down from Springfield personally to pick it up. Dave and his colleague Cathy Popovitch arrived a week later. Neither Dave nor Cathy had ever been to Alton before (though Dave mentioned how fondly their boss, Secretary of State Jesse White, talks about Alton, his hometown), and they both enjoyed the visit to the library and lunch at My Just Desserts.

After the muster roll made it to the Archives it needed some TLC. Staff humidified it, flattened it, and gave it a light cleaning. They removed the tape to prevent future deterioration and solidified the gaps with heat-set tissue (mending tape). They then placed it in a large acid free folder which was placed in a temperature and humidity controlled vault for storage. The muster roll will be scanned and a digital copy will be added to the Hayner collection.

I cannot stress enough how important this muster roll is to future researchers. Dave told Jean and me that the Archives possessed the enlistment muster roll for the 144th and the muster out muster roll for the 144th, but did not have an active duty muster roll until Jean's family's generous gift. This greatly helps their collection and, considering this is for the Alton prison, Dave believes these muster rolls will be utilized by researchers in the future. Thanks to the instinct by Jean's mother, Alice Bartlett Marsh, to save this document, a little piece of history is preserved for future generations. It always amazes me what treasures can be found tucked away in attics, closets, and drawers.

# KidsSpace
## April & May 2019 Activities

## April

Monday, April 1, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, April 1, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m Ages 2-6

Tuesday, April 2, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, April 4, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

**Friday, April 5, 2019**
- **Staff Development Day**
  **Library Closed**

Monday, April 8, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, April 8, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m Ages 2-6

Tuesday, April 9, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, April 11, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Thursday, April 11, 2019
- Legos @ Your Library
  3:30 p.m Ages 6-12

**Saturday, April 13, 2019**
- **KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt**
  **10 a.m. Bring your cameras!**

Monday, April 15, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5 ***(Will meet at Audubon Center at Riverlands, 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, MO 63386)***

Monday, April 15, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, April 16, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Tuesday, April 16, 2019
- After-School Fun (Downtown)
  3:30 p.m. Ages 6-12

Thursday, April 18, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Monday, April 22, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, April 22, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, April 23, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, April 25, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Monday, April 29, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, April 29, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, April 30, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

## May

Thursday, May 2, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Monday, May 6, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, May 6, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, May 7, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, May 9, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Thursday, May 9, 2019
- Legos @ Your Library
  3:30 p m. Ages 6-12

Monday, May 13, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, May 13, 201
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, May 14, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, May 16, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Monday, May 20, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, May 20, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, May 21, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Tuesday, May 21, 2019
- After-School Fun (Downtown)
  3:30 p.m. Ages 6-12

Thursday, May 23, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m Ages Birth-2

**Monday, May 27, 2019**
- **Library closed in observance of Memorial Day**

# KidsSpace
## Summer Reading Program 2019

## *Summer Reading Program*

Saturday, June 1, 2019
- Summer Reading Program Kickoff
  9 a.m.- 4 p m.

Monday, June 3, 2019
- Stories and Puppets
  10 a.m Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, June 4, 2019
- Stories and Art (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 4, 2019
- Movie Tuesdays
  2 p.m Ages 2-12

Wednesday, June 5, 2019
- Tommy Wizard
  10 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 6, 2019
- Drop-In Craft
  10 a.m. Ages 5-12

Thursday, June 6, 2019
- Lego Quest
  2-3 p.m. Ages 2-12

Monday, June 10, 2019
- Stories and Puppets
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, June 11, 2019
- Stories and Art (Downtown)
  10 a.m Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 11, 2019
- Movie Tuesdays
  2 p.m Ages 2-12

Wednesday, June 12, 2019
- Swords and Roses (A Hero for Hire)
  10 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 13, 2019
- Drop-In Craft
  10 a.m. Ages 5-12

Thursday, June 13, 2019
- Lego Quest
  2-3 p.m. Ages 2-12

Monday, June 17, 2019
- Stories and Puppets
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, June 18, 2019
- Stories and Art (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 18, 2019
- Movie Tuesdays
  2 p.m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, June 19, 2019
- OMG Josh
  10 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 20, 2019
- Drop-In Craft
  10 a.m. Ages 5-12

Thursday, June 20, 2019
- Lego Quest
  2-3 p.m. Ages 2-12

Monday, June 24, 2019
- Stories and Puppets
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, June 25, 2019
- Stories and Art (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 25, 2019
- Movie Tuesdays
  2 p.m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, June 26, 2019
- Yo-Yo Matt
  10 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 27, 2019
- Drop-In Craft
  10 a.m. Ages 5-12

Thursday, June 27, 2019
- Lego Quest
  2-3 p.m. Ages 2-12

Monday, July 1, 2019
- Stories and Puppets
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, July 2, 2019
- Stories and Art (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 2, 2019
- Movie Tuesdays
  2 p.m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, July 3, 2019
- Mad Science (Sounds like Science)
  10 a.m. All Ages

**Thursday, July 4, 2019**
- **Library closed in observance of Independence Day**

**Sunday, July 7, 2019**
- **LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS!**

Monday, July 8, 2019
- Stories and Puppets
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, July 9, 2019
- Stories and Art (Downtown)
  10 a.m Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 9, 2019
- Movie Tuesdays
  2 p m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, July 10, 2019
- Jeanie Bryan Puppets
  10 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, July 11, 2019
- End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party – 5-7 p.m Performer: Leonardo By Invitation Only!

To register for any of our spring programs, please call Alton Square KidsSpace at (618) 433-2881 or Downtown KidsSpace at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836

Summer registration will begin on Saturday, June 1, 2019, at our Alton Square location.

***Please note: All teen events will take place at the Riverbender.com Community Center.***

Wednesday, April 3, 2019
- GN Book Club
  4 p.m

Wednesday, April 10, 2019
- Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt
  3:30 p.m

Wednesday, April 17, 2019
- Teen Movie @ Riverbender.com Community Center
  3:45 p.m.

Wednesday, April 24, 2019
- Succulent Terrariums
  3:45 p.m

Wednesday, May 1, 2019
- GN Book Club
  4 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8, 2019
- Teen Movie @ Riverbender.com Community Center
  3:45 p.m.

Wednesday, May 15, 2019
- End-of-the-School-Year Party
  3:30 p.m.

## *"It's Showtime at Your Library"*

***Please note: All teen events will take place at the Riverbender.com Community Center, except the Summer Reading Kickoff, which will take place at the Alton Square Library.***

Saturday, June 1, 2019
Summer Reading Program Kickoff
All participants who sign-up on this day will be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift card

Wednesday, June 5, 2019
- Movie Day
  2-4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 12, 2019
- YouTube Star
  2-4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 19, 2019
- Are you Smarter than a Librarian?
  2-4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 26, 2019
- Free Play
  2-4 p.m.

**Sunday, June 30, 2019**
- **LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS!**

Wednesday, July 3, 2019
- End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party
  90s Theme Party
  2-4 p.m.

To register for any of our spring programs, please call (618) 433-2872.

Registration for summer programming begins Saturday, June 1, 2019, at our Alton Square location

## *A Little Digging Required: A Beginner's Guide to Uncovering Your Family's Roots*

Filling in the empty boxes on your family tree diagram can be an intimidating project, especially if you have limited knowledge of the past generations in your family. Luckily, Hayner Library has an entire Genealogy & Local History Library dedicated to helping you along your ancestral journey.
And knowing your grandparents' information might just be enough!

Knowing just a grandparent's name will allow you to perform a basic newspaper archive search. The newspaper archive search may reveal an obituary or wedding announcement, which may reveal a great-grandparent's name (along with other family members' names).

Once your great-grandparents' names are found, the library offers resources such as Ancestry.com and fold3.com, which will allow you to look into past census and military records in the hopes of uncovering more information on *their* families. And just like that, an impossible project is underway!

But why limit yourself to finding only names and dates when a wealth of other information is waiting to be found? With the resources available at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, you might be able to uncover details about your ancestors such as passport records, family businesses, church membership records, and more. And if your family lived locally, you might even be able to find pictures of the house in which they lived!

Still need a little help getting started? No problem! One of our knowledgeable staff members is more than willing to assist you any time the Genealogy & Local History Library is open. You can even make an appointment for one-on-one assistance by calling 462-0677, option 3. We look forward to helping you find out more about your family's history!

## *Who is Mother Goose?*

Most children will hear a Mother Goose nursery rhyme well before they are aware of other narrative rhymes, such as the classic children's book *The Cat in the Hat*. But is the fabled mother of children's rhymes a real person?

The answer is a bit tricky, as variants of the name "Mother Goose" have appeared in numerous places throughout history.

According to Boston legend, the "real" Mother Goose might have been one of the city's dearly departed residents. According to legend, in 1719, a prominent Boston printer by the name of Thomas Fleet published a book entitled *Songs for the Nursery; or, Mother Goose's Melodies for Children*. The book was a compilation of silly songs and nursery rhymes his mother-in-law, Elizabeth Foster Goose, would sing throughout the day while tending to her grandchildren. The songs and rhymes were those she invented in her younger days.

However, literary historians point to the existence of various French texts, some as far back as the tenth century, when discussing the origin of Mother Goose. King Robert II of France (A.D. 972-1031) had a wife who told tales to entertain children. And texts, dating as early as 1626, show the French terms "mere l'oye" or "mere oye" (Mother Goose) being used.

In 1697, French author Charles Perrault published a popular collection of rhymes and stories subtitled *Les Contes de ma Mère l'Oie (Tales of My Mother Goose)*. In 1729, British writer and translator Robert Samber translated Perrault's collection into English under the title *Histories or Tales of Past Times, Told by Mother Goose*. Samber's collection was republished in 1786 and gained popularity in the United States.

While the identity of the "real" Mother Goose may be up for debate, one thing is certain: the popularity of the rhymes endure.

**All locations of The Hayner Public Library District will be closed Friday, April 5, 2019, for our annual staff in-service and training day.**

## *Adult Winter Reading*

The adult winter reading program was a great success. Over 50 patrons signed up to participate in the program—along with a chance to win an Amazon Echo. This year's winners were Darlene Watts and Danelle St. Peters.

Please join us in June for our summer reading program, when our theme will be "It's Showtime at Your Library."

## *Alton ABC*

From concept through illustration, design, and binding, a small group of Alton High School students and their teacher, Mrs. Lexa Browning-Needham, have collaborated with our own Reneé B. Johnson of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library to publish *Alton ABC*. The rhyming alphabet picture book is designed to delight and inform, acknowledging the present and the history of our area. Please join us in celebrating these students during the *Alton ABC* book signing and reading Saturday, May 18, 2019, from 11 a.m.–12 p.m., at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton. No registration required.

## *All Town, USA Anniversary Celebration*

**Saturday, May 11, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.**

*Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton*

Join us for the one year anniversary of the release of All Town, USA! Have coffee and cookies with some of the people interviewed in the podcast as we join together to celebrate what we love about Alton. No registration required.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Spring 2017 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and JCPenney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, April 13, 10–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, May 11, 10–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, June 8, 10–11 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's agreat way to increase your child's reading skills and is absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## *Dennis Stroughmatt and His Swingin' Band*

### The Western Swing Sounds of Bob Wills, Ray Price and Wade Ray

**Tuesday, April 9, 6:30 p.m.**

Western swing is a musical style that continues to influence musicians across the planet. Southwestern Illinois was home to one of the most influential of Western swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray. Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, worked with Ray Price, and was well known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows. Fiddler, vocalist, and historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with him. His performance and presentation will include a mix of songs from the era of Bob Wills, Ray Price and Wade Ray. Like his mentor Wade Ray, Dennis will make you want to swing!

Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

### Sharing & Collaborating on Social Media

**April 11 & 18, 10–11:30 a.m.**

### Ancestry.com: the Forest & the Trees

**May 9 & 16, 10–11:30 a.m.**

### Family Search: Records, Books, and Family Tree

**June 13 & 20, 10–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Updated information and new tips every year! We also take requests if there are specific things you'd like to learn about. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Color Me Stress Free*

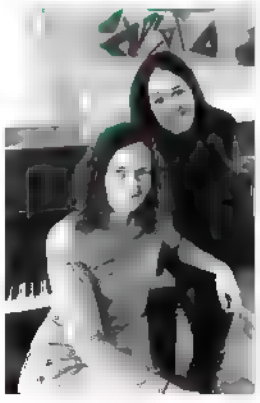
**Thursday, April 18, 5–7 p.m.**
**Thursday, June 13, 5–7 p.m.**

*Note: This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library.*

Come color with us and enjoy great company. Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an hour or two. Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Gigi Stavros Darr & Jackie Tolson*

**Tuesday, April 30, 6:30 p.m.**



Imagine the sounds of Carole King, Sarah Bareilles, Stevie Wonder, Etta James, Alicia Keys, Lady Gaga, George Benson, Aretha Franklin, Billy Joel, Fleetwood Mac, and Elton John all in one concert performance! Local pianist Gigi Stavros Darr and vocalist Jackie Tolson, originally from Liverpool, UK, will entertain the audience with their eclectic mix of music, creating an easy- listening atmosphere. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *The Scott Laytham and Karl Holmes Duo*

**Tuesday, May 7, 6:30 p.m.**

Scott Laytham's skills as a musician, arranger, and composer are well known in the St. Louis area. Besides his live performances, Scott has also produced music for both local and national radio and television ads. For live shows, Scott has his hands full. He plays keys and guitars, sings, and also runs the light show and sound system. Karl "Trickee" Holmes is one of the best vocal

# Special Events at Hayner

impressionists in the country. Some of his impressions include Louis Armstrong, Al Green, Ray Charles, Barry White, Michael Jackson, Prince, Marvin Gaye, Nat King Cole, Elvis, Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones, Johnny Mathis, and the Temptations (he performs all five Temptations voices by himself). You must see it and hear it to believe it! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

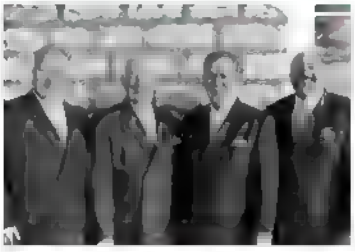
## *Dave Foraker and Triple Play*

**Tuesday, May 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Three of the area's finest multi-instrumentalists—together in a new trio! Bob Warner, Ed Eckert and Dave Foraker perform rockin' rhythm and blues and classic rock. Highly danceable rhythms, popular songs and good times guaranteed! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Wanda Mountain Boys*

**Tuesday, June 4, 6:30 p.m.**



Southern gospel music has always been known for its smooth harmonies, strong vocals and powerful, straightforward lyrics. For the last twenty-five years, the Wanda Mountain Boys have displayed all three of these qualities while establishing themselves in the gospel music community in the Midwest. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Incredible Bats*

**Tuesday, June 18, 6:30 p.m.**

This program, "Incredible Bats", features live fruit bats! This is a multimedia presentation in which live Egyptian fruit bats and African straw-colored fruit bats are displayed. It is a program well-suited for children and adults. The multimedia program starts with an interactive PowerPoint presentation which dispellings common myths and gives an overview of bats worldwide. The latter part of the talk focuses on local bats and the challenges facing them. After the talk, two different species of fruit bats are displayed for Q&A. At least one striped skunk is brought along for petting and photo ops. You can see four other skunks on the Incredible Skunks Facebook page. There may be other animal surprises as well! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Gerald McWorter and Kate Williams-McWorter*

**"New Philadelphia"**

**Saturday, June 29, 2019, 10–11:30 a.m.**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.*

Gerald McWorter, a professor emeritus of information sciences and African American studies, and his wife, Kate Williams-McWorter, a professor of information sciences, have written a book telling the story of the town founded by McWorter's great-great-grandfather, Frank McWorter. Their book, *New Philadelphia*, was published last September, and will be available for purchase at the presentation ($20). Williams-McWorter describes the book as, "200 years of history in 200 pages with 200 photos." Please see the book review of *New Philadelphia* (also located in this newsletter) to learn more. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Gardening Classes*

***Importance of Pollinators***

**Wednesday, April 17, 6:30–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Bill Klopfenstein, Illinois Master Gardener and retired chemistry professor, will present a class on pollinator insects and how they help our gardens and their valuable role in nature.
Please register at 1-800-613-3163

***Kokedama String Garden***

**Wednesday, May 8, 6:30–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

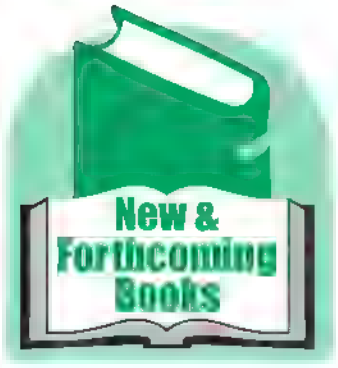
Kokedama is a centuries-old Japanese garden artform related to the practice of bonsai. In this class, you will make a kokedama–a moss ball–with an indoor house plant and a ball of moss surrounding it, all tied up with string. This is a living planter as well as a unique display piece. Class size is limited to 10
Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

***Creating Soil in the Home Landscape***

**Wednesday, June 19, 6:30–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

Eleanor Schumacher, Resource Conservationist from the Madison County Soil and Water Conservation District, will present a very interesting class on how one woman turned her suburban lawn into a lush garden by tearing up her sod and generating new soil Eleanor will go through the steps and ingredients needed to create good soil for your home landscape
Please register at 1-800-613-3163.




## Nonfiction—

**Abrams, Dan.** Theodore Roosevelt for the Defense: The Courtroom Battle to Save His Legacy

**Ali, Hana.** At Home with Muhammad Ali: A Memoir of Love, Loss, and Forgiveness

**Bach, David.** The Latte Factor: Why You Don't Have to Be Rich to Live Rich

**Barry, Dave.** Lessons From Lucy: The Simple Joys of an Old, Happy Dog

**Berra, Dale.** My Dad, Yogi: A Memoir of Family and Baseball

**Bowden, Mark.** The Last Stone: A Masterpiece of Criminal Interrogation

**Brinkley, Douglas.** American Moonshot: John F. Kennedy and the Great Space Race

**Cep, Casey.** Furious Hours: Murder, Fraud, and the Last Trial of Harper Lee

**Cruise, Jorge.** The Cruise Control Diet: Automate Your Diet and Conquer Weight Loss Forever

**Douglas, John E.** The Killer Across the Table: Unlocking the Secrets of Serial Killers and Predators with the FBI's Original Mindhunter

**Ellis, Helen.** Southern Lady Code: Essays

**Geist, William (Bill).** Lake of the Ozarks: My Surreal Summers in a Vanishing America

**Goldberg, Danny.** Serving the Servant: Remembering Kurt Cobain

**Gottlieb, Lori.** Maybe You Should Talk to Someone: A Therapist, HER Therapist, and Our Lives Revealed

**Guisewite, Cathy.** Fifty Things That Aren't My Fault: Essays from the Grown-up Years

**Gundry, Steven.** The Longevity Paradox: How to Die Young at a Ripe Old Age

**Homolka, Gina.** The Skinnytaste Air Fryer Cookbook: The 75 Best Healthy Recipes for Your Air Fryer

**Jones, Brian Jay.** Becoming Dr. Seuss: Theodor Geisel and the Making of an American Imagination

**Kassem, Amirah.** The Power of Sprinkles: A Cake Book by the Founder of Flour Shop

**Kershaw, Alex.** The First Wave: The D-Day Warriors Who Led the Way to Victory in World War II

**Lee, Heath Hardage.** The League of Wives: The Untold Story of the Women Who Took on the U.S. Government to Bring Their Husbands Home

**Levy, Shawn.** The Castle on Sunset: Life, Death, Love, Art, and Scandal at Hollywood's Chateau Marmont

**Marx, Patricia.** Why Don't You Write My Eulogy Now So I Can Correct It?: A Mother's Suggestions

**May, Meredith.** The Honey Bus: A Memoir of Loss, Courage and a Girl Saved by Bees

**McCullough, David.** The Pioneers: The Heroic Story of the Settlers Who Brought the American Ideal West

**McRaven, Admiral William H. (Ret.)** Sea Stories: My Life in Special Operations

**Mercola, Dr. Joseph.** KetoFast: Rejuvenate Your Health with a Step-by-Step Guide to Timing Your Ketogenic Meals

**Mezrich, Ben.** Bitcoin Billionaires: A True Story of Genius, Betrayal, and Redemption

**Namath, Joe.** All the Way: My Life in Four Quarters

**Newton-John, Olivia.** Don't Stop Believin': A Memoir

**Obmascik, Mark.** The Storm on Our Shores: One Island, Two Soldiers, and the Forgotten Battle of World War II

**Page, Susan.** The Matriarch: Barbara Bush and the Making of an American Dynasty

**Pelley, Scott.** Truth Worth Telling: A Reporter's Search for Meaning in the Stories of Our Times

**Purnell, Sonia.** A Woman of No Importance: The Untold Story of the American Spy Who Helped Win World War II

**Raichlen, Steven.** The Brisket Chronicles: How to Barbecue, Braise, Smoke, and Cure the World's Most Epic Cut of Meat

**Ripken, Cal, Jr.** Just Show Up: And Other Enduring Values from Baseball's Iron Man

**Rose, Sarah.** D-Day Girls: The Spies Who Armed the Resistance, Sabotaged the Nazis, and Helped Win World War II

**Rubenhold, Hallie.** The Five: The Untold Lives of the Women Killed by Jack the Ripper

**Setoodeh, Ramin.** Ladies Who Punch: The Explosive Inside Story of "The View"

**Shapiro, Ben.** The Right Side of History: How Reason and Moral Purpose Made the West Great

**Smith, Ian K., M.D.** Clean & Lean: 30 Days, 30 Foods, a New You!

**Taraborrelli, J. Randy.** The Kennedy Heirs: John, Caroline, and the New Generation - A Legacy of Triumph and Tragedy

**Quindlen, Anna.** Nanaville: Adventures in Grandparenting

**Zuckoff, Mitchell.** Fall and Rise: The Story of 9/11

## Fiction—

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** A Plain Vanilla Murder (China Bayles)

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** Sunset Beach: A Novel

**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Heart of Gold

**Baldacci, David.** Redemption (Memory Man)

**Benjamin, Melanie.** Mistress of the Ritz: A Novel

**Briggs, Patricia.** Storm Cursed (Mercy Thompson)

**Brooks, Terry.** The Stiehl Assassin (The Fall of Shannara)

**Brown, Dale.** The Kremlin Strike

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Whiskers in the Dark: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery

**Burke, Alafair.** The Better Sister: A Novel

**Carr, Robyn.** The View from Alameda Island

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Resistance Women: A Novel

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** Kiss the Girls and Make Them Cry

**Constantine, Liv.** The Last Time I Saw You

**Crais, Robert.** Dangerous Man

**Cussler, Clive.** The Oracle (Sam and Remi Fargo)

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Never Game

**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** Before We Were Wicked

**Ellroy, James.** This Storm: A Novel

**Evanovich, Stephanie.** Under the Table

**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Road Home

**Frank, Dorothea Benton.** Queen Bee

**Gilbert, Elizabeth.** City of Girls

**Gingrich, Newt.** Collusion: A Novel

**Graham, Heather.** The Summoning (Krewe of Hunters)

**Gray, Shelley Shepard.** The Patient One

**Green, Jane.** The Friends We Keep

**Harris, C. S.** Who Slays the Wicked (Sebastian St. Cyr)

**Harris, Charlaine.** Small Kingdoms and Other Stories

**Harris, Thomas.** Cari Mora: A Novel

**Hepworth, Sally.** The Mother-in-Law: A Novel

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Summer of '69

**Hillerman, Anne.** The Tale Teller (Leaphorn)

**Jackson, Lisa.** Paranoid

**Jackson, Lisa.** Willing to Die (Alvarez & Pescoli)

**Jance, J. A.** The A List (Ali Reynolds)

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Two Weeks (Baxter Family)

**Knott, Robert.** Robert B. Parker's Buckskin (Cole and Hitch)

**Koontz, Dean.** The Night Window: A Jane Hawk Novel

**Koryta, Michael.** If She Wakes

**Laurens, Stephanie.** The Pursuits of Lord Kit Cavanaugh

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Tinderbox

**Maden, Mike.** Tom Clancy Enemy Contact (Jack Ryan, Jr.)

**Mallery, Susan.** The Summer of Sunshine and Margot

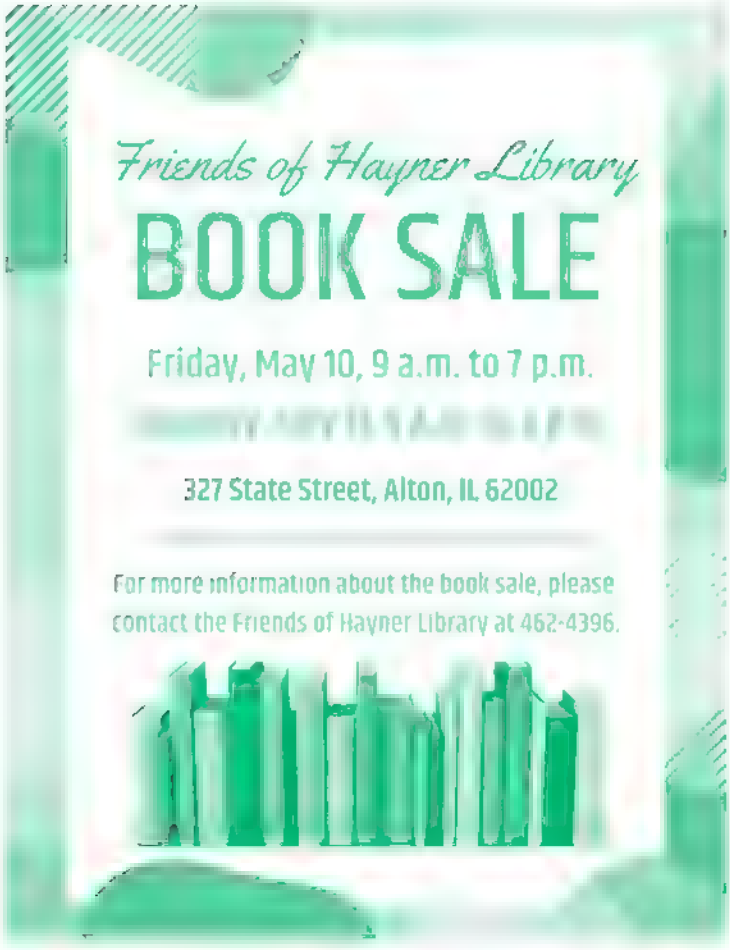
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Department of Sensitive Crimes: A Detective Varg Novel

**McKevett, G. A.** Bitter Brew

**Michaels, Fern.** Hot Shot (Men of the Sisterhood)

**Miller, Linda Lael.** The Yankee Widow

**Murphy, Shirley Rousseau.** Cat Chase the Moon: A Joe Grey Mystery

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**Oates, Joyce Carol.** My Life as a Rat
**Page, Katherine Hall.** The Body in the Wake
**Patterson, James.** The 13-Minute Murder
**Patterson, James.** The 18th Abduction (Women's Murder Club)
**Patterson, James.** Miracle at St Andrews: A Novel
**Patterson, James.** Unsolved
**Perry, Anne.** Triple Jeopardy: A Daniel Pitt Novel
**Peterson, Tracie.** Wherever You Go
**Quick, Amanda.** Tightrope (Burning Cove)
**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Takes the Wheel
**Sandford, John.** Neon Prey
**Scottoline, Lisa.** Someone Knows
**Sheldon, Sidney & Tilly Bagshawe.** Sidney Sheldon's The Silent Widow
**Shipman, Viola.** The Summer Cottage
**Smith, Wilbur.** King of Kings (The Courtneys & Ballantynes)
**Steel, Danielle.** Blessing in Disguise
**Steel, Danielle.** Lost and Found
**Thor, Brad.** Backlash: A Thriller
**Ward, J. R.** The Savior (The Black Dagger Brotherhood)
**Weiner, Jennifer.** Mrs. Everything
**Weir, Alison.** Anna of Kleve, The Princess in the Portrait
**White, Kate.** Such a Perfect Wife
**Willig, Lauren.** The Summer Country
**Woods, Stuart.** Skin Game (Teddy Fay)

## *New Philadelphia*

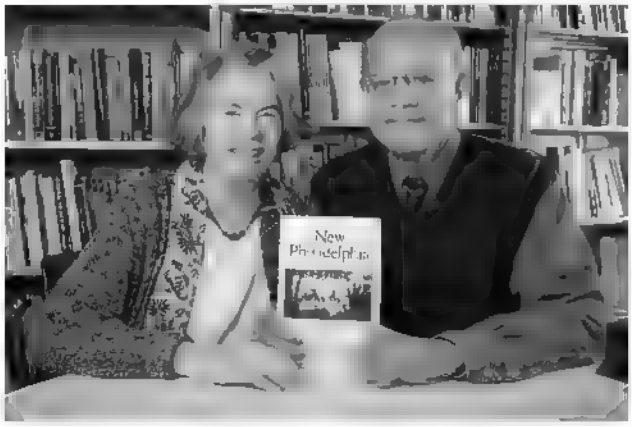
*Book review by George Fuller, Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library*

New Philadelphia is the greatest social experiment you've never heard of. Bought, planned, and founded by a self-freed slave, New Philadelphia became an integrated community and active stop along the Underground Railroad. Author Gerald A. McWorter (also known as Abdul Alkalimat) descended from "Free" Frank McWorter, founder of New Philadelphia. McWorter is a professor emeritus of information sciences and African American studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Co-author Kate Williams-McWorter, wife of Gerald, is an associate professor of information sciences, also at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

The book covers the entire timeline for New Philadelphia and also provides biographical information about Frank McWorter and his family. The six chapters of the book cover each phase in the life of the town of New Philadelphia. The first chapter introduces the place that New Philadelphia holds in United States history. We are then given the quite marvelous and compelling McWorter family history. Chapters three through six cover the life cycle of New Philadelphia from its purchase and founding to its decline, and then to its re-emergence via historical research and archaeology.

Having no prior knowledge of New Philadelphia, I found the history quite inspiring. This is not the first book written about New Philadelphia; however, I would suggest it as a starting point for anyone with an interest. The tale of Frank McWorter and his lifelong quest to buy the freedom of his entire family out of slavery is in itself a story that stands alone. He had a tireless sense of duty to his family—beginning with his wife, then himself, then his children and eventually even grandchildren. Frank freed them all. Frank set the precedent, and his family, and eventually the community he founded, followed suit in the mission to free those enslaved.

Gerald and Kate have collected information compiled by the New Philadelphia Association and created a thorough narrative that brings New Philadelphia to life. Utilizing information that has been preserved by the founding families, oral histories that have been handed down generation to generation, newspaper clippings, court documents, and now archaeology, the McWorter's have made the facts and artifacts of New Philadelphia available to the reader in the quotations and wealth of photos within the book.



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Hayner Library subscribes to multiple databases, helpful to anyone interested in topics for research or for self-improvement.

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You can also quickly access the *Online Resources* page of the Hayner Library website by using your smartphone to scan this code:

To access the databases using this code, please follow the directions listed above. For your convenience, the code has also been posted throughout the library's stacks to help you quickly locate more information when researching topics.

## *Grandpa's Passel of Piglets and Grandma's Roses, a Love Story*

My grandmother loved roses. All over her yard she grew big colorful bushes full of blooms She embroidered their images on napkins and pillowcases. Her walls held photographs and paintings of these magnificent flowers. The centerpiece of her old rugged farmhouse table always held a cumbersome bouquet of red and yellow blooms enveloped in haphazard greenery. She even kept rose water on the sink in her bathroom so she could smell like her beloved flora. I always believed the roses were an obsession, but in our family, it was considered taboo to talk about such indiscretions, so I never questioned the eccentrics of her hobby. Up until a few weeks ago, I just always accepted that grandma loved roses and everything associated with them But one afternoon, not too long ago, the reason for her obsession became clear

A few weeks ago while doing some genealogy research, I came across an old newspaper article about my grandfather when he was a young lad growing up along the bluegrass hills of Kentucky. The passage wasn't much more than just a few lines informing the citizens of Calloway County that little Clarence Walker of Murray, Kentucky, was raising a passel of piglets to sell at the annual Pig Day Roundup being held at the county fairgrounds I thought about this for a moment before I realized that I had no idea what a passel of piglets were I am not a youngster myself anymore, so I was a little disappointed that I did not know more history about grandpa's smelly little hog-hobby involving some kind of passel of piglets. So, I Googled it. There it was. Not only a definition, but some really cute images of pint-sized baby pigs in a wide range of colors!

According to the *Merriam-Webster Dictionary*, my grandpa Clarence was raising a "large quantity or a group" of piglets to take to market when he was only 12 years old Grandma loved her roses, but grandpa's obsession was swine!

It should be of no surprise when I reveal that my grandpa was a hog farmer. Obviously his hobby as a young boy grew with him and became a passion in his adult life. No doubt the fostering of those passels of piglets gave him the knowledge and desire he needed to choose it as his occupation.

During my grandparents' marriage, grandma refused to go anywhere near the hogs or their messy little mud pens and grandpa wouldn't even consider trimming her rose bushes. It was obvious that they had come to an understanding about each other's obsessions.

The mystery of my grandparents' fascinations has finally come to fruition I believe grandma used those roses to help her see right past the sight of passels of muddy piglets and the smell of putrid slop buckets Roses brought beauty and sweet aroma into the malodorous little farm she happily shared with grandpa. Roses and pigs were their passions, not their madness

Genealogy isn't just about adding names and dates to a family chart. It is also about the addition of stories which will allow us to bring out the personalities of the folks we call family..

Do you know what your grandparents' passions were? Visit our Geneology & Local History Library and let us help you start your family history research today

*–Pam Bierman*

## *Check Out a Telescope*

Everyone knows that you can check out a book using your library card. But you can also check out a lot of other fun things with your library card—including a telescope! Hayner Library offers four Orion StarBlast 4.5" telescopes for patron check out at our Downtown and Alton Square libraries

Each telescope captures the equivalent amount of light of 250 human eyes. Each has a zoom eyepiece, which gives a range of magnifications from 20 power to 60 power and provides a large field of view. You will be able to obtain clear observations of the craters on our Moon, Jupiter and its moons, Saturn and its rings, and the brighter star clusters and nebulae

The telescopes may be checked out for up to seven days by adult Hayner Library card holders. A picture ID must also be presented. A refundable $25 deposit is required for checkout. The telescopes come with a learning kit and everything you need to start your stargazing adventure. Enjoy the great outdoors and night skies with your family and friends

## *Take the Library Along on Your Vacation*

Packing for vacation can be stressful, especially if you're trying to avoid those pesky airline baggage fees. Long road trips, time by the pool and on the beach, and waits at the airport also present another conundrum—you want to be sure to pack enough books to entertain yourself but there's not always enough room in your suitcase. The solution? Hayner Library's digital collection of e-books, e-magazines and e-audiobooks. Simply download the Cloud Library and RBDigital apps to your phone or tablet and get instant access to thousands of digital titles for free

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## How to Protect Yourself from Fake News

As the presidential election cycle begins to pick up speed, we will likely hear the term "fake news" used increasingly by political commentators across all forms of media. But what does the term really mean and why should we care about it?

Fake news is false information spread with the deliberate attempt to mislead, especially for financial or political gain. The information may be invented, manipulated, or presented out of context or with a deliberate ideological slant. While misinformation is not new, technological advances have made fake news much easier to create and disseminate than ever before. And creators now have the knowledge and tools to make their content even more believable and persuasive.

So how can we protect ourselves from fake news?

1. **Read beyond the headline:** Headlines are often exaggerated or falsified to attract clicks. Make sure you've read (and evaluated) the whole story.
2. **Check the date:** Old stories may be recirculated to confuse readers about current events.
3. **Examine the source:** Fake news sources may attempt to mimic authentic sources by making small changes to a trusted web address or name. Misspellings and incorrect grammar are also often signs of an unreliable source. Always ask yourself these questions: What is the mission or purpose of the site presenting the story? Is the author real and credible?
4. **Evaluate the evidence:** A trustworthy author should provide links or references to supporting sources, such as legitimate experts in the field. Additionally, those experts should be represented fairly. Remember that a story isn't automatically fake news just because it contradicts our current beliefs. Draw your conclusions from evidence that holds up under objective and repeated scrutiny.
5. **Read laterally:** How do other news sources present the story? Are there multiple experts on this topic? Do they agree? Be sure to consider their credentials. Reading laterally is a great way to avoid echo chambers (when our beliefs are reinforced by viewpoints repeated inside closed groups of like-minded individuals) and filter bubbles (when website algorithms isolate us by only presenting information they predict we want to see).
6. **Consult a fact-checking website:** Fact-checking sites (such as Politifact.com, Factcheck.org, Snopes.com, and TruthOrFiction.com) often provide evidence and sources for their evaluations of a topic. Review these sources yourself to evaluate the original story.
7. **Recognize your biases:** We all have biases as a result of our life experiences and cultures. Creators of fake news work hard to manipulate our biases and emotions to their advantage. Consider how your beliefs could affect your judgement.
8. **Don't perpetuate the problem:** Take your time when evaluating a news story—resist pressure to quickly share stories or information that you have not first examined for accuracy and intent.

To learn more about fake news and media literacy, check out the many books and articles available through www.haynerlibrary.org. Our Reference staff members are always happy to assist you in locating and evaluating information sources.

## Help Us Help You

Do you know what looks good on college applications and resumes? Volunteer work! If you are sixteen years of age or older and are looking to lengthen your professional profile, become a Hayner Library volunteer. We have several different opportunities available, ranging from greeting patrons to being a Book Detective! For more information, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Stephanie Munson, at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2882. Volunteer applications can be found on our website at www.haynerlibrary.org or at any of our library locations.

## New in Our Illinois Room

**1950 Alton Civic Award: Spencer T. Olin.** IR 367 977386 NIN

**Alton Dragway. Volume I: Growing Up with a Drag Strip in My Back Yard by Mike Storey.** IR 796 72068 STO

**Alton Methodism: First Church, German, Washington Street, Upper Alton, East Alton, 1905-06.** IR 287 677386 ALT

**Bernard Maybeck and Principia College: The Historic District by Charles B. Hosmer, Jr.** IR 727 3 HOS

**The Centenary of Catholicity in Kentucky by Ben J. Webb.** IR 976 9 WEB

**Century of Color: Exterior Decoration for American Buildings, 1820-1920 by Roger W. Moss.** IR 698.12 MOS

**A Century of Progress: A Pictorial History of The Principia by Henry S. Hamlin; with historical text by Norman Anderson.** IR 378 77386 HAM

**Civil War Fashions: Coloring Book.** IR J391 TIE

**Downtown & North Alton Past and Present: Paintings and Photos by Michael Mossman.** IR 977 386 MOS

**Emigrants from Ireland, 1847-1852: State-aided Emigration Schemes from Crown Estates in Ireland by Eilish Ellis.** IR 941.5 ELL

**The Families of County Limerick, Ireland: Over One Thousand Entries from the Archives of the Irish Genealogical Foundation by Michael C. O'Laughlin.** IR 941 5 OLA

**A Gift of Freedom: How the John M. Olin Foundation Changed America by John J. Miller.** IR B OLIN

**History of Hettick [Macoupin County, Ill.].** IR 977 383 LAD

**Lincoln for President: An Unlikely Candidate, an Audacious Strategy, and the Victory No One Saw Coming.** IR 973.7092 CHA

**Middle Town Alton Past and Present by Michael Mossman.** IR 977 386 MOS

**Onlzed Auxiliary Cook Book compiled by employees of Owens Illinois Glass Company.** IR 641 5 ONI

**Peoria Spirits: The Story of Peoria's Brewing and Distilling Industries by Bryan J. Ogg.** IR 977 352 OGG

**St. Ambrose Parochial School: Godfrey, Illinois, 1947-2017 - The First Seventy Years compiled by John W. Gibbons.** IR 282.977386 STA V.1 and V.2

**Upper Alton Past and Present by Michael Mossman.** IR 977 386 MOS

# *Highlights of the Hayner Art Collection – River Landscape by Frederick Oakes Sylvester*

Welcome to the first installment of a series on some of our most treasured artwork. We invite you to come into the Genealogy & Local History Library to see this and other beautiful works in person.

**River Landscape; triptych; signed and dated, lower right 1911-12; oil on canvas, Frederick Oakes Sylvester (1869-1915), American**

This painting depicts the Mississippi River and bluffs near Elsah, Illinois, north of Alton The center panel shows a path leading towards the bluff's edge with a birch tree in the foreground, the river and distant bluffs in the background beneath a sky with billowing clouds The side panels frame the central view with mature sycamore trees, forming a continuous, harmonious landscape.

The painting was given to Hayner Library in 2011 by Thomas E Morrissey in memory of his wife, Mary Josephine McGrath Morrissey

Frederick Oakes Sylvester was born in North Bridgewater, Massachusetts, on October 8, 1869 He studied at the Massachusetts Normal School in Boston before becoming an instructor in the Art Department at Newcomb College in New Orleans. At Newcomb, Sylvester further developed his interest in the Arts & Crafts movement and created works in metal and tooled leather. He left Newcomb College and moved to St. Louis in 1892 for a teaching position at Central High School. The next year he accepted the position of Art Director for The Principia, a Christian Scientist school in St. Louis In 1902 he bought a cottage, Oak Ledge, in Elsah, Ill., and spent summers teaching and painting there.

Sylvester's work divides broadly into two periods briefly separated by a summer painting trip taken to Italy and other parts of Europe in 1906. The first period focused on the St. Louis riverfront, specifically the Eads Bridge and surrounding area. By 1904 the number of oils depicting the bridge as subject grew to over one hundred.

In his second period, Sylvester shifted his river theme from Eads to Elsah From this time on his paintings depicted nature untouched instead of urban accomplishments. Poems accompanied many of his paintings

Sylvester's work did win him some acclaim while he was still alive. In 1904, he won a bronze medal at the St. Louis World's Fair and a silver medallion at the Portland Exposition. In 1906, he was awarded the Fine Arts Building of Chicago Prize by the Society of Western Artists, and in 1909 and 1910 he served as president of the St. Louis Artists' Guild. Articles on him appeared regularly in the St. Louis newspapers, and his work was discussed and illustrated in *Harper's Weekly* and in *Scribner's Magazine*

Sylvester continued to work at both Central High School and The Principia until his declining health forced him to take a leave of absence in 1913. He died on March 2, 1915, in St. Louis, and his ashes were strewn on the river he loved.

Affectionately referred to as the "Poet Painter of the Mississippi," Sylvester is best known for his serene, majestic views of that river William H. Gerdts, in his three-volume *Art Across America,* calls Sylvester, "the finest professional to work in southern Illinois." You can see more of Sylvester's work at The Principia in Elsah and at the St. Louis Mercantile Library at the University of Missouri–St. Louis

**Related books from our collection:**

Collester, Jeanne C., and Frederick O. Sylvester. ***Frederick Oakes Sylvester: The Principia Collection.***
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St. Louis: Missouri Historical Society, 1987.
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# KidsSpace
## Summer/Fall 2019 Activities

Monday, August 19, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m Ages 3-5

Monday, August 19, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, August 20, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m Ages 3-5

Thursday, August 22, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m Ages Birth-2

Monday, August 26, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, August 26, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, August 27, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m Ages 3-5

Thursday, August 29, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Tuesday, September 3, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, September 5, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m Ages Birth-2

Monday, September 9, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, September 9, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, September 10, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m Ages 3-5

Thursday, September 12, 2019
- Legos @ Your Library
  3:30 p.m. Ages 6-12

Thursday, September 12, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Monday, September 16, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, September 16, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, September 17, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Tuesday, September 17, 2019
- After-School Fun (Downtown)
  3:30 p.m. Ages 6-12

Thursday, September 19, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m Ages Birth-2

Monday, September 23, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m Ages 3-5

Monday, September 23, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, September 24, 2019
- Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown)
  10 a.m Ages 3-5

Thursday, September 26, 2019
- Mommy and Me Story Time
  10 a.m Ages Birth-2

Monday, September 30, 2019
- Movers & Shakers Story Time
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, September 30, 2019
- Evening Story Time (Downtown)
  6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

## Special Activities

Wednesday, September 18, 2019
- Grandparents Day Celebration
  10 a.m. Ages 3-5

Saturday, October 12, 2019
- Star Wars Reads Day
  2 p.m. Ages 6-12

Monday, October 14, 2019
- Riverbend Raptor
  10 a.m All Ages

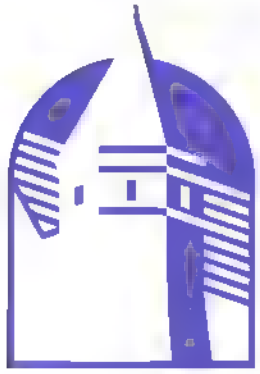
# TeenSpace
## September Activities 2019

Back-to-School Bash
- Come join us at the Riverbender.com Community Center for a wacky game of Emoji Bingo. Each game winner will receive a ticket for a sweet treat. The fun will take place Wednesday, September 4, 2019, at 4 p.m. To register, call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Graphic Novel Book Club
- Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's new "Graphic Novel Book Club." Once a month get together with other teens to share your thoughts and opinions about that month's read. As always, snacks will be provided. Meetings will be held at Riverbender.com Community Center library. Our first club date is Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at 4 p m. Bring a friend! To register, call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender.com Community Center
- Come join the fun after school at our Teen Movie Nights @ Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release and pizza is on the menu! Our first movie will be Wednesday, September 18, 2019, at 3:45 p m. To register, call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Color Meet-Ups
- This program gives teens a stress-free afternoon of coloring, listening to music and eating snacks. The fun takes place Wednesday, September 25, 2019, at 4 p.m. To register, call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.



Friends of Hayner Library

# Summer Book Sale

Friday, August 9, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday, August 10, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

TONS of children's books for sale!

Be sure to stock up for summer and back-to-school reading!

Bag sale!

For more information about the book sale, please contact the Friends of Hayner Library at 462-4396.

327 State Street, Alton, IL

## *Be Safe While Having Fun*

Ah, summer! While a child's main priority for the season is having fun, a parent's main priority is safety. Good news! The Riverbender.com Community Center meets both of these requirements. The RBCC hosts events for children and teens of all ages. Recent events include dances, a water balloon fight, a flippy cup night, a cornhole competition, a lightsaber battle, open play days, and much more!

The RBCC also hosts a Hayner Library room, complete with books, computers and games for teens. The library also hosts free weekly teen programs such as arts & crafts, book clubs, and movie nights!

For more information about the Riverbender.com Community Center, please visit their website at www.riverbendercommunitycenter.org or call (618) 465-9850, ext. 212. For more information about the Hayner Library teen programs held at the Riverbender.com Community Center, please contact Shannon at (618) 433-2872 or visit the *TeenSpace* page on the library's website.

## *Word Magic*

Anagrams are words, phrases or names formed by rearranging the letters of another word or phrase. By using your creativity and imagination, it's possible to create some very clever anagrams. Here are a few examples

Anyone can tell you that you need to be **silent** in order to **listen**

Show me a freshman **dormitory** and I'll show you a **dirty room**

**Vacation time** is when I'm **not active**

**To see a place** that is far away, use a **telescope**

**Voices rant on** while having an intense **conversation**

## *Lights, Camera, READ!*

Take advantage of this year's Summer Reading Program theme, "It's Showtime at Your Library!," and read about your favorite superstar. Here are just a few biographies of today's biggest celebrities.

*Adele* by Sara Tieck

*Beyonce Knowles* by Jen Jones

*Chadwick Boseman* by Pete DiPrimio

*Gal Gadot: Soldier, Model, Wonder Woman* by Jill Sherman

*Lady Gaga: Pop Singer and Songwriter* by Katie Marsico

## *Hayner Library is Interested in Your Home, Business or Property!*

The Alton Area Landmarks Association is best known for their considerable efforts at saving buildings from a wrecking ball and restoring old structures to serve a purpose. Their mission helps to keep the heart of history beating inside the architectural walls of Alton.

Many years ago, Hayner Library received a unique donation from the Alton Area Landmarks Association. The association donated information on 300 Alton properties, to be archived in specially selected file cabinets at our library. This gift became the foundation for what is now known as the Property Files Collection. After receiving this donation, the staff of the Genealogy & Local History Library began adding additional property information to the files, including information on historic homes, buildings, businesses and landmarks. The collection has grown to thousands of addresses on hundreds of streets in the Alton and Godfrey area. File information about a particular address may include a short history, photographs, newspaper clippings about events or people associated with the property and lists of owners

We also have title abstracts for a few of the addresses in our collection. A title abstract is a history of ownership for a piece of property. Information in an abstract can include references to deeds, mortgages, wills, marriages, probate records and other legal proceedings that can affect property ownership. One of the abstracts in our collection even includes information about an adoption! As you can see, these documents can hold a gold mine of information for the genealogist in your family, or local historians.

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library would like to supplement the Property Files Collection with more title abstracts. We are asking anyone in the Alton, Godfrey and Fosterburg area who is fortunate enough to have a title for their property to donate a copy to the library.

If you are willing to donate a copy of your abstract, the staff at the Genealogy & Local History Library will be happy to make copies of your paperwork and process it into the Property Files Collection, which is housed at our 401 State Street location

Placing a copy of your abstract in the library's collection assures that your paperwork is archived and preserved in a central location. We also encourage you to include photos of your property in addition to the abstract. And of course, all abstracts and photos will be copied by our staff at absolutely no cost to you!

If you would like to archive a copy of your property abstract at the library, please call the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2865, or just bring it down during normal business hours

Don't have an abstract, but are still curious about the Property Files Collection? Then come visit us and let us show you how to look for information about your home or business.

## *Babysit with Confidence*

Babysitting can be a good way to earn extra spending money for the summer but it can be stressful for amateurs. Here are a few pieces of advice to aid you in being the best babysitter you can be:

1. Ask questions: Every family is different therefore every job will be different. Before meeting the parents for the first time, prepare a list of questions covering their child's routine and what they expect from you
2. Have an emergency contact sheet: Inside the front cover of the book *The What to Expect: Baby-Sitter's Handbook,* you will find a reproducible contact page which will allow you to list all the emergency phone numbers you might need, as well as spots for medical information about the child for whom you are caring
3. Be a good role model: Remember that the child you are caring for is looking up to you both physically and figuratively. Be a positive influence for the impressionable youngster you are babysitting!

Don't forget, Hayner Library has a wide variety of babysitting guides available for you to check out.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Summer 2019 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and JCPenney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street.*

### From the Courthouse to the Church: Using Official Records

**July 11* & 18, 10–11:30 a.m.**

*On July 11, we'll have a special guest speaker from the Illinois State Archives. Please join us, and bring your questions!

### All that's Fit to Print & More: Newspaper Research

**August 8 & 15, 10–11:30 a.m.**

### Where We've Lived: Researching Property

**September 12 & 19, 10–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Updated information and new tips every year! We also take requests if there are specific things you'd like to learn about. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, July 13, 10–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, August 10, 10–11 a.m.**
**Saturday, September 14, 10–11 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and is absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! No registration necessary.

## *Curtis the Mentalist*

**Tuesday, July 16, 6:30 p.m.**

Curtis presents a mind-blowing and hilarious show that you will remember long after the event is over. This humorous, fast-paced and highly interactive one-man mind reading, magic and mentalism show is sure to keep you engaged and thoroughly entertained.

Curtis tells random audience members the names of people they're thinking about, plays games with the money in their wallets, draws pictures they create in their mind, and performs crazy stunts while completely blindfolded that always has audiences reeling in utter amazement, and laughing the entire time! No one is ever sure whether Curtis is a magician, a real mind reader, or a comedian! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Switchback*

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, Ill.*

**Sunday, July 21, 2:00 p.m.**

Switchback returns! Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show."

FitzGerald and Martin McCormack showcase a repertoire ranging from sentimental ballads to blistering honky-tonk. The duo delivers a powerful, riveting sound rivaling that of larger ensembles. They move through a variety of genres but never abandon their Celtic roots. They accompany their music with the rhythmic cadence of their dancing shoes. Don't miss your chance to see and hear these amazing performers! This program is jointly presented by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## *George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass*

**Tuesday, August 13, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more" ...and they always do! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Steve Davis*

**Elvis! Live!**

**Tuesday, September 17, 6:30 p.m.**

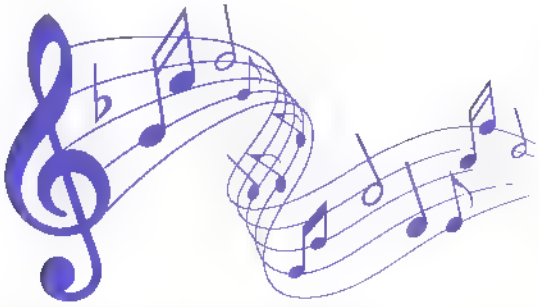
Elvis (yes, THE Elvis) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don't miss this chance to see The King live, onstage! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Dennis Stroughmatt and His Swingin' Band*

**The Sounds of Western Swing and the Music of Legendary Fiddler Wade Ray**

**Tuesday, September 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Western swing is a musical style that continues to influence musicians across the planet. Southwestern Illinois was home to one of the most influential of Western swing musicians, the legendary Wade Ray. Wade was a contemporary of Bob Wills, mentored Willie Nelson, worked with Ray Price, and was well known in the St. Louis area for his KSD Radio road shows. Fiddler, vocalist, and historian Dennis Stroughmatt studied fiddling and singing styles with Wade in the 1990s and continues to perform many of the songs he learned while studying with him. His performance and presentation will include a mix of songs from the era of Bob Wills, Ray Price and Wade Ray. Like his mentor Wade Ray, Dennis will make you want to swing! Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## *Gardening Classes*

***Herbal Drinks and Nibbles***

**Saturday, August 17, 10–11 a.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

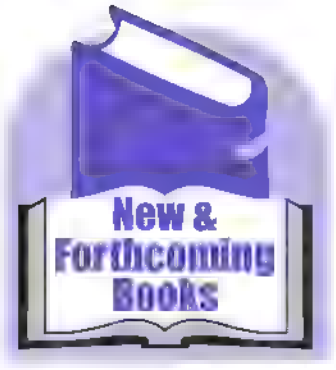
You are invited to a sampling of herbal drinks and appetizers at the library! Members of the St. Louis Herb Society will be on hand to show us how to use herbs in drinks and appetizers. You won't want to miss out on a chance to try these tasty treats and to learn how to make them! Please register at 1-800-613-3163

***Importance of Pollinators***

**Wednesday, September 18, 6:30–8 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room in the Alton Square library*

There is a lot of talk in the news about how important pollinators are to the stability of our environment. Come learn why we should care. Bill Klopfenstein, Illinois Master Gardener and retired chemistry professor, will present a class on pollinator insects and how they help our gardens and their valuable role in nature. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.




## Nonfiction—

**Abagnale, Frank.** Scam Me If You Can: Simple Strategies to Outsmart Today's Ripoff Artists

**Acosta, Jim.** The Enemy of the People: A Dangerous Time to Tell the Truth in America

**Blevins, Tyler "Ninja."** Ninja: Get Good: My Ultimate Guide to Gaming

**Callahan, Maureen.** American Predator: The Hunt for the Most Meticulous Serial Killer of the 21st Century

**Erikson, Thomas.** Surrounded by Idiots: The Four Types of Human Behavior and How to Effectively Communicate with Each in Business (and in Life)

**Fairweather, Jack.** The Volunteer: One Man, an Underground Army, and the Secret Mission to Destroy Auschwitz

**Forleo, Marie.** Everything Is Figureoutable

**Gladwell, Malcolm.** Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know about the People We Don't Know

**Guinn, Jeff.** The Vagabonds: The Story of Henry Ford and Thomas Edison's Ten-Year Road Trip

**Heinerth, Jill.** Into the Planet: My Life as a Cave Diver

**Horrigan, Joe.** NFL Century: The One-Hundred-Year Rise of America's Greatest Sports League

**Iger, Robert.** The Ride of a Lifetime: Lessons Learned from 15 Years as CEO of the Walt Disney Company

**Jensen, Billy.** Chase Darkness with Me: How One True-Crime Writer Started Solving Murders

**Kean, Sam.** The Bastard Brigade: The True Story of the Renegade Scientists and Spies Who Sabotaged the Nazi Atomic Bomb

**Klein, Naomi.** On Fire: The (Burning) Case for a Green New Deal

**Lahren, Tomi.** Never Play Dead: How the Truth Makes You Unstoppable

**McManus, John C.** Fire and Fortitude: The US Army in the Pacific War, 1941-1943

**Meacham, Jon and Tim McGraw.** Songs of America: Patriotism, Protest, and the Music That Made a Nation

**Miller, BJ., M.D.** A Beginner's Guide to the End: Practical Advice for Living Life and Facing Death

**Moody, Rick.** The Long Accomplishment: A Memoir of Hope and Struggle in Matrimony

**Munroe, Randall.** How To: Absurd Scientific Advice for Common Real-World Problems

**O'Reilly, Bill.** The United States of Trump: How the President Really Sees America

**Paul, Alan.** Texas Flood: The Inside Story of Stevie Ray Vaughan

**Piro, Jeanine.** Radicals, Resistance, and Revenge: The Left's Plot to Remake America

**Preston, Richard.** Crisis in the Red Zone: The Story of the Deadliest Ebola Outbreak in History, and of the Outbreaks to Come

**Rickards, James.** Aftermath: Seven Secrets of Wealth Preservation in the Coming Chaos

**Selig, Bud.** For the Good of the Game: The Inside Story of the Surprising and Dramatic Transformation of Major League Baseball

**Sinclair, David A., PhD** Lifespan: The Revolutionary Science of Why We Age–and Why We Don't Have To

**Wiltshire, Patricia.** The Nature of Life and Death: Every Body Leaves a Trace

**Winegard, Timothy C.** The Mosquito: A Human History of Our Deadliest Predator

**Zoglin, Richard.** Elvis in Vegas: How the King Reinvented the Las Vegas Show

## Fiction—

**Andrews, Donna.** Terms of Endearment: A Meg Langslow Mystery

**Andrews, V. C.** Beneath the Attic

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Nothing Ventured

**Atkins, Ace.** The Shameless (Quinn Colson)

**Atwood, Margaret.** The Testaments

**Baldacci, David.** One Good Deed

**Balogh, Mary.** Someone to Honor

**Barr, Nevada.** What Rose Forgot

**Box, C. J.** The Bitterroots: A Novel

**Brown, Pierce.** Dark Age: A Red Rising Novel

**Brown, Sandra.** Outfox

**Bushnell, Candace.** Is There Still Sex in the City?

**Cabot, Meg.** No Judgments

**Carr, Caleb.** The Alienist at Armageddon

**Castillo, Linda.** Shamed

**Chevalier, Tracy.** A Single Thread

**Coleman, Reed Farrel.** Robert B. Parker's The Bitterest Pill (Jesse Stone)

**Coonts, Stephen.** The Russia Account

**Coulter, Catherine.** Labyrinth (An FBI Thriller)

**Crais, Robert.** A Dangerous Man (Elvis Cole and Joe Pike)

**Cussler, Clive.** The Titanic Secret (Isaac Bell)

**Dailey, Janet.** Texas Forever (Tylers of Texas)

**Dailey, Janet.** Hart's Hollow Farm

**de la Cruz, Melissa.** The Birthday Girl

**Dekker, Ted.** The Girl Behind the Red Rope

**Deveraux, Jude.** Met Her Match

**Feehan, Christine.** Dark Illusion

**Flynn, Vince.** Lethal Agent (Mitch Rapp)

**Graham, Heather.** The Seekers (Krewe of Hunters)

**Graham, Heather.** The Stalking (Krewe of Hunters)

**Greaney, Mark.** Red Metal

**Gregory, Philippa.** Tidelands

**Grimes, Martha.** The Old Success (Richard Jury)

**Hoffman, Alice.** The World That We Knew

**Hunter, Stephen.** Game of Snipers

**Jackson, Joshilyn.** Never Have I Ever

**Jance, J.A.** Sins of the Father

**Johansen, Iris.** Smokescreen

**Johnson, Craig.** Land of Wolves (Longmire)

**King, Stephen.** The Institute

**Lagercrantz, David.** The Girl Who Lived Twice: A Lisbeth Salander Novel

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Timepiece

**Lindsey, Johanna.** Temptation's Darling

**Lippman, Laura.** Lady in the Lake

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** The Sum of All Shadows

**Macomber, Debbie.** Window on the Bay

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Second-Worst Restaurant in France (Paul Stuart)

**Michaels, Fern.** Cut and Run (Sisterhood)

**Michaels, Fern.** Spirit of the Season

**Neggers, Carla.** Rival's Break

**Nesbø, Jo.** Knife (Harry Hole Novel)

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** The Last Good Guy

**Patchett, Ann.** The Dutch House

**Patterson, James.** The Inn

**Patterson, James.** Killer Instinct

**Patterson, James.** Sophia, Princess Among Beasts

**Patterson, James.** The Warning

**Penny, Louise.** A Better Man: A Chief Inspector Gamache Novel

**Perry, Anne.** Death in Focus (Elena Standish)

**Preston, Douglas.** Old Bones

**Pronzini, Bill.** The Peaceful Valley Crime Wave: A Western Mystery

**Robb, J.D.** Vendetta in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel

**Roberts, Nora.** Under Currents

**Rosenfelt, David.** Bark of Night (Andy Carpenter)

**Russo, Richard.** Chances Are…

**Silva, Daniel.** The New Girl: A Novel (Gabriel Allon)

**Slaughter, Karin.** The Last Widow

**Smith, Wilbur.** Ghost Fire

**Steel, Danielle.** The Dark Side

**Thayer, Nancy.** Surfside Sisters

**Turtledove, Harry.** Alpha and Omega

**Walters, Minette.** The Turn of Midnight

**Ware, Ruth.** The Turn of the Key

**Whitehead, Colson.** The Nickel Boys

**Wiggs, Susan.** The Oysterville Sewing Circle: A Novel

**Williams, Beatriz.** The Golden Hour

**Woods, Stuart.** Contraband (Stone Barrington)

## *Research Tips from the Genealogy & Local History Library: Death Records*

One of the first things you might learn about an ancestor may be when he or she died. Maybe you read the obituary in the newspaper. Or you know the relative who clips newspaper articles about everyone in the family! Now you want to find your ancestor's death record

The cause of death stated on a death record can alert you to potential inherited health issues. Or it may reflect the lack of antibiotics during the time your ancestor lived; for example, your ancestor may have contracted tuberculosis and died. Perhaps epidemics were sweeping the area where your ancestor lived; cholera claimed many lives in the mid-1800s in Missouri and Illinois. Or there may be evidence of a violent death: e g. a gunshot wound!

Death records may also record your ancestor's birth date and the names of his or her parents. This information was given by the family informant, who told the clerk what he or she knew. Usually a family informant was a sibling, spouse or child of the person who died.

Where do you look for death records? Before you spend money at the county courthouse or state archive, look for an index of your ancestor's death record. Online indexes list the names of family members included in the record as well as birth and death information. Once you find the indexed information, look for a digital image of the actual record. This shows the rest of the information, such as the name of the family informant, the cause of death, the name of the funeral home and the cemetery where the person is buried.

Genealogical research websites such as *Ancestry.com* and *FamilySearch.org* have indexes of birth, marriage and death records for many states, countries and time periods. Many state archives have placed indexes and/or images of their death records online. Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff can help you find the websites that you need.

Your ancestor may have lived before counties were recording all deaths. For example, death records of all citizens were not required in Illinois until 1916

If there is no government death record, look for a record of your ancestor's death in his or her local church records. Among our library church records is *Saints Peter & Paul Church Alton, Illinois, Names of Deceased 1856-1872*. The library collection also contains funeral programs from St. James Baptist Church, Alton, and other local churches, which include life stories.

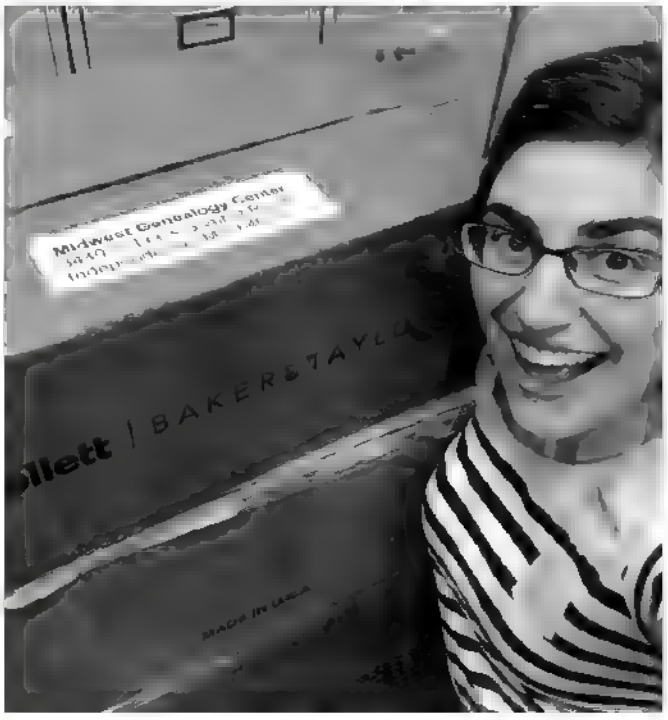
The local newspaper may highlight births, marriages, family businesses and obituaries of your ancestors. You can read newspapers from Alton and other cities at the Genealogy & Local History Library. Funeral home records can be full of family information. The Genealogy & Local History Library collection contains the records of Burke's Funeral Home in Alton covering the years 1970-1995. Cemetery records can also be a gold mine of information. The Genealogy & Local History Library has burial listings and CDs of tombstone photos of cemeteries in Madison and other counties. Burial records on *FindaGrave com* may lead you to information about parents, siblings, spouses and children

Staff at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library are happy to help you search all the genealogy records on the library shelves and online!

## *Sharing the Memories*

Yearbooks are an amazing genealogy and local history resource. We are very lucky that our patrons are generous in donating yearbooks to us. We keep multiple copies of yearbooks on the shelves of the Genealogy & Local History Library, but when we have extras, we try our best to find homes for them. Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library Manager, Lacy McDonald, has mailed several boxes of duplicate copies of yearbooks to the Midwest Genealogy Center in Independence, Missouri, a nationally recognized destination for family historians. Thank you, everyone, for helping us to share Alton's history with the whole Midwest. Don't forget, you can access digital copies of the Alton High *Tatler*, Marquette High *Explorer*, and Western Military Academy *Recall* at https://archive.org/details/@hayner_genealogy_amp_local_history_library

Please keep donating yearbooks! We love them!

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# *Thank You, BJC Healthcare!*

In March, The Hayner Public Library District received a generous donation from BJC Healthcare to commemorate their twenty-fifth anniversary

Through this donation, additional test preparation books were added to the library's collection for high school students taking ACT, SAT, subject tests and Advance Placement exams. Many of these books have already been checked out by students!

The donation also allowed the library to purchase ten Book Buddy bags, filled with books and activities, aimed at students grades K–5, to help them avoid the summer learning slide and complement school work. In addition, ten Big Book kits and activity sets for storytelling are also available for patrons wanting to use in them in story times, storytelling, or for preschool classes.

The funds were also used for display and work tables in the children's area at the Downtown Library. Noise cancelling headphones were also purchased with the funds; the headphones will aid patrons who need quiet to focus. Lastly, a wireless amplifier, similar to those used by classroom teachers, was procured for use in enhancing library programming.

The Hayner Public Library District is one of 13 St. Louis area organizations selected for the BJC Healthcare grant. Employees were asked to nominate an organization near and dear to their heart. The Hayner Public Library District was nominated by Hayner patron Tom Morrissey, who works in BJC Shared Services. Tom's mother, Jody Morrissey, served on The Hayner Public Library District Board for 12 years and was involved in many library activities throughout her life

***Thank you, BJC Healthcare and Tom Morrissey!***

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Fall 2019

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed
Veterans Day – Nov. 11
Thanksgiving – Nov. 28, 29
Christmas – Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1

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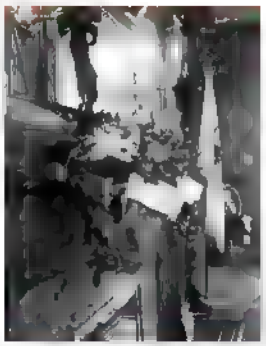
## *Alton ABC is B-A-C-K*

During the previous school year, a small group of Alton High School students and their teacher, Mrs. Lexa Browning-Needham, collaborated with our own Reneé B. Johnson of the Genealogy & Local History Library to publish *Alton ABC*. The rhyming alphabet picture book is designed to delight and inform, acknowledging the present and the history of our area. Two hundred copies were printed and bound (by the students themselves!) and donated to schools and day care centers all over the area. We quickly found there was a demand for more books, so we're pleased to announce that there will be a second printing in time for the holidays! The hardbound books cost $20 each and the proceeds will be split between Hayner Library and the Alton School District. *Alton ABC* will be available at the Genealogy & Local History Library in December—make sure to check our website and Facebook page for more details.

## *Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House*

**Saturday, December 7, 2019, 10:00 a.m.–12 p.m., 401 State Street, Alton, Illinois**

Come to the Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House on December 7, from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. to enjoy the decorations and create family history crafts to take home. Staff members will help you think about ways to connect with your family history at holiday gatherings. The *Alton ABC* picture book will be available for purchase for $20. Stop by to enjoy the warmth of the fireplaces, the beauty of the building, and the music of our very own player piano!



## *Vintage Voices 2019: "Keeping History Alive"*

Vintage Voices, now in its eighteenth year, will continue its tradition of guided walking tours in the Alton Cemetery on the first two weekends in October: 5, 6, 12, 13 from noon until 2:45 p.m. Tours will leave from the main gate of the cemetery (at Vine & 5th Streets) every 15 minutes.

The characters and themes of this year's tours were carefully selected by the Vintage Voices steering committee

The Rev. Levi A. Abbott (1824-1919) was a professor at Shurtleff College and was very active in the Piasa Lodge of the Masonic order He was their oldest living member at the age of 95 and was present when the new lodge at the foot of State Street was dedicated in 1919. He died just a few days later. Tom Harris will portray Rev. Abbott.

H. W. Chamberlain (1845-1929) was a local druggist who will tell the story of morphine and cocaine addiction in the early 1900s. Jeff Pruett will portray Chamberlain the first weekend and John Meehan will portray him the second weekend.

Debbie Schuneman and Margaret Hopkins will portray Bessie Garber and her sister Margaret Carter, two flappers who were arrested at an Upper Alton dance hall for "scant clothes and dancing styles." They will tell their story at the gravesite of their attorney, William P. Boynton (1878-1951).

Sean Williams will portray Isaac H. Kelly (1825-1920), a former slave who was freed in 1840 and arrived in Alton to become an influential member of the community. He was as one of three founding members of the Prince Hall Free and Accepted Masons of Illinois, served 40 years as deacon of the Union Baptist Church, was a conductor of the underground railroad, and longtime trustee of the Lovejoy Memorial.

Lief Anderson will take on the role of Lt. John Robinson (1831-1865), who was killed in the Civil War. He will tell the story of the National Cemeteries

Mary Lind Threde (1860-1908), a woman who set her son's fiancé on fire, will be portrayed by Kathy Reimer the first weekend and Missy Chapman the second weekend. The crime was so surprising and horrendous that it made papers all over the United States.

Hattie Pitchford Watson (1869-1899), a woman who came to Alton only to be murdered, along with her paramour, by her jealous boss in 1899, will be portrayed by Ann Westbrook the first weekend and Claudia Herndon the second weekend

Jean Heil will portray Anna Wilkinson (1883-1967), a suffragette who ran for mayor in 1929. She will tell the story of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted American women the right to vote.

Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students ages 6-18. Tickets can be purchased online at vintagevoices.brownpapertickets com or vintagevoicesnonwalking.brownpapertickets.com, at the Alton Visitors Center, or at the main gate of the Alton Cemetery at least 30 minutes before the tours begin

A non-walking tour presentation will be held at the Jacoby Arts Center on Sunday, October 13, 2019

## *Investigation Discovery Television Show Filmed at Hayner Library*

In March of this year, television producers from the Investigation Discovery network contacted Genealogy & Local History Manager Lacy McDonald regarding research for their television show *Twisted Sisters*, which was filming in Alton. The show featured the Beck twins, Mary and Dorothea. The sisters were born in 1939 and lived together in a house on Highland Avenue until Dorothea murdered Mary in 1995, when they were 68 years old.

The Genealogy & Local History staff helped find yearbook photos, church directory photos, newspaper articles, and other research materials for the production team. Lacy even discovered Mary and Dorothea's recipes in a church cookbook—she knew they attended Evangelical Church of Christ in Godfrey and went through every page of the church's cookbook to see if they'd submitted recipes. She got lucky and found Mary's "Layered Spinach Salad" recipe and Dorothea's "Rocky Road Candy" recipe. The recipe pages were shown on the show.

Several interviews were conducted at the Genealogy & Local History Library and the producers and director raved about the beauty of the building. Their camerawork and editing really highlighted the interior and exterior of the library. And we were in good company—former State Senator Bill Haine, Chief of Police Jake Simmons, and other respected and recognizable locals made appearances as well.

The episode, entitled "Dead Ringers," aired Monday, August 19, 2019 Streaming of the program is "locked" on the Investigation Discovery website; however, if you have cable, you can use your cable company's online account feature for viewing The show should also be available via your cable service's On Demand feature.

## *Bookish Fears*

We all know someone who is afraid of snakes, heights, or spiders. But have you ever met someone who shrieked at the sight of a book? Here are a few reading- and book-related phobias·

We bet you'll never run into a **bibliophobe** roaming the stacks at Hayner Library Bibliophobes are individuals who are afraid of books

The fear of running out of things to read is called **abibliophobia**. One sure way to alleviate this fear would be to sign-up for a Hayner Library card!

**Alogotransiphobes** would also do well to have a library card. Alogotransiphobia is the fear being stuck on public transportation without something to read.

The invention of e-books finally gave **Papyrophobes** the chance to read without having to face that which they fear· paper.

Isn't it ironic that the fear of long words is called **Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia**?

**Logophobia** is not the fear of logos, it's the fear of words.

# Summer Reading Program 2019

## It's Showtime at Your Library

Young patrons of Hayner Library had a wonderful time at this year's Summer Reading Program, "It's Showtime at Your Library." The KidsSpace staff kept children busy with craft times, performers, movies, puppet shows, games, Legos, and story times

More than 450 children registered for the six-week program. Each participant was rewarded with a weekly prize and a raffle ticket for one of our three grand prizes. At the end of the program, participants were treated to a party held at the Alton High School Commons where they were entertained by Parents' Choice Award-winning singer Leonardo Each participant also received a free book, snacks, and a certificate for all their hard work.

At the End-of-the-Summer Reading Party, a ticket was drawn for each of the three grand prizes The winner of the remote-control dancing robot was Roman A. The winner of the Harry Potter Lego set was Sasha S. The winner of the dinner and movie gift cards was Bennett W. Tickets were also drawn for artwork created at our Stories and Art story times by artist Jennifer Grassle of Cheerful Canvas. The winners of the artwork include Lewis K., Charlotte K., Leah M., Willow M , Mason S., Kaylee S., Gemma K., Thatcher G., Declan G., Wren M , and Emily M. We hope to see everyone again next year at our 2020 Summer Reading Program, "Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover!" Congratulations to all our winners!

We would also like to thank our sponsors Alton High School, Dollar General, Riverbender com Community Center, St. Louis Cardinals, Cheerful Canvas, and Gateway Grizzlies

*Bennett W*

*Roman A*

*Sasha S*

# 2019 Teen Summer Reading Program

## It's Showtime at Your Library

The 2019 Teen Summer Reading Program, "It's Showtime at Your Library," was another great success! Teens were offered the opportunity to catch up on some much-needed reading. Participants won great weekly prizes for their diligent reading and attended a weekly fun day at the Riverbender com Community Center. At the end of the five-week program, each participant was given a free book, a certificate of participation, and a goody bag. We would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner (for the most hours spent reading), Juliana S., who was rewarded with a gift basket full of books, gift cards, and iRead memorabilia. Congratulations, Juliana—and to all our participants. We hope to see everyone back for next year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover."

*Juliana S.*

# New in Our Illinois Room

## A Special Picture Book Edition

Genealogy research is immigration research. Almost all of us in the United States are descended from relatively recent immigrants, with the notable exceptions of American Indians, whose ancestors had been here for thousands of years, and descendants of enslaved peoples, who were forcibly brought here rather than emigrated. In the quest to figure out who we are, and who are ancestors were, we search for their stories of coming to America. We are extremely excited to share with you a selection of picture books about immigration now available to read in the Genealogy & Local History Library The books are currently displayed on the coffee table in front of the fireplace. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library is a place for all people, from all places, and of all ages, and we hope you will enjoy these beautiful new books and that you'll bring the children in your lives here to share the stories of our country

***All the Way to America*** by Dan Yaccarino (Italy)

***Blue Sky White Stars*** by Sarvinder Naberhaus and Kadir Nelson (various countries)

***Dreamers*** by Yuyi Morales (Mexico)

***The Dress and the Girl*** by Camille Andros and Julie Morstad (Greece)

***Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life*** by Ashley Bryan (various African countries)

***La Frontera: El Viaje Con Papa / My Journey with Papa*** by Deborah Mills, Alfredo Alva, and Claudia Navarro (Mexico)

***Gittel's Journey: An Ellis Island Story*** by Lesléa Newman and Amy June Bates (Jewish/ Russia/Poland)

***Good-bye, Havana! Hola, New York!*** by Edie Colón and Raúl Colón (Cuba)

***I'm New Here*** by Anne Sibley O'Brien (various countries)

***Mama's Nightingale: A Story of Immigration and Separation*** by Edwidge Danticat and Leslie Staub (Haiti)

***The Name Jar*** by Yangsook Choi (Korea)

***Never Forgotten*** by Patricia McKissack (West Africa)

***The People Shall Continue*** by Simon J Ortiz and Sharol Graves (Native/Indigenous peoples of North America)

***This Is Me: A Story of Who We Are and Where We Came From*** by Jamie Lee Curtis and Laura Cornell (various countries)

***This Land Is Our Land: A History of American Immigration*** by Linda Barrett Osborne (various countries)

***We Came to America*** by Faith Ringgold (various countries)

***When We Were Alone*** by David Alexander Robertson and Julie Flett (Native/Indigenous peoples of North America)

# Have a Hayner Library Card? Check Out These Local Business Discounts!

The following businesses are offering discounts for showing your Hayner Library card during the week of Saturday, November 30–Saturday, December 7, 2019, as part of our seventh annual library card drive

Are you an Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township resident without a library card? Make sure to sign-up for one at the Downtown or Alton Square libraries before the end of November! You will need to fill out a short library card application and provide a photo ID—a valid driver's license or state ID with your current address. If your photo ID does not have your current address, you will need to provide a piece of business mail dated within the last 30 days as proof of residency

A huge thank-you to all of these businesses for supporting The Hayner Public Library District!

Restaurants/Specialty Food Stores
Brown Bag Bistro – 10% off
Duke Bakery – 10% off
Godfrey Meat Market – 10% off (excluding alcohol)
Johnson's Corner – 20% off
Lovett's Soul Food – 10% off
LuciAnna's Pastries – $.50 off any pastry
Mister Donut – 10% off
Morrison's Irish Pub – 10% off food
My Just Desserts – 10% off
Old Bakery Beer Company – 10% off
Olga's Kitchen – 10% off
Olive Oil Marketplace – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
PopUtopia Gourmet Popcorn and Sweets – 10% off
Sammi's Sandwiches – 10% off
Sherry's Snacks – 10% off

Retail
1904 General Store – 10% off
Black's Sporting Goods – 10% off
Cleta's Nutrition – 15% off
Crown Vision Center – Free eye exam w/ purchase of glasses
The Cyclery and Fitness Center: Alton – 20% off regularly priced parts and accessories (excluding Garmin, GoPro, and Oakley)
Dick's Flowers – Free rose
Dora's Spinning Wheel – 10% off
The Gift Box – Free gift with purchase
The Grapevine of Alton Children's Boutique – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Halpin Music – 10% off
Jacoby Arts Center – 10% off in the Artist Shop
Kinzels Flower Shop – 10% off
Market Basket – 10% off
Mississippi Mud Pottery – 10% off (excluding other promotions)
Picture This & More – 15% off
It's Raining Zen – 10% off
River Bend Yoga – 50% off regular and hot yoga classes
Roberta's Lovely Ladies Boutique – 10% off
Rushmore Boutique – 5% off
Second Reading Book Shop – 10% off all used books
St. Peters Hardware & Rental, Inc – 10% off regularly priced merchandise

# Donations to the Friends of Hayner Library

## DO YOU ACCEPT DONATIONS?

The Hayner Public Library District will happily accept donations on behalf of the Friends of Hayner Library during normal library hours

All proceeds from the book sales go directly into the library's collection development fund, which is used to purchase new materials for the library collection.

Friends of Hayner Library
327 State Street
Alton, IL 62002
618 462 4396

## THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN DONATING ITEMS TO THE FRIENDS OF HAYNER LIBRARY:

- Donations will be given to the Friends for use in their quarterly book sales.
- Due to its distance from the mail entrance, we suggest only small quantities of donations be dropped off at the Alton Square library. Unfortunately, we do not have the staff or equipment at this location to be able to assist patrons with large-quantity donations. Large-quantity donations should be taken to the Downtown library or directly to the Friends building.
- The Friends meet Monday mornings, generally between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 12 p.m. Large-quantity donations are accepted at the Friends building during these hours. Patrons who wish to donate large quantities of materials at other times are encouraged to contact the Friends to arrange a drop-off time
- The Friends accept all types of materials for the book sale: hardcover and paperback books, audiobooks, DVDs, vinyl albums, children's books, magazines, encyclopedia sets, etc.
- All donated items should be clean, mold/mildew free and in good condition

# Check Out the View

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce our participation in the St. Louis Astronomical Society's Binocular Check Out Program

The St. Louis Astronomical Society, the Astronomical Society of Eastern Missouri, the Eastern Missouri Dark Sky Observers club in Missouri, and the Riverbend Astronomy Club in Illinois have partnered with the St. Louis Audubon Society to create a binocular "kit" for use in stargazing and birdwatching. Each binocular kit contains:

- One pair of Vortex Crossfire 8x42 binoculars
- An instruction manual
- *The Night Sky*, a laminated folding pocket guide for identifying objects in the night sky
- *Backyard Birds of Eastern/Central North America*, a bird identification guide

The binocular kits are available for check out at the Alton Square and Downtown library locations. Happy viewing!

# KidsSpace
## Fall 2019 Activities

## Alton Square Activities

Movers and Shakers Story Time

Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds Meeting dates are Mondays, October 7, October 14, October 21, and October 28; November 4 and November 18; December 2, December 9, and December 16, 2019, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

- Note: Riverbend Raptor – The October 14 (Columbus Day) Movers and Shakers story time will take place in the Performance Room at Alton Square. We will have a special performer—the Riverbend Raptor. This program is for all ages Register at 618- 433-2881
- Note: Audubon Center – The October 28 Movers and Shakers story time will take place at The Audubon Center at Riverlands, 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, MO 63386. Register at 618-433-2881.

Mommy and Me Story Time

This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, October 3, October 10, October 17, October 24, and October 31; November 7, November 14, November 21; December 5, December 12, and December 19, 2019, at 10 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

Legos @ Your Library

Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in the KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. This program is for kids 6-11 years of age Meeting dates are Thursdays, October 10, November 7, and December 12, 2019, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Limited space is available Please register at (618) 433-2881.

## Downtown Activities

Evening Story Time

Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5 years. This story time meets at 6:30 p m. on Mondays, October 7, October 14, October 21, and October 28; November 4 and November 18; December 2, December 9, and December 16, 2019 Limited space is available Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836

Mary Kay's Story Times

Come join Ms Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10 a.m on Tuesdays, October 1, October 8, October 15, October 22, and October 29; November 5, November 12, and November 19; December 3, December 10, and December 17, 2019. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836

After-School Fun

Kids, come join us for an after-school craft at Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft will be for children ages 6–11 years. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, October 15, November 19, and December 17, 2019. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836

## Special Activities

Riverbend Raptor

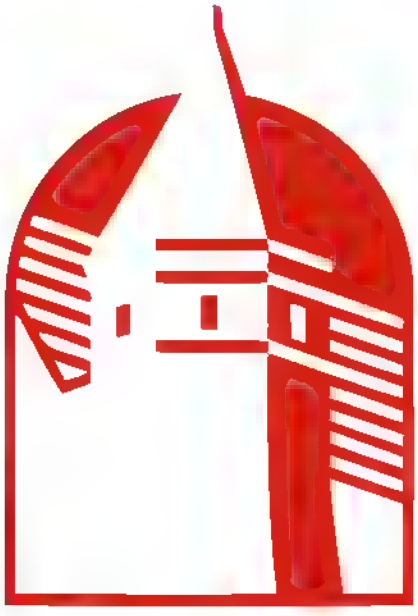
Bring the kids to Hayner Library at Alton Square to meet the Riverbend's newest dinosaur, the Riverbend Raptor! The Riverbend Raptor was created from a simple idea of entertaining and educating people about dinosaurs This once-in-a-lifetime dinosaur encounter includes facts, games, and activities that will entertain and delight kids and adults of all ages. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on Monday, October 14, 2019 (Columbus Day), in the library's Performance Room located on the upper level of Alton Square Mall. If you would like to attend, please call (618) 433-2881 to register Registration is required!

Stories with Santa

Come join us for a fun-filled day including Santa, refreshments, and a performance by Jeanie Bryan and her puppet monster sidekicks. The fun begins at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 7, 2019, in the library's Performance Room located on the upper level of Alton Square Mall. This program will be followed by cookies and a visit from Santa in the KidsSpace multipurpose room. Parents, don't forget your cameras! To register for this program, please call (618) 433- 2881.

*Star Wars* Reads Day

*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. The library invites patrons 6-12 years of age to drop by the KidsSpace at the Alton Square library from 2-4 p.m. for a *Star Wars*-themed craft and snack. The fun takes place on Saturday, October 12, 2019. We hope to see you then! To register for this program, please call (618) 433-2881



# TeenSpace
## Fall 2019 Activities

Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender.com Community Center

Come join in the after-school fun at our Teen Movie Nights @ the Riverbender.com Community Center. Each month, Hayner Library will host a movie event exclusively for teens. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movie dates are: Wednesdays, October 23, November 13, and December 11, 2019. Movies begin at 3:45 p.m. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872

GN Teen Book Club

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's GN Teen Book Club. Once a month, get together with other teens to share a cup of Joe and your thoughts about that month's graphic novel read. Meetings will be held at the Riverbender.com Community Center Library on: Wednesdays, October 2, November 6, and December 4, 2019, at 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome! For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Teen Coloring Meetups

Come meet up with other teens for a fun afternoon of coloring, music, and snacks. Teens will meet at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesday, October 9, 2019, from 4-5 p.m. Coloring pages and pencils will be supplied. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Board Game Fun

Bring a friend, pick a game, and let the fun begin! The fun starts at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2019. Everyone who participates will be entered into a drawing for some cool door prizes! To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Teen Halloween Event

Come join other teens at this fun Halloween event. The event will take place at the Riverbender.com Community Center after-school program on Wednesday, October 30, 2019, at 4 p.m. Participants can show off their pumpkin decorating skills and enjoy some delicious Halloween treats. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Who Stole Tom Turkey? A Thanksgiving Day Mystery

Come join other teens and be the first to solve the mystery of the missing Tom Turkey! The fun begins on Wednesday, November 20, 2019, at 4 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to the first team to solve this Thanksgiving day mystery. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872

Holiday Contest

Do you love to decorate cookies? If so, this is the contest for you! Come join us at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesday, December 18, 2019, at 4 p.m., for our annual Gingerbread House Decorating Contest. All participants will be given an array of items and thirty minutes to design their gingerbread house. The winner will receive a gift card. Limited space is available, so please register at (618) 433-2872.

## *Staff Profile: Shannon French*

If you have visited any of our library buildings over the last twenty years, you have more than likely been greeted by the sweet and smiling face of Library Assistant Shannon French. Shannon has worked at Hayner Library since August 1999 and has worn many hats over the years. She has shelved library materials as a Page, was a Library Assistant in our former Alton Square library location, has worked as a Library Assistant at our Downtown library, and has worked in our children's department at our current Alton Square library. Shannon was also instrumental in partnering with the Riverbender.com Community Center to provide library programming for area teens, a program she now supervises.

Shannon was raised in a household with both parents and her brother. She and her brother rode bikes and played outside until dark with the other neighborhood children. If there were any shenanigans going on, you could be sure that Shannon and her brother were involved! One of Shannon's favorite childhood memories was the time her grandparents built her a dollhouse, a special gift she still treasures.

Shannon attended Alton public schools. One of her favorite teachers, Mrs. Stacy Phelps, encouraged Shannon to step up and shine. Shannon loved playing flute and was a member of the Alton High School band.

Shannon began working part time for the library while in high school. She had many interests but couldn't decide if she wanted to be a nurse, a probation officer, or a massage therapist. Instead she decided to work full time for the library. We are so happy she stayed!

Seven years ago, Shannon married Richard French. Not only does Shannon work for Hayner Library, but most weekends you can also find her working alongside Richard, who owns a lawn service. Shannon says he is the best copilot she could ask for as they navigate this crazy ride called life.

I asked Shannon to name three people who have touched her life. She said that her mother taught her to be reliable and loyal. She also said that both of her grandmothers were wonderful cooks and bakers who passed along their joy of cooking. The third person was a dear friend who lost her young life to cancer.

We talked about life being too short and pieces of advice we could share. Shannon's advice is to not look back because you're not going that way—and that life happens when you are busy making other plans.

Thank you, Shannon, for being so reliable and loyal to Hayner Library—we appreciate all your hard work. *–Stephanie Munson*

## Computer Class

*This class will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library in Alton Square Mall. Although this course is free, registration is required. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the course.*

***Microsoft Excel***
**(Class Limit: 12)**
**Thursday, October 17, 24, 31 & November 7,14, 21, 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**
*Note: This class will meet on Thursdays only.*

Do you have little or no experience with Microsoft Excel? Please join us for a new class designed with the beginner in mind. Sharon Schaefer, Reference Librarian, will guide you through the basics of Excel. The class will be presentational, as well as question-oriented and student led. You will learn how to navigate Excel, create a spreadsheet, make changes to it, and save it.

## Sesame Street Turns 50

*Sesame Street*, the beloved children's educational television series, turns 50 this year. Here are a few fun facts about the show:

- According to the book *Sesame Street Unpaved: Scripts, Stories, Secrets and Songs* by David Borgenicht, *Sesame Street* character Count von Count was born on October 9, 1,830,653 B.C.
- Oscar the Grouch was originally orange! After the first season ended, Muppets creator and puppeteer Jim Henson decided to change Oscar's fur from orange to green. The show did offer an explanation to viewers when the second season began—apparently, while on vacation, Oscar went to Swamp Mushy Muddy and came back green.
- Standing 8 feet 2 inches, Big Bird is the tallest of all the Muppets. While impressive, he's still shorter than Alton native Robert Wadlow!
- An early version of Cookie Monster first appeared in a 1966 commercial for cheese crackers
- Elmo, one of the most famous *Sesame Street* Muppets, was initially a "background puppet" during crowd scenes. Elmo didn't become an actual character until 1984. Apparently, even puppets have to pay their dues before becoming a star!

For more interesting *Sesame Street* stories, facts, and history, be sure to check out the following titles from Hayner Library:

*Sesame Street Unpaved: Scripts, Stories, Secrets and Songs* by David Borgenicht

*Street Gang: The Complete History of Sesame Street* by Michael Davis

*Sesame Street: A Celebration of 40 Years of Life on the Street* by Louise A. Gikow

## Remember to Set Your Clocks Back

Daylight saving time ends Sunday, November 3, 2019. Be sure to turn your clocks back one hour and give yourself an extra hour to read!

## It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Winter!

Winter is just around the corner, bringing with it the potential for snow and ice. In order to ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If bad wintery weather in the forecast, please call us at 462-0677 before making a trip to visit one of our locations; an outgoing message will inform you of any changes to our regular hours of operation. Drive carefully!

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Summer 2019 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all* ***free of charge****. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and JCPenney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## Bow-wow Pow-wow

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, October 12, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**
**Saturday, November 9, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**
**Saturday, December 14, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and is absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! No registration necessary.

## Branching Out

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton,IL.*

***Uncovering Family Details Through Cemetery Research***
**October 10 & 17, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

***Heroes in Our History: Military Records***
**November 14 & 21, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

***Making a Home in a New Land: Immigration, Naturalization, & Asylum***
**December 12 & 19, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

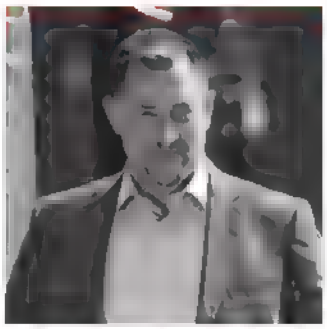
These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Curtis the Mentalist

**Tuesday, October 15, 6:30 p.m.**

Curtis presents a mind-blowing and hilarious show that you will remember long after the event is over. This humorous, fast-paced, and highly interactive one-man mind reading magic and mentalism show is sure to keep you engaged and thoroughly entertained.

Curtis tells random audience members the names of people they're thinking about, plays games with the money in their wallets, draws pictures they create in their mind, and performs crazy stunts while completely blindfolded that always has audiences reeling in utter amazement, and laughing the entire time! No one is ever sure whether Curtis is a magician, a real mind reader, or a comedian! Register at 1-800-613-3163.



## DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Eighth Annual Open House

*Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, November 2, 2019, 10:00 a.m.–12p.m.**

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to guide you through the DAR application process. Don't think you have a soldier in your family? There's also the more general category of "Patriotic Service," which includes things like members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity. Admission is free, registration is not necessary.

## Switchback

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

**Sunday, November 3, 2:00 p.m.**

It may not be Halloween proper, but we're still in the mood for some thrills and chills when Switchback returns on November 3. Two of our favorite performers on the circuit! "A successful show for us is like an amusement ride—it's a rush," says Brian FitzGerald of the renowned musical duo Switchback. "Our Irish is a little more aggressive, and it's coming at you a little harder because we are coming out of small, jaunty Irish bars. There's a lot of enthusiasm and a lot of energy to our show." As this program will be held just following the 2019 Day of the Dead celebration, FitzGerald and Martin McCormack will showcase spooky tunes along with their wonderful original compositions, sentimental ballads and blistering honky-tonk. This program is jointly presented by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

# Special Events at Hayner

## *John Meehan and Kerry Miller*

**"A Conversation Between Benjamin Godfrey and James Semple: How Two Prairie Entrepreneurs Shaped the River Bend Region"**

*Note: This program to be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.*

**Wednesday, November 6, 2019, 6:00 p.m.**

Accomplished reenactors John Meehan (playing Captain Godfrey) and Kerry Miller (playing General Semple) will portray these prominent leaders of economic development in western Madison and eastern Jersey counties in a lively exchange that covers the major issues of their life in the 1840s: the abolition of slavery, women's education, railroad and highway construction, and state banking. The Semple and Godfrey families lived barely three miles apart north of Alton. The oldest Semple daughter, Ada, attended nearby Monticello Female Seminary, a women's college which Godfrey had founded a decade earlier. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Dave Ehlert*

**A Diamond is Forever – A Neil Diamond Tribute Show**

**Tuesday, November 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Nationally acclaimed singing impressionist, Dave Ehlert, performs live all your favorite Neil Diamond hits in this salute to the legendary career of the Solitary Man. Hear *I am…I Said, September Man, Cherry Cherry, Sweet Caroline, Love on the Rocks, Cracklin' Rosie* and many more! Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Limited Edition*

**Sounds of the Holidays**

**Sunday, December 1, 3:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held at Evangelical United Church of Christ, 1212 Homer Adams Parkway West, Godfrey, IL (the corner of Route 3 and Pierce Lane where Delmar intersects with Route 3). There is plenty of easy parking.*

This is a favorite event of the holiday season. Join Musical Director Susan Parton-Stanard and the incredibly talented choral group Limited Edition for a program of beautiful holiday sounds. This extraordinary ensemble always receives a standing ovation, and Susan has been known to throw in a surprise or two. Don't miss this spectacular community event to kick off the holiday season. The program is free, but does require registration. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Switchback*

**A Celtic Christmas in the Chapel**

**Sunday, December 8, 2:00 p.m.**

*Note: This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College. It will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

They're back! The amazing duo Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. This annual performance has become a great holiday tradition for our community. When they have performed for us previously, their program filled up immediately, so don't wait to register for this event. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Nonfiction—

**Albom, Mitch.** Finding Chika: A Little Girl, an Earthquake, and the Making of a Family

**Alexander, Aaron.** The Align Method: 5 Movement Principles for a Stronger Body, Sharper Mind, and Stress-Proof Life

**America's Test Kitchen.** Mediterranean Instant Pot: Easy, Inspired Meals for Eating Well

**Andrews, Julie.** Home Work: A Memoir of My Hollywood Years

**Armstrong, Karen.** The Lost Art of Scripture: Rescuing the Sacred Texts

**Axe, Dr. Josh.** The Collagen Diet: A 28-Day Plan for Sustained Weight Loss, Glowing Skin, Great Gut Health, and a Younger You

**Baier, Bret.** Three Days at the Brink: FDR's Daring Gamble to Win World War II

**Betz-Hamilton, Axton.** The Less People Know About Us: A Mystery of Betrayal, Family Secrets, and Stolen Identity

**Brands, H. W.** Dreams of El Dorado: A History of the American West

**Brokaw, Tom.** The Fall of Richard Nixon: A Reporter Remembers Watergate

**Bryson, Bill.** The Body: A Guide for Occupants

**Cahalan, Susannah.** The Great Pretender: The Undercover Mission That Changed Our Understanding of Madness

**Carlin, Dan.** The End Is Always Near: Apocalyptic Moments, from the Bronze Age Collapse to Nuclear Near Misses

**Christie, Judy & Wingate, Lisa.** Before and After: The Incredible Real-Life Stories of Orphans Who Survived the Tennessee Children's Home Society

**Conroy, Cassandra King.** Tell Me a Story: My Life with Pat Conroy

**Daniels, Anthony.** I Am C-3PO: The Inside Story

**Davis, William C.** The Greatest Fury: The Battle of New Orleans and the Rebirth of America

**Drummond, Ree.** The Pioneer Woman Cooks: The New Frontier: 112 Fantastic Favorites for Everyday Eating

**Egan, Timothy.** A Pilgrimage to Eternity: From Canterbury to Rome in Search of a Faith

**Fingeroth, Danny.** A Marvelous Life: The Amazing Story of Stan Lee

**Fogg, B.J.** Tiny Habits: The Small Changes that Change Everything

**Gingrich, Newt.** Trump vs China: Facing America's Greatest Threat

**Greger, Michael, M.D.** How Not to Diet: The Groundbreaking Science of Healthy, Permanent Weight Loss

**Gundry, Steven R., M.D.** The Plant Paradox Family Cookbook: 80 One-Pot Recipes to Nourish Your Family Using Your Instant Pot, Slow Cooker, or Sheet Pan

**Harry, Debbie.** Face It

**Hartwig, Melissa.** The Whole30 Friends & Family: 150 Recipes for Every Social Occasion

**Jarrett, Gregg.** Witch Hunt: The Story of the Greatest Mass Delusion in American Political History

**John, Elton.** Me: Elton John Official Autobiography

**Jonas, Joe.** Blood: A Memoir by the Jonas Brothers

**Keys, Alicia.** More Myself: A Journey

**Kilmeade, Brian.** Sam Houston and the Alamo Avengers: The Texas Victory That Changed American History

**LeVeque, Kelly.** Body Love Every Day: Choose Your Life-Changing 21-Day Path to Food Freedom

**Maddow, Rachel.** Blowout: Corrupted Democracy, Rogue State Russia, and the Richest, Most Destructive Industry on Earth

**Mann, William J.** The Contender: The Story of Marlon Brando

**Martha Stewart Living.** Martha Stewart's Cookie Perfection: 100+ Recipes to Take Your Sweet Treats to the Next Level

**Morris, Edmund.** Edison

**Munroe, Randall.** How To: Absurd Scientific Advice for Common Real-World Problems

**Petrucci, Dr. Kellyann.** Dr Kellyann's Cleanse and Reset: Detoxify, Nourish, and Restore Your Body for Sustained Weight Loss.. in Just 5 Days

**Rowe, Mike.** The Way I Heard It

**Scarborough, Joe.** This Ends Badly: How Donald Trump Conned America

**Simon, Carly.** Touched by the Sun: My Friendship with Jackie

**Smith, Patti.** Year of the Monkey

**Symon, Michael.** Fix It with Food: More Than 125 Recipes to Address Autoimmune Issues and Inflammation: A Cookbook

**Weller, Sheila.** Carrie Fisher: A Life on the Edge

## Fiction—

**Andrews, Donna.** Owl Be Home for Christmas

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B. Parker's Angel Eyes (Spenser)

**Baldacci, David.** A Minute to Midnight

**Beaton, M. C.** Beating About the Bush (Agatha Raisin)

**Berg, Elizabeth.** The Confession Club

**Cameron, Marc.** Tom Clancy Code of Honor (Jack Ryan)

**Cameron, W. Bruce.** A Dog's Promise

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Christmas Boutique

**Child, Lee.** Blue Moon: A Jack Reacher Novel

**Childs, Laura.** Mumbo Gumbo Murder (A Scrapbooking Mystery)

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** Kiss the Girls and Make Them Cry

**Connelly, Michael.** The Night Fire

**Connolly, John.** A Book of Bones

**Cook, Robin.** Genesis

**Cornwell, Bernard.** Sword of Kings

**Cornwell, Patricia.** Quantum: A Thriller (Captain Chase)

**Coyle, Cleo.** Brewed Awakening

**Crichton, Michael.** The Andromeda Evolution

**Crombie, Deborah.** Bitter Feast

**Cussler, Clive.** Final Option (Oregon Files)

**DeMille, Nelson.** The Deserter

**Ellison, J. T.** Good Girls Lie

**Evanovich, Janet.** Twisted Twenty-Six

**Evans, Richard Paul.** Noel Street

**Francis, Felix.** Guilty Not Guilty

**Gerritsen, Tess.** The Shape of Night

**Griffin, W.E.B.** The Attack (Badge Of Honor)

**Grimes, Martha.** The Old Success

**Grisham, John.** The Guardians

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** What Happens in Paradise

**Isaacs, Susan.** Takes One to Know One

**Jewell, Lisa.** The Family Upstairs

**Kinsella, Sophie.** Christmas Shopaholic: A Novel

**le Carré, John.** Agent Running in the Field

**Lindsay, Jeff.** Just Watch Me

**Macomber, Debbie.** A Mrs Miracle Christmas

**Mallery, Susan.** Meant to Be Yours (Happily Inc.)

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Peppermint Tea Chronicles

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** To the Land of Long Lost Friends (No. 1 Ladies')

**McDermid, Val.** How The Dead Speak (Tony Hill)

**Meier, Leslie.** Invitation Only Murder

**Morgenstern, Erin.** The Starless Sea

**Morris, Heather.** Cilka's Journey

**Moyes, Jojo.** The Giver of Stars

**Myers, Tamar.** Puddin' on the Blitz

**Palmer, Diana.** Wyoming Heart

**Patterson, James.** The 19th Christmas

**Patterson, James.** Criss Cross (Alex Cross)

**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Gathering

**Poyer, David.** Overthrow (Dan Lenson)

**Roberts, Nora.** The Rise of Magicks (Chronicles of The One)

**Rosenfelt, David.** Dachshund Through the Snow

**Sandford, John.** Bloody Genius

**Singh, Nalini.** A Madness of Sunshine

**Steel, Danielle.** Child's Play

**Steel, Danielle.** Spy

**Strout, Elizabeth.** Olive, Again

**Thayer, Nancy.** Let It Snow: A Novel

**Todd, Charles.** A Cruel Deception

**Williams, Beatriz.** The Wicked Redhead

**Woods, Stuart.** Stealth (Stone Barrington)

## What's Happening in Reference

The next time you are in the Alton Square library, we invite you to visit the Reference Department to see our recent changes and explore our materials The collection has been condensed to simplify browsing and selection for our patrons. Additionally, the end of the collection has been shifted to the shelves on the wall behind the Reference Desk. You are welcome to browse these shelves, as well as the rest of the materials that remain out on the floor, any time you are in the library

Whether you are exploring a new subject or starting a research project, you may be interested to know that we have many exceptional books encompassing a wide range of topics and sources, including world religions, mythology, art, atlases, legal forms, encyclopedias on multiple subjects, medicine, poetry, language dictionaries, Illinois statutes, and more. In fact, many of the library's most fascinating, enlightening, and unique books can be found in the Reference Department. Reference books are often thoroughly detailed and fabulously illustrated as they are written for in-depth knowledge on a particular subject. They can also be trusted as some of the most well-reviewed and accurate sources. You might like to browse through a few of them on your next visit. We recommend:

***Crimes and Punishment: The Illustrated Crime Encyclopedia.*** R 364.9 CRI Read about the real-life accounts of master criminals and the crimes they committed. It's all found in this twenty-eight volume set.

***Nicknames of Cities and States of the U.S.*** by Joseph Nathan Kane. R 929.4 KAN. Did you know that Alton was dubbed both "The City That Came Back" and "Tusselburgh" in response to the 1837 riot (and its aftermath) in which abolitionist Elijah Lovejoy was murdered?

***Folklore and Symbolism of Flowers, Plants and Trees*** by Ernst and Johanna Lehner. R 581.508 LEH. *"The violet is one of the few flowers which entered the historical arena as a political symbol."* The French Bonapartists chose the violet, the flower of March, as their emblem during Napoleon's exile Look for the silhouettes of Napoleon, Empress Louise, and their three-year-old son found in the illustrated bouquet of violets on page 82. The Bonapartists used postcards of these violets as subterfuge against the French government.

While you are here, help yourself to any of the helpful handouts displayed at the Reference Desk. They cover topics such as fake news, community support services, e-book help, and more. What topic are you interested in exploring today? Let us help you find it.

## Wreaths Across America

Wreaths Across America is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, Teach," is carried out by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies on a specified Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery and at veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. Through the wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events, the organization spreads its message about the importance of remembering our fallen heroes, honoring those who serve, and teaching our children about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 14, 2019, our community will participate in the national Wreaths Across America ceremony The ceremony will start at 11 a.m. in the Alton National Cemetery at Pearl Street and Joesting Avenue. Students from the Evangelical School in Godfrey, with the assistance of area veterans, will participate and help lay the wreaths on the veterans' graves.

In 2018, through community financial donations, 560 wreaths were placed on gravesites in our local national cemetery

Every dollar you donate helps ensure a wreath at a veteran's gravesite. Help continue the success of this program by sending a financial donation to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton, IL 62002. Each $30 in contributions enables the local organization to purchase three 20-inch live balsam wreaths.

For the fourth year, the local WAA effort will continue to offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their veteran loved one at other local cemeteries These wreath reservations must be received by Friday, November 22, 2019, by calling Margaret Hopkins at 618-570-8804.

Support our community in carrying forward the mission "Remember, Honor, Teach." Join the whole country in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own future Christmas celebrations for us

For more information, call Margaret Hopkins at 618-570-8804. Additional information is also available on the website www.wreathsacrossamerica.org.

## Food for Fines

Yearly, we have held a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines, in October. We will waive current fines on Hayner material if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each fine during the amnesty period

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support agencies such as the Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2019, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per fine, and only Hayner materials are eligible. This program applies to overdue items currently checked out and does not apply to fines already charged to your card for materials previously returned. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to the Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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The **top 100 novels** of all time found in libraries around the world

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1. Don Quixote, Miguel de Cervantes
2. Alice's Adventures in Wonder and, Lewis Carroll
3. The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, Mark Twain
4. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Mark Twain
5. Treasure Island, Robert Louis Stevenson
6. Pride and Prejudice, Jane Austen
7. Wuthering Heights, Emily Brontë
8. Jane Eyre, Charlotte Brontë
9. Moby Dick, Herman Melville
10. The Scarlet Letter, Nathanie Hawthorne
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13. A Christmas Carol, Charles Dickens
14. David Copperfield, Charles Dickens
15. A Tale of Two Cities, Charles Dickens
16. Little Women, Louisa May Alcott
17. Great Expectations, Charles Dickens
18. The Hobbit, or, There and Back Again, J. R. R. Tolkien
19. Frankenstein, or, the Modern Prometheus, Mary Shelley
20. Oliver Twist, Charles Dickens
21. Uncle Tom's Cabin, Harriet Beecher Stowe
22. Crime and Punishment, Fyodor Dostoyevsky
23. Madame Bovary, Patterns of Provincial life Gustave Flaubert
24. The Return of the King, J. R. R. Tolkien
25. Dracula, Bram Stoker
26. The Three Musketeers, Alexandre Dumas
27. Brave New World, Aldous Huxley
28. War and Peace, Leo Tolstoy
29. To Kill a Mockingbird, Harper Lee
30. The Wizard of Oz, L. Frank Baum
31. Les Miserables, Victor Hugo
32. The Secret Garden, Frances Hodgson Burnett
33. Animal Farm, George Orwell
34. The Great Gatsby, F. Scott Fitzgerald
35. The Little Prince, Antoine de Saint Exupéry
36. The Call of the Wild, Jack London
37. 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea, Jules Verne
38. Anna Karenina, Leo Tolstoy
39. The Wind in the Willows, Kenneth Grahame
40. The Picture of Dorian Gray, Oscar Wilde
41. The Grapes of Wrath, John Steinbeck
42. Sense and Sensibility, Jane Austen
43. The Last of the Mohicans, James Fenimore Cooper
44. Tess of the d'Urbervilles, Thomas Hardy
45. Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, J. K. Rowling
46. Heidi, Johanna Spyri
47. Ulysses, James Joyce
48. The Complete Sherlock Holmes, Arthur Conan Doyle
49. The Count of Monte Cristo, Alexandre Dumas
50. The Old Man and the Sea, Ernest Hemingway
51. The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, C. S. Lewis
52. The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Victor Hugo
53. Pinocchio, Carlo Collodi
54. One Hundred Years of Solitude, Gabriel Garcia Marquez
55. Ivanhoe, Walter Scott
56. The Red Badge of Courage, Stephen Crane
57. Anne of Green Gables, L. M. Montgomery
58. Black Beauty, Anna Sewell
59. Peter Pan, J. M. Barrie
60. A Farewell to Arms, Ernest Hemingway
61. The House of the Seven Gables, Nathaniel Hawthorne
62. Lord of the Flies, William Golding
63. The Prince and the Pauper, Mark Twain
64. A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man, James Joyce
65. Lord Jim, Joseph Conrad
66. Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets, J. K. Rowling
67. Red and Black, Stendhal
68. The Stranger, Albert Camus
69. The Trial, Franz Kafka
70. Lady Chatterley's Lover, D. H. Lawrence
71. Kidnapped: The Adventures of David Balfour, Robert Louis Stevenson
72. The Catcher in the Rye, J. D. Salinger
73. Fahrenheit 451, Ray Bradbury
74. A Journey to the Centre of the Earth, Jules Verne
75. Vanity Fair, William Makepeace Thackeray
76. All Quiet on the Western Front, Erich Maria Remarque
77. Gone with the Wind, Margaret Mitchell
78. My Antonia, Willa Cather
79. Of Mice and Men, John Steinbeck
80. The Vicar of Wakefield, Oliver Goldsmith
81. A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court, Mark Twain
82. White Fang, Jack London
83. Fathers and Sons, Ivan Sergeevich Turgenev
84. Doctor Zhivago, Boris Leonidovich Pasternak
85. The Decameron, Giovanni Boccaccio
86. Nineteen Eighty-Four, George Orwell
87. The Jungle, Upton Sinclair
88. The Da Vinci Code, Dan Brown
89. Persuasion, Jane Austen
90. Mansfield Park, Jane Austen
91. Candide, Voltaire
92. For Whom the Bell Tolls, Ernest Hemingway
93. Far from the Madding Crowd, Thomas Hardy
94. The Fellowship of the Ring, J. R. R. Tolkien
95. The Return of the Native, Thomas Hardy
96. Sons and Lovers, D. H. Lawrence
97. Charlotte's Web, E. B. White
98. The Swiss Family Robinson, Johann David Wyss
99. Bleak House, Charles Dickens
100. Pere Goriot, Honoré de Balzac

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## Voting 101

Register to vote and be sure your voice is heard! The Hayner Public Library District offers voter registration services at our Hayner Alton Square Mall and Downtown libraries.

Voter registration requires two types of identification; one form of identification must have a current address. This service is free of charge. Designated staff members at both the Hayner Alton Square Mall and Downtown libraries are certified registrants, please call ahead to ensure that a certified registrant is on duty

**Important dates to remember for the general primary election on Tuesday, March 17, 2020:**
**Last day for voter registration at the library:** February 18, 2020
**Grace period registration:** February 19–March 16, 2020 Grace period registration takes place at the Madison County Clerk's office in Edwardsville; you must also vote at the time of registration.
**Early voting:** March 3–March 16, 2020
**General primary election:** March 17, 2020
The State Board of Elections also offers Illinois online voter registration The online voter registration application can be found at https://ova elections il gov The deadline for Illinois online voter registration is March 1, 2020 Voter registration reopens the second day following an election Voter registration will resume on March 19, 2020.
**Voter education websites:**
**FactCheck.org:** A nonpartisan, nonprofit, consumer advocate website for voters; the website works to reduce confusion and deception in U.S. politics. https://factcheck.org
**PolitiFact.com:** A source for voters to obtain factual information on the accuracy of statements made by politicians. Facts are tested against their Truth-O-Meter. https://www politifact.com
**BallotReady.org:** Offers nationwide voter ballot guides based on a voter's home address. https://www.ballotready.org
**Madison County Clerk:** Use this site to find your polling place, a sample ballot, and more information on local elections. www.madisonvotes.com

## Hayner Library Offers a Voter Education Class

### Your Voice Counts: What You Need to Know Before the Next Election

**Saturday, February 15, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.*

This class will be taught by Dr Laura Wiedlocher, professor of political science at Blackburn College in Carlinville Dr Wiedlocher has been teaching classes on politics, policy, leadership, and public service for over a decade at both Blackburn College and the University of Missouri, St. Louis Please attend this timely presentation to learn your rights as a voter, who is running for office, and tips on how to decide before election day

## Hayner Offers Community Support Services Help

Public libraries promote democracy in many ways; one way is to connect people to information and services. In an effort to reach out to all in the community, Hayner Library has developed a Community Support Services resource guide. These booklets are meant to help the homeless or anyone in need of social services They offer a list of local shelters, food sources, free legal services, aging assistance, crisis help, disabilities support, homeless assistance, veterans support, warming/cooling centers, and more. Booklets are distributed throughout the community at hospitals, clinics, crisis centers, and other local organizations. You can pick up a free copy at any Hayner Library location If you would like some booklets for your organization, please contact the Reference department at 618-433-2864 and we will be happy to supply you with copies.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Dr. Martin Luther King Day - January 20
Presidents Day - February 17

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## *Tax Season is Just Around the Corner, and the Scam Artists are Eager to Make You Their Next Victim*

### Avoid Tax Season Scams: Information from the IRS

Did you know that gift cards cannot be used to pay for bail, court fines, or taxes? Never believe someone who wants you to buy gift cards or use your own credit or debit card to pay for debts. The Federal Communications Commission has valuable IRS information on their website (https://www.fcc.gov/tax-season-dont-fall-spoofed-irs-calls)

The IRS always initiates any problem you may have by sending a letter or bill through the United States Postal Service. They stress that:

- The IRS does NOT call to demand immediate payment using a specific payment method such as a prepaid gift card, debit card, or wire transfer
- The IRS does NOT threaten to immediately bring in local police or other law enforcement agencies to have you charged or arrested for not paying.
- The IRS does NOT demand that you pay taxes without giving you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount they say you owe
- The IRS does NOT tell you to provide credit, debit, or gift card numbers over the phone
- If you do not owe taxes and never received a bill in the mail prior to a call, hang up immediately. Call the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration immediately to report the incident; their telephone number is 1-800-366-4484. If possible, report the phone number used in the suspicious call.
- If you think you owe taxes, hang up and call the IRS to validate the call; their telephone number is 1-800-829-1040. If there is a valid tax issue, IRS employees will assist you.

## *Census 2020 – Why It is Important*

Census 2020 is right around the corner. Starting in March, for the first time, you have the option fill out the form online (https://2020census.gov). The decennial census is a long tradition, beginning with the first census directed by Thomas Jefferson in 1790. Thereafter, a census has been taken every 10 years as mandated in the U.S. Constitution.

The census is a cornerstone of our democracy. It provides an accurate count of the population and supplies vital information for you and your community to make important decisions: states use the census to determine their number of congressional representatives, federal funding to states and their localities is based on census numbers, and the census produces important datasets.

Federal money received by Illinois supports infrastructure needs, schools, hospitals, emergency healthcare centers, social services, and more. Companies and local businesses make decisions whether to potentially expand or build based on census data of the area.

It is important that everyone be counted! The George Washington Institute for Public Policy's report "Counting for Dollars 2020," estimates that the undercount of Illinoisans in the 2010 Census resulted in a loss of $952 per person of federal funding. In 2015 alone, Illinois lost $122 million for every 1 percent of the population not counted in the 2010 Census.

Census data, current facts and figures about America's people, places, and economy, is stored at the U.S. Census Bureau, the federal government's largest statistical agency. Federal law protects the confidentiality of all individual responses to the census. Information collected by the U.S. Census Bureau is not shared with other federal or state government agencies.

In addition to the decennial count, the U.S. Census Bureau conducts more than 100 surveys annually, including the American Community Survey and the Economic Survey.

Hayner Library has computers available for your use in filling out the census questionnaire. We also have reference librarians trained to help you access demographic data on the U.S. Census Bureau's website (https://www.census.gov). Please contact our reference department at 618-433-2864 or email reference@haynerlibrary.org.

## *U.S. Census Bureau: Avoiding Fraudulent Activity and Scams*

The U.S. Census Bureau has offered the following information to help citizens avoid being the victims of fraudulent activity and scams.

The U.S. Census Bureau goes to great lengths to protect your information. If you suspect "phishing" or other scams, please contact the Chicago regional office at 1-800-865-6384. You may also contact the National Processing Center at 1-800-923-8282 for immediate assistance and verification.

**Phishing:** Phishing is the criminal act of trying to get your information—usernames, passwords, social security numbers, and bank account or credit card account details—by pretending to be an entity you trust. Phishing emails often direct you to a website that looks real, but is fake, and may be infected with malware, which is software intentionally designed to cause damage to a computer, server, client, or computer network.

**Other scams:** You may be the victim of a scam if someone claiming to be from the U.S. Census Bureau asks you for certain information. The U.S. Census Bureau never asks for:

- Your full Social Security number
- Money or donations
- Anything on behalf of a political party
- Your full bank, debit card, or credit card account numbers
- Your mother's maiden name

**What you can do:**

- If you receive mail, check that the return address is Jeffersonville, Indiana.
- If someone calls your household to complete a survey, call the National Processing Center to verify that the caller is a U.S. Census Bureau employee.
- If someone visits your residence to complete a survey, be sure to check for a valid U.S. Census Bureau ID badge; call the regional office if you are still unsure.
- If you receive an email and think it is fake, do not reply, do not click on any links, and do not open any attachments. Forward the email or website URL to the U.S. Census Bureau at ois.fraudreporting@census.gov. Delete the message. The U.S. Census Bureau will investigate and notify you of the findings.

For more information, please visit https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/surveyhelp/fraudulent-activity-and-scams.html.

## Computer Class: Microsoft Word

*This class will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is required. Please register at 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the course*

***Microsoft Word* (Class limit: 12)**
**Thursdays, February 6, 13, and 20, 6:00–7:00 p.m.**
*Note: This class will meet on Thursdays only*

Do you have little or no experience with Microsoft Word? Please join us for a new class designed with the beginner in mind. Sharon Schaefer, reference librarian, will guide you through the basics of Word. The class will be presentational, as well as question-oriented and student-led. You will learn how to navigate Word, create documents, make changes to them, and save them. Knowing computer basics is required. You may register for each class separately, depending on your need. Please bring a flash drive.

**Part 1, Thursday, February 6, 6:00–7:00 p.m.**
- Getting Started
- Creating, Editing, and Saving Documents

**Part 2, Thursday, February 13, 6:00–7:00 p.m.**
- Review of Part 1
- Intermediate Skills

**Part 3, Thursday, February 20, 6:00–7:00 p.m.**
- Finish Projects, Other Fun Things to Do

## Winter Social Media

*These classes will be taught in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Although the courses are free, registration is required. Please register at 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name, phone number, and the name of the course.*

***Social Media Basics***
**Saturday, January 18, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.**
We will start with an overview of Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest; what they are and what they do We will discuss pitfalls of social media and what you should avoid doing with each site. How to interact with other users will be discussed. A brief overview of how to upload photos to each site will be explained. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring a laptop, tablet, or flash drive.

***Facebook Revealed***
**Saturday, January 25, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.**
This class will start with the creation of a Facebook account and will proceed to finding friends, uploading photos and videos, navigating different applications, and finding a group to fit you. You will learn little tricks to make Facebook easier and more accessible. We will also cover some of the privacy settings This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring a laptop or tablet. You may bring a flash drive with photos.

***Exploring Pinterest and Twitter***
**Saturday, February 1, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.**
Starting with the creation of accounts, we will explore the uses and benefits of both Pinterest and Twitter. You will learn how to Pin to a board, upload a Pin, and the art of "following" people You will learn how to send and receive tweets. This class is presentational only. You do not need to bring a laptop or tablet.

## New in Our Illinois Room

***Austrian Family History Research: Sources and Methodologies*** (2019) by Roger P. Minert and Charlotte Noelle Champenois. IR 943 6 MIN

***Centennial Cookbook: The Village of East Alton, Sept. 4, 1893-1993*** compiled by the East Alton's Woman's Club IR 641 5 CEN

***Christmas Memories, Customs, and Cookies*** (1977) benefiting the Alton Area Historical Society. IR 394 266309773 CHR

***A Genealogy of the Haas, Hopfinger, Wolf, Lander, Acker, Reis, Rosche, and Helms Families.*** IR 929 2 HAAS

***His Own Counsel: The Life and Times of Lyman Trumbull*** by Ralph J. Roske. IR B TRUMBULL

***The Family Tree Cemetery Field Guide: How to Find, Record, & Preserve Your Ancestors' Graves*** (2017) by Joy Neighbors. IR 929.1 NEI

***The First Balkan War and Its Impact on the Bulgarians and Greeks of Southwestern Illinois*** by David E. Cassens. IR 977 386 CAS

***Guide to Illinois' Historical Markers.*** IR 977 3 GUI

***Heritage and History of the East St. Louis Baptist Association, 1787-1917-1967.*** IR 286 0977389 LEI

***I Grew Up in War Housing: The History of the Defense Housing Projects in East Alton, Illinois 1941-1954*** by Phillip David Walkington. IR 977 386 WAL

***Illinois Rail Transit: A Basic History*** by Thomas R. Bullard. IR 385 09773 BUL

***A Literary Journal Called "Voices from the Edge"*** by John J Dunphy. IR 810 9773 DUN

***Madison County School Directory 1928-1929.*** IR LOCKED CASES 373 77386 MAD

***Making an Antislavery Nation: Lincoln, Douglas, and the Battle Over Freedom*** by Graham A. Peck. IR 973 7114 PEC

***Photo Organizing Made Easy: Going from Overwhelmed to Overjoyed*** by Cathi Nelson. IR 771 46 NEL

***The Presbyterian Synods of Illinois*** by Wm. Irvine Blair. IR 285.9773 BLA

***The St. Louis Herb Society Cook Book: A Cook Book to Cook By*** recipes compiled by Mrs. J. Glennon Schreiber and Mrs. Nathan David, St. Louis Herb Society IR 641 5 SAI

***Tell Me a Story: Memories of Early Life Around the Coal Fields of Illinois.*** IR 622 3309773 TEL

***Tips and Tricks of Deciphering German Handwriting: A Translator's Tricks of the Trade for Transcribing German Genealogy Documents*** (2018) by Katherine Schober. IR 943 SCH

***Transactions of the Illinois State Horticultural Society*** (1885 and 1887) by Illinois State Horticultural Society. IR 635.9773 ILL

***Unsung Heroes of the Dachau Trials: The Investigative Work of the U.S. Army 7708 War Crimes Group, 1945-1947*** by John J. Dunphy. IR 341 69 DUN

## You Are What You Eat

The holidays are finally behind us, which means the dried out turkey, sweet potatoes, and other leftovers have been eaten, shared, or put down the garbage disposal. It's time to hunker down for three months of cold weather. Being cooped up in the house hiding from bitter winds and slick sidewalks is not my idea of fun. Neither is being bored. Needing a new indoor hobby to keep me sane while waiting for Old Man Winter to move on in the opposite direction, I decided to cook my way through winter!

My first task was to find new and exciting recipes, so I began my search by looking through cookbooks in the Genealogy & Local History Library's Illinois Room collection. The cookbooks in the local history collection are from places such as churches, organizations, and schools. Since that makes them a little more unique than the mass-produced books from Betty Crocker and *Better Homes and Gardens*, I assumed I would find rare dishes with ingredients such as truffles, saffron, and capers. Was I ever surprised!

I found that it doesn't matter how you spell doughnuts (or donuts)—there are numerous ways to cook a batch of these sugar-coated confections. What's in a name? Well, when you think of familiar recipes such as Pigs in a Blanket, Dirty Rice, Monkey Bread, or Sloppy Joes, the name may actually be the best (or worst) part of the whole experience. In my quest, I found many unique recipes with interesting names worth trying—or at least worth an eye roll and a chuckle.

For supper on a snowy January evening, I have decided I will warm my kitchen with a bubbling pot of Snake Alley Noodles and pair it with a side of Apple Scrapple. Of course, you don't actually use a snake for this meal, which is good news since I wouldn't have a clue where to find one in January!

During a frosty February morning, I will put a loaf of Bubble Bread in the oven while I sip a mug of Snowman Soup. Just in case my old Uncle Al stops by, I will blend up a batch of Prune Whip. Uncle Al sure enjoys a warm bowl of prune pulp and brandy just before he passes out (I mean, "takes a nap") on the couch.

Frog Eye Salad and a piping hot Man-Eater Casserole will make a great lunch combo after sledding on a snow-packed Saturday afternoon in March. Schniffel Dreck and crackers will make a nice appetizer before dinner.

Of course, since we live in the Midwest and suffer through many cold blustery winter days, there will be plenty of time for Simple Simon Casseroles, Pow Wow Sandwiches, and simmering crocks of leftover Pot Liquor (that one is for the Southerners—y'all know what I'm talking about!)

It is likely these recipes were included in the cookbooks with the intent of bringing a smile to the face of a new cuisine explorer like me, but last weekend there were no smiles when I offered my perpetually hungry 10-year-old grandson a Drunk Wiener and a couple of Cat Poop Cookies. He didn't even say goodbye as he dashed out the back door and went straight home for a bologna sandwich and Oreos!

Cookbooks are an uncommon resource when compiling family history. Researching old cookbooks is more than just learning what our ancestors were cooking and eating. It gives insight into their personalities. Who wouldn't be amused to find the recipe for their grandma's scrumptious Crazy Cake alongside her concoction of Witches' Brew inside the pages of a cookbook printed by her beloved Bunco club? Oh my, grandma! What kind of woman were you?

All of these recipes, and many more like them, are available in the cookbook collection at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. Come visit us on a wintry afternoon and see what fun recipes, like the one listed below, you can find. Believe it or not, I saw the following recipe printed in more than one cookbook:

**Elephant Stew**
One elephant
Two rabbits
Salt and pepper
Lots of brown gravy

Chop elephant into bite-size pieces Be patient, this will take about two months. Remove the trunk and set aside, you will need something in which to store leftovers. Add lots of brown gravy. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. At this point, for my personal recipe, I would add a few hefty jiggers of Uncle Al's brandy (believe me, he's had enough!). Cook slowly over a kerosene fire for about four weeks (apparently elephant is very tough). This recipe will serve approximately 3,000 people. If more are expected to dine, you can add the two rabbits. Add the rabbits only if necessary, as most people do not like to find hare in their stew.

*-Pam Bierman*

## Colonial Fife and Drum Corps of Alton Display

Come visit our newest display at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street!

The Colonial Fife and Drum Corps of Alton was organized in August 1975 by Dr. Harvey Veit. Dr. Veit was a longtime member of the Piasa Black Powder Burners club and thought a fife and drum corps would add even more color and historic pageantry to events

Fifes are an ancient wind instrument, referred to in Europe as the "Schweizerpfeife," or Swiss flute Fifes have been in use by military organizations since the 16th century and drums have had a role in militaries going back even further in history. Fifers and drummers used music to relay commands and inspire soldiers on the battlefield and in camp. Drum corps in the United States stem from Revolutionary War units, which marched with troops and played on ceremonial occasions

Members of the Colonial Fife and Drum Corps of Alton were between 10- and 18-years-old. Mary Katherine Yoder was the first fifer and the first drummer was Doug Flory. The group was usually attended by five historic flags: the Stars and Stripes, the Bunker Hill, the Grand Union, the Betsy Ross, and the Bennington Under Dr. Veit, the Colonial Fife and Drum Corps of Alton travelled between seven and eight thousand miles a year In 1977, The Colonial Fife and Drum Corps of Alton were one of three groups invited to play for Charles, Prince of Wales, during his visit to the Gateway Arch. The Corps was smartly enough attired and played well enough to rate front page photos with His Royal Highness in *The New York Times*. The Corps also went on to perform for several United States presidents and the Canadian prime minister

The display case includes Dr. Harvey Veit's uniform, hat, shoes, wig, espontoon, and sword, sheet music used by the Colonial Fife and Drum Corps of Alton, a fife uniform from the early days of the Corps, and amazing awards and photographs. Items in this display case are on loan courtesy of the Veit Family, Colonial Fife and Drum Corps Alumni Alton Facebook Group, Sue Hardin, and Zach Hardin. Thank you for sharing your treasures with us!

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our next semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all* ***free of charge****. All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163 Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and JC Penney.**

**REMINDER**

Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you have registered, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bow-wow Pow-wow*

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, January 11, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**
**Saturday, February 8, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**
**Saturday, March 14, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and is absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera! No registration necessary.

## *Branching Out*

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.*

***At Your Fingertips: New Items in Our Illinois Room Collection***

**January 9 & 16, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

***Let's Get Physical: Organizing the Stuff of Your Family History***

**February 13 & 20, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

***Bridging the Digital Divide: Scanning, Software Programs, and Storage***

**March 12 & 19, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Updated information and new tips every year! We also take requests if there are specific things you'd like to learn about. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

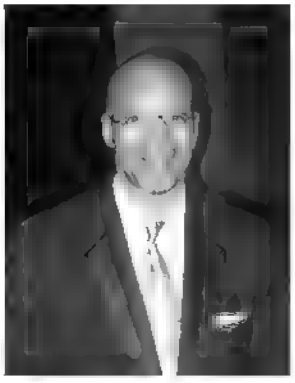
## *The Gibson Girls*

**Tuesday, January 28, 6:30 p.m.**

The Gibson Girls are three sisters from Jerseyville, IL. They grew up singing in churches and developed a real love of music at a young age. They sing a mixture of Christian and vintage classics. Reminiscent of the Andrews Sisters, their harmonizing vocals bring back the wonderful music of the '40s and move to current day. They have sung all over the country and been center stage at many Honor Flight commemorations. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Jared Hennings*

**Tuesday, February 11, 6:30 p.m.**



Local vocalist Jared Hennings always attracts a full house. In anticipation of Valentine's Day, Jared will present a program of music for romance. Ballads, Broadway tunes, and more will be on Jared's playlist. Bring your special someone and enjoy! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Irish Xiles*

**Tuesday, March 3, 6:30 p.m.**

We are so excited to welcome the return of this rollicking Irish band. Enjoy an evening of all your favorite Irish music and many laughs. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Mark Dvorak*

**Just Something My Grandmother Used to Sing**

**Tuesday, March 24, 6:30 p.m.**

Mark has performed for Hayner audiences many times through the years. He is a faculty member at the Chicago School of Music, an incredible banjo player and a true bard and poet. His program will feature traditional folk, standards from the Great American Songbook, and Mark's own well-crafted and infectious original songs interwoven with engaging stories and humor. Don't miss this heartwarming event. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

# KidsSpace Winter 2020 Activities

## Alton Square Activities

Movers and Shakers Story Time
Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for 3–5-year-olds. Meeting dates are Mondays, January 6, 13, and 27; February 3, 10, and 24; March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at 618-433-2881.

- The January 27, 2020 Movers and Shakers story time will be held at the Audubon Center at Riverlands, 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, MO, at 10:00 a.m.

Mommy and Me Story Time
This story time is exclusively for the little ones ages birth–2 years old accompanied by an adult. This 30-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, and manipulatives. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 9, 16, 23, and 30; February 6, 13, 20, and 27; March 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Please register at 618-433-2881.

Legos @ Your Library
Bring your imagination and join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Legos @ Your Library will meet in KidsSpace the second Thursday of each month. Meeting dates are Thursdays, January 9, February 13, and March 12, 2020, from 3:30–4:30 p.m. Please register at 618-433-2881.

Teddy Bear Workshop
During this magical workshop, children ages 3–7 will enjoy stories and a puppet show and then stuff a 15" plush bear. Each participant will make a wish on a wishing star, which they will then name and place inside their bear before taking it home. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 25, 2020. Space is limited! Please register at 618-433-2881.

KidsSpace Easter Egg Hunt
Come join the fun at this year's annual Easter Egg Hunt in the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 4, 2020. All children will hunt candy-filled eggs, have a chance to win an Easter bag or book, and sit on the Easter Bunny's lap. Parents, don't forget your cameras! Please register at 618-433-2881.

## Downtown Activities

Evening Story Time
Kids can wear their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed animal to Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace for stories, puppets, and finger plays before bedtime. For ages 2–5. This story time meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays, January 6, 13, and 27; February 3, 10, and 24; March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2020. Please register at 618-462-0677, ext. 2836.

Mary Kay's Story Times
Come join Panda Bear and Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. Meeting time is 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, January 7, 14, 21, and 28; February 4, 11, 18, and 25; March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2020. Please register at 618-462-0677, ext. 2836.

After-School Craft
Kids, come join us for After-School Craft at Hayner Library downtown KidsSpace. The craft is for children ages 6–10 years of age. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 21, February 18, and March 17, 2020. Please register at 618-462-0677, ext. 2836.

# TeenSpace Winter 2020 Activities

Teen Movies @ the Riverbender.com Community Center
Come join the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center for our teen movie event. Each month Hayner Library will host a movie at the Riverbender.com movie theater, exclusively for fifth–eighth graders. The movie will be a PG-13 new release. Pizza is on the menu! Movies start at 3:45 p.m. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 15, February 19, and March 25, 2020. Buses are available to transport after school from Alton Middle School, Alton High School, and St. Mary's Catholic School. Check with your school for bus numbers and times. To register, please call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

GN Teen Book Club
Graphic Novel Book Club is for teens attending the Riverbender.com after-school program and other teens in our community. Teens will choose a book to read each month and then bring it back for a discussion the following month. This book club will introduce graphic novels to fifth–eighth grade students. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, January 8, February 12, and March 4, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. To register, please call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

Harry Potter Book Night
We are thrilled to announce "Triwizard Tournament" as the theme for Harry Potter Book Night 2020. As the scene of so many seminal moments in the Harry Potter stories, it feels high time we celebrate the Goblet of Fire! Make a date in your diary for Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at 3:30 p.m., at the Riverbender.com Community Center when, once again, fans will have the chance to celebrate J.K. Rowling's wonderful series. For more information, please call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

St. Patrick's Day Minute to Win It
Come join us at the Riverbender.com Community Center for three Minute to Win It St. Patrick's Day challenges. The fun begins on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 3:30 p.m. To register, please call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

Teen Coloring Meetups
Come meet up with other teens for a fun afternoon of coloring, music, and snacks. This program will meet at the Riverbender.com Community Center on Wednesday, February 26, 2020, from 4:00–5:00 p.m. Coloring pages and pencils will be supplied. To register, please call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

Crystal Creations
Come join us at the Riverbender.com Community Center and learn about formations of crystalline geodes, solubility, and osmosis using molecular science to grow crazy crystal creations. The fun begins at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. To register, please call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

Faux Stained Glass
Come join in the fun at the Riverbender.com Community Center and create stained glass creations! Teens will use a combination of puffy paints and watercolors to make their own unique pictures. The fun begins at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2020. To register, please call Shannon at 618-433-2872.

## Thank You, 2019 Library Card Drive Businesses!

Last fall, The Hayner Public Library District partnered with local restaurants and retailers to hold our seventh annual library card drive. From November 30 - December 7, 2019, these businesses offered a discount or other incentives to customers showing their Hayner Library cards. A huge "thank you" to all of these businesses for supporting The Hayner Public Library District!

1904 General Store
Black's Sporting Goods
Brown Bag Bistro
The Cyclery – Alton
Cleta's Nutrition
Crown Vision Center
Dick's Flowers
Dora's Spinning Wheel
Duke Bakery
The Gift Box
Godfrey Meat Market
The Grapevine of Alton Children's Boutique
Halpin Music
It's Raining Zen
Jacoby Arts Center
Johnson's Corner
Kinzels Flower Shop
Lovett's Soul Food
LuciAnna's Pastries
Market Basket
Mississippi Mud Pottery
Mister Donut
Morrison's Irish Pub
My Just Desserts
Old Bakery Beer Company
Olga's Kitchen
Olive Oil Marketplace
Picture This & More
PopUtopia Gourmet Popcorn and Sweets
River Bend Yoga
Roberta's Lovely Ladies Boutique
Rushmore Boutique
Sammi's Sandwiches
Second Reading Book Shop
Sherry's Snacks
St. Peters Hardware & Rental, Inc.

## Understanding Library Lingo

Sometimes online library catalog terminology can leave library patrons a bit confused. After all, who could be blamed for thinking that a book designated as "leased" might require a fee in order to be checked out (rest assured, it doesn't). Some might scratch their heads and wonder exactly what the term "local request" means For those of you who have wondered what these library terms mean, here are some answers:

**Leased** — As any James Patterson fan will tell you, sometimes the request list for a bestseller can be very long In an effort to expedite the wait, Hayner Library leases multiple copies of high-demand titles from a book distributor. Once the demand for the bestselling titles has diminished, the books can be sent back to the distributor. Leasing books from a distributor not only saves the library money by not having to purchase multiple copies of a title, but it saves the library shelf space later on when multiple volumes of a single title are no longer needed. It's a win-win for patrons and the library!

**Local Request** — The designation of "local request" allows a library to catalog an item in such a way that the only requests filled by the item are for patrons whose home library owns them. Library items marked as local request will not be sent to other libraries to fill their interlibrary loan requests until the designation has been removed.

**In-Transit vs. Transferred** — The status of "transferred" indicates that an item is currently on its way from one library to another to fulfill a request made by a patron. The status of "in-transit" indicates that an item is being returned from a borrowing library to the owning library. That's the magic of interlibrary loan!

**On-Order** — Once our library determines that an item will be purchased for our collection, our Technical Services staff creates a temporary "on-order" record in the library catalog. The on-order status allows patrons to place requests for an item before it is received at the library. Once the item is received at the library, the temporary record is replaced by a permanent record and the requests are filled.

**In-Process** — The Technical Services department processes all new items received by the library. All items added to the library collection are first cataloged, barcoded, stamped, and labeled. It is during this period that an item record is designated as "in-process" in the card catalog. Ever wonder why an item might be listed as in-process for long periods of time? This could be because that particular item's street date has not yet arrived. A "street date" is the date a particular item is set to be released for sale to the general public, or in the case of the library, can be checked out by patrons; street dates are set by publishers. The in-process designation will be removed when an item is ready for check out.

## New Friends Welcome at Our Downtown Library Morning Story Time

Nearly every Tuesday morning at our Downtown Library, you'll find our wonderful children's librarian, Mary Kay, engaging with a group of children as they read stories, sing songs, make crafts, play with finger puppets, and visit with Panda, Mary Kay's special story time friend.

Everyone is welcome at the story time. The dates and times for Mary Kay's Story Times are listed in the KidsSpace section of the newsletter. Story time does require registration, so please call 618-462-0677, ext. 2836 to register. We hope to see you there!

# *The Truth, the Whole Truth, and Nothing but the Truth: Staff Nonfiction Favorites*

Nearly everyone has a favorite fiction book they can read over and over—but what about nonfiction? Here are some of the Hayner Library staff's favorite nonfiction books:

Mary Kay

- *Rand McNally Road Atlas*
- *Her Right Foot* by Dave Eggers, art by Shawn Harris
- *Reach Higher: An Inspiring Photo Celebration of First Lady Michelle Obama* by Amanda Lucidon

Reneé

- *Ratio: The Simple Codes Behind the Craft of Everyday Cooking* by Michael Ruhlman – Understanding the ratio of ingredients in things such a vinaigrette or a basic dough gives me the framework to explore, experiment, and create on-the-fly.
- *Girl Scout Collector's Guide: A History of Uniforms, Insignia, Publications, and Memorabilia (Second Edition)* by Mary Degenhardt and Judith Kirsch – As an avid collector, I consult this book on a daily bases Not only does it help me identify items, but it helps me piece together the larger story of the Girl Scout movement in the United States. Part catalogue, part history, one hundred percent fascinating. Within the community of collectors, we are desperate for an update to this 2005 second edition.

Linda

- *The League of Wives: The Untold Story of the Women Who Took on the U.S. Government to Bring Their Husbands Home* by Heath Hardage Lee
- *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean

Tamika

- *Development as Freedom* by Amartya Sen
- *The Mahabharata*

Sam

- *Man's Search for Meaning* by Viktor Frankl – This book is a great read for anyone, but it is an especially inspirational story about Frankl's struggle while living in a concentration camp and trying to find the meaning in life. Very existential

Theresa

- I love looking at any books that have to do with tiny houses and repurposing discarded items.
- *The Instant it Happened* edited by Hal Buell, Saul Pett, and Steven Schepp – A collection of photographs from the Associated Press. Some are tragic, some are poignant, some are shocking—but they were all taken the instant it happened
- *The New Partridge Dictionary of Slang and Unconventional English* by Eric Partridge – Because where else will you learn phrases like "shoe the goose" and "hop the twig"?

Lacy

- *The Botany of Desire: A Plant's-Eye View of the World* by Michael Pollan – This book changed my understanding of apples. Did you know that most apple seeds produce bitter (cider) apples, completely different from the specific fruit the seeds come from? Bonus points: In 2009, PBS aired a documentary based on the book and it's great, too
- *Brazen: Rebel Ladies Who Rocked the World* by Pénélope Bagieu – This is the book I recommend to people who don't think they like graphic novels. French author and artist Bagieu introduces twenty-nine amazing women (including my favorite astronaut, Mae Jemison) from Ancient Greece and seventh-century Japan to present-day Afghanistan.
- *A Short History of Nearly Everything* by Bill Bryson – I love Bill Bryson's travel memoirs, but his history book is the one I go back to over and over again. I also own and enjoy his version for kids, *A Really Short History of Nearly Everything*
- *Yes, Chef: A Memoir* by Marcus Samuelsson and Veronica Chambers and *Blood, Bones & Butter: The Inadvertent Education of a Reluctant Chef* by Gabrielle Hamilton – I'm also a huge fan of chef memoirs and these are two of my favorites.

Mary

- *Statistical Abstract of the United States*
- *The Old Farmer's Almanac*
- *How Do We Look: The Body, the Divine, and the Question of Civilization* by Mary Beard
- *Oxford Atlas of the World*
- *The Order of Things: Hierarchies, Structures, and Pecking Orders* by Barbara Ann Kipfer
- *Silent Spring* by Rachel Carson
- *The Life and Times of Miss Jane Marple* by Anne Hart
- *The Fannie Farmer Cookbook* by Marion Cunningham
- *Perfumes: The Guide* by Luca Turin and Tania Sanchez
- *The Reformation: A History* by Diarmaid MacCulloch
- *The Way Things Work Now: From Levers to Lasers, Windmills to Wi-Fi, a Visual Guide to the World of Machines* by David Macaulay

## *Historic Preservation Lecture Series*

The Genealogy & Local History Library is partnering with Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA) this winter to provide a three-part Saturday lecture series on historic preservation in January, February, and March. AALA is dedicated to educating, promoting, and saving the architectural heritage of the Alton area. Feel free to register for one talk or all three.

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 1**
**Cindy Reinhardt: *Researching the History of Your House***
**Saturday, January 25, 10:00 a.m.**
*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.*
The first of these lectures concerns historic building history. Knowledge of the stories behind historic buildings helps to create a public awareness in support of historic preservation. It can also lead to the discovery of long-forgotten details about a community's history and introduce us to fascinating people from the past. Researching the story of houses is one of the most popular topics for researchers at the Madison County Archival Library, second only to family genealogy. Cindy Reinhardt, who has published the stories of over 200 homes in Edwardsville, will discuss how to explore a building's history and why it is important for a community. Cindy serves on the board of the Friends of Leclaire, the Madison County Historical Society, and the Illinois State Historical Society. In addition, from 2004-2018 she served on the Edwardsville Historic Preservation Commission. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 2**
**Bob Yapp: *Energy Efficiency for Old Houses & Buildings***
**Saturday, February 22, 10:00 a.m.**
*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.*
Bob Yapp, president of Preservation Resources Inc. and founder of the Belvedere School for Hands-On Preservation, will talk about energy efficiency for old houses and buildings. Just because it's shiny and new does not mean it will work in your old house or building. This seminar dispels myths and addresses how old houses were designed. Bob talks about retrofits for energy efficiency that actually work as well as paybacks. Insulation, air flow, weather stripping, windows, geothermal, solar, and wind are all topics of discussion. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 3**
**Michael R. Allen: *American Architectural Styles***
**Saturday, March 28, 10:00 a.m.**
*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.*
Ever wonder how you can tell if your house fits a certain style? Ever hear someone call a building Italianate, Romanesque, or Brutalist, and wonder just what exactly that means and how they know that information? This lecture covers a wide range of American architectural styles using examples from Alton and St. Louis and helps unpack the traits of common and uncommon styles. The lecture also explores the difference between era (age), style (decorative traits), and form (shape of building mass). Michael R. Allen works as an academic researcher, historian, teacher, design critic, public artist, critical spatial tour guide, and heritage conservationist in private practice. He is Senior Lecturer in Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Urban Design at the Sam Fox School of Design and Visual Arts at Washington University in St. Louis. Allen also directs the Preservation Research Office, an historic preservation and urban history consulting firm that he founded in 2009. In 2018, the National Trust for Historic Preservation named Allen as one of its "40 Under 40" preservation practitioners. Allen's writing on urban design and history has appeared in *CityLab*, *Next City*, *Disegno*, and the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. Allen is a member of Landmarks Illinois' 50th Anniversary Task Force, is an advisor to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and is a co-founder and past president of St. Louis' mid-century modern preservation organization, Modern STL. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *NewsGuard: A Free Browser Extension to Help You Navigate the News*

In today's media landscape, it's harder and harder to verify legitimate sources of news. Media literacy has never been more important. Newspapers, magazines, websites, blogs, social media sites, etc. are all vying for your attention online. So how do you know which sources are credible and worthy of your valuable time? A new browser extension, NewsGuard, hopes to help readers with just this dilemma by employing professional journalists to score news sites on their reliability and general trustworthiness. NewsGuard labels each site with an easy-to-understand green or red badge. The site maintains transparency by allowing users to click on the badge to find out which journalists analyzed the site and the criteria by which the site was analyzed. The extension can also highlight potential conflicts of interest, such as websites that do not disclose that they are financed by lobbying groups. As of January 2019, the site includes ratings for the 2,000 most popular American news sites.

NewsGuard is free and can be installed in an internet browser; supported browsers include Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, Firefox, and Safari. You can find out more information about NewsGuard by visiting their website at www.newsguardtech.com.

## Nonfiction—

**Amen, Dr. Daniel G.** The End of Mental Illness· How Neuroscience Is Transforming Psychiatry and Helping Prevent or Reverse Mood and Anxiety Disorders, ADHD, Addictions, PTSD, Psychosis, Personality Disorders, and More

**Beck, Glenn.** Arguing with Socialists

**Berger, Jonah.** The Catalyst· How to Change Anyone's Mind

**Bittman, Mark.** How to Eat: All Your Food and Diet Questions Answered

**Carmel, Molly.** Breaking Up With Sugar· Divorce the Diets, Drop the Pounds, and Live Your Best Life

**Clement, James.** The Switch· Ignite Your Metabolism with Intermittent Fasting, Protein Cycling, and Keto

**Crane Murdoch, Sierra.** Yellow Bird: Oil, Murder, and a Woman's Search for Justice in Indian Country

**Dawson, Kate Winkler.** American Sherlock: Murder, Forensics, and the Birth of American CSI

**Diamandis, Peter H.** The Future Is Faster Than You Think· How Converging Technologies Are Transforming Business, Industries, and Our Lives

**DiSpirito, Rocco.** Rocco's Easy Keto Diet· Eat the Comfort Foods You Miss and Still Lose Up to a Pound a Day

**Druyan, Ann.** Cosmos· Possible Worlds

**Greene, Andy.** The Office: The Untold Story of the Greatest Sitcom of the 2000s: An Oral History

**Greene, Brian.** Until the End of Time· Mind, Matter, and Our Search for Meaning in an Evolving Universe

**Hammer, Joshua.** The Falcon Thief: A True Tale of Adventure, Treachery, and the Hunt for the Perfect Bird

**Hartwig, Dallas.** The 4 Season Solution: The Groundbreaking New Plan for Feeling Better, Living Well, and Powering Down Our Always-On Lives

**Hyman, Mark.** Food Fix: How to Save Our Health, Our Economy, Our Communities, and Our Planet–One Bite at a Time

**Inskeep, Steve.** Imperfect Union: How Jessie and John Frémont Mapped the West, Invented Celebrity, and Helped Cause the Civil War

**Kearse, Bettye.** The Other Madisons: The Lost History of a President's Black Family

**Keaton, Diane.** Brother & Sister: A Memoir

**Kendall, Elizabeth.** The Phantom Prince: My Life with Ted Bundy, Updated and Expanded Edition

**Kessler, David. A., M.D.** Fast Carbs, Slow Carbs· The Simple Truth about Food, Weight, and Disease

**Larson, Eric.** The Splendid and the Vile· A Saga of Churchill, Family, and Defiance During the Blitz

**Levitin, Daniel J.** Successful Aging: A Neuroscientist Explores the Power and Potential of Our Lives

**McConville, Mark, Ph.D.** Failure to Launch· Why Your Twentysomething Hasn't Grown Up... and What to Do About It

**McGonigal, Kelly.** The Joy of Movement: How Exercise Helps Us Find Happiness, Hope, Connection, and Courage

**Mitchell, Jerry.** Race Against Time· A Reporter Reopens the Unsolved Murder Cases of the Civil Rights Era

**Mosconi, Lisa, PhD.** The XX Brain· The Groundbreaking Science Empowering Women to Maximize Cognitive Health and Prevent Alzheimer's Disease

**Perlmutter, David, M.D.** Brain Wash· Detox Your Mind for Clearer Thinking, Deeper Relationships, and Lasting Happiness

**Piketty, Thomas.** Capital and Ideology

**Rogak, Lisa.** Rachel Maddow: A Biography

**Siegel, Daniel.** The Power of Showing Up· How Parental Presence Shapes Who Our Kids Become and How Their Brains Get Wired

**Somers, Suzanne.** A New Way to Age

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Organizing· The Manual for Bringing Order to Your Life, Home & Routines

**Underwood, Carrie.** Find Your Path· Honor Your Body, Fuel Your Soul, and Get Strong with the Fit52 Life

**Vonn, Lindsey.** Rise: My Story

**Vranich, Dr. Belisa.** Breathing for Warriors· Master Your Breath to Unlock More Strength, Greater Endurance, Sharper Precision, Faster Recovery, and an Unshakable Inner Game

**Willink, Jocko.** Leadership Strategy and Tactics· Field Manual

**Yoon, Joe.** Better Stretching· 9 Minutes a Day to Greater Flexibility, Less Pain, and Enhanced Performance, the JoeTherapy Way

## Fiction—

**Allende, Isabel.** A Long Petal of the Sea

**Andrews, V. C.** Out of the Attic

**Benedict, Marie.** Lady Clementine

**Berry, Steve.** The Warsaw Protocol (Cotton Malone)

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Red Lotus

**Box, C. J.** Long Range (Joe Pickett)

**Brennan, Allison.** The Third to Die

**Carr, Robyn.** The Country Guesthouse

**Chamberlain, Diane.** Big Lies in a Small Town

**Child, Lee and Karin Slaughter.** Cleaning the Gold: A Jack Reacher and Will Trent Short Story

**Childs, Laura.** Lavender Blue Murder (Tea Shop Mystery)

**Coben, Harlan.** The Boy from the Woods

**Cussler, Clive.** Journey of the Pharaohs

**Dallas, Sandra.** Westering Women

**Deveraux, Jude.** A Forgotten Murder

**Dorsey, Tim.** Naked Came the Florida Man (Serge Storms)

**Erdrich, Louise.** The Night Watchman

**Finder, Joseph.** House on Fire: A Novel

**Fluke, Joanne.** Coconut Layer Cake Murder (Hannah Swensen)

**Gardiner, Meg.** The Dark Corners of the Night

**Gardner, Lisa.** When You See Me

**Graham, Heather.** The Final Deception

**Gray, Shelley Shepard.** The Protective One (Walnut Creek)

**Greaney, Mark.** One Minute Out

**Grippando, James.** The Big Lie· A Jack Swyteck Novel

**Hannah, Sophie.** Perfect Little Children

**Harris, Charlaine.** A Longer Fall (Gunnie Rose)

**Hendricks, Greer.** You Are Not Alone

**Hood, Joshua.** Robert Ludlum's The Treadstone Resurrection

**Howard, Linda.** After Sundown

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Into the Fire (Orphan X)

**Jackson, Lisa.** Last Girl Standing

**Jance, J. A.** Credible Threat

**Johansen, Iris.** Hindsight

**Johnstone, William W.** A Good Day for a Massacre

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** The Museum of Desire· An Alex Delaware Novel

**Kleypas, Lisa.** Chasing Cassandra: The Ravenels

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** The Vanishing

**Kubica, Mary.** The Other Mrs

**Mallery, Susan.** Sisters by Choice (Blackberry Island)

**Margolin, Phillip.** A Reasonable Doubt (Robin Lockwood)

**McMillan, Terry.** It's Not All Downhill From Here: A Novel

**Michaels, Fern.** Fearless

**Miller, Linda Lael.** Country Strong

**Mosley, Walter.** Trouble Is What I Do

**Pataki, Allison.** The Queen's Fortune: A Novel of Desiree, Napoleon, and the Dynasty That Outlasted the Empire

**Patterson, James.** Blindside (Michael Bennett)

**Patterson, James.** Lost (Tom Moon)

**Patterson, James.** The River Murders (Mitchum)

**Patterson, James.** Texas Outlaw (Rory Yates)

**Pinborough, Sarah.** Dead to Her

**Preston, Douglas.** Crooked River

**Reichs, Kathy.** A Conspiracy of Bones

**Rice, Luanne.** Last Day

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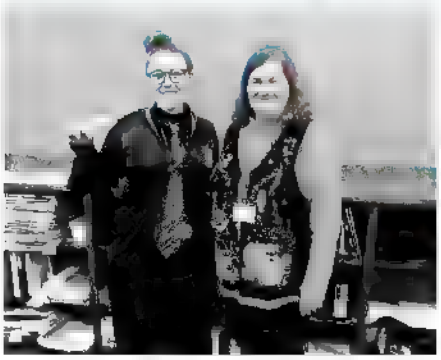
**Robb, J. D.** Golden in Death (Eve Dallas)
**Rollins, James.** The Last Odyssey (SIGMA Force)
**Rosenfelt, David.** The K Team
**Shalvis, Jill.** Almost Just Friends
**Spindler, Erica.** The Look-Alike
**Stabenow, Dana.** No Fixed Line (Kate Shugak)
**Steadman, Catherine.** Mr Nobody
**Steel, Danielle.** Moral Compass
**Steel, Danielle.** The Numbers Game
**Taylor, Brad.** Hunter Killer (Pike Logan)
**White, Randy Wayne.** Salt River (Doc Ford)
**Williams, Beatriz.** All the Ways We Said Goodbye: A Novel of the Ritz Paris
**Woods, Stuart.** Treason (Stone Barrington)
**Woods, Stuart.** Hit List (Stone Barrington)

## *Hayner Library staff got into the SPIRIT of Halloween and celebrated the day to the delight of colleagues and patrons!*



*Left to right Emily S. (Gryffindor student) and Tracy F*

*Left to right Emily S. (Gryffindor student), Kristen N. (Grease Pink Lady), Emily B. (Space Jam's Lola Bunny)*

*Left to right: Michele K. (Hogwarts student), Morgan B. (Pluto, from Edgar Allen Poe's The Black Cat), Theresa M. (the life of the party), Mary Kay S. (superhero librarian Nancy Pearl), and Linda C. (Cinderblock the internet cat sensation)*

## *A Tribute to Author Toni Morrison*

I would like to take this particular moment to acknowledge a great loss that has befallen the literary community Toni Morrison was an inspiring, influential, and gifted writer whose work has been cherished for generations

I'm ashamed to say that before writing this article I knew very little about Toni Morrison. It was during my research that I developed a great deal of appreciation and respect for this inspiring woman By the end, I concluded that she was the embodiment of the word "dedication" The dedication she showed to every aspect of her life is something to be recognized and honored.

Before becoming famous, it was the dedication she had for her craft which drove her to work on her first novel, *The Bluest Eye*, while working a full-time job and being a single mother Her dedication was rewarded with praise from both critics and the public Her fifth novel, *Beloved*, was honored with the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction In 1993, she became the first African American woman to be awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature

At the height of her career, her dedication to the academic world led her to hold many imperative positions at Princeton University For over twenty years she discovered, encouraged, and helped young minds to pursue their own dreams Morrison's lifelong accomplishments were highly rewarded in 2012 when she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom

Toni Morrison will be sorely missed, but the fruits of her labor will ensure she will never be forgotten. Her contributions to the literary field can be found throughout the Hayner Library collection

"Now he knew why he loved her so. Without ever leaving the ground, she could fly 'There must be another one like you,' he whispered to her 'There's got to be at least one more woman like you." – *Song of Solomon* by Toni Morrison.

*-Theresa McDonald*

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Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
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## *Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Hours*

Starting January 1, 2020, the Sunday hours of operation at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall are changing from 12:00 Noon–6:00 p.m. to 12:00 Noon–5:00 p.m. The Sunday hours of operation at the Downtown Library remain 1:00–5:00 p.m.

## *It's Back! Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl: January 10-27, 2020*

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce our participation in the 2020 Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl. There are 52 participating libraries this year—double the number from last year! Participating in the library crawl is easy: simply pick up an IHLS Library Crawl passport from any Hayner Library location, have your passport stamped by at least five participating libraries, and then return your passport to any Hayner Library location for a chance to win our grand-prize drawing. To show off where you have traveled, use #IHLSLibraryCrawl2020 on social media! The IHLS Library Crawl is a great way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit other libraries—and to experience the wide array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state.

*Please note: Hayner Library cardholders are eligible to pick up and drop off their passports at any Hayner Library location. All other IHLS member library cardholders should pick up and drop off their passports at their home libraries.*

2nd Annual Library Crawl

# The Hayner Public Library District

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday - April 12
Memorial Day - May 24 & 25

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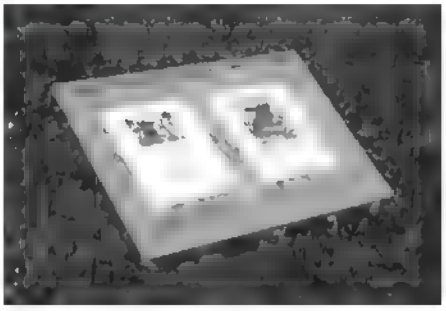
## *StoryWalk® Returns to Hayner Library*

*Please note: This is the only program still scheduled to be held in April, 2020. Please call our general number (618) 4620-677 to confirm occurance of this event or check our website at www.haynerlibrary.org*



To celebrate this wonderful new program, Hayner Library and The Nature Institute invite families to join us for a StoryWalk® kickoff celebration on Sunday, April 19, 2020, from 2:00–4:00 p.m., at The Nature Institute. Families are invited to walk the Frog Trail, read the story, have a snack, and make a craft. The first 30 families to walk the trail will receive a copy of the StoryWalk® book.

Hayner Library invites families to enjoy our new StoryWalk® located on the Frog Trail at The Nature Institute, 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey, IL. The trail is approximately one mile in length and is located behind the Talahi Lodge. Visitors are encouraged to stop at the first storyboard and use a smartphone to scan the QR code, located at the bottom of the introduction page. Scanning the QR code will help the library keep track of participation in the program. A new story will be displayed each month from April through November. Please note that all trails at The Nature Institute are closed December through March.

## *Food for Fido*

### Help Us Help Them

Do you have Hayner Library materials that are still checked out and are embarrassingly overdue? Do you keep getting notices in the mail and are scared of what your fine is? Breathe a sigh of relief, from April 1 through April 30, if you have an overdue item, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner materials only. Library materials must be returned with the donation and at least one donation made for each fine.

All the donations will go to our furry friends residing at the 5-A's Animal Shelter. The devoted staff in this no-kill shelter relies entirely on donations to provide proper care to the adoptable animals that have been abandoned, neglected, or abused. animals like Melissa and Karma (pictured above). For more information about this worthy organization, call (618) 466-3702, visit their website at www.fiveas.org, visit their Facebook page, or pay them a visit at 4530 N. Alby St. in Godfrey.

## 2020 Census is Here—Be Sure You Are Counted!

April 1, 2020 is Census Day! By the end of March, you should have received the census questionnaire or a letter to respond online If you have not filled out the census questionnaire, now is the time to do so Starting in May, the U.S. Census Bureau will begin in-person follow-up visits with households who have yet to respond. Hayner Library has public access computers available for your use in filling out the form online

Why it Matters—

Illinois has lost population since the last census count, making it vitally important that everyone in the state is counted. The number of your congressional representatives and the size of your geographic districts will be impacted by your participation in the census.

Every person counted is equal to $2,000 in funding to our community every year, for ten years!

Data from the census helps determine how over $675 billion in federal funds is allocated to states and local communities for housing, schools, food assistance, health care, and other vital services

Will I be asked about my citizenship? No. The courts have permanently blocked adding a citizenship question to the 2020 Census.

Remember—

Responding fulfills your civic duty. The United States Constitution mandates that a census be taken every ten years. Everyone counts! This includes babies born on or before April 1, 2020, children, and all persons living in your household at the time of the census. Federal law protects your census responses. Your answers can only be used to produce statistics By law, your census responses cannot be used against you by any government agency (that includes the FBI, CIA, ICE, and Homeland Security) or court in any way, or allow it to be used to determine your government benefits

For more information, please visit https://2020census gov/.

## 2020 Census

### Avoiding Scams: Tips to Keep You Safe

The U.S. Census Bureau will never send unsolicited emails to request your participation in the 2020 Census

They will never ask for·

- Your Social Security number
- Your bank account or credit card numbers
- Money or donations

They will also never contact you on behalf of a political party

If someone is sent to your house to collect your 2020 Census response, make sure that they have a valid ID badge with their photo, a U.S Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date.

If you are unsure, call 1-800-923-8282 to speak with a local U.S. Census Bureau representative. You may also call 1-800-923-8282 to report other forms of suspected census fraud.

## Information You Can Use: Protect Yourself from Social Security Scams

Scammers are people pretending to be someone they aren't—in this case, employees of the Social Security Administration. Scammers will try to scare and trick you into giving them your personal information and money. They may threaten you or your family and may demand immediate payment to avoid arrest or other legal action. Don't be fooled!

If you receive a suspicious call:

- Hang up
- Do not give them money or personal information
- Report the scam at oig ssa.gov

There are certain situations in which the Social Security Administration may call or email you. However, they will never:

- Threaten you
- Suspend your Social Security number
- Demand immediate payment
- Require payment by cash, gift card, pre-paid debit card, or wire transfer
- Ask for gift card numbers over the phone or to wire or mail cash

What to look out for:

- The call or email indicates there is a problem with your Social Security number or account.
- The call or email asks you to pay a fine or debt with retail gift cards, wire transfers, pre-paid debit cards, internet currency, or by mailing cash
- Scammers pretend they're from Social Security or another government agency. Caller ID or documents sent by email may look official but they are not.
- Callers threaten you with arrest or other legal action.

Protect yourself, friends, and family! If you receive a questionable call, hang up and immediately report the call to oig ssa.gov. Don't be embarrassed to file a report if you shared personal information or suffered a financial loss. Learn more at oig.ssa.gov/scam

## National Library Week: Find Your Place at the Library

Be sure to visit Hayner Library during National Library Week, April 19-25, as we celebrate this year's theme, "Find Your Place at the Library". Libraries are communities where all are welcome. No matter your age, interests, or background, the library is a space where you belong. You can explore new passions and discover who you are through your library's varied array of free materials, programs, and services

## Gardening Classes

***Invasive Species Management***

**Wednesday, May 13, 6:30–8:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

Nate Hoyle is a restoration ecologist and owner of Native Land Management L3C with a degree in environmental sciences from the University of Illinois at Springfield. Nate will discuss the history of invasive species in Illinois, the most important invasive species to manage, and where in the landscape they typically grow. He will talk about control measures for invasive species and define integrated vegetation management and how it is a better fit than integrated pest management. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

***Making Herbal Vinegars***

**Saturday, June 20, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

The ladies of the St. Louis Herb Society will be at the library to show you how to make herbal vinegars. Bring your own container – a quart jar with a lid will do. The herbs and vinegar will be supplied for you. Come have fun while making some delicious herbal vinegars to take home! Please register at 1-800-613-3163

## What's in Reference: Federal Writers' Project

During the Great Depression, a series of guide books, the American Guide Series, were compiled by the Federal Writers' Project. Historians and many non-historians traveled from state to state, writing guides to the forty-eight states. The culture, people, history, and points of interest of each state—from early beginnings through the 1930s—are contained in these books, complete with photographs and illustrations. Hayner Library holds a partial set of the American Guide Series in the Reference department.

Bold measures were taken to boost the morale of people suffering during the Great Depression. With the unemployment rate at 25 percent, government-run programs were developed to lift Americans up from poverty. One of the many programs created by President Franklin D. Roosevelt was the Works Progress Administration (WPA). By 1943, when the program was terminated, the WPA and its joint agencies, such as the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), and the Federal Writers' Project (FWP), had hired more than 8.3 million Americans to work on special projects. The WPA helped millions of desperate Americans survive the 1930s.

The Federal Writers' Project employed historians, teachers, writers, librarians, and other white-collar workers. At its peak in 1935, almost seven thousand writers, researchers, and librarians were employed by the WPA. Most of those working on the project were not writers, however some would become famous authors, such as Ralph Ellison, Richard Wright, John Steinbeck, and Zora Neale Hurston. They
captured America's voice during a time of crisis through a collection of folklore, oral histories, slave narratives, and state guide books.

Laborers were employed to work on infrastructure projects. The magnitude of their accomplishment is stunning: 631,087 miles of highways, streets, and roads were built or repaired; 124,031 bridges were constructed or repaired; 125,110 public buildings, 8,192 parks, and 853 airport landing fields were built.[1] Many of these structures are still standing today. That we can enjoy Pere Marquette State Park in Grafton is the outcome of the hardworking efforts of these individuals.

Out of despair from the Great Depression, human ingenuity and resourcefulness flourished—leaving lasting legacies for us to enjoy.

[1] Cravens, Hamilton. 2009. *Great Depression: People and Perspectives.* Santa Barbara. ABC-CLIO, Hanes, Sharon M., Richard Clay Hanes, and Allison McNeill. 2003. *Great Depression and New Deal.* Detroit: UXL.

## New in Our Illinois Room

***1890 Census Substitute, St. Clair County, IL.*** IR 977 389 EIG

***Alton High School Class of 1941: Fifty Year Reunion, 1941-1991.*** IR 373 77386 ALT

***Bibliographic Checklist of African American Newspapers.*** IR 071 3 HEN

***A Genealogy of the Haas, Hopfinger, Wolf, Lander, Acker, Reis, Rosche, and Helms Families.*** IR 929 2 HAAS

***Childhood Memories from the West Bank of the Illinois River*** by Kenneth E. Higgins. IR 977.35043 HIG

***Crossroads: A History of St. Charles County, Missouri*** by Steve Ehlmann. IR 977.839 EHL

***Descriptive Inventory of the Archives of the State of Illinois*** edited by Robert E. Bailey and Elaine Shemoney Evans. IR 351 7146 DES

***The History of Illinois*** by Tom Emery (2017). IR 977 3 EME

***Index to Mexican War Pension Applications*** by Barbara Schull Wolfe. IR 973.6 WOL

***Index to St. Clair County, Illinois Probated and Non-Probated Wills, 1772-1964.*** IR 977 389 IND

***Integrative Studies Project, Cultural Anthropology & Geography. Mississippi River Flooding in Alton, Illinois*** by Nathan Vincent Brown (2019). IR 977.033 BRO

***Jerseyville City Cemetery: Oak Grove.*** IR 977 38555 JER

***Maryland Oaths of Fidelity by Bettie S. Carothers.*** IR 975 2 CAR

***The Echo, No. 17, Midsummer, 1902. "Memorial Sermon on the Death of Capt. Benjamin Godfrey"*** by Rev. Albert Smith. IR B GODFREY

***Memories of Southern Illinois: Winners in Regional Contest (All of Southern Illinois).*** *A Collection of Essays Written by Southern Illinois Area Senior Citizens, Submitted to the Southern Illinois Historical Essay Contest., 1984.* IR 807 12 MEM

***Norman Eugene Walker, AKA Clint Walker: Merchant Marine File.*** IR 940 54 NOR

***Selective Service in Illinois, 1940-1947: A Complete History of the Operation of the Selective Service System in Illinois from Its Inception on September 16, 1940 to Its Termination on March 31, 1947.*** IR 355 22363 KLE

***Slavic-American Imprints: A Classified Catalog of the Collection at Lovejoy Library, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.*** IR 016.947 LOV

***Stones: A Guide to Some Remarkable Eighteenth Century Gravestones (Scottish)*** by Betty Willsher and Doreen Hunter. IR 941 1 WIL

***Study and Memos: Religious Orders and Their Schools in Illinois, 1834-1939, 1970*** by Norma A. Paul. IR 282 9773 PAU

***A World of Difference. Unit 1: An Ethnic Gateway: Metropolitan St. Louis and Southwestern Illinois. A Teacher/Student Resource Guide for Grades 7-12 Which Highlights the Cultural Diversity of Metropolitan St. Louis and Southwestern Illinois and Seeks to Reduce Prejudice and Discrimination.*** IR 305 8 WOR

# Special Events at Hayner

**All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.**

*Join us for our Spring 2020 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and JC Penney.REMINDER** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you have registered, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

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## Bow-wow Pow-wow

*Note: This program is held the second Saturday of each month at the Hayner Alton Square Library, 132 Alton Square Mall, Alton, IL.*

**Saturday, May 9, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**
**Saturday, June 13, 10:00–11:00 a.m.**

Join us for a Bow-wow Pow-wow. Certified therapy dogs will be at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and your child can read stories to them or just visit to receive furry hugs and wet kisses. It's a great way to increase your child's reading skills and absolute fun for everyone. Bring your camera!

## Adult Coloring: Color Me Stress Free

**Thursday, May 7, 5:30–7:00 p.m.**
**Thursday, June 11, 5:30–7:00 p.m.**

*Note: This class will be held in the Multipurpose Room of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.*

Come color with us and enjoy great company. Calming music will be played to help you forget your troubles. It will be a relaxing and fun way to spend an evening. Stay the whole time or a portion. We will provide coloring pages, coloring crafts, and colored pencils. Of course, you may bring your own supplies. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Branching Out

*Note: Branching Out classes are two-part. They are held the second Thursday of each month with a collaborative session offered on the following Thursday. All classes will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.*

*Ancestry.com: The Forest and the Trees*
**May 14 & 21, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

*Family Search: Records, Books, and Family Tree*
**June 11 & 18, 10:00–11:30 a.m.**

These classes include many aspects of genealogical research and are suitable for the beginner as well as the more experienced researcher. Updated information and new tips every year! We also take requests if there are specific things you'd like to learn about. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Forrest Bevineau *The Singing Sheriff*

**Tuesday, May 5, 6:30 p.m.**

Well-known Deputy Forrest Bevineau has a huge following throughout the area. His incomparable singing voice and incredible repertoire has brought him fans of all ages. His performances are often a mix of musical styles and can run the gamut from gospel to country and western, popular to R&B, and more. Join us for a great evening of songs and surprises. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## The Scott Laytham and Karl Holmes Duo

**Tuesday, May 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Scott Laytham's skills as a musician, arranger, and composer are well known in the St. Louis area. Besides his live performances, Scott has also produced music for both local and national radio and television ads. For live shows, Scott has his hands full. He plays keys, guitars, and sings and also runs the light show and sound system. Karl "Trickee" Holmes is one of the best vocal impressionists in the country. Some of his impressions include Louis Armstrong, Al Green, Ray Charles, Barry White, Michael Jackson, Prince, Marvin Gaye, Nat King Cole, Elvis, Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones, Johnny Mathis, and the Temptations (he performs all five Temptations voices by himself). You must see it and hear it to believe it! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Miss Jubilee

**Tuesday, June 9, 6:30 p.m.**

*Note: This program will be held in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL.*

Miss Jubilee has been entertaining audiences around St. Louis and beyond since the beginning of 2007 with their exciting blend of authentic Hot Jazz, Swing, Rhythm & Blues, and R 'n' R spanning the 1920s–1950s. Fronted by a high-energy female vocalist and backed up by a swingin' horn-fueled rhythm section, Miss Jubilee is a favorite among Swing Dancers and fans of all ages who enjoy uplifting and energetic music! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## Steve Davis *Elvis! Live!*

**Tuesday, June 30, 6:30 p.m.**

Elvis (yes, THE Elvis) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don't miss this chance to see The King live, onstage! Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

# KidsSpace
## Spring 2020 Activities

### MAY

Monday, May 4, 2020 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, May 4, 2020 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, May 5, 2020 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, May 7, 2020 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Monday, May 11, 2020 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, May 11, 2020 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, May 12, 2020 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, May 14, 2020 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Thursday, May 14, 2020 – Legos @ Your Library – 3:30 p.m. Ages 6-12

Monday, May 18, 2020 – Movers & Shakers Story Time – 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Monday, May 18, 2020 – Evening Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, May 19, 2020 – Mary Kay's Story Time (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Tuesday, May 19, 2020 – After-School Fun (Downtown) – 3:30 p.m. Ages 6-12

Thursday, May 21, 2020 – Mommy and Me Story Time – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-2

Monday, May 25, 2020 – Library closed in observance of Memorial Day

### SUMMER READING PROGRAM

***Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover***

The 2020 children's Summer Reading Program theme, "Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover", will get kids excited about reading! The theme will provide participants the opportunity to enjoy entertaining activities and exciting books. This year's theme will be reflected in all of our programming: performers, story times, puppet shows, crafts, Legos, and prizes. Each week, participants will be asked to read at least five books, magazine or newspaper articles, or listen to five audiobooks in order to earn awesome prizes. We are also partnering with the St. Louis Cardinals, Gateway Grizzlies, and The Grokking Tree. As a reward for all of their hard work, participants who complete the six-week program will be invited to our End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party at the Alton High School Commons. There they will enjoy a free book, reading certificate, snacks, and entertainment.

Summer Reading Program Kickoff Saturday, May 30, 2020 – 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Monday, June 1, 2020 – Stories and Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Monday, June 1, 2020 – Starry Night Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-7

Tuesday, June 2, 2020 – Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 2, 2020 – Lego Quest – 2:00-3:00 p.m Ages 2-12

Wednesday, June 3, 2020 – Mad Science: Dig into Science – 10 00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 4, 2020 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Monday, June 8, 2020 – Stories and Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Monday, June 8, 2020 – Starry Night Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-7

Tuesday, June 9, 2020 – Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 9, 2020 – Lego Quest – 2:00 p.m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, June 10, 2020 – Riverbend Raptor – 10:00 a.m All Ages

Thursday, June 11, 2020 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Monday, June 15, 2020 – Stories and Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Monday, June 15, 2020 – Starry Night Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-7

Tuesday, June 16, 2020 – Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 16, 2020 – Lego Quest – 2:00 p.m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 – Mr. Landry with Snow Ball – 10:00 a.m All Ages

Thursday, June 18, 2020 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Monday, June 22, 2020 – Stories and Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Monday, June 22, 2020 – Starry Night Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-7

Tuesday, June 23, 2020 – Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 23, 2020 – Lego Quest – 2:00 p m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 – Science Storytellers – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 25, 2020 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Monday, June 29, 2020 – Stories and Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Monday, June 29, 2020 – Starry Night Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-7

Tuesday, June 30, 2020 – Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, June 30, 2020 – Lego Quest – 2:00 p m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, July 1, 2020 – OMG Josh (How I Became a Troll) – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, July 2, 2020 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Saturday, July 4, 2020 – Library closed in observance of Independence Day

Sunday, July 5, 2020 – LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS!

Monday, July 6, 2020 – Stories and Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Monday, July 6, 2020 – Starry Night Story Time (Downtown) – 6:30 p.m. Ages 2-7

Tuesday, July 7, 2020 – Stories and Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Tuesday, July 7, 2020 – Lego Quest – 2:00 p.m. Ages 2-12

Wednesday, July 8, 2020 – Sammy J (Twisted Fairy Tales) – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, July 9, 2020 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party – 5:00-7:00 p.m. Performer: Celia's Dance Party – By Invitation Only!

- To register for our spring programs, please call Alton Square KidsSpace at 618-433-2881 or Downtown KidsSpace at 618-462-0677, ext. 2836
- Summer registration will begin Saturday, May 30, 2020, at our Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall location.

# TeenSpace
## Spring 2020 Activities

### MAY

*Please note: All spring teen events will take place at the Riverbender com Community Center*

Wednesday, May 6, 2020 – GN Book Club – 3:45 p.m.

Wednesday, May 13, 2020 - Teen Movie @ Riverbender com Community Center – 3:45 p m.

Wednesday, May 13, 2020 – End-of-the-School-Year Celebration – 3:45 p.m.

### TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM

*Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover*

*Please note: All teen events will take place at the Riverbender.com Community Center except the Summer Reading Program Kickoff, which will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

This year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover", will get teens pumped up about reading! The theme will allow participants the opportunity to read fantastic books and earn weekly prizes. All participants who complete the four-week program will be invited to our End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party at the Riverbender.com Community Center There they will enjoy a free book, reading certificate, snacks, and entertainment.

Saturday, May 30, 2020 – Summer Reading Program Kickoff – All participants who register on this day will be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift card.

Wednesday, June 3, 2020 – Movie Day – 2:00-4:00 p m.

Wednesday, June 10, 2020 – Dig a Gem – 2:00-4:00 p m.

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 – Alton Escape Room – 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 24, 2020 – Fun Day – 2:00-4:00 p m.

Sunday, June 28, 2020 – LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS

Wednesday, July 1, 2020 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading Party Scavenger Hunt – 2:00-4:00 p.m.

- To register for our programs, please call 618-433-2872.
- Registration for summer programming begins Saturday, May 30, 2020, at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

## *Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl 2020*

The second annual Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS) Library Crawl took place in January and was a tremendous success! The library crawl was a great way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit each other's libraries and to experience the wide array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state.

Participants in the program were encouraged to pick up an IHLS passport at any participating library, have their passport stamped by at least five participating libraries, and then turn in their passport to their home library, where they would be entered into a grand prize drawing. Each Hayner Library grand prize winner received copies of the books *Bibliophile* by Jane Mount, *The Great American Read: The Book of Books: Explore America's 100 Best Loved Novels*, and *Read 'Em and Eat: The Hayner Public Library District Cookbook*

Our staff had a wonderful time talking with patrons from surrounding libraries who visited Hayner Library during the library crawl. We hope to see everyone again next year!

## *Hayner Library IHLS Library Crawl Winners:*

*Philip O'Connor*

*Katie Schaefer*

*Shon-Tiyon Horton*

## *Congratulations to Our Adult Winter Reading Program Winners:*

*Rosie Brueggeman*

*Chris Mazzocchio*

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# Spring Book Sale

$3 Bag Sale!

**Friday, May 8, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.**
**Saturday, May 9, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**
**327 State Street, Alton, IL 62002**

For more information about the book sale, please call the Friends of Hayner Library at 618-462-4396 (Monday mornings only).

## Nonfiction—

**Abrams, Stacey.** Our Time Is Now: Power, Purpose, and the Fight for a Fair America

**Albright, Madeleine.** Hell and Other Destinations: A 21st-Century Memoir

**Amos, Tori.** Resistance: A Songwriter's Story of Hope, Change, and Courage

**Anstead, Christina.** The Wellness Remodel: A Guide to Rebooting How You Eat, Move, and Feed Your Soul

**Ball, Molly.** Pelosi

**Birbiglia, Mike.** The New One: Painfully True Stories from a Reluctant Dad

**Blum, Howard.** Night of the Assassins: The Untold Story of Hitler's Plot to Kill FDR, Churchill, and Stalin

**Clavin, Tom.** Tombstone: The Earp Brothers, Doc Holliday, and the Vendetta Ride from Hell

**Dronfield, Jeremy.** The Boy Who Followed His Father Into Auschwitz: A True Story of Family and Survival

**Dudley, Steven.** MS-13: The Making of America's Most Notorious Gang

**Gaines, Joanna.** Magnolia Table, Volume 2: A Collection of Recipes for Gathering

**Grace, Nancy.** Don't Be a Victim: Fighting Back Against America's Crime Wave

**Gupta, Sanjay.** Keep Sharp: Build a Better Brain at Any Age

**Hager, Jenna Bush.** Everything Beautiful in Its Time: Seasons of Love and Loss

**Hardy, Benjamin, PhD.** Personality Isn't Permanent: Break Free from Self-Limiting Beliefs and Rewrite Your Story

**Kennedy, Caroline.** Untitled

**Kilmer, Val.** I'm Your Huckleberry: A Memoir

**Kondo, Marie.** Joy at Work: Organizing Your Professional Life

**Langrehr, Henry.** Whatever It Took: An American Paratrooper's Extraordinary Memoir of Escape, Survival, and Heroism in the Last Days of World War II

**Laska, Stephanie.** Dirty, Lazy, Keto: Get Started Losing Weight While Breaking the Rules

**Lehr, Dick.** Dead Reckoning: The Story of How Johnny Mitchell and His Fighter Pilots Took on Admiral Yamamoto and Avenged Pearl Harbor

**Lynn, Loretta & Lynn, Patsy.** Me & Patsy Kickin' Up Dust: My Friendship With Patsy Cline

**Mays, Willie.** 24: Life Stories and Lessons from the Say Hey Kid

**Meltzer, Brad.** The Lincoln Conspiracy: The Secret Plot to Kill America's 16th President—And Why It Failed

**Nolan, Tara.** Gardening Your Front Yard: Projects and Ideas for Big and Small Spaces

**O'Reilly, Bill.** Killing Crazy Horse: The Merciless Indian Wars in America

**Patterson, James.** The House of Kennedy

**Roker, Al.** You Look So Much Better in Person: True Stories of Absurdity and Success

**Roizen, Michael F., M.D.** The What to Eat When Cookbook: 135+ Deliciously Timed Recipes

**Rowe, Peggy.** About Your Father and Other Celebrities I Have Known: Ruminations and Revelations from a Desperate Mother to Her Dirty Son

**Thomas, Marlo.** What Makes a Marriage Last: 40 Celebrated Couples Share with Us the Secrets to a Happy Life

**Veitch, James.** Dot Con: The Art of Scamming a Scammer

**Wasserbly, Daniel.** The 300: The Inside Story of the Missile Defenders Guarding America Against Nuclear Attack

**William, Anthony.** Medical Medium Cleanse to Heal

## Fiction—

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** Hello, Summer

**Andrews, V.C.** Shadows of Foxworth

**Baldacci, David.** Walk the Wire (Amos Decker)

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** In the Lion's Den (House of Falconer)

**Brown, Dale.** Eagle Station

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Furmidable Foes

**Burke, James Lee.** A Private Cathedral (Dave Robicheaux)

**Carr, Robyn.** Sunrise on Half Moon Bay

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Mrs. Lincoln's Sisters

**Collins, Suzanne.** The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes (Hunger Games)

**Connelly, Michael.** Fair Warning (Jack McEvoy)

**Connolly, John.** The Dirty South: A Thriller

**Cussler, Clive.** Wrath of Poseidon

**Dailey, Janet.** Holding Out For Christmas

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Goodbye Man (Colter Shaw)

**Delinsky, Barbara.** A Week at the Shore

**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** The Business of Lovers

**Evanovich, Janet.** The Bounty (Fox and O'Hare)

**Graham, Heather.** Seeing Darkness

**Griffin, W.E.B.** The Attack

**Griffiths, Elly.** The Lantern Men (Ruth Galloway)

**Grisham, John.** Camino Winds

**Higgins, Kristan.** Always the Last to Know

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** 28 Summers

**Hooper, Kay.** Hidden Salem

**Jackson, Lisa.** You Betrayed Me

**Jance, J.A.** Credible Threat

**Jiles, Paulette.** Simon the Fiddler

**Johanson, Iris.** The Persuasion

**Jones, Darynda.** A Bad Day for Sunshine

**Kidd, Sue Monk.** The Book of Longings

**King, Laurie R.** Riviera Gold: A Novel of Suspense Featuring Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes

**King, Stephen.** If It Bleeds

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Someone Like You

**Koontz, Dean.** Devoted

**Lupica, Mike.** Robert B. Parker's Grudge Match

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** The Nemesis Manifesto

**Maden, Mike.** Tom Clancy Firing Point (Jack Ryan Jr.)

**Mallery, Susan.** The Friendship List

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Talented Mr. Varg

**McKevett, G.A.** And the Killer Is

**Michaels, Fern.** Truth and Justice

**Moore, Christopher.** Shakespeare for Squirrels

**Novak, Brenda.** One Perfect Summer

**Paretsky, Sara.** Dead Land

**Paris, B.A.** The Dilemma

**Patrick, Phaedra.** The Secrets of Love Story Bridge: A Novel

**Patterson, James.** The 20th Victim (Women's Murder Club)

**Patterson, James.** Hush

**Patterson, James.** Revenge

**Patterson, James.** The Summer House

**Perry, Anne.** One Fatal Flaw

**Phillips, Susan Elizabeth.** Dance Away with Me

**Quick, Amanda.** Close Up

**Robards, Karen.** The Black Swan of Paris

**Roberts, Nora.** Hideaway

**Rosenberg, Joel C.** The Jerusalem Assassin

**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Knows a Thing or Two

**Sandford, John.** Masked Prey

**Shaara, Jeff.** To Wake the Giant: A Novel of Pearl Harbor

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Summer Deal

**Sittenfeld, Curtis.** Rodham

**Smith, Wilbur.** Call of the Raven

**Steel, Danielle.** Daddy's Girls

**Steel, Danielle.** The Wedding Dress

**Thayer, Nancy.** Girls of Summer

**Thor, Brad.** Near Dark: A Thriller

**Trollope, Joanna.** Mum & Dad

**Turow, Scott.** The Last Trial

**Tyler, Anne.** Redhead by the Side of the Road

**Weiner, Jennifer.** Big Summer

**Weir, Alison.** Katheryn Howard, the Scandalous Queen

**White, Kate.** Have You Seen Me?

**Williams, Beatriz.** Her Last Flight

**Wingate, Lisa.** The Book of Lost Friends

**Winslow, Don.** Broken

**Woods, Stuart.** Bombshell (Teddy Fay)

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Downtown Library
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Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

## *Behind the Scenes: The Interlibrary Loan Department*

The Interlibrary Loan department has two jobs: To send out materials from the Hayner Library collection that have been requested by patrons of other libraries and to check-in materials from other libraries that have been requested by Hayner patrons. This job may sound easy but it's exhaustingly hard work!

Just how exhausting is it? In 2019, the Interlibrary Loan department (which consists of two full-time and two-part time employees) sent out 65,003 items to other libraries. This breaks down to an average of 5,416 items per month—or roughly 180 items per day! Hayner Library patrons requested 62,258 interlibrary loan items from other libraries in 2019—an average of 5,188 items per month, or approximately 172 items per day. These figures do not include the hundreds of Hayner Library items returned to our library through our daily courier delivery.

The Interlibrary Loan department's day is a perfectly choreographed chain of activity: collecting, sorting, arranging, activating, and shelving interlibrary loan items. Each morning this department hits the ground running, a pace that is maintained until the last requested item is placed on the hold shelf.

We are tremendously proud of this small but vital department. Their behind-the-scenes hard work is an essential part of library service to Hayner Library patrons and the patrons of other Illinois Heartland Library System libraries.

## *What Do I Read Next?*

What do the books *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*, *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*, *A Song of Ice and Fire*, and *The Dragonfly in Amber* have in common? They're each titled within a book series! If you enjoy reading a book series, the following websites will come in handy:

Stop, You're Killing Me — This website is a terrific resource for lovers of mystery, crime, thriller, spy, and suspense books. It profiles over 5,200 authors and contains chronological lists of their books (over 60,000 titles). Looking for something new to read? This site also includes indexes for the location, job, and historical period of fictional main characters, as well as a diversity and genre index. www.stopyourekillingme.com

Fantastic Fiction — Keeping track of the chronological order of titles in a book series can feel like a full-time job for bookworms. For example, author Nora Roberts has penned 30 different book series! This site allows readers to search and browse the bibliographies of over 50,000 bestselling fiction authors of all genres, all in chronological order. www.fantasticfiction.co.uk

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Summer 2020

## Welcome Back to the Library

As you are well aware, The Hayner Public Library District, in compliance with Governor J.B Pritzker's Stay-at-Home Order, shut library doors mid-March While we were not open to the public, much of our staff continued to work: growing online services, keeping our website and social media account current, cleaning, preparing safety measures, moving our teen and children's summer reading programs online, and completing building maintenance projects.

We have used this time of closure to clean the carpets in the Downtown and Genealogy & Local History libraries. We have installed plexiglass barriers at all service and circulation desks The floor in the multipurpose room, staff room, and book drop room at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall have all been replaced New Hayner Library signage has been installed outside the second floor entrance at Alton Square Mall; this sign will be lit at night

***A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words*** *This photo shows items returned via the Downtown Library book drop This picture was taken AFTER seven carts had already been filled with materials to be checked in. This was not a singular occurrence Several staff members voluntarily made regular trips to the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to load carts with returns during our closure period this spring. All materials were quarantined for seventy-two hours before they were checked in and shelved*

A large amount of materials were returned in our book drops during the time we were closed. The materials were checked in and then quarantined for three days before being returned to the shelves. On June 1, we opened the Downtown Library and the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to curbside service, which has gone very smoothly. All fines and late fees accrued by Hayner Library patrons from March 17 through July 31, 2020 will be waived. The Genealogy & Local History Library has been closed since March 17 and will remain closed through at least July However, the staff is working to take your calls and help you with your research via phone and/or email

We have reduced our hours of service at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. The Downtown Library is open Monday through Saturday, from 10:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m The Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall is open Monday through Saturday, from 10:00 a.m to 7:00 p.m Both locations are closed on Sundays

Our Youth Services department has reinitiated the StoryWalk® program at The Nature Institute, 2213 S Levis Lane, Godfrey, IL. StoryWalk® allows families to walk a nature trail while reading stories posted in specialized weatherproof stands. A new StoryWalk® story is posted each month

Currently, unless things change dramatically, we anticipate opening our doors to the public in August. There will be certain guidelines on the number of patrons we can allow in our facilities at any one time and there will likely be recommended limits on browsing time so that we can best accommodate everyone who wants entry. There will also be strictly enforced time limits on use of the public computers to ensure we can accommodate as many patrons as possible. We will ask that all patrons wear masks. We will provide masks if you should forget yours. Hand sanitizer will be available throughout each location and we will ask patrons to practice social distancing We will continue to quarantine all returned materials for the recommended seventy-two hours

This has certainly been a challenging few months and we so appreciate your cooperation and patience. Our number one priority is to provide you with a full-service library District while ensuring the highest level of safety measures to protect both our staff and patrons We look forward to seeing you back in the library soon!

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day - July 4
Labor Day - September 6 & 7

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## *The Harlem Renaissance*

During the 1920s, Harlem became a mecca for African-Americans seeking a better way of life They found it in the northern borough of Manhattan The Harlem Renaissance originated in the 1920s, some say it was in August 1920 when Marcus Garvey led a black nationalist group, promoting black pride in the area. Not only did African-Americans settle in Harlem from the south during the Great Migration, but they came from across the United States and other countries.

Soon Harlem became a remarkable community of artists, writers, musicians, singers, and intellectuals, creating a period of bustling intellectual and artistic expression. Nightlife was vibrant in Harlem, known for its lavish and sophisticated night clubs Many of its famous nightclubs were patronized by members of the community and the whites who appreciated the new sounds coming from famous jazz stars and singers such as Duke Ellington, Louis Armstrong, Bessie Smith, Paul Robeson, and others. Harlem was the center of the Jazz Age in the 1920s

Authors wrote of the black experience and today we still read the literary works of Langston Hughes, Zora Neale Hurston, and W.E.B. Du Bois. Leading thinkers were Alain LeRoy Locke and W.E.B Du Bois, pillars of the Harlem intellectual community Marcus Garvey was the leader of the black nationalist movement promoting black pride. They worked to enlighten whites to accept blacks as equals

The Harlem Renaissance was an enriching period in American history and Harlem was the place to participate in this cultural and intellectual explosion of the time Even though it faded by the mid-1930s, we are left with the lasting legacies of jazz music, great literature, and an artistic expression that is uniquely African-American

Wintz, Carol D , ed. *Harlem Speaks: A Living History of the Harlem Renaissance*, 2007. (810.9 HAR).

## *Talking about Race with Help from the Smithsonian*

Talking about race and racism can feel uncomfortable, but it is necessary The Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture recently launched "Talking About Race," a new online portal designed to help start conversations about "racism, racial identity, and the way these forces shape every aspect of society, from the economy and politics to the broader American culture " The museum's educators have been working on these topics for decades. "Talking About Race" builds upon their extensive research, studies, consultations, and educational resources from history, education, psychology, and human development. https://nmaahc.si.edu/learn/talking-about-race

The staff at the Genealogy & Local History Library has been discussing race and racism and how our experiences have been shaped by where we grew up (Illinois, New York, Minnesota, Arkansas), our ages, and our racial identities In our research, we see first-hand the effects of generational wealth, hiring practices, and social norms of the past. This includes the money and other possessions of monetary value (and even enslaved people) passed down in wills; clear evidence of certain companies that didn't hire anyone who wasn't white; and newspaper articles that erase anyone who wasn't a white male from the written record, purposefully or not. People use genealogy research for all kinds of reasons, but we hope as you do your own research, you think about how the past is affecting the present, and how we can all make a better future.

# *What's in Reference*

## The Roaring Twenties

The year 2020 is proving to be a stressful and challenging year. We hope for better days ahead Let us look back one hundred years to the decade of the 1920s for solace in understanding what our ancestors were facing at that time. For authoritative information on decade studies, Hayner Library has some wonderful books and databases to help you, such as *The Roaring Twenties* by Tom Streissguth (973 91 STR) and *What Made the Twenties Roar?* by Sean Price (MasterFILE Premier)

The lead-up to 1920 was challenging. Americans had just gone through World War I (1914 -1919), which the U S. entered in 1917, and experienced the influenza pandemic of 1918. More than 500,000 Americans were killed in 1918 and 1919 from the pandemic, more than were killed in the war Americans were exhausted from the war and from battling the flu. They did not want to be involved in foreign entanglements. They needed healing and their spirits lifted.

After recovering from a post-war depression, life began to accelerate rapidly Two constitutional amendments were passed in 1920, the only year in history in which such a feat was accomplished! Women were increasingly becoming more mobile, aided by the recent influx of women doing typically "male" jobs during the war effort. This newfound freedom propelled women into politics and a loosening of commonly held values Drinking alcohol was prohibited by the Eighteenth Amendment but nightlife still flourished Women fought for the right to vote and on August 13, 1920, the Nineteenth Amendment was signed into law, bringing about a decade of revolutionary change in the social and economic position of women in the United States.

Social revolution, combined with a society loose with its money, increased prosperity and mobility Young people embraced new fashions, a new type of music called jazz, and new values, confounding the older generation. The influx of factory-made automobiles and better roads allowed more freedom of movement. The invention of television, frozen food, radio broadcasting, and the discovery of penicillin led Americans on the path to the good life.

Migration from rural to urban areas increased dramatically, leading to change in demographics and expression of cultural values The Great Migration occurred with African-Americans and poor white farmers coming from the south to northern cities seeking a better way of life. However, immigration from European countries, especially eastern Europe and southern Europe, was being curtailed. With the rise of mobs and the Red Scare, America formed an anti-immigrant sentiment.

Easy credit and speculation in the stock market made the economy boom and gave millions of Americans the comfortable life they were looking for But this access to credit and rampant speculation also brought about the crash that would put an end to the roaring decade

## Genealogy & Local History Library

The Genealogy & Local History Library will remain closed to the public at least through July. Please visit the Hayner Library website for more details about general library services, hours, etc

What does this mean for genealogy and local history services? The Genealogy & Local History Library staff have returned to the library and have access to the print collection again, so please feel free to call (618) 462-0677, email (genealogy@haynerlibrary.org), or mail (401 State Street, Alton, IL 62002) research requests!

In addition to assisting patrons, we're also working to make more resources available online. We have partnered with the Illinois State Library to create the Alton Area Local History Collection as part of their Illinois Digital Archives collection We're adding more material all the time. To view the Alton Area Local History Collection online, please visit http://www.idaillinois org/digital/collection/p16614coll61/search/. The Illinois Digital Archives are a fantastic resource for Illinois history, and include photographs, oral interviews, books, newspapers, and other items.

The Genealogy & Local History Library has also secured an extension of remote access to Ancestry Library Edition through the end of July (at least). We are also absolutely thrilled to report that free remote access to Newspaper Archive (Illinois edition) has been extended indefinitely. So even when the Genealogy & Local History Library does reopen, patrons will still be able to access *The Alton Telegraph* and other Illinois newspapers from home. The links for Ancestry Library Edition and Newspaper Archive can be found in the Online Resources section of the Hayner Library website. If you need tips or have trouble using the sites, please feel free to email the Genealogy & Local History Library at genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

We're also extremely excited about partnering with the Edwardsville Public Library and the Madison County Historical Society for the 2020 Historian Project (https://www.edwardsvillelibrary.org/teen-historian-challenge). Originally aimed at teens, the project is now open to everyone, and we encourage you to share your experience of living through a worldwide pandemic. This current moment in time will be in future history books. Your unique daily observations will serve as primary sources to people in the future. We hope that this project will encourage you to contemplate and think critically about the state of the world—and give you an outlet to process information, ideas, and feelings. Be authentic. Be honest. Be reflective. Pay attention to the details The goal of this project is to allow you to chronicle the changes you observe in your community, the country, and the world as a result of COVID-19

## Community Support Services Resources Booklet

The Hayner Public Library District has created a helpful Community Support Services resource booklet, highlighting the social service organizations and resources available in our community. This booklet provides a list of local shelters, food sources, free legal services, aging assistance, crisis help, disabilities support, homeless assistance, veterans support, warming/cooling centers, and more. Booklets have been distributed throughout the community at hospitals, clinics, crisis centers, and other local organizations. You can pick up a free copy at any Hayner Library location. You can also access the brochure in the Online Resources section of the library's website; the booklet is listed under the Community Support Services category

If you would like booklets for your organization, please contact the Reference department at (618) 433-2864 and we will be happy to supply you with copies

## Newly Available VIRTUALLY in Our Illinois Room

The Genealogy & Local History Library is working to digitize out-of-copyright books from our Illinois Room collection while also identifying books that have already been digitized by places such as the Library of Congress and the University of Illinois. With the help of our cataloger, these full-text books can now be accessed by anyone directly from the SHARE online card catalog (https://search.illinoisheartland.org/).

Here are a few of the books available to view online No library card login is necessary. Some of the books have been reprinted, so make sure you're viewing the record of the original printing (year shown in parenthesis) to access the digital book

***Alton High School Tatler Yearbooks (various years)***

***Autobiography of Ma-ka-tai-me-she-kia-kiak, or Black Hawk by Black Hawk (1882)***

***Behind the Scenes-Thirty Years a Slave, and Four Years in the White House by Elizabeth Keckley (1868)***

***Centennial History of Madison County, Illinois, and Its People, 1812 to 1912 (1912)***

***Charter and By-laws of Shurtleff College: Located at Upper Alton, Illinois (1866)***

***Constitution of the First Congregational Church and Society of Alton, Ill. (1855)***

***A Directory, Business Mirror, and Historical Sketches of Randolph County (1859)***

***Hardtack and Coffee, or, The Unwritten Story of Army Life (1888)***

***Harriet Newell Haskell: January 14th, 1835, Waldoboro, Me. May 6th, 1907, Godfrey, Ill.; A Span of Sunshine Gold (1908)***

***His Story of Bethalto: Dedicated to the Boys of Bethalto, Heroes of the World War by Henry W. Zimmerman (1921)***

***History of Greene County, Illinois: Its Past and Present; Containing a History of the County; Its Cities, Towns, Etc. (1879)***

***History of Jerseyville, Illinois, 1822 to 1901 (1901)***

***History of Madison County, Illinois: Illustrated; With Biographical Sketches of Many Prominent Men and Pioneers (1882)***

***History of the Presbyterian Church, in the State of Illinois (1879)***

***Marquette High Explorer Yearbooks (various years)***

***Memoir of the Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy (1838)***

***Portrait and Biographical Album of Pike and Calhoun Counties, Illinois (1891)***

***Principia Sheaf Yearbooks (various years)***

***Western Military Academy Recall Yearbooks (various years)***

***Williamson County, Illinois, in the World War (1919)***

## *Wowbrary: Your Online "New Book" Shelf*

If you've missed browsing at Hayner Library recently, let Wowbrary be your "new book" shelf.

Wowbrary is a free, non-profit online newsletter created to better connect people with what is new at their library. Published weekly, it highlights top new books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, and even online magazines added to the Hayner Library collection that week. Browsing categories include "Top 20 Choices" along with other fiction and non-fiction lists for adults, teens, and children.

What makes Wowbrary different from generic lists? It only highlights new materials that Hayner Library has actually added to the collection that week. Wowbrary makes new items easy to browse and allows patrons to immediately place reserves on any items they see

Hayner Library has subscribed to Wowbrary for several years, but it is especially helpful now that libraries are offering curbside service as a first stage to reopening after the COVID-19 shutdown. Readers can quickly scan new offerings and click through directly to the Hayner Library website to reserve titles, which staff can prepare for curbside pick-up.

Wowbrary is free, published weekly, and can be received as email or RSS. If you'd like to receive the Wowbrary newsletter, here's how to register:

- Visit www.wowbrary org
- Click on the Sign Up tab
- Enter your 5 digit ZIP code and click on the Go button
- Select The Hayner Library Public Library District
- Enter your email address (you will do this twice to verify accuracy)
- Type in the security code shown on the screen and click on the Submit button
- Wowbrary will send an authentication email to your email address
- Log-in to your email account and open the Wowbrary email
- Click on the link contained in the Wowbrary email to complete your registration

# KidsSpace
## Summer 2020 Activities

### StoryWalk® Program

Exercise, fresh air, nature, and literacy are all combined in Hayner Library's StoryWalk® Hayner Library's StoryWalk® is an outdoor reading experience in which a children's book is deconstructed, the pages laminated, placed in weatherproof wooden story boards, and then arranged along a walking path The StoryWalk® books, chosen by our children's librarian, are posted along The Frog Trail at The Nature Institute. The Nature Institute (TNI) is a non-profit land conservation and environmental education organization based in Godfrey, IL. The Frog Trail is approximately one mile in length and is located behind the Talahi Lodge. Visitors are encouraged to stop at the first storyboard and use a smartphone to scan the QR code, located at the bottom of the introduction page Scanning the QR code will help the library keep track of participation in the program

### TumbleBook Library

TumbleBook Library is Hayner Library's newest addition to our digital collection. This online site, perfect for children ages kindergarten through sixth grade, has thousands of children's titles that can be accessed directly from the TumbleBook Library platform. The TumbleBook Library collection includes story books, read-alongs, e-books, graphic novels, nonfiction, videos, games, and more. TumbleBook Library is free to use and can be accessed from your home computer, smartphone, tablet, or other mobile device. The TumbleBook Library can be found on the KidsSpace page of the library's website. Visit www.haynerlibrary.org, click on the Kids & Teens tab at the top of the page, and then select KidsSpace. Explore literacy in a fun and interactive way!

### Star Wars Reads Day 2020

Hayner Library will celebrate *Star Wars* Reads Day 2020: Roll into Reading on Saturday, October 10, 2020 Patrons can stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 10:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m. and pick up a take-home craft and *Star Wars* activity packet. Everyone who stops by will be entered into a drawing for a fun *Star Wars*-themed prize. For more information, please call (618) 433-2861. May the Force be with you always!

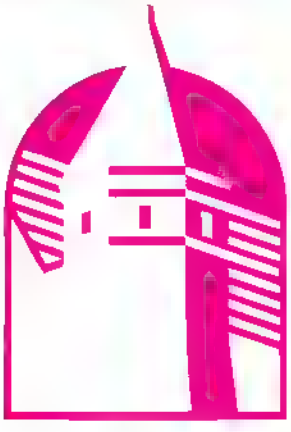
# TeenSpace
## Summer 2020 Activities

### Teen Book Crate Program

Hey, Hayner teens! Subscribe to our fun-to-open book subscription crate service. Each month, Hayner Library will supply you with a new-release book based upon your reading preferences and some surprise items

When you have enjoyed your book, simply return it (and the box) for a new selection Registration is easy! Simply fill out and submit the My Library Crate registration form, located on the TeenSpace page of the library's website. A TeenSpace staff member will do the rest!

Please note: This program is restricted to Hayner Library card holders ages 12-18 only Once contacted, participants have five days to pick up their checked-out book crate from Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.



## Readers' Advisory Online Services

The Reference department provides a readers' advisory service, prepares new and different book lists, and creates book displays on a continuous basis. Hayner Library subscribes to NoveList Plus K-8 and NoveList Plus for in-depth readers' advisory You can find these databases and links to other helpful book sites on the Hayner Library website. Click on the Online Resources tab at the top of our website and scroll to the Books and Readers' Advisory category. You will find:

**Curated lists of books from the Hayner Library collection.** Titles are available for check out from Hayner Library If the titles are currently checked out, a hold may be placed on them Look for "If You Like … Try These Books." These lists will be constantly updated and changed.

**NoveList Plus K-8** is an online database of reading recommendations designed for children and the adults who work with them. The easy-to-use design encourages kids to find the right books for their reading levels and interests. Teachers and parents can find valuable teaching resources

**NoveList Plus** is an online database for fiction and nonfiction. It includes plot summaries, author read-a-likes, title read-a-likes, award winners, book discussion guides, and feature articles.

**Fantastic Fiction** allows readers to search by author, book, or series This site contains the latest book and series information.

**Stop, You're Killing Me** is a great site for readers who enjoy mystery, crime, thriller, spy, and suspense books. This site features over 5,200 authors and contains chronological lists of their works

## Online Voter Registration

Hayner Library's voter registration service will resume when our facilities reopen. In the meantime, if you are a resident of Illinois and wish to register to vote, the Illinois State Board of Election offers online voter registration at https://ova.elections il.gov. Registration period closes at the end of the day on October 18, 2020 and will reopen on November 5, 2020

## Reference Help and Ask a Librarian

You can get reference help 24/7 by emailing reference@haynerlibrary org. A reference librarian will respond to your query as soon as possible. In addition, our Ask a Librarian service is available on the Hayner Library website. Click on the Ask a Librarian icon, located on the left side of the homepage, fill out the form, and help will be on the way!

## Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)

The CFPB's website contains COVID-19 related information on topics such as avoiding scams, rent relief, consumer protections, and more Relief options and protections may be available for many renters who are having trouble paying rent during the pandemic. Learn what help may be available for those who pay rent or hold a mortgage. Visit https://www.consumerfinance.gov and click on the Unified Housing link to find helpful information on mortgage and housing assistance, how to avoid scams and bad actors, and where to get additional help.

## 2020 Census Online

You can still respond to the 2020 Census. Due to the outbreak of COVID-19, the self-response phase of the 2020 Census has been extended to October 31, 2020 (online, phone, and mail responses). Visit https://my2020census gov to complete the census for you and everyone living in your home. It's quick and easy to respond, and your answers are protected by law

Filling out the census questionnaire is important. Census data is used to determine the number of your congressional representatives, federal funding to states and their localities, and more. The annual share of federal funding received by Illinois supports infrastructure needs, schools, hospitals and emergency healthcare centers, social services, and many more services. Companies and local businesses make decisions whether to potentially expand or build based on census data of the area. Be sure to be counted! It's not too late

## COVID-19 Information

For the most up-to-date information on COVID-19, please visit:

- **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:** https://www cdc.gov/
- **World Health Organization:** https://www.who.int/
- **Occupational Safety and Health Administration:** https://www.osha.gov/
- **Illinois Department of Public Health:** http://www dph.illinois gov/
- **Madison County Health Department:** https://www.co.madison.il.us/departments/health/index php
- **State of Illinois Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response:** https://coronavirus illinois.gov/s/

## Red Cross Emergency App

The Red Cross has a handy Emergency App designed to keep users prepared when a disaster strikes. This all-inclusive app lets users monitor more than thirty-five different severe weather and emergency alerts, such as severe storms, tornadoes, earthquakes, floods, winter weather advisories, and more. The app allows users to customize the alerts and notifications to their specific weather concerns

The Red Cross app also features safety tips to prepare for many different situations, including coronavirus safety, chemical emergencies at home, drought, extreme heat, flood, home fire, power outage, tornado, water safety, and more.

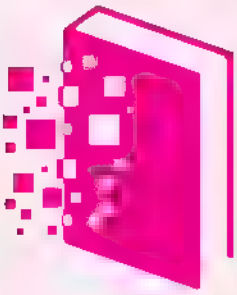
The free Emergency App is available in app stores (search "American Red Cross") or at www redcross.org/apps A link to the app can also be found in the Online Resources section of the library's website.

## Like Us on Facebook

The Hayner Library Facebook page is full of up-to-date library information, links to fun and educational websites, online story times, genealogy information, and more. Be sure to visit our Facebook page at www facebook.com/HaynerLibrary.

## *Cloud Library: Access Thousands of E-Books and E-Audiobooks for Free*

Hayner Library offers access to over 39,000 e-books and 8,000 e-audiobooks through our Cloud Library digital platform. Cloud Library materials can be accessed via PC, smartphone, tablet, or other mobile device



Hayner Library cardholders can search, check out, and place holds for titles using the Cloud Library app. Titles are organized into categories such as new release, biographical, fantasy, literary, medical, cultural heritage, mystery, and dozens more. Titles can also be filtered into categories such as fiction, nonfiction, teens, and children. Patrons can even listen to samples of e-audiobooks before checking out a title

Patrons who place holds on titles will receive an email notification when their item is available for check out. Titles are automatically checked in when the due date arrives—no overdue fines!

The font and margin size, mode, and page rotation settings for e-books are customizable in the Cloud Library app The e-audiobook settings can also be customized to speed up or slow down the narrator's reading speed and a sleep timer can also be set.

A link to the Cloud Library online platform can be found in the Download Audio & e-Books section of the library's website Step-by-step instructions for downloading and using the Cloud Library app can be found in the Help with Your e-Reader section of the library's website

Helpful hint for those who already use the Cloud Library app: If you experience issues with e-books or e-audiobooks not properly downloading to the Cloud Library app, simply update the app on your smartphone, tablet, or other mobile device Cloud Library should alert you when updates are available, but you can run an update at any time. If this doesn't work, uninstall and then reinstall the app. All holds and titles currently checked out to your account should reappear when the app is reinstalled.

## *Playaways: An Easy Way to Listen to Books*

A Playaway is an audiobook preloaded onto a portable media player roughly the size of a business card. Listen to Playaways using headphones, or use an auxiliary cable to play them through your car, home, or portable speakers Get the benefits of audio CDs without the hassle of changing discs! Hayner Library owns nearly 1,000 Playaways for adults, teens, and children. Some of our children's Playaways even come with a companion book designed to deliver a fun and educational read-along experience. Children's read-along Playaways are called Bookpacks. You can find Playways and Bookpacks in the online card catalog by performing a search for "Playaway" or "Playway Bookpacks" as a keyword. Check one out today!

## *RBdigital App Provides Hayner Patrons with Access to e-Audiobooks and Digital Magazines*

Have you checked out the RBdigital app yet? If not, you're missing a great opportunity to access thousands of e-audiobooks and dozens of full-color digital magazines, all at the touch of a button!

The RBdigital app is a product of Recorded Books, the largest independent producer of audiobooks in the world. The free RBdigital app can be downloaded directly to your smartphone, tablet, or other mobile device. For more information about this service, including a step-by-step guide for creating an RBdigital account, please visit the Help With Your e-Reader and Download Audio & eBooks sections of the library's website

Please note that the RBdigital app is being offered in addition to our Cloud Library e-book and e-audiobook collection. It is our hope that the two collections will complement one another and give you even more digital choices for reading and listening to your favorite authors and magazine titles.

## *Accessing the Online Card Catalog and Your Hayner Library Account Online*

Long gone are the days when a paper card catalog was used to locate items in the library collection The card catalog is now digital and can be easily accessed directly from the Hayner Library website.

The online card catalog allows users to perform author, title, subject, and keyword searches. Searches can even be narrowed to include ISBN, publisher, genre, and series information. Users can also limit searches to specific types of materials such as DVDs, audiobooks, music CDs, etc. The card catalog can be viewed in English or Spanish and the font can be adjusted for larger viewing.

The online card catalog offers users the ability to locate items in the Hayner Library collection as well as items from other libraries within the Illinois Heartland Library System. You will be notified by phone call, text, or email when an item is ready for pick-up.

You can also view your library account directly from the library's website. Once you are logged in, you can view the items currently checked out to you, manage your outstanding requests, renew materials, view your reading history (optional), and pay your fines online.

Step-by-step instructions for navigating and using the online card catalog, as well as your online account, can be found on the Hayner Library website.

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Hours of Operation

Downtown Library
Mon.–Thurs., 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Alton Square Library
Mon.–Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
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Genealogy & Local History Library
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wed., 12:00 Noon to 7:00 p.m.
Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

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## *Online Resources*

The Hayner Public Library District offers over forty online databases. The online databases can be found on the Online Resources page of the library's website. Available topics include auto repair, Consumer Reports, elementary and high school resources, government, health, jobs and careers, and senior services.

The MasterFILE Premier database is a valuable aid for students writing research papers. Students can perform basic or advanced searches, searching by publication or subject. MasterFILE Premier also contains a "Dictionary" feature, which provides up-to-date information from *The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*, 2019. A little-known feature in MasterFILE Premier is the "More" feature, which includes a searchable collection of thousands of photos. MasterFILE Premier allows users to choose from one of several tools—the ability to email an article, save it to a computer or flash drive, or create a bookmark to allow the article to be viewed at a later date. The "Tools" feature also contains a citation function; users can choose from an extensive list of citation formats, including APA, Chicago/Turabian, MLA, and others.

Databases provide a treasury of information at your fingertips. They are free to use with your Hayner Library card and can be accessed 24/7 from home.

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# The Hayner Public Library District

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Things to Know...

About The Hayner

Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Election Day – Nov. 3
Veterans Day – Nov. 11
Thanksgiving – Nov. 26, 27
Christmas – Dec 24, 25, 26
New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1

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## *Introducing Book Bundles*

**A New Readers' Advisory Service at Hayner Library**

With limited access to the library's book shelves, looking for your next great read could be challenging. Try our new readers' advisory service! Are you trying to figure out what to read next? Let the Hayner Library staff do the browsing for you. We can help you find your next favorite author or genre Book Bundles is a new Hayner Library adult book recommendation service to help you find books you like.

Here's how Book Bundles works:

Fill out the Book Bundles registration form on the Hayner Library website (located on the homepage, about halfway down the page) You can also call or email the Reference department at (618) 462-0677, ext 2849 or reference@haynerlibrary.org. The Book Bundles registration form allows you to specify your favorite reading genres, authors, titles, and other reading preference information Once you submit the registration form, our staff will select three to four books for you based on your criteria. After we gather the books, we will give you a call and have them waiting for you at your preferred Hayner Library pick-up location It's simple!

When you are ready for another set of books, just call or email the Reference department. Please let us know how you liked the books by filling out the Rate the Books form included in your Book Bundle This will help us make selections that best suit your tastes.

For more information about the Book Bundles service, please call or email the Reference department at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849 or reference@haynerlibrary.org.

## *Students! Teachers! Parents!*

Hayner Library has online resources to help you with your research papers and more!

**MasterFILE Premier** and **Primary Search** are go-to databases for information on a variety of topics. MasterFILE Premier and Primary Search offer a large collection of popular full-text magazines, reference books, and other highly regarded, authoratative sources You can find primary source documents, photos, maps, and flags. Writing a paper? You will love the citation feature which gives users the correct format for citing information once you choose a citation style

You can access MasterFILE Premier and Primary Search from the Online Resources page of the Hayner Library website (in the Education Resources category) As with all Hayner Library databases, MasterFILE Premier and Primary Search are free resources and are available 24/7 from home. All you have to do is sign in with your last name and Hayner Library card number

## *Holds and Fines Notifications*

The Hayner Public Library District has resumed text and email notifications for overdue items and almost due items (sent three days before an item is due) to patrons who have signed up to receive text and email notifications from the library. We have also resumed text and email notifications for on-hold items once they are available for pick-up.

Hayner Library patrons are not being charged overdue fines while the library conducts curbside pick-up service However, patrons who keep overdue materials will be billed for the items once they are six weeks overdue.

If you currently have overdue materials, please return the items immediately to avoid being billed. The book drop at our Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall location is open during mall hours and our Downtown Library book drop is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If you have any questions regarding overdue items on your account, please contact the library at (618) 462-0677.

For complete details regarding library due dates and fines since March 17, 2020, please visit www.haynerlibrary.org

## Wreaths Across America 2020

Wreaths Across America (WAA) is a grassroots movement which began in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, and Teach," is carried out by wreath laying ceremonies in cemeteries in all 50 states and beyond. Through the wreath laying ceremonies and other coordinated events, the organization spreads it message about the importance of Remembering the fallen, Honoring those who serve, and Teaching our children the value of freedom and the sacrifices made by veterans and their families.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007 This year on Saturday, December 19, 2020, our community will participate in this year's National Wreaths Across America event. The ceremony will start at 11:00 a.m. at the Alton National Cemetery, 600 Pearl Street, Alton, IL. The ceremony may look different this year as we deal with the pandemic but the mission will be accomplished. Details are forthcoming.

In 2019, through generous community donations, 560 wreaths were placed on the gravesites at our local national cemetery. Every dollar donated helps ensure each Veteran is remembered. You can help continue this tradition by sending a donation to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton, IL 62002. Each $30 received enables us to purchase 3 wreaths

For the fifth year, our local WAA effort will offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their veteran loved one at other local cemeteries. These wreath reservations must be received by Friday, December 4, 2020, by calling Sue Fitzgerald at (618) 466-9017.

Please support our community in carrying forward this mission to REMEMBER, HONOR, AND TEACH Join our nation in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own Christmas celebrations for all of us

For more information, call Margaret Hopkins at (618) 570-8804, or to learn more visit the WAA website at www.wreathsacrossamerica.org

## What's in Reference

### Women's Right to Vote–Ida B. Wells

This year marks the one hundredth anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment, guaranteeing and protecting women's constitutional right to vote. After several decades of long-fought battles, the 19th Amendment was ratified in August 1920. Women marched, demonstrated, and were jailed to gain this right. It was not just granted

One prominent African-American woman in the suffrage movement was Ida B. Wells. Wells founded the Alpha Suffrage Club in Chicago to give voice to black women who had been disenfranchised in the movement

Born a slave in Mississippi during the Civil War, she became a journalist, civil rights crusader, and suffragist. She published investigative journalism on anti-lynching and became the most nationally recognized leader of the anti-lynching movement, giving fiery talks on the subject. She was a relentless crusader against injustice. She helped establish civil rights organizations such as the NAACP. Wells was an activist. While white suffragists considered racial issues a distraction, she fought sexism and racism

Black suffragists saw access to the ballot as a way to enjoy power and a voice in democracy. However, not all women had that right due to voting restrictions in the Jim Crow south. It would be almost five decades later when all African-American women and men had the full right to vote with the passage of the 1965 Voting Rights Act.

Ida B Wells' commitment to righting wrongs demonstrated she was a staunch believer in Frederick Douglass's timeless words, "Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will." Ida B. Wells let her voice be heard. We owe much to these women who made it possible for us to vote, a right to be cherished and preserved.

Sources:

*The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote* by Elaine Wiess.

*History VS Women: The Defiant Lives That They Don't Want You to Know* by Anita Sarkeesian.

*Why They Marched: Untold Stories of the Women Who Fought For the Right to Vote* by Susan Ware

*"400 Years of Blacks in America, Ain't I [Still] a Woman?", The CrisisMagazine com.* MasterFILE Premier

For help finding more resources on social justice issues, please contact the Reference desk at reference@haynerlibrary.org or call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849

## Readers' Corner

Need ideas for a good book? Come to the Readers' Corner!

Reading good literature offers us a chance to see the world through another's eyes. African American literature gives us that opportunity, connecting us to our shared humanity. Major voices within African American literature are Ernest J. Gaines, Zora Neale Hurston, and Toni Morrison, one of the most celebrated authors today. Their works have left an indelible mark in the literary world and have preserved the cultural heritage of African American life during the twentieth century.

Gaines and Hurston's novels are based in realistic settings in the rural South. Gaines addresses issues of race, community, and personal identity. Hurston's exuberant stories are based on Black folk culture. The vibrant folk speech of her characters portrays authentic human beings. Toni Morrison novels are compelling, sometimes mythic stories, addressing sexism and racism. All of these authors write rich, deep novels that will profoundly touch your soul.

You can find these great books at Hayner Library. Start with:

- *A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest J. Gaines.
- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston
- *Sula* by Toni Morrison

More African American classic authors:

- Gloria Naylor: *The Women of Brewster Place*
- Alice Walker: *The Color Purple*
- James Baldwin: *Go Tell It on the Mountain*
- Richard Wright: *Native Son*
- Ralph Ellison: *Invisible Man*
- Ann Petry: *The Street*
- Octavia E Butler: *Kindred*
- Nella Larsen: *Passing*
- Margaret Walker: *Jubilee*

Find our African American Authors lists and Anti-Racism book lists on the Online Resources page of the Hayner Library website (in the Books and Readers' Advisory category). The Online Resources page also features multiple other book lists as well as the NoveList Plus database, which lists read-alikes, book discussion guides, and more. For readers' advisory assistance, please contact our Reference department at reference@haynerlibrary.org or (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849

## Genealogy & Local History Library

The Genealogy & Local History Library will remain closed to the public through at least October, but please feel free to call (618) 462-0677, email (genealogy@haynerlibrary.org), or mail (401 State Street, Alton, IL 62002) with all of your research requests!

In addition to assisting patrons, we're also working to make more resources available online. We are digitizing out-of-copyright books from our Illinois Room collection and have started with the Alton city directories. Yearbooks from Alton High School, Marquette Catholic High School, and Western Military Academy are also available, and more books are added every week. All books are text-searchable. You do not need a library card to view these books. Visit https://archive.org/details/@hayner_genealogy_amp_local_history_library to view the books.

The Genealogy & Local History Library's Branching Out research tutorials have been filmed and are available on the Hayner Library Facebook page at www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary. You can also find direct links to the Branching Out videos on the Genealogy & Local History page of the Hayner Library website. Visit www.haynerlibrary.org, click on the Genealogy & Local History link at the top of the page, and select "About" from the drop-down menu.

The Genealogy & Local History Library has secured an extension of remote access to Ancestry Library Edition through the end of December 2020 (at least). Free remote access to Newspaper Archive (Illinois edition) has been extended indefinitely. So even when the Genealogy & Local History Library does reopen, patrons will still be able to access *The Telegraph* and other Illinois newspapers from home. Links for Ancestry Library Edition and Newspaper Archive can be found on the Online Resources and Genealogy & Local History pages of the Hayner Library website.

We're thrilled to let you know that we're now offering remote access to current issues of *The Telegraph* from NewsBank. This includes text (no images) for *The Telegraph* from 2007 to the present and full images of articles from January 1, 2020 to the present. You will need your Hayner Library card for remote access. This remote access is indefinite.

If you miss perusing Sanborn Maps in the Genealogy & Local History Library, we encourage you to check out the digitized versions from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Visit https://digital.library.illinois.edu/collections/6ff64b00-072d-0130-c5bb-0019b9e633c5-2/items to view available Illinois Sanborn Maps (all in color). Enter the name of your city into the search bar and search results for the city should appear. Alton coverage is available for January 1885, January 1892, September 1897, November 1902, October 1909, and December 1915.

We continue our partnership with the Illinois State Library to create the Alton Area Local History Collection as part of their Illinois Digital Archives collection. To view the Alton Area Local History Collection online, please visit http://www.idaillinois.org/digital/collection/p16614coll61/search/

We're also extremely excited about partnering with the Edwardsville Public Library and the Madison County Historical Society for the 2020 Historian Project (https://www.edwardsvillelibrary.org/teen-historian-challenge)

We miss seeing you at the Genealogy & Local History Library and we hope you are all having good luck in your research!

## Newly Available VIRTUALLY in Our Illinois Room

The Genealogy & Local History Library continues to digitize out-of-copyright books from our Illinois Room collection while also identifying books that have already been digitized elsewhere. With the help of our cataloger, these full-text books can now be accessed by anyone directly from the SHARE online catalog: https://search.illinoisheartland.org/

Here are a few of the books available to view online. You do not need a library card to view these books. Some of these books have been reprinted, so make sure you're on the record of the original printing (year shown in parenthesis) to access the digital book.

***Alton General City Directory, and Business Mirror, for 1858...*** **(1858)**

***The Autobiography of Gurdon Saltonstall Hubbard, Pa-pa-ma-ta-be, "The Swift Walker"*** **(1911)**

***The Constitutionality and Expediency of Confiscation Vindicated: Speech of Hon. Lyman Trumbull, of Illinois, on the Bill to Confiscate the Property and Free the Slaves of Rebels: Delivered in the Senate of the United States, April 7, 1862*** **(1862)**

***Ducking Days: Narratives of Duck Hunting, Studies of Wildfowl Life, and Reminiscences of Famous Marksmen on the Marshes and at the Traps*** **(1918)**

***Early Illinois Railroads: A Paper Read Before the Chicago Historical Society ... February 20, 1883*** **(1884)**

***A Full Description of the Soil, Water, Timber, and Prairies of Each Lot, or Quarter Section of the Military Lands Between the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers*** **(1818)**

***The History of Illinois and Louisiana Under the French Rule: Embracing a General View of the French Dominion in North America With Some Account of the English Occupation of Illinois*** **(1893)**

***Illustrated Encyclopedia and Atlas Map of Madison County, Ill.: Carefully Compiled from Personal Examinations and Surveys*** **(1873)**

## Project READ

Project READ is a program designed to serve individuals, seventeen years of age and above, with supported practice in basic reading, math, and English language skills. Project READ is the perfect program for prospective learners who are looking to improve their skills to further their education or qualify to enter the workforce.

Project READ matches students with trained volunteer tutors from the community. Prospective participants can enjoy the flexibility of scheduled session times and locations according to their availability.

***Interested in becoming a tutor?***

Did you know? An estimated four million Illinois adults have low skills in performing reading and math tasks that keep them from using printed/written information to function successfully in today's society.

More than 60,000 people in the Lewis & Clark Community College (LCCC) district struggle with basic literacy. Are you ready to make a difference in your community by helping others learn how to read, understand math, or improve their English language skills? You do not have to be a college graduate or a teacher to tutor. Project READ trains you. Inquire today about helping another individual learn to read or improve their skills.

For more information, please contact LCCC's Project READ office at (618) 468-4141

# KidsSpace
## Fall 2020 Activities

**Virtual Story Times** – Virtual story times, designed for young patrons ages 2–7, will be available at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays (Mary Kay's Story Time) and Thursdays (Movers & Shakers Story Time) on the Hayner Library Facebook page. Mary Kay's Story Time dates are: Tuesdays, October 6, 13, 20, and 27; November 3, 10, and 17; December 1, 8, and 15, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. Movers & Shakers Story Time dates are: Thursdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; November 5 and 12; December 3, 10, and 17, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. These themed story times will offer children the opportunity to read books, sing songs, perform fingerplays, and watch puppet shows. Visit www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary to view the virtual story times.

**Virtual Legos @ Your Library** – On the second Thursday of each month we will post a theme on our Facebook page. Participants then have one week to create a Lego build-at-home and send us a picture at child.programming@haynerlibrary.org. We will pick a few staff favorites each week to post on our Facebook page. Be sure to check the Hayner Library Facebook page the following week to see if your creation is featured! Dates for this program are October 8, November 12, and December 10, 2020. Visit www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary each week to view the Lego challenges and featured challenge submissions

**Take-Home Crafts** – Each Thursday young patrons ages 3–8 will be offered a take-home craft from Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Dates for craft distribution are Thursdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; November 5, 12, and 19; December 3, 10, and 17, 2020. The craft will be available for pick-up at 10:00 a.m. We will have a limited amount of each craft. We will distribute craft supplies until they are gone.

**Star Wars Reads Day** – *Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. This year, Hayner Library invites patrons ages 6–12 to drop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall between 2:00–7:00 p.m. on Friday, October 9, 2020, to pick up a *Star Wars* themed take-home craft, activity book, and snack. May the force be with you!

## TumbleBook Library

TumbleBook Library is Hayner Library's newest addition to our digital collection. This online site, perfect for children ages kindergarten through sixth grade, has hundreds of children's titles that can be accessed directly from the TumbleBook Library platform. The TumbleBook Library collection includes storybooks, read-alongs, e-books, graphic novels, nonfiction, videos, games, and more. TumbleBook Library is free to use and can be accessed from your home computer, tablet, or mobile device. The TumbleBook Library can be found on the KidsSpace section of the library's website or through the TumbleBooks app. To access TumbleBook Library online, visit www.haynerlibrary.org, click on the Kids & Teens icon at the top of the page, and then select KidsSpace from the drop-down menu. Or download the TumbleBooks app from any app store. Explore literacy in a fun and interactive way! A valid Hayner Library card will be needed to access this collection

## Summer Reading Program 2020 Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover

Young patrons and the staff of Hayner Library were up to the challenge of this year's Summer Reading Program, "Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover." The KidsSpace staff worked hard to prepare and train our staff, patrons, and parents to use our new Beanstack online reading program. Beanstack helps young patrons manage, create, and measure their reading. Hayner Library also offered participants weekly online Stories & Art, Stories & Puppets, performers, and a take-home craft.

*Tyleigh I.*

Children were rewarded for their reading with weekly prizes and tickets for a chance to win one of our three grand prizes. Our End-of-the-Summer Reading Program Celebration was held online this year and participants were entertained by Celia's Dance Party on Facebook Live. Beanstack virtual tickets were drawn for each of our three grand prizes. The winner of the Lego City Rocket Lego set was Thomas S. The winner of the Miposaur remote control robot was Owyn T. And the winner of the St. Louis Aquarium at Union Station $100.00 gift card was Tyleigh I. Tickets were also drawn for artwork created during our Stories & Art online story times by artist Jennifer Grassle of Cheerful Canvas. The winners of the artwork include Leah M., Meyer G., Ash W., Hailyn W., and Brylee H. We would also like to congratulate Evangelical School for having the most student participation in this year's program. Evangelical School will display the traveling Summer Reading Program trophy in their school library until next summer. We hope to see everyone next year at our 2021 Summer Reading Program, "Reading Colors Your World." Congratulations to all our winners!

*Owyn T.*

We would also like to thank our sponsor Jennifer Grassle from Cheerful Canvas.

## StoryWalk® Program

Exercise, fresh air, nature, and literacy are all combined in Hayner Library's StoryWalk®. The StoryWalk® program is an outdoor reading experience in which a children's book is deconstructed, the pages laminated and placed in weatherproof wooden story boards, and then arranged along a walking path. The StoryWalk® books, chosen by our children's librarian, are posted along the Frog Trail at The Nature Institute. The Nature Institute, located at 2213 South Levis Lane, Godfrey, is a non-profit land conservation and environmental education organization. The Frog Trail is approximately one mile in length and is located behind the Talahi Lodge. Visitors are encouraged to stop at the first storyboard and use a smartphone to scan the QR code, located at the bottom of the introduction page. Scanning the QR code will help the library keep track of participation in the program

## VIRTUAL PERFORMERS

**Scary Stories with Mike Anderson** – Log on to Hayner Library's Facebook page on Monday, October 5, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., to watch Mike Anderson perform spooky, silly, funny, and thought-provoking stories and songs sure to deliver a shiver! This Halloween show is designed for children ages 3–12. This show will be available on our Facebook page throughout the month of October. Enjoy! Visit www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary to view this program.

**Patchy the Scarecrow Show** – Enjoy Patchy the Scarecrow as she performs her fall harvesttime-themed magic and song show. This show guarantees a laugh when her sidekick, Jimmy the Crow, steals the corn! The Patchy the Scarecrow Show will be available on Hayner Library's Facebook page on **Thursday, November 19, 2020, at 10 a.m., for a one-time viewing.** Visit www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary to view this program

**Mistletoe the Elf and Her Jingle Bell Jubilee** – Celebrate the holidays with Mistletoe the Elf and her Jingle Bell Jubilee! Mistletoe brings holiday magic, games, family-friendly comedy, music, and more to entertain you and your family! The Mistletoe show will be **available for a 24 hour viewing** on Hayner Library's Facebook page starting at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 4, 2020. Happy Holidays everyone! Visit www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary to view this program.

# TEENSPACE
# FALL 2020 ACTIVITIES

## BYOB TEEN BOOK CLUB

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's "Bring Your Own Book" book club. Once a month, get together with other teens online to share your thoughts about that month's read. Meetings will be held via Zoom on Wednesdays, October 7, November 4, and December 2, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. **For more information, or to join, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.**

## ALL AROUND TOWN SCAVENGER HUNT CHALLENGE

Load up the car and start your journey to find some of Alton and Godfrey's most historical markers. Teens will find ten challenges on the Beanstack app or on www.beanstack.com. Each participant will need a Beanstack account to complete the challenge. Participants who complete all ten challenges will automatically be entered into a drawing for a $50.00 gift card. This challenge begins Thursday, October 1, 2020 and runs until Friday, October 30, 2020. The gift card winner will be notified Monday, November 2, 2020. **For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.**

## GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST

Hey, teens! Hayner Library will host our annual gingerbread house contest starting Monday, December 7, 2020. Each participant will have one week to complete a design and email a picture (with your name and phone number) to child.programming@haynerlibrary.org Submissions must be received no later than 12:00 p.m on Monday, December 14, 2020. The winner will receive a $50.00 gift card and their design will be posted on the Hayner Library Facebook page at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. Good luck! Visit www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary to view the winning design

## TEEN CRAFT

Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on the following dates and pick up a teen take-home craft Each month's craft will feature a different theme. Dates are: Tuesdays, October 13, November 10, and December 15, 2020

## REEL BAD MOVIE: CREATURE FEATURE

This program is for teens in middle school and high school (grades six through twelve). It's the Halloween season, and we're watching a cheesy "creature feature" from decades ago. You'll laugh. You'll cry (from laughing so hard). You'll have fun with other teens. We'll host this movie through Zoom on Thursday, October 29, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. Please call (618) 433-2872 to register. Please register by Thursday, October 22, 2020, to receive your Zoom link. Each participant will be offered a snack bag for the movie Snack bags can be picked up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall beginning Wednesday, October 28, 2020, through showtime. **Don't forget to register at (618) 433-2872.**

## 2020 TEEN SUMMER READING PROGRAM "DIG DEEPER: READ, INVESTIGATE, DISCOVER"

The 2020 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Dig Deeper: Read, Investigate, Discover," was nothing like years past. Teens were asked to go virtual by using either the Beanstack app or Beanstack website Participants won weekly prizes for their diligent reading and were asked to participate in challenges to earn tickets for a chance to win the grand prize basket. At the end of the five week program, each participant was given a free book for their hard work. We would like to congratulate this year's grand prize winner Wren M. She was rewarded with the grand prize basket full of books, gift cards, and iRead memorabilia. Congratulations to Wren and to all our participants. We hope to see everyone at next year's Summer Reading Program, "Reading Colors Your World "

*Wren M.*

## TEEN BOOK CRATE PROGRAM

Hey, Hayner teens! Subscribe to our new fun-to-open book crate subscription service. Which book will you receive? Each month we will supply you with a new-release book based on your reading preferences, as well as some surprise items. When you have enjoyed your book, simply return it (and the box) for a new selection

Registration is easy! Simply fill out a My Library Crate book form online at https://www.haynerlibrary.org/kids-teens/teenspace. The library will do the rest!

This program is restricted to Hayner Library cardholders ages 12–18 only Once contacted, participants have five days to pick up their checked-out book crate from Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

## Nonfiction—

**Attkisson, Sharyl.** Slanted: How the News Media Taught Us to Love Censorship and Hate Journalism
**Bayer, Mike.** One Decision: The First Step to a Better Life
**Berg, Elizabeth.** I'll Be Seeing You: A Memoir
**Bragg, Rick.** Where I Come from: Stories from the Deep South
**Carey, Mariah.** The Meaning of Mariah Carey
**Chan, Amy.** Breakup Bootcamp: The Science of Rewiring Your Heart
**Clark, Heather.** Red Comet: The Short Life and Blazing Art of Sylvia Plath
**Clark, Josh.** Stuff You Should Know: An Incomplete Compendium of Mostly Interesting Things
**Cooper, Becky.** We Keep the Dead Close: A Murder at Harvard and a Half Century of Silence
**Donohue, John "Chick."** The Greatest Beer Run Ever: A Memoir of Friendship, Loyalty, and War
**Douglas, John E.** The Killer's Shadow: The FBI's Hunt for a White Supremacist Serial Killer
**Drummond, Ree.** Frontier Follies: Adventures in Marriage and Motherhood in the Middle of Nowhere
**Eyman, Scott.** Cary Grant: A Brilliant Disguise
**Fox, Michael J.** No Time Like the Future: An Optimist Considers Mortality
**Gifford, Kathie Lee.** It's Never Too Late: Make the Next Act of Your Life the Best Act of Your Life
**Greger, Michael.** The How Not to Diet Cookbook: 100+ Recipes for Healthy, Permanent Weight Loss
**Heimowitz, Colette.** The Atkins 100 Eating Solution: Easy, Low-Carb Living for Everyday Wellness
**Katz, David.** Barack Before Obama: Life Before the Presidency
**Lacey, Robert.** Battle of Brothers: William and Harry - The Inside Story of a Family in Tumult
**Lauren, Jillian.** Behold the Monster: Confronting America's Most Prolific Serial Killer and Uncovering the Women Society Forgot
**Maddow, Rachel.** Bag Man: The Wild Crimes, Audacious Cover-up, and Spectacular Downfall of a Brazen Crook in the White House
**McConaughey, Matthew.** Greenlights
**McMaster, H. R.** Battlegrounds: The Fight to Defend the Free World
**Nelson, Willie.** Me and Sister Bobbie: True Tales of the Family Band
**Patterson, James.** The Last Days of John Lennon
**Patterson, James.** Murder of Innocence (True Crime)
**Rapinoe, Megan.** One Life
**Scarborough, Joe.** Saving Freedom: Truman, the Cold War, and the Fight for Western Civilization
**Sedaris, David.**The Best of Me
**Seinfeld, Jerry.** Is This Anything?
**Sherwin, Martin J.** Gambling with Armageddon: Nuclear Roulette from Hiroshima to the Cuban Missile Crisis, 1945-1962
**Sincero, Jen.** Badass Habits: Cultivate the Awareness, Boundaries, and Daily Upgrades You Need to Make Them Stick
**Stanton, Brandon.** Humans
**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Cake Perfection: 100+ Recipes for the Sweet Classic, from Simple to Stunning
**Stiles, Tara.** Clean Mind, Clean Body: A 28-Day Plan for Physical, Mental, and Spiritual Self-Care
**Taubes, Gary.** The Case for Keto: Rethinking Weight Control and the Science and Practice of Low-Carb/High-Fat Eating
**TerKeurst, Lysa.**Forgiving What You Can't Forget: Discover How to Move On, Make Peace with Painful Memories, and Create a Life That's Beautiful Again
**Winspear, Jacqueline.** This Time Next Year We'll Be Laughing
**Woodward, Bob.** Rage
**Zakaria, Fareed.** Ten Lessons for a Post-Pandemic World

## Fiction—

**Andrews, V. C.** Whispering Hearts
**Archer, Jeffrey.** Hidden in Plain Sight: A Detective William Warwick Novel
**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B Parker's Someone to Watch Over Me
**Backman, Fredrik.** Anxious People
**Baldacci, David.** Daylight
**Beaton, M. C.** Hot to Trot
**Benedict, Marie.** The Mystery of Mrs. Christie
**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** In the Lion's Den: A House of Falconer Novel
**Brown, Rita Mae.** Out of Hounds (Sister Jane)
**Brown, Sandra.** Thick as Thieves
**Cameron, Marc.** Tom Clancy Shadow of the Dragon (Jack Ryan)
**Carr, Robyn.** Return to Virgin River
**Castillo, Linda.** The Outsider
**Child, Lee.** The Sentinel: A Jack Reacher Novel
**Childs, Laura.** Egg Shooters (Cackleberry Club)
**Clark, Mary Higgins.** Piece of My Heart
**Cline, Ernest.** Ready Player Two
**Connelly, Michael.** The Law of Innocence
**Connolly, John.** The Dirty South: A Thriller
**Cornwell, Bernard.** War Lord
**Coulter, Catherine.** Deadlock
**Cussler, Clive.** Marauder (Oregon Files)
**Cussler, Clive.** The Saboteurs (Isaac Bell)
**Davis, Fiona.** The Lions of Fifth Avenue
**Deveraux, Jude.** Chance of a Lifetime
**Dionne, Karen.** The Wicked Sister
**Donoghue, Emma.** The Pull of the Stars
**Evanovich, Janet.** Fortune and Glory (Stephanie Plum)
**Fisher, Tarryn.** The Wrong Family
**Flagg, Fannie.** The Wonder Boy of Whistle Stop
**Follett, Ken.** The Evening and the Morning
**French, Nicci.** House of Correction
**French, Tana.** The Searcher
**Galbraith, Robert.** Troubled Blood (Cormoran Strike)
**Gregory, Philippa.** Dark Tides
**Grisham, John.** A Time for Mercy
**Gyasi, Yaa.** Transcendent Kingdom
**Hannah, Sophie.** The Killings at Kingfisher Hill (Hercule Poirot)
**Harris, Robert.** V2: A Novel of World War II
**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Troubles in Paradise
**Hoffman, Alice.** Magic Lessons: The Prequel to Practical Magic
**Horowitz, Anthony.** Moonflower Murders
**Jewell, Lisa.** Invisible Girl
**Johansen, Iris.** Chaos
**Joyce, Rachel.** Miss Benson's Beetle
**Kava, Alex.** Hidden Creed
**Kellerman, Faye.** The Lost Boys: A Decker/Lazarus Novel
**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Half Moon Bay
**Kingsbury, Karen.** Truly, Madly, Deeply
**Kinsella, Sophie.** Love Your Life
**Kline, Christina Baker.** The Exiles
**Koontz, Dean.** Elsewhere
**Lindsay, Jeffry.** Fool Me Twice
**MacMillan, Gilly.** To Tell You the Truth
**Maguire, Gregory.** A Wild Winter Swan
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** How to Raise an Elephant (No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency)
**McDermid, Val.** Still Life: A Karen Pirie Novel
**Molloy, Aimee.** Goodnight Beautiful (Suspense)
**Nesbø, Jo.** The Kingdom
**Palmer, Diana.** Wyoming True
**Paolini, Christopher.** To Sleep in a Sea of Stars
**Parker, T. Jefferson.** Then She Vanished
**Patterson, James.** Deadly Cross (Alex Cross)
**Patterson, James.** NYPD Red 6
**Patterson, James.** Three Women Disappear
**Perry, Anne.** A Question of Betrayal (Elena Standish)
**Picoult, Jodi.** The Book of Two Ways
**Rankin, Ian.** A Song for the Dark Times: An Inspector Rebus Novel
**Robb, J. D.** Shadows in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel
**Roberts, Nora.** The Awakening: The Dragon Heart Legacy
**Rosenfelt, David.** Silent Bite
**Schwab, V. E.** The Invisible Life of Addie Larue
**Silva, Daniel.** The Order
**Slaughter, Karin.** The Silent Wife
**Smiley, Jane.** Perestroika in Paris: A novel

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**Sparks, Nichols.** The Return
**Steel, Danielle.** All That Glitters
**Steel, Danielle.** Royal
**Sullivan, J. Courtney.** Friends and Strangers
**Unger, Lisa.** Confessions on the 7:45: A Novel
**Ware, Ruth.** One by One
**Watson, S. J.** Final Cut
**Wiggs, Susan.** The Lost and Found Booksho
**Woods, Stuart.** Hush-Hush
**Woods, Stuart.** Shakeup

### Christmas Books—

**Andrews, Donna.** The Gift of the Magpie
**Cameron, W. Bruce.** A Dog's Perfect Christmas
**Colgan, Jenny.** Christmas at the Island Hotel
**Dailey, Janet.** Holding Out For Christmas
**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Noel Letters
**Guillory, Jasmine.** A Royal Holiday
**Haines, Carolyn.** A Garland of Bones
**Lauren, Christina.** In a Holidaze
**Macomber, Debbie.** Jingle All the Way
**Mallery, Susan.** Happily This Christmas
**Meier, Leslie.** Christmas Card Murder
**Michaels, Fern.** The Brightest Star
**Monroe, Mary.** The Gift of Family
**Morgan, Sarah.** One More for Christmas
**Novak, Brenda.** A California Christmas
**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Resolution
**Roberts, Sheila.** One Charmed Christmas
**Rosenfelt, David.** Silent Bite
**Thayne, RaeAnne.** Christmas at Holiday House
**VanLiere, Donna.** The Christmas Table
**Yates, Maisey.** The Last Christmas Cowboy

## *Patron Profile: Philip O'Connor and the IHLS Library Crawl*

The second annual Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS) Library Crawl took place in January and was a tremendous success! The library crawl was a great way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit each other's libraries and to experience the wide array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state. Participants in the program were encouraged to pick up an IHLS passport at any participating library, have their passport stamped by at least five participating libraries, and then turn in their passport to their home library, where they would be entered into a grand prize drawing

Mr Philip O'Connor is one of our newest library patrons. He says he landed in Alton about two years ago. He is very happy he chose our area as he loves the uniqueness of Alton. He especially loves the history, the hills, and the riverfront. He likes being close to other communities as well He was born and raised in the Chicago area, with time spent in the United States Navy His time in the Navy gave him many experiences. Mr. O'Connor enjoys the outdoors and traveling to interesting places. He loves art, nature, enjoying life, and meeting new people. He works at the National Archives' National Personnel Records Center in Missouri.

Mr. O'Connor wanted to participate in the Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl because he was attracted to such a unique experience—and he was excited by the challenge of visiting as many libraries as possible. Amazingly, he was able to visit all of them! He visited fifty-two libraries and he drove a total of 1500 miles Mr. O'Connor traveled through twenty-six different counties on his journey.

During the planning stage, Mr. O'Connor first researched the range of hours and days the libraries were open. Some libraries are in large communities and some small Some are newer and built specifically for use as a library. Other libraries were once grocery stores, medical offices, and schools. The driving portion of his journey took Mr O'Connor on many roads—and gave him a chance to view farmland, countryside, livestock, and waterways. He said the weather was very cooperative and beautiful.

Here are some of the highlights of his visits· Mr. O'Connor found the vast difference in interiors quite interesting. Some interiors were so welcoming you almost felt as though you were walking into a home, complete with fireplaces and cozy chairs At most libraries he was greeted by a friendly face and a welcoming smile. He met very friendly staff members who offered him goody bags containing a treat or beverage. Three or four libraries gave away books. A couple of libraries even offered tours of their building, which Mr O'Connor was delighted to take.

The vast majority of his library crawl experience was very good. He really enjoyed talking to the staff and volunteers at each library. He said it is very frightening to him to realize there are towns without a library.

Mr. O'Connor believes Alton is very fortunate to have three library locations with such an energetic and helpful staff. He loves the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library's beautiful interior He believes Alton should be grateful to have a place in which to sit, learn, share, take a break, meet people, and experience the joys of a library Mr. O'Connor calls libraries a cultural sanctuary. I wholeheartedly agree, and feel very lucky to have spent so many years working in our library.

—Stephanie Munson

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***The Hayner Public Library District is currently operating under modified service hours. Please visit www.haynerlibrary.org or call (618) 462-0677 to confirm our current hours of operation.***

## *Vote by Mail Information*

If you are a Madison County voter who has voted in the last three elections (starting in November 2018), you should have received a Vote by Mail application from the Madison County Clerk's office starting the week of August 2, 2020. **Vote by Mail applications must be received by the County Clerk's office no later than Thursday, October 29, 2020.**

If you haven't voted in the last three elections, you can call the County Clerk's office at (618) 692-6290 or visit their website (www.madisonvotes.com) to fill out or obtain a Vote by Mail application. You must be a registered Madison County voter to be eligible to cast a ballot by mail. You may also call the County Clerk's office or visit their website to confirm that you are a registered Madison County voter.

After the County Clerk's office receives your Vote by Mail application, a packet with an Official Ballot, instructions for voting, a certificate envelope, and a return mailing envelope will be mailed to you. Vote by Mail ballot packets will be mailed out starting September 24, 2020. Your ballot will contain a printed barcode, specifically assigned to your voter registration.

The County Clerk's office will not mail ballots more than forty (40) days or less than five (5) days prior to the election. When you receive your Vote by Mail ballot packet, follow all of the instructions contained in the packet and return the ballot to the County Clerk's office. **Be sure to SIGN the ballot when completed!** Illinois law requires that your ballot be postmarked by Election Day (Tuesday, November 3, 2020) and received within fourteen days after the election. If you personally deliver your ballot to the County Clerk's office, the ballot must be received no later than Election Day.

Details regarding Vote by Mail, Grace Period registration, Early Voting, voter registration, polling locations, sample ballots, and more can be found on the Madison County Clerk's website (www.madisonvotes.com).

## *It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Winter!*

Winter is just around the corner, bringing with it the potential for snow and ice. In order to ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If bad wintery weather in the forecast, please call us at 462-0677 before making a trip to visit one of our locations; an outgoing message will inform you of any changes to our regular hours of operation. Drive carefully!

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## Dial-A-Story is Back!

For over twenty years, Hayner Library patrons adored Dial-A-Story. It was a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children—available from the comfort of home! We are very excited to be able to offer this service once again.

The Dial-A-Story service was available to Hayner Library patrons from the early 1980s until the early 2000s, when it was disconnected for technical reasons. Parents and grandparents who have fond memories of the service have repeatedly asked us to bring it back.

Dial-A-Story is once again available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year! Children may call (618) 462-TALE to listen to a short story recorded by the staff of our children's department. Each story lasts approximately five minutes and is geared toward young children. A different story will be available each week. Dial-A-Story is an outreach service offered to the public by The Hayner Public Library District.

## StoryWalk® Continues This Winter at Alton Square Mall!

StoryWalk®, Hayner Library's interactive story and walking trail program offered at The Nature Institute in Godfrey, will be moved to Alton Square Mall for the winter months.

With the chill of winter and the trails closing at The Nature Institute until spring, Hayner Library has moved the StoryWalk® program to an indoor location at Alton Square Mall. Families can enjoy a new story each month from December through March.

Our indoor StoryWalk® will begin to the right of the upper level J C Penney entrance, run down the corridor and around the corner, and stop just before The Cookie Factory. At the end of each story, children ages 2-12 will have the opportunity to purchase a half-price cookie from The Cookie Factory after correctly answering a question about the story (limit one half-price cookie per child, per month). StoryWalk® is an innovative and delightful way for children and adults to enjoy reading and exercise all at the same time. Laminated pages from a children's book are attached to story boards which are installed along an path or trail. As you stroll down the path, you are directed to the next page in the story. The StoryWalk® program was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and was developed with the help of Rachel Senechal, of the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Hayner Library is excited to be able to share this program with our patrons during the winter months, too!

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**
The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated. Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**
The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Dr. Martin Luther King Day – Jan. 18
Presidents' Day – Feb. 15

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# Celebrate Black History Month: February 1 – February 28

In honor of Black History Month, celebrate the creative spirit of the black experience—read a book. You will find the books in this list to be inspiring, moving, and illuminating. They are just a part of the outstanding collection of diverse reading available at Hayner Library.

## Nonfiction—

**Alexander, Michelle.** *The New Jim Crow*
**Angelou, Maya.** *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*
**Austin, Nefertiti.** *Motherhood So White: A Memoir of Race, Gender, and Parenting in America*
**Baldwin, James.** *The Fire Next Time*
**Bennett, Juda.** *The Toni Morrison Book Club*
**Berry, Daina.** *A Black Women's History of the United States*
**Coates, Ta-Nehisi.** *Between the World and Me*
**Lawrence, Jacob.** The Migration Series
**Perry, Imani.** *Breathe: A Letter to My Sons*
**Rankine, Claudia.** *Citizen: An American Lyric*
**Wilkerson, Isabel.** *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents*
**Wilkerson, Isabel.** *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*

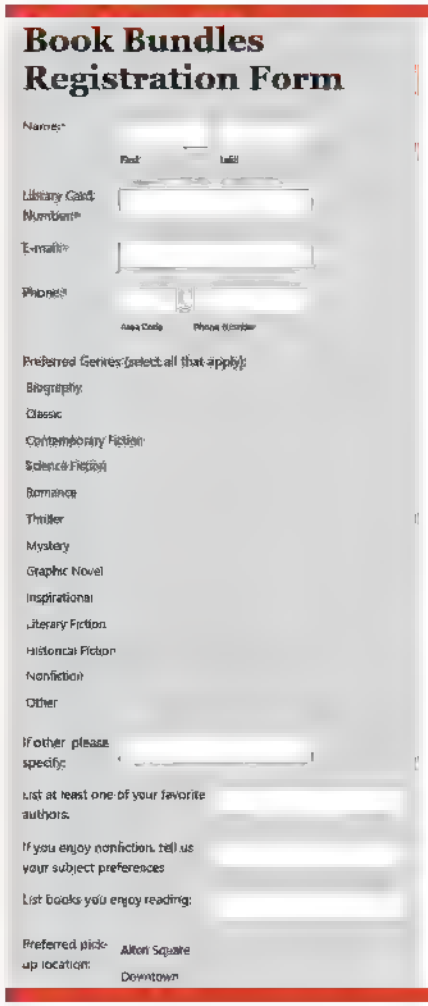
## Fiction—

**Adichie, Chimamanda Ngozi.** *Americana*
**Butler, Octavia.** *Kindred*
**Cole, Alyssa.** *An Unconditional Freedom*
**Ellison, Ralph.** *Invisible Man*
**Gaines, Ernest J.** *A Gathering of Old Men*
**Hurston, Zora Neale.** *Hitting a Straight Lick with a Crooked Stick: Stories from the Harlem Renaissance*
**Hurston, Zora Neale.** *Their Eyes Were Watching God*
**Locke, Attica.** *Bluebird, Bluebird*
**Mathis, Ayana.** *The Twelve Tribes of Hattie*
**Morrison, Toni.** *The Bluest Eye*
**Naylor, Gloria.** *The Women of Brewster Place*
**Walker, Alice.** *The Color Purple*
**Walker, Margaret.** *Jubilee*
**Whitehead, Colson.** *The Nickel Boys*

# Celebrate Women's History Month March 1- March 31 - Read a Good Book.

Celebrate strong, smart women in books and in your life Read books featuring women of various backgrounds, viewpoints, and strength of character to enlighten and expand your world. These books, and more like them, are found at Hayner Library·

- *Before We Were Yours* by Lisa Wingate
- *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson
- *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker
- *Daughter of Fortune* by Isabel Allende
- *Enemy Women* by Paulette Jiles
- *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* by Stieg Larsson
- *The Great Alone* by Kristin Hannah
- *The Handmaid's Tale* by Margaret Atwood
- *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See
- *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott
- *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd
- *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah
- *Outlander* by Diana Gabaldon
- *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain
- *The Red Tent* by Anita Diamant
- *The Signature of All Things* by Elizabeth Gilbert
- *Sula* by Toni Morrison
- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston
- *The Twelve Tribes of Hattie* by Ayana Mathis
- *Westering Women* by Sandra Dallas
- *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens
- *The Women of Brewster Place* by Gloria Naylor



**Book Bundles Registration Form**

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Preferred Genres (select all that apply):
Biography
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Science Fiction
Romance
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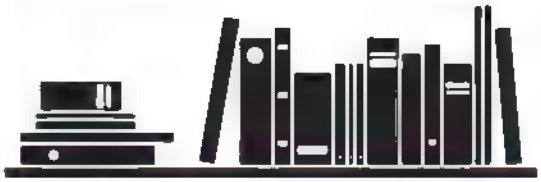
Mystery
Graphic Novel
Inspirational
Literary Fiction
Historical Fiction
Nonfiction
Other
If other, please specify:
List at least one of your favorite authors.
If you enjoy nonfiction, tell us your subject preferences
List books you enjoy reading:
Preferred pick-up location: Alton Square Downtown

# Book Bundles: A Free Book Recommendation Service

Book Bundles is a free book recommendation service offered by Hayner Library. We select books for you based on your reading preferences. Sign up now to get your first Book Bundle! You can drop the registration form off at either Hayner Library location (Downtown or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall) and you will soon receive your bundle of books. The registration form is also offered online at www.haynerlibrary.org. For further information, contact reference@haynerlibrary.org or call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849.



# Genealogy & Local History Library

Please continue to contact us with all of your research requests! Give us a call (618) 462-0677, send an email (genealogy@haynerlibrary org), or put a letter in the mail (401 State Street, Alton, IL 62002) and we'll be happy to help

Are you a student? Do you know a student who would be interested in interviewing a librarian about local history? Are you a teacher who would like to have your class ask questions about Alton area history? We are thrilled to let you know that we offer Zoom interviews with Genealogy & Local History staff members. We have recently done school project interviews and podcast interviews with elementary school, high school, and college students. Here is the link to a podcast interview Lacy McDonald did in October with YouthBuild/AmeriCorps at Lewis & Clark Community College· https://buildingfutures.libsyn.com/website/e18-the-hayner-public-library-district-a-dynamic-community-resource.

We are also still working to make more resources available online We are digitizing out-of-copyright books from our Illinois Room collection. We have over 200 items in our archive.org collection, including yearbooks, city directories, local church histories, organization minutes written in script, and souvenir programs. Many of these items are unique to the Hayner Library collection All books are text searchable. No library card login necessary. https://archive.org/details/@hayner_genealogy_amp_local_history_library

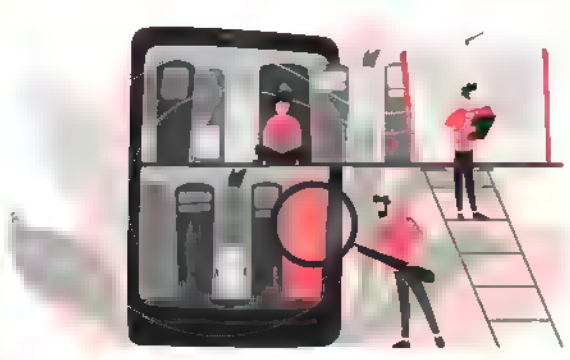
The Genealogy & Local History Library Branching Out research tutorials have been filmed and are available on The Hayner Public Library District Facebook page. You can also find direct links to the Branching Out videos on the Genealogy & Local History page of the Hayner Library website. Visit www haynerlibrary org, click on the Genealogy & Local History link at the top of the page, and select "About" from the drop-down menu.

The Genealogy & Local History Library has secured an extension of remote access to Ancestry Library Edition through at least March 31, 2021. Free remote access to Newspaper Archive (Illinois edition), Fold 3 Military Records, and NewsBank has been extended indefinitely. The links can be found on the Online Resources and Genealogy & Local History pages of the Hayner Library website.

We continue our partnership with the Illinois State Library to create the Alton Area Local History Collection as part of their Illinois Digital Archives collection To view the Alton Area Local History Collection online, please visit http://www.idaillinois org/digital/collection/p16614coll61/search/.

We're also extremely excited about partnering with the Edwardsville Public Library and the Madison County Historical Society for the 2020 Historian Project (https://www.edwardsvillelibrary.org/teen-historian-challenge).

We miss seeing you at the Genealogy & Local History Library and we hope you are all staying healthy and having good luck in your research!



# Newly Available VIRTUALLY in Our Illinois Room

The Genealogy & Local History Library continues to digitize out-of-copyright books from our Illinois Room collection while also identifying books that have already been digitized elsewhere. With the help of our cataloger, these full-text books can now be accessed by anyone directly from the SHARE online catalog: https://search.illinoisheartland.org/

Here are a few of the books available to view online You do not need a library card to view these books. Some of these books have been reprinted, so make sure you're on the record of the original printing (year shown in parenthesis) to access the digital book.

***The Advancement of Alton, Illinois, A General City Plan Study for the Board of Trade*** **(1914)**

**Alton City Directories (various years 1858-1923)**

***Art Loan Exhibition Catalogue.*** **Art Loan exhibition given by the ladies of The First Presbyterian Church of Alton in Growe's Hall, December 12th, 13th, and 14th, 1881. (1881)**

***Addresses & C*** **by Thomas Dimmock (1894)**

***Lecture on Early Reminiscences of Alton: Delivered at Alton, Ill., in the Opera House, February, 21, 1896*** **(1896)**

***Class Poems: Alumnae, Memorials, Monticello Specials, Ramblers, Personals (Intime)*** **by Emily Gillmore Alden (1910)**

***Genealogy of the Loveland Family in The United States of America from 1635 to 1892*** **(1892)**

***An Index of Ancestors and Roll of Members of the Society of Colonial Wars: The Honor Roll, Services of Members of the Society During the World War, 1917-1918*** **(1922)**

***The Life and Public Services of Richard Yates, the War Governor of Illinois. A Lecture Delivered in the Hall of the House of Representatives, Springfield, Illinois, Tuesday Evening, March 1st, 1881*** **(1881)**

***Lovejoy Monument Association 1864-1867*** **by Willard Cutting Flagg, Secretary (1867)**

***Lovingly Contributed to Mrs. Cora D. Rohland Upon the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary as Director*** **by the Members of The Dominant Ninth Choral Society (1917)**

***Memorial Volume of the Diamond Jubilee of St. Louis University, 1829-1904*** **(1904)**

***Patriotism in Poetry and Prose: Being Selected Passages From Lectures and Patriotic Readings*** **by James E. Murdoch (1866)**

***Photographic Views of the Great Cyclone at St. Louis, May 27, 1896: Giving a Graphic and Accurate Resume of Its Deadly and Destructive Work, by Means of the Pen and Camera*** **(1896)**

***The Piasa, or, the Devil Among the Indians*** **(1887)**

***The Pioneer History of Illinois: Containing the Discovery, in 1673, and the History of the Country to the Year Eighteen Hundred and Eighteen, When the State Government was Organized*** **(1852)**

***Proceedings: of the State Convention of Colored Citizens of the State of Illinois: Held in the City of Alton, Nov. 13th, 14th and 15th, 1856*** **(1856)**

***The Spirit of Labor*** **(1907)**

***Transactions of the Illinois State Agricultural Society*** **(covers years 1853-1870)**

***Transactions of the Illinois State Horticultural Society*** **(covers years 1862-1924)**

# KidsSpace
## Winter 2021 Activities

**Virtual Story Times** – Virtual story times, designed for young patrons ages 2–7, will be available at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays (Mary Kay's Story Time) and Thursdays (Stories & Puppets) on the Hayner Library Facebook page. Mary Kay's Story Time dates are: Tuesdays, January 5, 12, 19, and 26; February 2, 9, 16, and 23; March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2021. Stories & Puppets dates are: Thursdays, January 7, 14, 21, and 28; February 4, 11, 18, and 25; March 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2021 These themed story times will offer children the opportunity to read books, sing songs, perform fingerplays, and watch puppet shows. Visit www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary to view the virtual story times.

**Virtual Legos @ Your Library** – On the second Thursday of each month, we will post a theme on our Facebook page. Participants then have one week to create a Lego build-at-home and email a picture to child.programming@haynerlibrary.org. We will pick a few staff favorites each week to post on our Facebook page. Be sure to check the Hayner Library Facebook page the following week to see if your creation is featured! Dates for this program are January 14, February 11, and March 11, 2021. Visit www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary each week to view the Lego challenges and featured challenge submissions.

**Take-Home Crafts** – Each Thursday young patrons ages 3–8 will be offered a take-home craft from Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Dates for craft distribution are Thursdays, January 7, 14, 21, and 28, February 4, 11, 18, and 25; March 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2021. The craft will be available for pick-up at 10:00 a.m. We will have a limited amount of each craft. We will offer crafts until they are all gone.

**Easter Basket Giveaway** – Stop by KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and see if you can guess how many chocolate eggs are in our jar. The closest guess will win a fun themed Easter basket full of yummy candy, books, and a plush bunny. Guessing begins Monday, March 22, 2021 and ends Wednesday, March 31, 2021, at 5:00 p.m We will notify our winner by phone on Thursday, April 1, 2021

# TeenSpace
## Winter 2021 Activities

### BYOB Teen Book Club

Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's "Bring Your Own Book" book club. Once a month, get together with other teens online to share your thoughts about that month's read. Meetings will be held via Zoom on Wednesdays, January 6, February 3, and March 3, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. For more information, or to join, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

### Teen Craft

Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft. Each month's craft will feature a different theme Dates are: Tuesdays, January 19, February 23, and March 23, 2021.

### Reel Virtual Movie Experience

This program is for teens in middle school and high school (grades six through twelve). Please join other teens while watching a new release. We'll host this movie through Discord on Thursday, January 28, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. Please call (618) 433-2872 to register. Please register by Thursday, January 21, 2021, to receive your invite to Discord. Each participant will be offered a snack bag for the movie Snack bags can be picked up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall beginning Wednesday, January 27, 2021, through showtime Don't forget to register at (618) 433-2872.

### Teen Book Crate Program

Hey, Hayner teens! Subscribe to our new fun-to-open book subscription crate service. Which book will you receive? Each month we will supply you with a new-release book based on your reading preferences, as well as some surprise items. When you have enjoyed your book, simply return it (and the box) for a new selection

Registration is easy! Simply fill out a My Library Crate book form and drop it off at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Registration is also available online at https://www haynerlibrary.org/kids-teens/teenspace The library will do the rest!

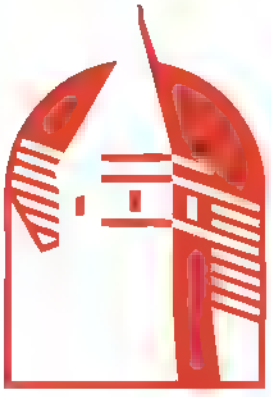
This program is restricted to Hayner Library cardholders ages 12–18 only. Once contacted, participants have five days to pick up their checked-out book crate from Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

### Harry Potter Virtual Event

We are thrilled to announce "Discover the Secrets of Diagon Alley" as the theme of this year's Harry Potter Book Night 2021 Make a date in your diary for Saturday, February 20, 2021, at 10:30 a.m., when once again, fans will have the chance to celebrate J.K. Rowling's wonderful series Teens and their families will have the opportunity to join a chef from Sticky Fingers Cooking as they create the following Harry Potter-themed recipe online: golden snitch pineapple cake pops with fast-as-lightning pineapple icing and Madame Pomfrey's iced pineapple smoothie. To participate in this online cooking class, please register with Shannon no later than Wednesday, February 3, 2021 Hayner Library will contact you before the class with a shopping list and instructions for the recipes. To register, please call (618) 433-2872 or e-mail shannon.french@haynerlibrary.org.

### Valentine's Day "Nailed It"

On February 11, 2021, teens and tweens can join us at 4:00 p.m. on Zoom to participate in this fun virtual challenge. Teens will have 20 minutes to decorate two cupcakes. The secret design will be given at the beginning of the Zoom call. Teens will be asked to have supplies on hand before the challenge begins. A $25.00 gift card will be given to the winning design. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2861 or e-mail shannon.french@haynerlibary.org by Wednesday, February 10, 2021. You will receive a supply list and your Zoom invitation when you register.



# *Reading Lists for Upcoming Special Dates*

## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

### Children

- *I Have a Dream* by Kadir Nelson (illustrator)
- *Voice of Freedom: Fannie Lou Hamer, Spirit of the Civil Rights Movement* by Carole Boston Weatherford
- *My Daddy, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Martin Luther King III
- *A Sweet Smell of Roses* by Angela Johnson
- *Memphis, Martin, and the Mountaintop* by Alice Faye Duncan
- *Child of the Civil Rights Movement* by Paula Young Shelton
- *As Good as Anybody* by Richard Michelson
- *Martin Rising: Requiem For a King* by Andrea Davis Pinkney
- *Martin's Big Words: The Life of Dr Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Doreen Rappaport
- *Each Kindness* by Jacqueline Woodson

### Adults

- *Citizen: An American Lyric* by Claudia Rankine
- *Let the Trumpet Sound: A Life of Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Stephen Oates
- *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds
- *Strength to Love* by Martin Luther King, Jr.
- *Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?* by Martin Luther King, Jr
- *The Autobiography of Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Martin Luther King, Jr
- *Behind the Dream: The Making of the Speech that Transformed a Nation* by Clarence B Jones
- *My Life, My Love, My Legacy* by Coretta Scott King
- *Freedom's Daughters: The Unsung Heroines of the Civil Rights Movement From 1830 to 1970* by Lynne Olson
- *Parting the Waters: America in the King Years, 1954-63* by Taylor Branch

### Young Adults

- *Dear Martin* by Nic Stone
- *The Rock and the River* by Kekla Magoon
- *March. Book One* by John Lewis
- *The Radical King* by Martin Luther King, Jr.
- *Loving Vs. Virginia: A Documentary Novel of the Landmark Civil Rights Case* by Patricia Powell
- *The Freedom Summer Murders* by Don Mitchell
- *Warriors Don't Cry: A Searing Memoir of the Battle to Integrate Little Rock's Central High* by Melba Beals
- *Brave, Black, First: 50+ African American Women Who Changed the World* by Cheryl Hudson
- *Just Mercy: Adapted for Young People: A True Story of the Fight for Justice* by Bryan Stevenson
- *Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the 1965 Selma Voting Rights March* by Lynda Lowery

## PRESIDENTS' DAY

### Young Readers

- *So You Want to Be President?* by Judith St. George
- *I am Abraham Lincoln* by Brad Meltzer
- *I am George Washington* by Brad Meltzer
- *Those Rebels, John and Tom* by Barbara Kerley
- *Grace for President* by Kelly DiPucchio
- *Presidents' Day* by Anne Rockwell
- *Arthur Meets the President* by Marc Brown
- *The White House* (Fly Guy Presents series) by Tedd Arnold
- *What Presidents Are Made Of* by Hanoch Piven
- *Our Country's Presidents* by Ann Bausum

### Adults

- *Speeches and Writings, 1859-1865* by Abraham Lincoln
- *Speeches of the American Presidents* by Janet Podell and Steven Anzovin (editors)
- *Grant* by Ron Chernow
- *Valiant Ambition: George Washington, Benedict Arnold, and the Fate of the American Revolution* by Nathaniel Philbrick
- *The Rise of Theodore Roosevelt* by Edmund Morris
- *A Thousand Days: John F. Kennedy in the White House* by Arthur M Schlesinger, Jr.
- *Presidents of War* by Michael R Beschloss
- *Alexander Hamilton* by Ron Chernow
- *You Never Forget Your First: A Biography of George Washington* by Alexis Coe
- *Presidential Courage: Brave Leaders and How They Changed America, 1789-1989* by Michael R. Beschloss

## VALENTINE'S DAY

### Children

- *Snowy Valentine* by David Petersen
- *Junie B. Jones and the Mushy Gushy Valentime* by Barbara Park
- *Happy Valentine's Day, Mouse!* by Laura Joffe Numeroff
- *Love Monster* by Rachel Bright
- *Llama Llama I Love You* by Anna Dewdney
- *Groundhug Day* by Anne Marie Pace
- *Click, Clack, Moo: I Love You!* by Doreen Cronin
- *Chick 'n' Pug: The Love Pug* by Jennifer Gordon Sattler
- *The Love Letter* by Anika Denise
- *You're My Little Cuddle Bug* by Nicola Edwards

### Young Adults

- *Eleanor & Park* by Rainbow Rowell
- *To All the Boys I've Loved Before* by Jenny Han
- *The Geography of You and Me* by Jennifer E. Smith
- *When Dimple Met Rishi* by Sandhya Menon
- *Meant to Be* by Lauren Morrill
- *Geekerella* by Ashley Poston
- *Everything, Everything* by Nicola Yoon
- *Opposite of Always* by Justin A. Reynolds
- *You Know Me Well* by Nina LaCour
- *Fire* by Kristin Cashore

### Adult

- *Unmarriageable* by Soniah Kamal
- *The Wedding Date* by Jasmine Guillory
- *The Boyfriend Project* by Farrah Rochon
- *When Katie Met Cassidy* by Camille Perri
- *Convenience Store Woman* by Sayaka Murata
- *The Hating Game* by Sally Thorne
- *The Kiss Quotient* by Helen Hoang
- *An Extraordinary Union* by Alyssa Cole
- *Love Your Life* by Sophie Kinsella
- *A Duke, the Lady, and a Baby* by Vanessa Riley

## Nonfiction—

**Asprey, Dave.** Fast This Way: Burn Fat, Heal Inflammation, and Eat Like the High-Performing Human You Were Meant to Be

**Axe, Dr. Josh.** Ancient Remedies: Secrets to Healing with Herbs, Essential Oils, CBD, and the Most Powerful Natural Medicine in History

**Bergreen, Laurence.** In Search of a Kingdom: Francis Drake, Elizabeth I, and the Perilous Birth of the British Empire

**Bream, Shannon.** The Women of the Bible Speak: The Wisdom of 16 Women and Their Lessons for Today

**Cameron, Julia.** The Listening Path: The Creative Art of Attention (Artist's Way)

**Davies, Simone.** The Montessori Baby: A Parent's Guide to Nurturing Your Baby with Love, Respect, and Understanding

**Duster, Michelle.** Ida B the Queen: The Extraordinary Life and Legacy of Ida B Wells

**Gates, Henry Louis, Jr.** The Black Church: This Is Our Story, This Is Our Song

**Genova, Lisa.** Remember: The Science of Memory and the Art of Forgetting

**Grant, Adam.** Think Again: The Power of Knowing What You Don't Know

**Gundry, Steven R., M.D.** The Energy Paradox: What to Do When Your Get-Up-And-Go Has Got Up and Gone (Plant Paradox)

**Gupta, Sanjay, M.D.** Keep Sharp: Build a Better Brain at Any Age

**Hyman, Mark, M.D.** The Pegan Diet: 21 Practical Principles for Reclaiming Your Health in a Nutritionally Confusing World

**Isaacson, Walter.** The Code Breaker: Jennifer Doudna, Gene Editing, and the Future of the Human Race

**Lamott, Anne.** Dusk, Night, Dawn: On Revival and Courage

**Larman, Alexander.** The Crown in Crisis: Countdown to the Abdication

**Lieber, Ron.** The Price You Pay for College: An Entirely New Road Map for the Biggest Financial Decision Your Family Will Ever Make

**Loftis, Larry.** The Princess Spy: The True Story of World War II Spy Aline Griffith, Countess of Romanones

**McElroy, Justin.** Everybody Has a Podcast (Except You): A How-To Guide from the First Family of Podcasting

**Nimura, Janice P.** The Doctors Blackwell: How Two Pioneering Sisters Brought Medicine to Women and Women to Medicine

**Patterson, James.** Till Murder Do Us Part

**Patterson, James.** Walk in My Combat Boots: True Stories from America's Bravest Warriors

**Rosen, Ira.** Ticking Clock: Behind the Scenes at 60 Minutes

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha Stewart's Very Good Things: Clever Tips & Genius Ideas for an Easier, More Enjoyable Life

**Taraborrelli, J. Randy.** Grace & Steel: Dorothy, Barbara, Laura, and the Women of the Bush Dynasty

**Teichner, Martha.** When Harry Met Minnie: A True Story of Love and Friendship

**Tyson, Cicely.** Just as I Am: A Memoir

**Weir, Alison.** Queens of the Crusades: England's Medieval Queens

**Winchester, Simon.** Land: How the Hunger for Ownership Shaped the Modern World

**Wise, Beau.** Three Wise Men: A Navy SEAL, a Green Beret, and How Their Marine Brother Became a War's Sole Survivor

## Fiction—

**Andrews, V. C.** The Umbrella Lady

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B. Parker's Someone to Watch Over Me (Spenser)

**Benjamin, Melanie.** The Children's Blizzard

**Berenson, Alex.** The Power Couple

**Berry, Steve.** The Kaiser's Web

**Box, C. J.** Dark Sky (Joe Pickett)

**Brennan, Allison.** Tell No Lies (Quinn & Costa)

**Child, Lincoln.** The Scorpion's Tail (Nora Kelly)

**Childs, Laura.** Egg Shooters

**Childs, Laura.** Haunted Hibiscus (Tea Shop Mystery)

**Coben, Harlan.** Win

**Cornwell, Patricia.** Spin (Captain Chase)

**Cussler, Clive.** Fast Ice (NUMA Files)

**Dailey, Janet.** Calder Brand

**De Rosnay, Tatiana.** Flowers of Darkness

**Deveraux, Jude.** Meant to Be

**Dorsey, Tim.** Tropic of Stupid

**Evanovich, Janet.** The Bounty (Fox and O'Hare)

**Feehan, Christine.** Lightning Game (Ghostwalker)

**Finch, Charles.** An Extravagant Death (Charles Lenox)

**Fluke, Joanne.** Triple Chocolate Cheesecake Murder

**Gardner, Lisa.** Before She Disappeared

**Graham, Heather.** Danger in Numbers

**Greaney, Mark.** Relentless (Gray Man)

**Griffiths, Elly.** The Postscript Murders

**Grippando, James.** Twenty: A Jack Swyteck Novel

**Hannah, Kristin.** The Four Winds

**Harper, Jane.** The Survivors

**Harris, Charlaine.** The Russian Cage

**Hart, John.** The Unwilling

**Hawkins, Rachel.** The Wife Upstairs

**Hood, Joshua.** Robert Ludlum's The Treadstone Exile

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Prodigal Son: An Orphan X Novel

**Jance, J. A.** Missing and Endangered: A Brady Novel of Suspense

**Johansen, Iris.** Blink of an Eye (Kendra Michaels)

**Kellerman, Faye.** The Lost Boys (Decker/Lazarus)

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Serpentine (Alex Delaware)

**King, Stephen.** Later

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** All the Colors of Night

**Lecoat, Jenny.** The Girl from the Channel Islands: A WWII Novel

**Mallery, Susan.** The Vineyard at Painted Moon

**Margolin, Phillip.** A Matter of Life and Death (Robin Lockwood)

**Meissner, Susan.** The Nature of Fragile Things

**Michaels, Fern.** No Way Out

**Mosley, Walter.** Blood Grove (Easy Rawlins)

**Patterson, James.** The Palm Beach Murders

**Patterson, James.** The Red Book

**Patterson, James.** The Russian (Michael Bennett)

**Rice, Luanne.** The Shadow Box

**Robb, J. D.** Faithless In Death

**Robinson, Peter.** Not Dark Yet

**Rollins, James.** Kingdom of Bones: A Thriller

**Scottoline, Lisa.** Eternal

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Forever Girl

**Souljah, Sister.** Life After Death

**Steel, Danielle.** The Affair

**Steel, Danielle.** Neighbors

**Taylor, Brad.** American Traitor (Pike Logan)

**Todd, Charles.** A Fatal Lie

**Tracy, P. J.** Deep Into the Dark

**Tudor, C. J.** The Burning Girls

**Wilde, Lori.** The Keepsake Sisters

**Winspear, Jacqueline.** The Consequences of Fear

**Woods, Stuart.** Double Jeopardy (Stone Barrington)

# Kate Hayner: A Dedicated Benefactor of Hayner Memorial Library

**By Robyn Couch Harders and Lacy McDonald**

Laura Scott Hayner (1823–1859), Jennie Drury Hayner (1837–1888), and Mary Caroline Keith (Kate) Hayner (1827–1917) were the three wives of John E. Hayner, a self-made Alton businessman and philanthropist who donated the money that built our original library building, now the Genealogy & Local History Library, at 401 State Street. Laura Hayner is best known as the mother of Florence Hayner Haskell and grandmother of Lucy Haskell. She died young. Jennie D. Hayner and Kate Hayner were both very involved in the community and instrumental in the creation and continuation of what is now The Hayner Public Library District. The nineteenth annual Vintage Voices performance at the Alton City Cemetery in October 2020 included fantastic performances by Diana Kay, Gabi Maul, and Robyn Couch Harders as Laura Scott Hayner, Jennie D. Hayner, and Kate Keith Hayner.

Because our building was named for Jennie D. Hayner, Jennie is often the first person Altonians associate with the library, but Kate was a dedicated contributor of time, energy, and money, and The Hayner Public Library District would not be what it is today without her support at the turn of the century

Mary Caroline Keith Hayner, called Kate, was born on March 28, 1846 in Sheldon, Vermont to Alfred and Anna Keith. After her formative education, she became a teacher herself and taught for over twenty years in select Eastern schools for girls.

In the fall of 1892, Kate met Mr. John Hayner while he was visiting the Pittsburgh area. She was forty-six and he was sixty-five. They fell in love and married on December 14 of that same year, and Kate made Alton her new home.

Kate took to Alton and its people quickly. She enjoyed meeting people from all walks of life and helping them in any way that she could. She and Florence (who by this time was married and often listed as Mrs William Haskell in newspaper articles) grew close, and often hosted social events together. One of Kate's favorite things to do was to help provide the holiday meals for the residents of the local Women's Home. She always proudly made two turkeys and the cranberry sauce.

John Hayner was a spiritual man, but didn't regularly attend church But Kate did, and she became deeply involved in her adopted church, St. Paul's Episcopal. She helped with projects such as the Dominant Ninth Choral Society and the beautification of the church and its parsonage

The Hayner family was deeply committed to the library and it was only natural that Kate should take up Jennie's mantle. In fact, Jennie and Kate were distant cousins! In 1894, Kate became a member of the board of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association, and eventually became president of the Board.

John's love and vision for the library was ever present, and when he proposed to provide the library with an endowment in 1901, Kate and John's daughter Florence encouraged him and cheered him on. The endowment and proposal were extraordinary: it would allow the library to operate as a "free library," without charging membership fees or accepting tax support, which was unheard of at the time.

After John's death in 1903, the endowment was completed by Kate, Florence, Florence's husband Dr. William Haskell, and their son, John A. Haskell. John A. Haskell was John Hayner's only surviving grandchild. In 1907, the younger John donated an additional $13,000 to build the library annex, an addition which doubled the size of the building.

Also in 1907, Kate established the first children's department in the library. Children's services in a public library was a new and innovative idea. Many libraries did not see the value in having a children's collection, but Kate made sure that our library provided books and services to all Alton residents, even the very young Many of Kate's personal books, adorned with her book plates, can still be viewed in the library.

Kate was active in the library until a long illness confined her to her home for several months. She passed away on February 3, 1917. When she died, her obituary included this quote from one of her closest friends, "No worthy cause ever appealed to Mrs. Hayner in vain but were sure to have her loving sympathy and generous support."

# Mystery Authors You May Have Overlooked

Looking for a new mystery author? You may have missed these authors. Some write police procedurals in a series, some of them write thrillers or suspense mysteries, and others feature amateur sleuths. The settings vary from the United States, England, Cambodia, Tibet, and elsewhere. Whether you like your mysteries soft-boiled, hard-boiled, or traditional, you can find something here to satisfy your tastes!

- **Alan Bradley.** *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* (Flavia de Luce series)
- **Simon Brett.** *The Body on the Beach* (Fethering series)
- **Ann Cleeves.** *Raven Black* (Shetland series)
- **Colin Cotterill.** *The Coroner's Lunch* (Dr. Siri Paiboun series)
- **Phillip DePoy.** *The Witch's Grave* (Fever Devilin series)
- **Allen Eskens.** *The Life We Bury* (Detective Max Rupert series)
- **E.X. Ferrars.** *A Hobby of Murder* (Andrew Basnett series)
- **Michael Koryta.** *Those Who Wish Me Dead* (thriller, suspense)
- **William Kent Krueger.** *Iron Lake* (Cork O'Connor series)
- **Donna Leon.** *Death in a Strange Country* (Commissario Brunetti series)
- **Attica Locke.** *Bluebird, Bluebird* (Highway 59 series)
- **G.M. Malliet.** *Wicked Autumn* (Max Tudor series)
- **Sharyn McCrumb.** *She Walks These Hills* (Ballad series)
- **Eliot Pattison.** *Bones of the Earth* (Inspector Shan Tao Yun series)
- **Louise Penny.** *Still Life* (Chief Inspector Gamache series)
- **Ruth Rendell.** *Harm Done* (Inspector Wexford series)
- **Dorothy Simpson.** *Suspicious Death* (Inspector Thanet series)
- **Charles Todd.** *A Divided Loyalty* (Inspector Ian Rutledge series)
- **Minette Walters.** *The Ice House* (psychological suspense)

For more information on these authors and others, please contact the Reference department at reference@haynerlibrary.org or call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849.

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Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
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## *A New Online Crafting and Arts Video Service – Creativebug*

Hayner Library is happy to announce the newest addition to our digital collection: Creativebug! Creativebug is a high-quality, on-trend arts and crafts instructional video platform that allows users on-demand access to over 1,000 art and craft classes for artists and makers of all levels. Users can enjoy award-winning HD instructional videos on drawing, painting, sewing, knitting, crochet, quilting, baking, and more. All classes are taught by experts, with new classes added daily. The platform also offers downloadable patterns, templates, and recipes. Creativebug offers classes for adults and children.

Creativebug is optimized for mobile and tablet access, so it's easy to use and enjoy from all of your favorite devices. The Creativebug app is available via iTunes and Google Play. **Please note that you must first create a Creativebug account online before downloading the app.**

Creativebug is available to Hayner Library cardholders 24/7. To create a free Creativebug account using your Hayner Library card:

- Visit www.haynerlibrary.org
- Click/tap on the Online Resources link at the top of the page
- Scroll to the Arts and Crafts category
- Click/tap on the Creativebug link
- Enter your Hayner Library card number into the appropriate text box and click/tap on the Log In button
- Enter your first name, last name, email address, and a password (of your choice) into the appropriate text boxes and click/tap on the Submit button

Once you create a Creativebug account online, you can continue to access it through the Hayner Library website or you may download the Creativebug app to your phone or tablet.

Creativebug is a great way to spend time this winter. Be inspired to learn a new hobby—or hone your existing skills. Enjoy!

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township Spring 2021

## Welcome Back, Patrons!

We were excited to welcome patrons back for in-person visits to Hayner Library on March 15! All library locations were closed from March 2020 through May 2020 in compliance with Governor Pritzker's COVID-19 closure orders During this time, many library employees worked from home developing programs and online resources, such as virtual story times, crafts, educational activities, community support sites, public aid programs, and much more.

We reopened in June 2020 to provide curbside service, allowing patrons to access Hayner Library and interlibrary loan materials. During these months, staff were also busy with many "housekeeping" projects: carpets were cleaned in all our facilities, the shelves were weeded and straightened, the stacks were read, and we began a major inventory project.

We constantly monitored CDC and Madison County Health Department policies and recommendations. For the last several months, we planned and implemented procedures which allowed us to safely open our doors to public access. We will continue to quarantine returned materials before shelving, and will also continue our curbside service for those patrons who would still prefer to not be in a public space

We are fully configured with PPE supplies for both patrons and staff We have implemented daily sanitizing procedures for staff to follow We require all patrons to wear masks, which we can provide if you should forget your own. At this time, computer sessions will be limited to one hour to allow access for as many patrons as possible. As you remove items from the shelves while browsing, we ask that you please place the items in the bins at the end of the stacks, staff will collect the materials, quarantine them for the appropriate amount of time, and then reshelve We also ask that you follow social distancing guidelines most closely

We will continue to offer our story times, crafts, and teen activities online. Our annual Summer Reading Program will be held virtually. We hope to resume on-site programming sometime in the fourth quarter.

Please understand that only a limited number of our staff have been able to receive vaccinations, so we may not be able to visit with you as we would normally like to do But we will do everything possible to welcome you back into the libraries in the safest and most accommodatng manner

I, my staff, and The Hayner Public Library Board of Trustees thank you all for your unfailing support and patience as we have negotiated our way through this most unusual of years.

Bernadette Duvernoy

Executive Director

## Food for Fido

### Help Us Help Them

Do you have Hayner Library materials that are still checked out and are embarrassingly overdue? Do you keep getting overdue notices in the mail and are scared of what your fine may be? Breathe a sigh of relief! From April 1-30, if you have overdue Hayner Library items, you may pay your fine with an item of pet food. This amnesty applies to Hayner Library materials only, and applies to items still checked out to you, not to fines already on your card for materials previously returned. Pet items must be brought in at the same time you return your Hayner Library materials; one pet item per overdue item.

All the donations will go to our furry friends residing at the 5A's animal shelter. The devoted staff in this no-kill shelter relies entirely on donations to provide proper care to the adoptable animals that have been abandoned, neglected, or abused. For more information about this worthy organization, please call (618) 466-3702, visit their website at www.fiveas org, visit their Facebook page, or visit the shelter at 4530 N. Alby Street, Godfrey.

Things to Know...

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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Easter Sunday, April 4
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## *Books-to-Film*

**(Recent releases or soon-to-be released titles)**

Book: *Good Morning, Midnight* by Lily Brooks-Dalton
Movie: *Midnight*
Book: *Hidden Figures: The American Dream and the Untold Story of the Black Women Mathematicians Who Helped Win the Space Race* by Margo Lee Shetterly
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Book: *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann
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Book: *The Last Letter from Your Lover* by Jojo Moyes
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Movie: *News of the World*
Book: *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah
Movie: *The Nightingale*
Book: *Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-First Century* by Jessica Bruder
Movie: *Nomadland*
Book: *Two Kisses for Maddy* by Matthew Logelin
Movie: *Fatherhood*
Book: *Where'd You Go, Bernadette* by Maria Semple
Movie: *Where'd You Go, Bernadette*
Book: *Without Remorse* by Tom Clancy
Movie: *Without Remorse*
Book: *The Woman in the Window* by A. J. Finn
Movie: *The Woman in the Window*

**Nonfiction That Reads Like Fiction**

- *All Blood Runs Red: The Legendary Life of Eugene Bullard: Boxer, Pilot, Soldier, Spy* by Phil Keith (2019) B BULLARD
- *Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup* by John Carreyrou (2018) 338.7681761 CAR
- *Behind the Beautiful Forevers* by Katherine Boo (2012) 305 56909 BOO
- *The Big Oyster: History on the Half Shell* by Mark Kurlansky (2006) 641.6 KUR
- *Educated* by Tara Westover (2018) 270.092 WES
- *Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis* by J D. Vance (2018) 305.562092 VAN
- *I'll Be Gone in the Dark: One Woman's Obsessive Search for the Golden State Killer* by Michelle McNamara (2018) 364.153209794 MCNAMARA
- *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean (2018) 027 4794 ORL
- *Life Undercover: Coming of Age in the CIA* by Amaryllis Fox (2019) 327.1273 FOX
- *Men We Reaped* by Jesym Ward (2013) B WARD
- *Negroland* by Margo Jefferson (2015) B JEFFERSON
- *Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-First Century* by Jessica Bruder (2017) 331.3980793 BRU
- *The Professor and the Madman: A Tale of Murder, Insanity, and the Making of the Oxford English Dictionary* by Simon Winchester (1998) 423 WIN
- *Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers* by Mary Roach (2003) 611 ROA
- *Tribe: On Homecoming and Belonging* by Sebastian Junger (2016) 302.3 JUN
- *The Worst Hard Time: The Untold Story of Those Who Survived the Great American Dust Bowl* by Timothy Egan (2006) 978.032 EGA

## *RBdigital*

Due to a change in ownership of the RBdigital Media Company, the unlimited subscriptions model for lending digital audiobooks and magazines is no longer being offered for library licensing. In addition, the new owners announced the intent to discontinue the RBdigital apps and website.

RBdigital's audiobook access ended on March 15, 2021 Digital magazine access ended on March 31, 2021

While we do not yet have a replacement platform for digital magazine access, the Illinois Heartland Library System, of which Hayner Library is a member, is in talks with companies who may be able to provide a comparable consortia lending model, which is what we are losing in RBdigital. Consortia lending models allow member libraries the ability to offer a robust collection of titles at a cost we can afford

Hayner Library still offers access to ebooks and eaudiobooks through the Cloud Library platform For more information about Cloud Library, including step-by-step instructions for downloading the app and using the product, please visit www.haynerlibrary.org and click on the Download Audio and eBooks and Help with Your eReader links You can also contact our Reference department at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849, if you have questions about using Cloud Library. Our Reference librarian will be happy to assist you

We regret the loss of the RBdigital platform, but we hope to have a solution in the coming months. We will publicize any developments on our website and Facebook page and in future editions of this newsletter

## *Welcome Back to the Genealogy & Local History Library!*

Welcome back! We are so glad we've gotten to see many familiar faces in person since we reopened in March, but if you're more comfortable continuing your research from home, please feel free to keep contacting us by phone, email, or letter with your requests! Give us a call (618) 462-0677, send an email (genealogy@haynerlibrary.org), or put a letter in the mail (401 State Street, Alton, IL 62002) and we'll be happy to help

Our Illinois Room book collection is available. All items have to be quarantined after use, so if there's something in particular you'd like to see, please call or email in advance so we can make sure it's accessible, especially if it's a frequently used book like an Alton City Directory or yearbook. We've acquired quite a few interesting books this year, so please check out our new books list, or ask a staff member about some of our favorites.

This past year, we had the *Alton Telegraph* newspapers from November 2012–December 2019 microfilmed and digitized. Due to copyright restrictions, these archives are only available for in-library use. However, they can be accessed from all patron computers at all three Hayner Library locations. Genealogy & Local History Library staff are happy to look up articles for you if you cannot make it into the library. The microfilm and database are completely unique to the Hayner Library collection, which means that we now have almost continuous issues available from 1836–present.

We have continued our project digitizing out-of-copyright books from our Illinois Room collection and now have over 275 items in our archive.org collection. Some of our newest digitized books are Shurtleff College *Retrospect* yearbooks, Monticello College *Echo* yearbooks, Lewis & Clark Community College *TREK* yearbooks, which join our Alton *Tatlers*, Western Military Academy *Recalls*, and Marquette High School *Explorers*. Many of these items are unique to the Hayner Library collection. All books are text searchable No library card login necessary: https://archive.org/details/@hayner_genealogy_amp_local_history_library.

Branching Out genealogy research tutorials have been filmed and are available on The Hayner Public Library District Facebook page You can also find direct links to the Branching Out videos on the Genealogy & Local History page of the Hayner Library website. Visit www haynerlibrary org, click on the Genealogy & Local History link at the top of the page, and select "About" from the drop-down menu.

The Genealogy & Local History Library has secured an extension of remote access to Ancestry Library Edition through at least June 30, 2021 Free remote access to Newspaper Archive (Illinois edition), Fold 3 Military Records, and NewsBank has been extended indefinitely The links can be found on the Online Resources and Genealogy & Local History pages of the Hayner Library website.

We continue our partnership with the Illinois State Library to create the Alton Area Local History Collection as part of their Illinois Digital Archives collection. To view the Alton Area Local History Collection online, please visit http://www.idaillinois.org/digital/collection/p16614coll61/search/.

We wish you luck in your research, and look forward to seeing you in person at the library

## *Newly Available VIRTUALLY in Our Illinois Room*

The Genealogy & Local History Library continues to digitize out-of-copyright books from our Illinois Room collection while also identifying books that have already been digitized elsewhere. With the help of our cataloger, these full-text books can now be accessed by anyone directly from the SHARE online catalog: https://search illinoisheartland.org/.

Here are a few of the books available to view online You do not need a library card to view these books. Some of these books have been reprinted, so make sure you're on the record of the original printing (year shown in parenthesis) to access the digital book

***25 Years of Progress: The City of Fairview Heights, Illinois, Crossroads of Prosperity, 1969-1994, Proud Past, Promising Future*** **IR 977.389 TWE**

***Abridged Speech of Jehu Baker, Delivered at Alton, October 2, 1858*** **IR 328.773 BAK and also available digitally through the SHARE online catalog**

***Alton Cemetery Register. November 28, 1851 Through September 29, 1875*** **IR 977.3865 ALT**

***Alton Cemetery Register. August 20, 1875 Through September 13, 1903*** **IR 977.3865 ALT**

***Alton Cemetery Register. September 22, 1903 Through January 30, 1926*** **IR 977.3865 ALT**

***Alton Eats: The Restaurants of Alton Cookbook (2020)*** **IR 641.5 ALT**

***Arthur Towata, 1933-2019*** **IR B TOWATA**

***The Captive's Quest for Freedom: Fugitive Slaves, the 1850 Fugitive Slave Law, and the Politics of Slavery*** **IR 973.7115 BLA**

***Corn Kings & One-Horse Thieves: A Plain-Spoken History of Mid-Illinois*** **IR 977.3 KRO**

***Descendants of Matthetsen Horn and Anna Maria Welters : Ten Generations of Family Group Sheets by Casper Stephen Horn*** **IR 929.2 HORN**

***Fight Like a Tiger: Conway Barbour and the Challenges of the Black Middle Class in Nineteenth-Century America*** **IR 305.8960730904 HAR**

***Findings and Recommendations of the Survey of the Alton Public Schools: Made During the School Year 1917-1918*** **IR 371.01 ALT and also available digitally through the SHARE online catalog**

***In Their Letters, In Their Words: Illinois Civil War Soldiers Write Home*** **IR 973.7473 INT**

***Lincoln in Alton*** **by Tom Emery IR 973.7092 EME**

***The Macoupin County Boys Track Meet: Milestones and Memories, Vol. 2—1979-2019*** **IR 977.383 EME**

***The Macoupin County Girls Track Meet: Milestones and Memories, Vol. 3—1973-2019*** **IR 977.383 EME**

***Meisenheimer Family Favorite Recipes*** **IR 641.5 MEI**

***Merchant Vessels of the United States, 1964*** **IR 387.2 UNI 1964**

***Welcome to Lucy Haskell's Neighborhood: Historic House Illustrations*** **by Patrick Dailey IR 977.386 DAI**

***Year Book of the First Baptist Church of Alton, Illinois. January 1st, 1906*** **IR LOCKED CASES 286.77386 YEA and also available digitally through the SHARE online catalog**

***Your Edible Yard: Landscaping with Fruits and Vegetables*** **by Crystal Stevens IR 712.6 STE**

# *Highlights of the Hayner Art Collection – View of Alton from Maple Island by Mrs. Rice*

Welcome to the second installment of a series on some of our most treasured artwork. We invite you to come into the Genealogy & Local History Library to see this and other beautiful works in person.

This oil painting depicts a beautifully detailed view of Alton, Illinois, from Maple Island on a bright sunny day, with a grassy area to the foreground, a tree to the left, and a shrub to the right; the river with two steamboats and a canoe in the middle ground and Alton on the far shore, framed in a carved giltwood frame  The painting bears a plaque that reads, "Alton 1867 painted by Mrs. Rice "

The painting survives in overall good condition, having been relined on the original strainer, cleaned, and in-painted along the bottom edge  It retains the original gilded frame  The painting was given to the library in 1910 by George Roper of Rock Island, Illinois  Nothing about the painting or the artist appears in the local historical literature until the March 3, 1910, issue of the *Alton Evening Telegraph*. There, a brief article announced the painting's donation and identified the artist as "Mrs  Rice, who lived near Fourth Street on Langdon [in Alton] many years ago."

George's uncle, John Roper, lived in Alton and told the *Alton Evening Telegraph* that Maple Island, when this picture was made by Mrs  Rice, was not so far down the river as it is now. The action of the Mississippi's current has washed off the upper end of the island and added to the lower end, thus gradually moving the island downstream. In support of his statement, Mr. Roper cites that a few years ago someone made application to the government to take up and enter Maple Island  The government instructed an engineer to make a survey of the island, and it was found that from the time of the last survey the island had moved completely away and that where the island was formerly described, there was nothing but deep water  The island is covered with big trees, but this is explained by the fact that the movement has not been rapid enough to interfere with the growth of trees, and as fast as the trees on the upper end were washed away, others grew below; thus a wooded island was moving steadily down the river.

***View of Alton from Maple Island*; unsigned; oil on canvas; Victoria Rice (active 1867), American**

The painting remained at the library for three and a half decades without attracting significant further attention. Then, in 1944, Margery Quigley of Montclair, New Jersey, visited her elderly aunt in Alton and, when visiting the library, was quite taken with the scene  She asked her aunt, Miss Alice Quigley, then 86 years old, if she knew anything about Mrs. Rice in her youth and was surprised to find that she did. More to the point, Mrs. Rice had painted a double portrait of Miss Quigley with her twin sister when the two were just six years old

Hoping to find out more about the artist, the visitor asked Mrs. Eberlein, Hayner reference librarian, to assist with research and shortly thereafter followed-up with a letter to the editor of the *Alton Evening Telegraph* to announce the findings· Mrs. Eberlein revealed that the 1868 Alton City Directory included among the citizens "Mrs  E. Rice, widow," and that a subsequent directory several years later identified her more specifically as "Mrs. Victoria Rice."

Close inspection of View of Alton from Maple Island reveals the artist's great skill as a technician who paid remarkable attention to detail. She carefully lettered the signs on buildings, which can be read under magnification. She identified a riverboat as the "J  H. Johnson," and subsequent research reveals that the ship was launched in 1863 and destroyed by 1877, and helps to verify the date of 1867 provided by the label.

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Research and writing by Robert Morrissey, of Robert Morrissey Antiques and Fine Art in St. Louis, and Lacy McDonald, Genealogy & Local History Library Manager

# *Staff Recommendations from the Hayner Library Collection*

**Jean**

- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston
- *Sula* by Toni Morrison
- *The Women of Brewster Place* by Gloria Naylor
- *Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-First Century* by Jessica Bruder
- *Eventide* by Kent Haruf
- *The Bean Trees* by Barbara Kingsolver
- *The Children's Blizzard* by Melanie Benjamin

**Sheri**

- *Frontier Follies: Adventures in Marriage and Motherhood in the Middle of Nowhere* by Ree Drummond

**Stephanie**

- *The Crown* (DVD)
- *Six Sister's Stuff Simple One Pan Dishes: 100 Quick and Easy Recipes* by Six Sisters

**Mary**

- *The Hollow Crown: The Complete Series: Richard II, Henry IV Part 1, Henry IV Part 2, Henry V* (DVD)
- *The Splendid and the Vile* by Erik Larson
- *Floriography: An Illustrated Guide to the Victorian Language of Flowers* by Jessica Roux
- *Delights & Shadows* by Ted Kooser
- *Strokes of Genius: Feder, Nadal, and the Greatest Match Ever Played* by L. Jon Wertheim
- *For the Love of Europe: My Favorite Places, People and Stories* by Rick Steves
- *Raise Hell: The Life and Times of Molly Ivins* (DVD)
- *The Death of Expertise: The Campaign Against Established Knowledge and Why it Matters* by Thomas M. Nichols
- *The Great American House: Tradition for the Way We Live Now* by Gil Schafer, III
- *Modern Comfort Food: A Barefoot Contessa Cookbook* by Ina Garten
- Simon Brett (Fethering mystery series)

**Jan**

- Amy Stewart (Constance Kopp mystery series)

**Janice**

- *The Instant Pot Bible: More than 350 Recipes and Strategies: The Only Book You Need for Every Model of Instant Pot* by Bruce Weinstein
- *Instant Pot Italian: 100 Irresistible Recipes Made Easier Than Ever* by Ivy Manning
- Nancy Martin (Blackbird Sisters mystery series)
- Janet Evanovich (Stephanie Plum mystery series)

**Emily**

- *A Little Life* by Hanya Yanagihara
- *The House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune

**Morgan**

- *The Peach Truck Cookbook: 100 Delicious Recipes for All Things Peach* by Jessica Rose

**Katie**

- *Big Lies in a Small Town: A Novel* by Diane Chamberlain
- *The Exiles: A Novel* by Christina Baker Kline
- *The Girl Who Lived* by Christopher Greyson
- *Anxious People: A Novel* by Fredrik Backman
- *The Book of Lost Friends: A Novel* by Lisa Wingate
- *We Begin at the End* by Chris Whitaker

**Mary Kay**

- Jane Cleland
- G A. McKevett
- Sara Graves
- Carlene O'Connor

(Cozy mystery authors)

# *Crafting with Creativebug*

Do you enjoy crafting, cooking, drawing, painting, sewing, and other creative pursuits? If so, use your Hayner Library card to enjoy free access to Creativebug!

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Be inspired to learn a new hobby—or hone your existing skills. Enjoy!

# KidsSpace Spring 2021 Activities

To register for any of our spring programs, please call KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall at (618) 433-2881 or the Downtown Library KidsSpace at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836. Our online story times can be viewed on Facebook at www.facebook.com/HaynerLibrary

## APRIL

Thursday, April 1, 2021 – Stories & Puppets (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-5

Thursday, April 1, 2021 – Take Home Craft: Ages 3-6, Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

Tuesday, April 6, 2021 – Mary Kay's Story Time (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, April 8, 2021 – Stories & Puppets (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-5

Thursday, April 8, 2021 – Take Home Craft: Ages 3-6, Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

Tuesday, April 13, 2021 – Mary Kay's Story Time (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, April 15, 2021 – Stories & Puppets (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-5

Thursday, April 15, 2021 – Take Home Craft: Ages 3-6, Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 – Mary Kay's Story Time (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 – After School Fun Take Home Craft: Ages 6-11, Pick up at the Downtown Library

Thursday, April 22, 2021 – Stories & Puppets (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-5

Thursday, April 22, 2021 – Take Home Craft: Ages 3-6, Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

Tuesday, April 27, 2021 – Mary Kay's Story Time (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, April 29, 2021 – Stories & Puppets (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-5

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Tuesday, May 4, 2021 – Mary Kay's Story Time (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, May 6, 2021 – Stories & Puppets (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-5

Thursday, May 6, 2021 – Take Home Craft: Ages 3-6, Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 – Mary Kay's Story Time (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-5

Thursday, May 13, 2021 – Stories & Puppets (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m Ages 2-5

Thursday, May 13, 2021 – Take Home Craft: Ages 3-6, Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 – Mary Kay's Story Time (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m Ages 3-5

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 – After School Fun Take Home Craft: Ages 6-11, Pick up at the Downtown Library

Thursday, May 20, 2021 – Stories & Puppets (via Facebook): 10:00 a.m Ages 2-5

Thursday, May 20, 2021 – Take Home Craft: Ages 3-6, Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

## SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2021

***"Reading Colors Your World"***

This year's Summer Reading Program, "Reading Colors Your World," is a theme which gives participants the opportunity to enjoy some entertaining activities and exciting books! Participants can expect virtual performers, virtual story times, virtual puppet shows, take home crafts, and prizes that reflect this year's theme

Participants will be asked to register on our Beanstack online software (https://haynerlibrary.beanstack.org) or by downloading the Beanstack mobile app. Each week, participants will be asked to read at least five books, magazine articles, newspaper articles, or listen to five audiobooks to earn some awesome prizes. Prizes will be available for pick up only at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

Patrons who participate during all six weeks of the program will be invited to stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to pick up their free book, book bag, and certificate All participants will also have the opportunity to enjoy Wild Hearts' "Color Me Wild" virtual performance on the Hayner Library Facebook page. We will announce the Summer Reading Program big prize winners before the Wild Hearts' Facebook performance.

*Registration for our Summer Reading Program begins on Monday, June 7, 2021. Please register at www.haynerlibrary.beanstack.org*

Summer Reading Program Kickoff – Monday, June 7, 2021 – 9:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 8, 2021 – Stories & Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Wednesday, June 9, 2021 - Abra-Kid-Abra Presents "Fizz Boom Seuss" – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 10, 2021 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Monday, June 14, 2021 – Stories & Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, June 15, 2021 – Stories & Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Wednesday, June 16, 2021 – Animal Tales Presents "Tails & Tales" – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 17, 2021 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Monday, June 21, 2021 – Stories & Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, June 22, 2021- Stories & Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Wednesday, June 23, 2021 – Celia's Colorful Dance Party – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, June 24, 2021 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m Ages 5-12

Monday, June 28, 2021 – Stories & Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, June 29, 2021 – Stories & Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Wednesday, June 30, 2021– Mad Science Presents "Color Your World with Science" – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, July 1, 2021 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Monday, July 5, 2021 – Stories & Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, July 6, 2021 – Stories & Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Wednesday, July 7, 2021 – OMG Josh Presents "Mystery of the Narwhal Nose" – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, July 8, 2021 – Drop-In Craft – 10:00 a.m. Ages 5-12

Saturday, July 10, 2021 – LAST DAY TO TURN IN READING SHEETS!

Monday, July 12, 2021 – Stories & Puppets – 10:00 a.m. Ages Birth-6

Tuesday, July 13, 2021- Stories & Art (Downtown) – 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6

Wednesday, July 14, 2021 – Chef Bananas – 10:00 a.m. All Ages

Thursday, July 15, 2021 – End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party – 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Alton High School Commons, Performer: Wild Hearts – 6:00 p.m

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# TeenSpace
## Spring 2021 Activities

### April & May

Wednesday, April 7, 2021 – BYOB Virtual Book Club (via Zoom) – 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday. April 14, 2021 – Virtual Escape Room (via Facebook)

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 – Take Home Teen Craft (Seed Bombs), Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

Wednesday, May 5, 2021 – BYOB Virtual Book Club (via Zoom) – 4:00 p m.

Tuesday, May 11, 2021 – Take Home Teen Craft (Pet Rock), Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

Wednesday, May 19, 2021 – Virtual Escape Room (via Facebook)

### Summer Reading Program 2021

*"Reading Colors Your World"*

Monday, June 7, 2021 – Summer Reading Program Kickoff – All participants who register on this day will be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift card. Register at www.haynerlibrary.beanstack.org.

Wednesday, June 9, 2021 – Shrinky Dinks Key Chain Craft – 2:00 p.m to 4:00 p.m

Wednesday, June 9, 2021 – Teen Movie Day – 2:00 p.m to 4:00 p.m.

Monday, June 14, 2021 – Teen Color Me Club – (via Facebook)

Wednesday, June 16, 2021 – Washer Necklace Craft – 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p m

Monday, June 21, 2021 - Teen Color Me Club – (via Facebook)

Wednesday, June 23, 2021 – Sharpie Tie Dye Bag Craft – 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p m

Monday, June 28, 2021 - Teen Color Me Club – (via Facebook)

Wednesday, June 30, 2021 – Fleece Tie Smile Pillow Craft – 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday, July 5, 2021 - Teen Color Me Club – (via Facebook)

Wednesday, July 7, 2021 – End-of-the-Summer Color Me Party – 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Unless otherwise stated, all teen programs will take place at the Riverbender.com Community Center.

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## *Reference Services*

The Reference service desk is located near the adult computers at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Here you will find helpful information relating to current issues, bus schedules, employment and job search tips, our Community Support Services booklet, area information, and more. The Reference collection itself consists of books on art, religion, legal forms, Illinois Statues, *Chilton's Automotive Repair* manuals, investment reports, atlases, dictionaries, and more. Our Reference department is more than just books; Reference offers services to Hayner patrons through readers' advisory and research

A popular Reference service is **Book Bundles**, a reading recommendation service offered to Hayner Library patrons during curbside pickup. Even though we are open to in-person library visits, this service is still available! If you would like help in selecting books based on your reading preferences, please register for this service. Approximately six books will be selected for you Book Bundles can be picked up at either library location. The Book Bundles registration form is available online at www.haynerlibrary.org or by contacting Jean, our Reference librarian, at reference@haynerlibrary.org or (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849.

Also at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, near the entrance to KidsSpace, you will find the **Readers' Corner**. The Readers' Corner offers curated book displays, book lists, book marks, and other featured materials. Books are changed out periodically to reflect different reading interests. The Readers' Corner is a quick way to browse for a good book!

Our **readers' advisory service** can help fiction and nonfiction readers with reading needs For readers' advisory service, please stop by the Reference service desk or contact Jean at reference@haynerlibrary.org or (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849.

The Reference department can also help patrons locate materials and information for research and pleasure Hayner Library subscribes to **online databases** for in-library use, and remotely to patrons with a Hayner Library card. Useful databases for research include, MasterFILE Premier, Primary Search, Auto Repair Source, *Consumer Reports* and more. Whether you are writing a research paper or looking for information on a product, these databases will provide authoritative information. Databases can be found on the Online Resources page of the library's website

Reference also offers **ebook assistance** Please call or stop by the Reference Service Desk for one-on-one assistance in operating your ereader device and downloading ebooks from Cloud Library, our free ebook app.

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# *Join Us On a Journey Through Black History in Southwest Illinois*

**By Charlotte E. Johnson & Reneé B. Johnson**

***Charlotte E. Johnson***

Charlotte E Johnson is a retired educator and local historian. Her daughter, Reneé B. Johnson, is a consultant, member of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff, and author of the children's picture book, *Alton ABC*. Mrs. Johnson has long collected and researched the stories of Illinois. Her work has resulted in numerous family revelations, museum holdings and exhibits, presentations, and listings on both The National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom and the National Register of Historic Places. Ms. Johnson shares her mother's interest in history and genealogy, supporting the effort to tell the true story of people and their lives. Over the next several issues of the Hayner Library newsletter, the Johnsons will take us on a journey through Black history in Southwest Illinois

***Reneé B. Johnson***

Though Illinois was admitted to the union as a free state in 1818, it was not, nor had it been, a welcoming place for those of African ancestry. In the late 1700s, when what is now Illinois became part of the Northwest Territory, slavery was prohibited. However, current owners were allowed to keep people in bondage. From shortly after statehood until the passage of the Thirteenth Amendment in 1865, Illinois enacted numerous laws known as the Black Codes. These laws placed restrictions on the lives of freemen and allowed the continuation of slavery throughout the state. Under these laws, free Blacks could not vote, own or carry firearms, gather in groups of more than three, or sue a white person. They were required to have freedom certificates at all times or were assumed to be escaped slaves. As such, they were subject to arrest, fines, and sale. Later laws required immediate registration and the payment of a cash bond when entering a county. By 1829, that bond was $1,000 per person, the equivalent of $24,000 to $28,000 today. These laws also allowed for slave-hunting and the return of escapees to bondage. They created an extreme indenture period allowing slaves to be brought into the state and classified as "indentured servants" without an actual change in their circumstances.

Even with the Black Codes in place, people of African ancestry built homes, businesses, and communities across the state. Many of the stories regarding people of African ancestry in what is now Southwestern Illinois begin with enslavement. Many, not all. Written into the landscape of the region are countless instances of how those enslaved, freedom-seeking, free-born, and their descendants have shaped the communities we share today. By teasing apart family stories, church histories, and vague recollections, one may begin to build a list of questions. Searching in probate and land records, newspapers and city directories, cemetery and military logs, and other formal documents bring to light the names, circumstances, and contributions of these people.

As we journey, we trust that you will consider your Southwestern Illinois story and how it intertwines with those we present. We challenge you to seek out those connections, to tease apart the recollections of your forbearers, and bring to light the stories of you, yours, and our communities.

To learn more about researching your stories or to continue your journey of discovery, visit the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.

# *Hayner Library Community Support Services Booklet*

Public libraries connect people to information and services. In an effort to reach out to all in the community, Hayner Library has updated our Community Support Services resource guide. The booklet is meant to help those in our community who are in need of social services. The booklet offers a list of local shelters, food sources, free legal services, aging assistance, crisis help, disabilities support, homeless assistance, veterans support, warming/cooling centers, and more. Booklets are distributed throughout the community at hospitals, clinics, crisis centers, and other local organizations. You can pick up a free copy at any Hayner Library location. If you would like some booklets for your organization, please contact the Reference department at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849, and we will be happy to supply you with copies.

# *Sign Up for Text and Email Notifications*

Hayner Library offers text message and email notifications for requests and overdue notices.

Please ask for assistance at the Circulation Desk if you would like to receive a text message or email message when your requested items are ready for pickup. The staff will be happy to assist you in making this change to your library account.

Text message and email notifications are automated. You will receive a separate text message for each item that is ready to be picked up or is overdue. If you sign up for text or email notifications, you will no longer receive a phone call from a staff member regarding on-hold or overdue materials.

Please note: All email and text notifications will be sent by SHARE Notifications and not from Hayner Library. SHARE is the automated network of libraries within the Illinois Heartland Library System.

As always, you can view your library account online at www.haynerlibrary.org.

# *Madison County Employment and Training Department: Free Assistance for Job Seekers*

Are you a resident of Madison County who needs assistance in finding and applying for employment? Are you interested in vocational or on-the-job training? Then the Madison County Employment and Training Department might be able to help!

The Madison County Employment and Training Department's primary responsibilities are to administer employment and training programs under the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) and other state and federal funding sources A focus of Madison County Employment and Training is to create partnerships between businesses and government that will establish services that prepare customers for employment.

All the services offered by the department are designed to assist either businesses or job seekers These services include job listings, employment training, skills assessment, career counseling, job search assistance, vocational training, on-the-job training, recruitment assistance, youth employment and training, job and career fairs, referral services, and many other types of employer/employee assistance.

The Madison County Employment and Training Department is located at 101 E Edwardsville Road, Suite 1302, Wood River, IL 62095 For more information, or to contact the department's help desk, please call (618) 296-4301 or visit https://www co madison.il us/departments/employment_and_training/index php.

Here is a partial list of services offered by the Madison County Employment and Training Department:

**Universal Services (No eligibility requirement)**

- Resource computers for job searches
- Resume software for development and review
- Job board postings
- Employer hiring events
- Fax, telephone, and photocopier available for job searches only
- Job search workshop (pre-register for every other Monday afternoon)
- After attending the job search workshop, attendees can make an appointment with a Career Specialist
- Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES) offers one-on-one assistance with resume creation and updating, job searches, and Illinois Job Link usage
- Referrals and direct linkage to partner agencies for services
- GED classes through Lewis & Clark Community College

**Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Services**

- Eligibility required
- Dislocated worker (laid off or terminated from an employer) OR
- Low income adults (must meet income requirements for poverty level or self-sufficiency, based on family size in last six months)
- Training programs
- Approved customers can receive up to two years of paid tuition and fees (not to exceed $20,000) and paid books, tools, uniforms, testing, and licenses (not to exceed $10,000)
- Training at community colleges, SIUE (junior and senior years only), and some private institutions
- Occupational training (must be on the Illinois State Demand Occupation list)
- Career Specialist will pre-screen any interested person and then schedule for orientation
- On-the-job training (WIOA-eligible customers may be approved for on-the-job training with an employer)

**Youth Programs**

- E-Learning for those ages 17-24, who have dropped out of high school
- High school diploma recovery program, or attain GED
- Offer online classes for credit and paid work experience

**Trade Act Customers**

- Services available due to Trade Petition Certification

*Please note: Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities*

## Nonfiction—

**Abrams, Dan.** Kennedy's Avenger: Assassination, Conspiracy, and the Forgotten Trial of Jack Ruby
**Batalion, Judy.** The Light of Days: The Untold Story of Women Resistance Fighters in Hitler's Ghettos
**Bourdain, Anthony.** World Travel: An Irreverent Guide
**Brown, Daniel James.** Facing the Mountain: A True Story of Japanese American Heroes in World War II
**Carlile, Brandi.** Broken Horses: A Memoir
**Drury, Bob.** Blood and Treasure: Daniel Boone and the Fight for America's First Frontier
**Eilish, Billie.** Billie Eilish
**Ellsworth, Scott.** The Ground Breaking: An American City and Its Search for Justice (Tulsa Race Massacre)
**French, Erin.** Finding Freedom: A Cook's Story; Remaking a Life from Scratch
**Frenkel, Sheera.** An Ugly Truth: Inside Facebook's Battle for Domination
**Gladwell, Malcolm.** The Bomber Mafia: A Dream, a Temptation, and the Longest Night of the Second World War
**Guinn, Jeff.** War on the Border: Villa, Pershing, the Texas Rangers, and an American Invasion
**Hunger, Christina.** How Stella Learned to Talk: The Groundbreaking Story of the World's First Talking Dog
**Johnson, Katherine.** My Remarkable Journey (Hidden Figures)
**Johnson, Steven.** Extra Life: A Short History of Living Longer
**Junger, Sebastian.** Freedom
**Knoll, Andrew H.** A Brief History of Earth: Four Billion Years in Eight Chapters
**Lawson, Jenny.** Broken (in the Best Possible Way)
**Lawson, Nigella.** Cook, Eat, Repeat: Ingredients, Recipes, and Stories
**Lewis, Michael.** The Premonition: A Pandemic Story
**Margulies, Julianna.** Sunshine Girl: An Unexpected Life
**McCarthy, Andrew.** Brat: An '80s Story
**McCartney, Linda, et al.** Linda McCartney's Family Kitchen: 100 Plant-Based Recipes for All Occasions
**Miles, Tiya.** All That She Carried: The Journey of Ashley's Sack, a Black Family Keepsake
**Moore, Kate.** The Woman They Could Not Silence: One Woman, Her Incredible Fight for Freedom, and the Men Who Tried to Make Her Disappear (author of Radium Girls)
**O'Reilly, Bill.** Killing the Mob: The Fight Against Organized Crime in America
**Rogen, Seth.** Yearbook
**Smith, Ian K., M.D.** Fast Burn!: The Power of Negative Energy Balance
**Summerscale, Kate.** The Haunting of Alma Fielding: A True Ghost Story
**Warren, Elizabeth.** Persist
**White, Ronald C.** Lincoln in Private: What His Most Personal Reflections Tell Us About Our Greatest President
**Winfrey, Oprah.** What Happened to You?: Conversations on Trauma, Resilience, and Healing

## Fiction—

**Abrams, Stacey.** While Justice Sleeps
**Albert, Susan Wittig.** The Darling Dahlias and the Voodoo Lily
**Andrews, Mary Kay.** The Newcomer
**Archer, Jeffrey.** Turn A Blind Eye
**Baldacci, David.** A Gambling Man (Archer Novel)
**Balogh, Mary.** Someone to Cherish
**Barclay, Linwood.** Find You First
**Benedict, Marie.** The Personal Librarian
**Bentley, Don.** Tom Clancy Target Acquired
**Bohjalian, Chris.** Hour of the Witch
**Brown, Dale.** Arctic Storm Rising: A Novel
**Cussler, Clive.** The Saboteurs (Isaac Bell)
**Dave, Laura.** The Last Thing He Told Me
**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Final Twist (Colter Shaw)
**Dickey, Eric Jerome.** The Son of Mr Suleman
**Evanovich, Janet.** The Recovery Agent (Gabriela Rose)
**Feehan, Christine.** Murder at Sunrise Lake
**Graham. Heather.** The Unforgiven (Krewe of Hunters)
**Grisham, John.** Sooley
**Haines, Carolyn.** Independent Bones: A Sarah Booth Delaney Mystery
**Hepworth, Sally.** The Good Sister
**Higgins, Kristan.** Pack Up the Moon
**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Golden Girl
**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Reunion Beach: Stories Inspired by Dorothea Benton Frank
**Hooper, Kay.** Curse of Salem
**Hunter, Stephen.** Basil's War
**Jackson, Joshilyn.** Mother May I: A Novel
**Jackson, Lisa.** The Third Grave
**Jance, J. A.** Unfinished Business (Ali Reynolds)
**Jenoff, Pam.** The Woman with the Blue Star: A Novel
**Johansen, Iris.** The Bullet
**King, Laurie R.** Castle Shade (Mary Russell/Sherlock Holmes)
**Kingsbury, Karen.** A Distant Shore
**Kubica, Mary.** Local Woman Missing
**Lippman, Laura.** Dream Girl
**Lupica, Mike.** Robert B. Parker's Payback (Sunny Randall)
**Lustbader, Eric Van.** The Kobalt Dossier
**Mallery, Susan.** The Stepsisters
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** Tiny Tales: Stories of Romance, Ambition, Kindness, and Happiness
**McLain, Paula.** When the Stars Go Dark
**Michaelides, Alex.** The Maidens
**Michaels, Fern.** Hidden (Lost and Found)
**Miller, Linda Lael.** Country Proud
**Monroe, Mary Alice.** The Summer of Lost and Found
**Myers, Tamar.** Mean and Shellfish
**Novak, Brenda.** The Bookstore on the Beach
**Palmer, Diana.** Notorious
**Patterson, James.** 1st Birthday (Women's Murder Club)
**Patterson, James.** The President's Daughter: A Thriller
**Perry, Anne.** Death with A Double Edge: A Daniel Pitt Novel
**Phillips, Susan Elizabeth.** When Stars Collide: A Chicago Stars Novel
**Quick, Amanda.** The Lady Has a Past
**Reid, Taylor Jenkins.** Malibu Rising: A Novel
**Roberts, Nora.** Legacy: A Novel
**Rosenfelt, David.** Animal Instinct: A K Team Novel
**Ross, Ann B.** Miss Julia Happily Ever After
**Rovin, Jeff.** Tom Clancy's Op-Center: The Black Order
**Rutherfurd, Edward.** China: The Novel
**Sandford, John.** Ocean Prey
**Shaara, Jeff.** The Eagle's Claw: A Novel of the Battle of Midway
**Shalvis, Jill.** Love for Beginners
**Shipstead, Maggie.** Great Circle
**Smith, Wilbur.** Legacy of War (Courtney Family)
**Steel, Danielle.** Finding Ashley
**Sweeney, Cynthia D'Aprix.** Good Company
**Tapper, Jake.** The Devil May Dance: A Novel
**Thayer, Nancy.** Family Reunion
**Thor, Brad.** Black Ice (Scot Harvath)
**Weiner, Jennifer.** That Summer: A Novel
**Weir, Alison.** Katharine Parr, The Sixth Wife: A Novel
**Weisberger, Lauren.** Where the Grass Is Green and the Girls Are Pretty: A Novel
**White, Karen.** The Last Night in London
**Williams, Beatriz.** Our Woman in Moscow
**Woods, Stuart.** Jackpot (Teddy Fay)

# *The Piasa Bird*

When you think about the Piasa Bird, what comes to mind? Is it the current version painted on the cliffs at Piasa Park? Is it the fire-breathing metal incarnation now guarding the Southwestern High School football field? Is it the modern day original that decorated Lovers's Leap before it was blasted off the cliffside to make way for the River Road? No one alive today ever saw the original, so whatever artwork the words "Piasa Bird" conjure in your mind, it likely comes from a myth created by a local professor named John Russell in 1836

The first record we have of what we now refer to as the Piasa Bird did not even mention wings. In 1673, Jacques Marquette and Louis Jolliet travelled down the Mississippi River through this area from Canada on their way to find the mouth of the Mississippi. The land belonged to France, and they hoped the river would empty into the Pacific Ocean. They could not cross Spanish lands south of us, and so ended their journey in Arkansas without reaching the Gulf of Mexico. But on the way, Marquette and Jolliet did discover not one, but two paintings on the side of the cliffs near Alton that left them thunderstruck.

"While skirting some rocks, which by their height and length inspired awe, we saw upon one of them two painted monsters which at first made us afraid, and upon which the boldest savages dare not long rest their eyes They are as large as a calf; they have horns on their heads like those of a deer, a horrible look, red eyes, a beard like a tiger's, a face somewhat like a man's, a body covered with scales, and so long a tail that it winds all around the body, passing above the head and going back between the legs, ending in a fish's tail. Green, red, and black are the three colors composing the picture. Moreover, these two monsters are so well painted that we cannot believe that any savage is their author; for good painters in France would find it difficult to reach that place conveniently to paint them. Here is approximately the shape of these monsters, as we have faithfully copied it."

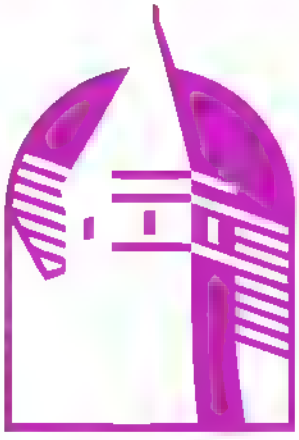
In 1836, Shurtleff College professor John Russell wrote a story to explain the painting on the cliffs. He called his story "The Piasa: An Indian Tradition of Illinois" and it was first published in the August 1836 issue of *The Family Magazine*. Many Illinois newspapers, including the *Alton Telegraph*, printed the story in their pages. Alton was incorporated as a city the next year, in 1837 Russell's legend of the Piasa Bird, likely one you've heard many times before, has been a part of Alton's history since before the city officially existed. Here's a quick summary: a winged monster called the Piasa Bird, which means "devourer of men" lived in the cliffs and, well, devoured men. Chief Ouatoga, a brave Illini chief, prayed to the Great Spirit and offered himself as bait to lure the monster out of its cave. The Piasa Bird flew down to grab Chief Ouatoga in its claws, but twenty hidden warriors emerged to shoot poisoned arrows at their foe. The Piasa Bird let out a terrible scream and flew into the Mississippi River, never to be seen again.

Russell completely changed the narrative several times over the years, and admitted to Alton author William McAdams that his story was "somewhat illustrated." But by then the legend was already part of Alton's cultural heritage And even though the Chief Ouatoga story itself is a fabrication, the fact that local Indigenous American artists painted incredible artwork on the cliffs is true The ancient mural we call the Piasa Bird was created prior to 1673, and possibly done by the residents of Cahokia to signify that strangers were entering Cahokia territory. Cahokia was the largest pre-Columbian settlement north of Mexico during the Mississippian Period. It also may have been painted by members of the Illinois Confederation (also called Illiniwek or Illini) in the years after the Cahokian settlement was abandoned.

Regardless of the origins, residents of the Riverbend have embraced the Piasa Bird as a symbol of our area. Businesses from the 1800s to present, like Piasa Lumber Company and Piasa Paper Company, have used the name. The Boy Scouts of America Piasa Bird District covers parts of Calhoun, Greene, Jersey, Macoupin, and Madison counties in Illinois and the Boy Scouts were crucial in drumming up interest in the Piasa Bird story in the early 1900s. Piasa Brand Canned Goods were available at grocery stores in the area and used at the *Alton Evening Telegraph's* Cooking School in the 1920s and 1930s.

The original Piasa Bird painting stood guard on the cliff face above the Alton Penitentiary, but the rock was quarried in the 1800s. In 1924, Herbert Forcade, Boy Scout and Alton High School student, was chosen to paint his version of the Piasa Bird on Lovers's Leap. The painting remained there until 1952, when the cliff was blasted away to widen the River Road. It was repainted right away further down the cliffs, then demolished again a decade later. The next version, painted in 1963, was based on artwork by Ruth Means. From 1983 to 1995, a metal version (also based on Means's artwork) at Norman's Landing greeted travelers along the River Road, before it was moved to its current home at Southwestern High School. The present Piasa Bird painting is perched on the bluffs at Piasa Park, which was built in 1998 Dave Stevens was the artist, but community members could make monetary donations to the project and then help paint the Piasa.

We have numerous books and other items in our Genealogy & Local History Collection covering the Piasa Bird's history and significance, from *Records of Ancient Races in the Mississippi Valley*... written by William McAdams in 1887, to children's picture book *Seymour Bluffs and the Legend of the Piasa Bird* written by Phyllis Bechtold in 2006 There are scholarly articles, such as "The Piasa Bird: Fact or Fiction?" written by Wayne C. Temple and published in the *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society* in 1956, and recent works by local author John Dunphy that you can read in the library or search for online Come visit the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library to read these books, look at Piasa Bird artwork, or read early newspaper articles. There are 5,915 references to the Piasa Bird in our *Alton Telegraph* archives alone. An article from 1875 states, "It is a great pity that the utilitarian pioneers of Alton blasted away this cliff for building stone, and thus effaced the most wonderful relic of a past age that could have been found on the continent." It is a great pity indeed, but although the original painting is gone, the legacy of the Piasa Bird lives on.



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Hours of Operation*

Downtown Library
Mon.–Thurs., 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Alton Square Library
Mon.–Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 Noon to 5:00 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wed., 12:00 Noon to 7:00 p.m.
Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

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FRIENDS OF HAYNER LIBRARY

# Sidewalk Book Sale

The Friends of Hayner Library will hold a sidewalk book sale:

- **Friday, May 7, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**
- Saturday, May 8, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The book sale will take place outside the Friends of Hayner Library building.

327 State Street, Alton, IL 62002.

This sale will also feature a bag sale ($3 per bag). Masks required. For more information, please contact the Friends of Hayner Library at 618-462-4396.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
Labor Day, September 5 &
September 6

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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## *New Trustees*

On May 27, 2021, The Hayner Public Library District seated two new members to the Board of Trustees and confirmed the second term of a third. The retiring Board members are Dr Jill O'Shea Lane and Ms. Mary Lou DeGrand Watson Dr Lane, Vice President of Academic Affairs at Lewis & Clark Community College, has been a resident of Godfrey since 2008 and has served on the Board of Trustees since 2019 Her father, John O'Shea, was a loyal patron of Hayner Library for many years, and her daughter, Grace, worked as a Page at Hayner Library throughout high school and college Because Hayner Library has been such an important part of her family, Dr Lane said that she "enjoyed giving back by serving on the Board " Thank you, Dr Lane, for your support and many contributions during your term as Trustee.

Alton resident Ms Mary Lou DeGrand Watson has served on the Board of Trustees since 2007 Ms Watson is the Director of Technology Enhanced Learning at Lewis & Clark Community College. Her family has provided years of service to The Hayner Public Library District Her mother, Nancy DeGrand, was the library's Financial Director for many years, serving under then-Director Mary Deane Huntley and continued her service to the District as a member of the Board of Trustees after her retirement. "I was very proud to serve on the Board of such an important community service and I know the District will be very well-served by those who follow me," Ms Watson said Thank you, Ms Watson, for your many years serving as Trustee, chairperson of the Personnel Committee, and Board Secretary. You have helped steer the library through many years of change and growth, from which the Board, District, and community have greatly benefited

Mr. Peter Tassinari has been elected to his second term as Trustee. Mr Tassinari is an Alton resident and works for Wells Fargo. During his first term, he served as Board Vice President and is currently the chairperson of the Long Range Plan Committee. The Long Range Plan provides a framework for setting the District's direction, goals, and objectives for the next five years (2021-2026).

Mrs Amber Sims has been elected to her first term on the Board of Trustees Mrs Sims currently works as a teacher at Gilson Brown Elementary School Mrs. Sims holds a master's degree in public administration as well as a master's degree in elementary education She was also a staff member in the library's Circulation Department from 2011 until 2015. With her Hayner Library experience and educational background, Mrs. Sims brings many valuable skills to the Board and District.

Mr. Kerry Miller was also seated to his first term on the Board of Trustees He is very active in Alton Little Theater and is a major contributor to their wonderful annual event, Vintage Voices. Mr Miller is an extremely enthusiastic patron of the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, as well as being very involved in community affairs. We welcome the enthusiasm and energy that Mr. Miller brings to the District.

In addition to our newly elected and re-elected Trustees, the Board is also comprised of Mr. Kevin Botterbush (President), Dr. Melissa Batchelor (Secretary), Mrs. Karen McAtee (Treasurer), and Ms. Kim Shoemaker (Trustee).

## *Job-Help-to-Go Bags*

With the pandemic easing, life is beginning to return to normal and job opportunities are more readily available. To help with your job search, Hayner Library has put together **Job-Help-to-Go Bags** This kit is a one-stop job fair all in one bag!

**Job-Help-to-Go Bags** contain information focused on job-searching, skill-building, resume writing, and career-building Contents include instructional information pertinent to job searching, lists of local work resources, brochures from the nearby Madison County Employment & Training Center, a list of job-seeking sites, and a list of job hunting books, study guides, and test prep books available in the Hayner Library collection If you are looking for employment and need help getting started, stop by Hayner Library for a quick jump-start! Pick up a bag at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library

# *It Happened in the Nineteenth Century*

Without realization, everyone today has an affection for something that originated from the nineteenth century. It could be a fascination surrounding the Civil War, or a simple fondness for a cold bottle of Coca-Cola. Even turning on a light or picking up the telephone is an acknowledgment of the nineteenth century.

History has always been (and will always be) a riveting subject. It is recalling history which makes conversations interesting, trivia games fun, and movies action-packed! The nineteenth century saw many changes in the world. Many of those changes continue to have an impact on our culture, our lifestyles, and our social statuses today. Inventions developed during the 1800s continue to make our lives easier, healthier, and less hectic.

Here is a short timeline of just a few of the inventions and discoveries that continue to inconspicuously influence our twenty-first century lives.

The nineteenth century began with Britain rising as an industrial power, President John Adams sitting in the Executive Mansion, and explorers Lewis and Clark on the verge of a westward expedition.

The year 1805 saw a breakthrough in medical discovery when Friedrich Wilhelm Sertürner, a German pharmacist, was successful in isolating and extracting morphine crystals from poppy seeds. Due to its effectiveness in inducing sleep, he called it "morphium" after Morpheus—the Greek god of sleep and dreams.

The War of 1812 was the first time the United States declared war on another nation. President James Madison declared war on Britain after American interests were injured by Britain's endeavors to restrict United States trading.

By 1840, the population of the United States had grown to just over seventeen million people. Railway track had grown to almost three thousand miles, allowing for a more efficient way to move cargo across the country. By the end of the century, the railroad would claim nearly two hundred thousand miles of track.

According to legend, the first potato chip was offered in a Saratoga Springs, New York restaurant in 1853, after a patron repeatedly complained that his fried potatoes were too thick. Restaurant Chef George Crum, in an act of spitefulness, cut the next batch extremely thin and fried them extra crispy, hoping to finally satisfy the disgruntled patron. The result was surprising when everyone lauded this new crunchy cuisine!

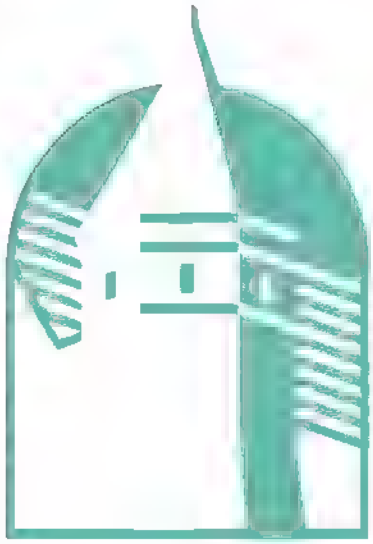
The first city sewer system was planned in Chicago in 1855. Since the city sat just a few feet above the water level of Lake Michigan, the strategy was to raise the entire metropolis higher off the ground by as much as fourteen feet. Buildings were jacked up, new foundations laid underneath, and the streets filled in with dirt. From beginning to end, the process took twenty years.

The Civil War forced brother to stand against brother on U.S. battlefields. It ended in 1865 when General Robert E. Lee surrendered to General Ulysses S. Grant. This final act of the war was the beginning of the end of slavery.

By this time in history, new and exciting inventions were happening throughout the world. The can opener was created in 1858, which was nearly fifty years after the tin can was introduced! The first pair of blue jeans was buttoned-up in California in 1873, and the first telephone rang in 1876.

The time zones spanning our nation's borders, which are still recognized today, were not created through legislative powers—they were put in place by railroad officials during the Great Railroad Time Convention, held in St. Louis in 1883.

In 1886, the first serving of Coca-Cola was offered for five cents in Atlanta, Georgia. This refreshing beverage was the invention of pharmacist John S. Pemberton. Pemberton was a veteran of the Civil War who had become addicted to opium after being wounded in battle. Coca-Cola was first sold as a medicine called "Pemberton's French Wine Coca" and invented by Pemberton as a way to combat his illness.



The first x-ray was achieved by German physicist Wilhelm Rontgen in 1895. The image taken was that of his wife's left hand. Unfortunately, it took many decades after this medical discovery for scientists to realize there were serious side effects associated with using radiation on unprotected skin.

The last ten years of the nineteenth century saw rapid growth in urban population and industrialization. More people were moving their families off the farms and into the cities for steady work. Cities were forced to widen their peripheries to alleviate the overcrowded housing conditions. They accomplished this by designing new communities known as "suburbs."

History has shaped us into who we are today. Inventions changed our quality of life while cultural events challenged the integrity of our beliefs. No matter how the nineteenth century influences the present twenty-first century, we should look back with gratitude for those resilient pioneers who carved several pieces of history to help make us healthier, happier, and more comfortable within our homes, communities, and workplaces.

History and genealogy walk hand-in-hand. History can tell us why our ancestors moved away from their familiar homelands to settle many miles, or even countries, away. People relocated and adjusted their lifestyles for many reasons. Epidemics within communities caused families to move to safer areas. Economic conditions and religious persecution in other countries forced many to relocate in hopes of finding viable employment or escape maltreatment. If you have ever wondered why your ancestral family settled in a certain geographical area, study a timeline to see what was happening around them. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, located at 401 State Street, can help you with your family research, or your local history questions. Come visit us!

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Genealogy & Local History Library

# Explore More Illinois

## Use Your Hayner Library Card to Save Money at Illinois Cultural Attractions

Hayner Library is pleased to announce our participation in the Explore More Illinois program. Explore More Illinois allows cardholders from participating RAILS and Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS) public libraries to reserve free and discounted admission, parking, and gift store purchases from cultural attractions in Illinois, including museums, cultural centers, zoos, aquariums, gardens, historical societies, park districts, and more.

To access the offers listed on the Explore More Illinois website:

- Visit https://exploremore.quipugroup.net/ or click on the Explore More Illinois icon on the Hayner Library website.
- Select Hayner Public Library District from the drop-down menu.
- Enter your Hayner Library card barcode number (found on the back of your Hayner Library card, do not use spaces between the digits) and PIN.

Once logged in, you will see offers for the upcoming three months. You can also search for offers by date, attraction name, or location. Information about each attraction and the offer is available before making the reservation.

**How do I make a reservation?**

Reservations must be made for a specific date. Using the calendar, you can choose the date for which you would like to make a reservation and then choose the Reserve option under the attraction. A confirmation box will appear, and a confirmation email will be sent to you. You have the option to print out a pass at that time, or you can choose to print it later.

**Can I cancel a reservation?**

Yes, you can cancel a reservation before you print or download a pass.

**I cannot log into Explore More Illinois. What should I do?**

Please call or visit the library. You may have an issue with your account, such as an expired card or fines. We will be happy to assist you in solving the problem.

**How many reservations can I have at one time?**

You can have up to three active reservations at one time. Once one of the reservation dates has passed, you may make another reservation.

**Can children make reservations?**

Adults age eighteen and older can make reservations in Explore More Illinois. A photo ID must be shown at the attraction on the day of the reservation.

**Can I make a reservation for the same attraction more than once?**

Attractions can limit how many times a patron can make a reservation. If you are out of reservations, you will not see the offer when you log into Explore More Illinois.

**Will I receive a reminder about their reservation?**

Yes, you will receive a reminder email three days before your reservation.

**What do I need to bring to the attraction on the day of the reservation?**

You will need to bring a photo ID and either a smartphone (if you choose an electronic pass) or a printed copy of the pass. Some attractions require a printed copy, which will be indicated when you make the reservation.

An Explore More Illinois instructional video can be viewed at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0LsZlbsmbRU. This video contains step-by-step instructions for logging in and using the site.

# New in Our Illinois Room

***19th Century Echoes: The Carlinville City Cemetery*** by Tom Emery IR 977.3835 EME

***All-Town USA, Episodes 6-8*** Episode 6: A deep look into the connections between Alton and the Mississippi River. Episode 7: A look at the Alton community's response and resilience in the face of a pandemic. Special edition episode: A conversation about the U.S. capitol riots from the perspective of four Black Americans from Alton. Episode 8: A look at how racism affects all aspects of life. IR 977.386 ALL

***Black Lives Matter Protest at Alton Police Department, Alton, Illinois, June 1, 2020 : And Black Lives Matter March Down Broadway, Alton, Illinois, June 8, 2020*** photographs by Andrew Dobson IR 323.1196073 HAY

***Descendants of Casper Joseph Horn and Maria Christina Latz: A Three-Generation Genealogy*** by Casper Stephen Horn IR 929.2 HORN

***First to Fall: Elijah Lovejoy and the Fight for a Free Press in the Age of Slavery*** by Ken Ellingwood IR 323.445 ELL

***Fulton County [Illinois] Heritage*** IR 977.348 FUL

***Historical Encyclopedia of Illinois and History of St. Clair County*** IR 977.389 HIS v. 1 and v. 2

***History of St. Clair County, Illinois: With Illustrations Descriptive of its Scenery and Biographical Sketches of Some of its Prominent Men and Pioneers*** IR 977.389 HIS

***Illinois Historic American Buildings Survey: Alton Amtrak Station (AKA Historic College Avenue Station of the Chicago & Alton Railroad) IL HABS LEVEL III No. MS-2014-1*** by Historic American Buildings Survey IR 385.09773 HIS

***Macoupin County Courthouse: Scandalous Symbol*** by Tom Emery IR 977.383 EME

***Mather Heights: A Tribute to the First Mather Family Settlers of North Alton, Illinois*** by Ramona Kathryn (Rowden) Rodriguez IR 929.2 MATHER

***The Memorable Month: Minor League Baseball in Staunton, Illinois*** by Tom Emery IR 796.357 EME

***Murder & Mayhem in Southwestern Illinois*** by John Dunphy IR 977.38 DUN

***The Onized United Fund by Owens Illinois, Inc. [1955]*** IR 666.1 OWE

***Proposal for Dedication of the Olin Tract, Madison County, Illinois by Illinois Nature Preserves Commission, 1976*** IR 977.386 ILL

***Richard Rowett: Thoroughbreds, Beagles, and the Civil War*** by Tom Emery IR 977.383 EME

***Salem Presbyterian Church (Alton, Illinois)*** IR 285.977386 SAL

***The Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George of Alton, Illinois 1925-2020: Includes Information on the Last Five Years of the Nazareth Home and the Sisters of the Precious Blood 1920-1924*** IR 362.110977386 SIS

***Understanding and Using Baptismal Records*** IR 929.1072073 HUM

***We Lift Our Voices in Thunder Tones: African American Race Men and Race Women and Community Agency in Southern Illinois, 1895-1910*** by Shirley J. Portwood IR 379.263 POR

# *Welcome to the Jennie D. Hayner Park!*

Located next to the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton, this beautiful oasis has benches, flowers, and artwork, including a book-themed mosaic and cheerful dolphin statues. Thanks to the generous support of a private endowment managed by the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association, the park has been expanded and beautified. We are so excited to share this outdoor space with our patrons

## Test Prep Books for High School Students

Hayner Library has test prep books to help you with test-taking in most subject areas. Test prep books prepare you for the SAT, ACT, and AP subject exams. They give you tactics to avoid traps and tips for guessing logically. Test prep books contain practice tests designed to help you earn a higher score. Check them out and get a head start in test-taking!

***ACT Prep 2021*** (2020). 378.1662 KAP

***The Official ACT Prep Guide 2020-2021*** (2020). 378.1662 OFF

***Master the SAT 2020*** (2020). 378 1662 PET

***Everything You Need to Ace Biology in One Big Fat Notebook: The Complete High School Study Guide*** (2021). Y570.76 BRO

***Everything You Need to Ace Chemistry in One Big Fat Notebook: The Complete High School Study Guide*** (2020). Y540.76 SWA

***Everything You Need to Ace Geometry in One Big Fat Notebook: The Complete High School Study Guide*** (2020). Y516 NEE

***AP Biology Test Prep Book 2019 & 2020: AP Biology Review Book & Practice Test Questions*** (2019). 570 APB

***AP U.S. Government & Politics 2019*** 320.473076 LAM

***Cracking the AP Chemistry Exam. Premium*** (2019). 540.76 CRA

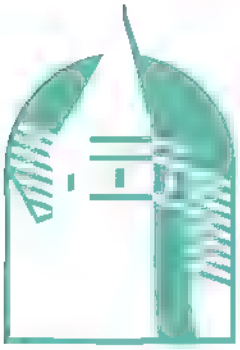
***Cracking the AP Physics 1 Exam*** (2019). 530.76 CRA

***Cracking the AP English Literature & Composition Exam*** (2018). 820.76 CRA

***SAT Subject Test Biology E/M Prep*** (2019) 378.1662 SAT

***SAT Subject Test U.S. History Prep*** (2019). 378.1662 SAT

***Sterling Test Prep SAT World History: Complete Content Review*** (2019) 378.1662 STE



## Homeschooling Resource Guides

Discover the homeschooling resources available at Hayner Library—pick up a Homeschooling Resource Guide! The guides are located at the KidsSpace service desks at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and the Downtown Library.

Hayner Library supports homeschoolers through its many resources, both print and online, and programming. The guides contain information on homeschooling websites, Hayner Library resources, special materials, educational enrichment, parent/teacher books, and more. Pick up a booklet today and discover the wide array of materials available for circulation and community/library programs in which you can participate. Our goal is to help you as you pursue educational enrichment endeavors for your children.

## Take an Audio Tour of the Genealogy & Local History Library

Have you ever wondered why our library district is named after Jennie D. Hayner? Did you know that we almost lost our entire collection to the Quincy Public Library in 1865? Want to learn the history behind the beautiful oil paintings in the Genealogy & Local History Library, some of which we've owned for over 100 years? Come listen to our audio tour!

We have ten handsets loaded with the audio tour and historic photographs The handsets are easy to use, with adjustable volume and a printed instruction sheet.

The tour includes sections on Hayner Library history, the Hayner family, the original building, our most important works of art, and stories related to the local history displays. Our current displays are Hayner Library History, the Haskell Playhouse, Alton Railroads, Elijah Lovejoy, Western Military Academy, artist Agnes Millen Richmond, Monticello Seminary, Illinois Glass Company, and historic Alton postcards

**A few interesting facts from the tour:**

In 1867, Ralph Waldo Emerson, whose brother William was practicing medicine in Alton at the time, gave a very well-attended and -received lecture titled "American Culture" to benefit the library.

Alton native Agnes Millen Richmond's paintings were featured at the 1915 World's Fair Panama–Pacific International Exposition in San Francisco.

Elijah Lovejoy's son Edward (1836-1891) worked in the newspaper business for a time, where he wrote articles defending the rights of Japanese Americans and attacking the denial of civil rights when a school district refused to integrate African Americans.

There was an intense football rivalry between Alton High School and Western Military Academy. They first played against each other in 1904. Alton was winning 6-0 when the game ended early due to lightning. The next weekend, a fight broke out between the Alton High players and Western cadets. When Western officials were unable to stop the fight, the cadet corps was locked up in their quarters for the remainder of the afternoon. The two teams didn't meet on the football field again until 1907

## Book Bundles: A Readers' Advisory Service from Hayner Library

Looking for your next great read? Let us help you find your next favorite author or genre. Hayner Library has an adult book recommendation service to help you find books you like: Book Bundles!

Participation in Book Bundles is easy Simply fill out the Book Bundles registration form on the Hayner Library website. The registration form allows you to specify your favorite reading genres, authors, titles, and other reading preference information. Once you submit the registration form, our staff will select books for you based on your criteria. After selecting the books, we will give you a call and have them waiting for you at your preferred Hayner Library location. You can also call or email the Reference department at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2849 or reference@haynerlibrary org to participate in the program.

# KidsSpace
## Summer 2021 Activities

### Summer Reading Program July Virtual Activities

**Monday, July 5, 2021 – Virtual Stories & Puppets** – Join us at 10:00 a.m. on the Hayner Library Facebook page for fun stories and a puppet show.

**Tuesday, July 6, 2021 – Virtual Stories & Art** – Listen and watch as Ms. Mary Kay and Ms. Jenn read stories and make a fun art project. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. on the Hayner Library Facebook page

**Wednesday, July 7, 2021 – Virtual Performance** – OMG Josh performs Mystery of the Narwhal Nose at 10:00 a.m. on the Hayner Library Facebook page.

**Thursday, July 8, 2021 – Take-Home Craft** – Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up your take-home craft, while supplies last.

**Monday, July 12, 2021 – Virtual Stories & Puppets** – Join us at 10:00 a.m. on the Hayner Library Facebook page for fun stories and a puppet show.

**Tuesday, July 13, 2021 – Virtual Stories & Art** – Listen and watch as Ms Mary Kay and Ms. Jenn read stories and make a fun art project. The fun begins at 10 00 a.m. on the Hayner Library Facebook page

**Wednesday, July 14, 2021 – Virtual Performance** – Check out the Hayner Library Facebook page at 10:00 a.m. to watch Chef Bananas perform his comedy and magic show.

**Thursday, July 15, 2021 – End-of-the-Summer Announcements and Performance** – Check out the Hayner Library Facebook page at 10:00 a.m. to find out if you're the lucky winner of one of the THREE BIG PRIZES! The announcements will be followed by performer Wild Hearts' "Color Me Wild" show

### Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall: July – September Activities

**Stories with Ms. Sam** – Come join us for this fun and interactive story time for children ages 2–5 years old. Children will hear stories, sing songs, and make crafts that reflect the weekly theme Meeting dates are Wednesdays, August 25, September 1, September 8, September 15, and September 22, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

**Family Story Time** – Come join us in an interactive story time for children ages 2-10 years old and their families. Participate in a variety of stories, songs, movement, puppets, crafts, and more! This is a chance for the group to get together and have fun! Meeting dates are Saturdays, August 28, September 4, September 11, September 18, and September 25, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

**TNI Story Time** – Come join us at The Nature Institute, located at 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey, for this fun and active story time. Participants will walk the Frog Trail and listen as we read the story posted on the StoryWalk boards. Each participant will then be invited to join us for a craft at the Talahi Lodge. This program takes place Wednesday, September 29, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Don't forget to dress for the weather! Please register at (618)433-2881.

**Take-Home Craft** – Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up your take-home craft kit, while supplies last. Take-home craft kits will be distributed on Thursday, July 22, 2021, and Thursday, August 12, 2021

### Hayner Library Downtown: July – September Activities

**Mary Kay's Story Time** – Come join Ms. Mary Kay for an hour of fun and play! This story time encourages children to participate in songs, stories, finger plays, and crafts. Ages 3–5 years. This program begins at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, August 24, August 31, September 7, September 14, September 21, and September 28, 2021. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Little Ones Story Time** – This story time is exclusively for our youngest patrons, birth–1-year-old, accompanied by an adult. This thirty-minute story time includes themed stories, songs, finger plays, a snack, and manipulative. Meeting dates are Thursdays, August 26, September 2, September 9, September 16, September 23, and September 30, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**After-School Fun** – Kids, come join us for an after-school craft time in the Downtown Library's KidsSpace. This craft is geared towards children ages 6–10 years old. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836

# TeenSpace
## Summer 2021 Activities

### July – September

**Teen 'Scape Club**
Hey, teens! Come join Hayner Library's new virtual club. Get together with other teens once a month to share your thoughts and opinions about the latest movies, music, and book trends Each new attendee will receive a one-time goody bag. Goody bags can be picked up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Meetings will be held monthly on Zoom. This program will be held Wednesday, September 1, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872

**Teen Take-Home Craft**
Teens can stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on Wednesdays, July 28, August 25, and September 29, 2021, and pick up a fun take-home craft kit. Craft kits will be distributed while supplies.

- July – Mason jar lid suncatcher craft kit
- August – Fuzzy notebook craft kit
- September – String art craft kit

**Teen Online Bingo**
Teens can meet other teens online at our retro fun-filled Bingo challenge! This program takes place on Zoom on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at 3:30 p.m. The best-of-ten game winner will receive a $25.00 gift card. To register for this challenge, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

**My Library Crate**
Do you enjoy book subscriptions? If so, this one is for you! This three-month book subscription is exclusively for patrons 12-18 years old. Stop by the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace desk and fill out a short survey Each month a TeenSpace staff member will pick out a new book and reserve it just for you. The crate contains a book and a few goodies. Your book crate will be filed on the patron hold shelf for five days after you are contacted. All you have to do is drop by and pick it up! For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

# Why Summer Reading is Important

## Summer Reading Facts

- **The benefits of summer reading are clear.** National research from Dominican University finds that students who participate in public library summer reading programs scored higher on reading achievement tests at the beginning of the next school year than those who did not participate.
- **Parents of children enrolled in the public library summer reading program** reported that their children spent more time reading over the summer, read more books, were well prepared for school in the fall, and read more confidently.
- **Young people experience learning losses when they don't engage in educational activities during the summer.** Research spanning 100 years shows that students typically score lower on standardized tests at the end of summer vacation than they do on the same tests at the beginning of the summer. Libraries are part of the solution.
- **To succeed in school and life,** children and young adults need ongoing opportunities to learn and practice essential skills. Summer Reading Club reminds kids that reading is for fun—as well as for learning.
- **There's so much to see, so much to do at your library!** There's no better place to take your kids. The library is a place to learn, read, and have fun...a place the whole family can enjoy. In fact, more than 82 million children attend library programs every year.
- **Studies show** that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.
- **The amount of time children spend reading** outside of school is linked to gains in reading achievement. Numerous studies show that access to books and magazines is directly related to higher reading achievement.

Source: *Dominican University IMLS-funded research: Public Library Summer Reading Programs Close the Reading Gap* http://bit.ly/dom.edu (PDF)

**Prevent "Summer Slide"**

Children who do not read during the summer can lose up to two months of learning by the time they return to school in the fall.

**Build a Bridge**

Children who participate in Summer Reading Programs and read a minimum of six books over the summer score higher in reading AND math when they return to school.

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## *Highlights of the Hayner Art Collection – View of Alton, Attributed to Blair-Riley*

This charming scene depicts a young couple waiting on the banks of the Mississippi River with their wagon, horse, and three children. Nearby river traffic includes the ferry on which the family hopes to cross to the opposite shore, as well as two side-wheelers and a flatboat with a sail. The town of Alton, Illinois, stretches along the distant shore, where its downtown–which is shown to the left–is dominated by industrial and commercial buildings, and the residential area to the right shows a church and numerous domestic buildings. The painting was completed in the mid-1800s and is in stable, conserved condition. It has several areas of restoration, most obvious in the sky, but has never been relined. The painting retains the original wooden strainer. The frame is contemporary in date to the canvas and appears to be original. Areas of the underlying red bole show through the gilding along the lower front edge, the result of dusting and touching. The signature, though confusing to many observers, is legible to the naked eye. Whether the painting was donated or purchased is unknown. An undated description of the history of ownership as told to Pearl Shearlock by Mr. Heidrich is in the archives of the library. Little is presently known of Mr. Heidrich. The painting came into our collection before 1943.

*View of Alton* has been part of several exhibits outside of Hayner Library, most notably *Currents of Expansion: Painting in the Midwest, 1820-1940*, at the St. Louis Art Museum, February 18 – April 10, 1977. The painting bears a label from that exhibition. It also bears another label that reads, "Krannert Art Museum, University of Illinois, Champaign, L72-3-45, Anonymous."

At present, there is little consensus about the signature in the lower-left or the artist's name. Hayner Library's accession file for the painting identifies the artist as J. W. Blair, but without further clarification of his identity, life dates, place of residence, or larger corpus of his life work. Regional historian Betty Madden, author of *Art, Crafts, and Architecture in Early Illinois*, briefly discusses *View of Alton* and identifies the artist as J. B. Blair instead of J. W. Blair, and records him as a resident of "Milwaukee, [Wisconsin] in 1845 who painted a view of Alton in 1856." She does so without further source or authority. An article that appears in the May 4, 1944, issue of the *Alton Evening Telegraph* cites Alton historian Guy Study, who attributed the canvas to "Blair Ripley" and assigned it the date of 1846—again, without a source. Curiously, a close inspection reveals a signature that *actually* appears to read "Blair–Riley." The meaning of the hyphen that exists between the two names is uncertain. Does this signify a hyphenated last name; the identity of a second artist who contributed to the great work; or the location where the artist might have worked? No answer is, at present, forthcoming. The artist has created a charming and well-organized picture. His simple brushwork and bold primary colors suggest he was a sign or fancy painter, rather than a professional artist—a possibility that may explain the difficulty of tracing his origins or locating other work.

The painting is located in the Illinois Room of the Genealogy & Local History Library.

Research and writing by Robert Morrissey, of Robert Morrissey Antiques and Fine Art in St. Louis, and Lacy McDonald, Genealogy & Local History Library Manager.

## *Featured Online Resource: Consumer Reports*

Did you know that in addition to the print edition of *Consumer Reports*, Hayner Library subscribes to the *Consumer Reports* online database? This resource is free to Hayner Library patrons and is available from the library's computers or your home computer/mobile device.

To access *Consumer Reports* from home, visit the Hayner website at www.haynerlibrary.org and click on Online Resources at the top of the page. You will find the link for *Consumer Reports* located in the Product Reviews and Ratings category. Log in with your last name and Hayner Library card barcode number (found on the back of your card), and you'll be ready to explore over 9,000 products and ratings—all from the comfort of your own home!

## *SHARE Makes it a Breeze to Use the Library*

The Hayner Public Library District is a proud member of the Illinois Heartland Library System and its SHARE (Sharing Heartland's Available Resources Equally) consortium.

SHARE is a collection of libraries in central and southern Illinois that have joined together to form the largest automation consortium in the country. This consortium allows patrons to easily request materials from other SHARE libraries, which can then be picked up at the patron's home library. Most materials are ready for pick-up within a couple of days after they are requested. This convenient service makes it a breeze to borrow materials from surrounding libraries.

You may also use your Hayner Library card to check out materials when visiting other SHARE libraries.

Returning materials you have borrowed through SHARE is also just as easy. You may return materials to any participating SHARE library—not just to the library from which they were originally checked out. For example, if you check out an item at Hayner Library, you may return it to the Jerseyville Public Library. The Jerseyville Public Library will send the book back to the owning library.

For your convenience, materials checked out at one Hayner Library location may also be returned to a different Hayner Library location. Staff will ensure that the materials are delivered back to the owning branch.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

## *The Music is Back!*

### The Music of George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass

Finally, we feel comfortable reopening the doors to the Hayner performance room at Alton Square Mall for in-house programming. After a long year of quarantine, social distancing, face masking, etc , the CDC, Madison County Health Department, and Governor Pritzker have judged that it is safe to resume a semblance of "pre-COVID" life We can meet in groups and enjoy being with family, friends, and neighbors.

Over the last few months, Hayner Library has been delighted to welcome patrons back into our libraries So many of you have been wonderful supporters of our special events programming and we are delighted to revise the series of entertainment and educational programs, all of which are funded through a private endowment and are free of charge to the public These programs are held in our programming room, located on the second floor of Alton Square Mall, halfway between J C. Penney and the escalators.

We can accommodate up to one hundred people, so registration is required To register, simply call 1-800-613-3163 and leave your name and the number in your party. We often have waiting lists, so if you register but can't make an event, please call and cancel your registration so that we can fill your reservation with someone from the waiting list.

Our kickoff performance will feature **George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass** on Tuesday, September 14, at 6:30 p m. This band is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area, as they blend their fiery bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. The five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave 'em wanting more"—and they always do! Join us for a festive evening of music, laughter, and celebration.

## *Hayner Library StoryWalk: Family Reading and the Great Outdoors*

StoryWalk is back and better than ever! Hayner Library has partnered with The Nature Institute to combine literacy and the great outdoors into fun for the whole family. StoryWalk is an innovative and delightful way for families to enjoy reading, nature, and engage in physical activity—all at the same time. Laminated pages from a children's book are mounted on raised storyboards at various intervals along a newly paved outdoor trail. As families stroll down the trail, they're directed to the next page in the story.

Hayner Library invites families to enjoy our StoryWalk, located on the newly paved Frog Trail at The Nature Institute, 2213 S Levis Lane, Godfrey. The trail is approximately a half-mile in length and is located behind the Talahi Lodge. Visitors are encouraged to stop at the first storyboard and use a smartphone to scan the QR code, located at the bottom of the introduction page Scanning the QR code will help the library keep track of participation in the program All trails are closed from December through March A new story will be displayed each month from April through November.

We are also pleased to announce that we have installed StoryWalk boards in James H. Killion at Salu Park in Alton. The StoryWalk boards are located on the fence inside the park, nearest the corner of Locust Avenue and Washington Avenue The boards were installed in late June and will change monthly. Visitors to this StoryWalk are also encouraged to stop at the first storyboard and use a smartphone to scan the QR code located at the bottom of the introduction page

To celebrate this wonderful program, Hayner Library and The Nature Institute invite families to join us for a StoryWalk celebration on Saturday, August 14, 2021, at The Nature Institute Families are invited to walk the Frog Trail, read the story, and make (or take) a craft. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. and runs until noon. The first thirty families to walk the trail will receive a copy of the StoryWalk book.

## Nonfiction—

**Bragg, Rick.** The Speckled Beauty: A Dog and His People, Lost and Found
**Cooper, Anderson.** Vanderbilt: The Rise and Fall of an American Dynasty
**Dettmer, Philipp.** Immune: A Journey into the Mysterious System That Keeps You Alive
**Duncan, Mike.** Hero of Two Worlds: The Marquis de Lafayette in the Age of Revolution
**Ellis, Helen.** Bring Your Baggage and Don't Pack Light: Essays
**Ellis, Joseph J.** The Cause: The American Revolution and Its Discontents, 1773-1783
**Gallagher, Winifred.** New Women in the Old West: From Settlers to Suffragists, an Untold American Story
**Higgins, Tim.** Power Play: Tesla, Elon Musk, and the Bet of the Century
**Jobb, Dean.** The Case of the Murderous Dr. Cream: The Hunt for a Victorian Era Serial Killer
**Kean, Sam.** The Icepick Surgeon: Murder, Fraud, Sabotage, Piracy, and Other Dastardly Deeds Perpetrated in the Name of Science
**King, Billie Jean.** All In: An Autobiography
**Levin, Mark R.** American Marxism
**Levine, Robert S.** The Failed Promise: Reconstruction, Frederick Douglass, and the Impeachment of Andrew Johnson
**Oster, Emily.** The Family Firm: A Data-Driven Guide to Better Decision Making in the Early School Years
**Philbrick, Nathaniel.** Travels with George: In Search of Washington and His Legacy
**Pinker, Steven.** Rationality: What It Is, Why It Seems Scarce, Why It Matters
**Pollan, Michael.** This Is Your Mind on Plants
**Prager, Joshua.** The Family Roe: An American Story
**Price, David A.** Geniuses at War: Bletchley Park, Colossus, and the Dawn of the Digital Age
**Quinn, Carrot.** The Sunset Route: Freight Trains, Forgiveness, and Freedom on the Rails in the American West
**Roach, Mary.** Fuzz: When Nature Breaks the Law
**Schreckinger, Ben.** The Bidens: Inside the First Family's Fifty Years of Tragedy, Scandal, and Triumph
**Shapiro, Ben.** The Authoritarian Moment: How the Left Weaponized America's Institutions Against Dissent
**Siegel, Matt.** The Secret History of Food: Strange but True Stories About the Origins of Everything We Eat
**Ticktin, Allie.** Play to Progress: Lead Your Child to Success Using the Power of Sensory Play
**Trejo, Danny.** Trejo: My Life of Crime, Redemption, and Hollywood
**Trump, Mary L.** The Reckoning: Our Nation's Trauma and Finding a Way to Heal
**Turner, Dawn.** Three Girls from Bronzeville: A Uniquely American Memoir of Race, Fate, and Sisterhood
**Union, Gabrielle.** You Got Anything Stronger?: Stories
**Van Iperen, Roxane.** The Sisters of Auschwitz: The True Story of Two Jewish Sisters' Resistance in the Heart of Nazi Territory
**Wallace, Chris.** Countdown bin Laden: The Untold Story of the 247-Day Hunt to Bring the Mastermind of 9/11 to Justice

## Fiction—

**Abbott, Megan.** The Turnout
**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Hemlock
**Andrews, Donna.** Murder Most Fowl
**Andrews, Mary Kay.** The Santa Suit
**Atkins, Ace.** The Heathens
**Brown, Sandra.** Blind Tiger
**Burke, James Lee.** Another Kind of Eden
**Cabot, Meg.** No Words
**Castillo, Linda.** Fallen
**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Women's March: A Novel of the 1913 Woman Suffrage Procession
**Cleeves, Ann.** The Heron's Cry
**Coes, Ben.** The Island
**Cook, Robin.** Viral
**Coulter, Catherine.** Vortex: An FBI Thriller
**Dailey, Janet.** Whiplash
**Deveraux, Jude.** An Impossible Promise
**Doerr, Anthony.** Cloud Cuckoo Land
**Douglas, Preston.** Bloodless
**Fielding, Joy.** Cul-de-sac
**Flynn, Vince.** Enemy at the Gates
**Freeman, Brian.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Treachery
**Gerritsen, Tess.** Choose Me
**Graham, Heather.** Forbidden
**Graham, Heather.** The Unknown (Krewe of Hunters)
**Griffin, W. E. B.** The Attack
**Guillory, Jasmine.** While We Were Dating
**Hamilton, Laurell K.** A Terrible Fall of Angels
**Harmel, Kristin.** The Forest of Vanishing Stars
**Hawkins, Paula.** A Slow Fire Burning
**James, Miranda.** What the Cat Dragged In
**Jewell, Lisa.** The Night She Disappeared
**Johansen, Iris.** High Stakes
**Johnson, Craig.** Daughter of the Morning Star: A Longmire Mystery
**Jones, Darynda.** A Good Day for Chardonnay
**Kellerman, Jonathan.** The Burning
**King, Stephen.** Billy Summers
**Kleypas, Lisa.** Devil in Disguise
**Krueger, William Kent.** Lightning Strike
**Lapena, Shari.** Not a Happy Family
**Lewis, Beverly.** The Beginning
**Lupica, Mike.** Robert B. Parker's Stone's Throw
**Macomber, Debbie.** It's Better This Way
**Mallery, Susan.** The Christmas Wedding Guest
**Mayor, Archer.** Marked Man
**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Man with the Silver Saab
**McKevett, G. A.** A Few Drops of Bitters
**Michaels, Fern.** 19 Yellow Moon Road
**Michaels, Fern.** Santa Cruise
**Miranda, Megan.** Such a Quiet Place
**Moriarty, Liane.** Apples Never Fall
**Muller, Marcia.** Ice and Stone
**Oates, Joyce Carol.** Breathe
**Paris, B. A.** The Therapist
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**Patterson, James.** The Noise
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**Penny, Louise.** The Madness of Crowds
**Perry, Anne.** A Darker Reality (Elena Standish)
**Peterson, Tracie.** Forever My Own
**Reichs, Kathy.** The Bone Code
**Robb, J. D.** Forgotten in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel
**Rosenfelt, David.** Dog Eat Dog
**Silva, Daniel.** The Cellist
**Slaughter, Karin.** False Witness
**Smith, Wilbur.** The New Kingdom
**Sparks, Nicholas.** The Wish
**Steel, Danielle.** Complications
**Steel, Danielle.** Nine Lives
**Stevens, Chevy.** Dark Roads
**Todd, Charles.** An Irish Hostage
**Whitehead, Colson.** Harlem Shuffle
**Woods, Stuart.** Class Act

## Mysteries—

**Abbott, Megan.** The Turnout
**Addison, Esme.** A Hex for Danger
**Andrews, Donna.** Murder Most Fowl
**Atkins, Ace.** The Heathens
**Barrett, Lorna.** A Deadly Deletion
**Bell, Ted.** Sea Hawke
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**Davis, Lindsey.** A Comedy of Terrors
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**Gerritsen, Tess.** Choose Me
**Griffin, W.E.B.** The Attack
**Harrod-Eagles, Cynthia.** Headlong
**Johansen, Iris.** High Stakes
**Levine, Laura.** Murder Gets a Makeover
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**MacNeal, Susan Elia.** The Hollywood Spy
**Marks, Mary.** Knot Ready for Murder
**Mayor, Archer.** Marked Man
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**McKevett, G.A.** A Few Drops of Bitters
**Muller, Marcia.** Ice and Stone
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**Quinn, Spencer.** Tender is the Bite
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**Rollins, James.** Kingdom of Bones
**Rosenfelt, David.** Dog Eat Dog
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**Stevens, Chevy.** Dark Roads
**Swanson, Denise.** Body Over Troubled Waters
**Todd, Charles.** An Irish Hostage
**Tomlinson, Max.** Bad Scene

## *Rocky Fork: The Beginning*

**By Charlotte E. Johnson & Reneé B. Johnson**

Ordinary people living their lives That is the collective history of the Rocky Fork area. From those in bondage seeking freedom to those seeking a welcome and opportunity, people came to this place simply to live their lives and raise their children. Generation after generation, they called this place "home."

The Rocky Fork area, a National Network to Freedom Underground Railroad site in Godfrey, Madison County, covers an area that now includes residential, private recreational lands, and the grounds of New Bethel AME Church. As early as 1816, the area is believed to have been a passageway for freedom seekers. Just a year later, six slaves were registered as indentured servants by the owner of a newly established tavern/distillery, at the junction of Piasa and Sugar/Rocky Fork creeks By 1830, the area was well within the Underground Railroad route of Priscilla Baltimore Known as "The Moses of the West," Mother Baltimore brought many through Rocky Fork and was instrumental in founding its community

While the land was wild and a bit forbidding, it was valuable. Landowners Don Alonzo Spaulding and Andrew T. Hawley were the types of men who put their beliefs into action. They and their families were active abolitionists believed to be Underground Railroad agents. The lands they owned need to be cleared Their farms required workers. Both men offered freedom seekers work and the potential to acquire land.

In 1839, Mother Baltimore brought circuit-riding AME minister William Paul Quinn to meet with the people at Rocky Fork. Rev. Quinn gathered the people together as a formal AME Church group before continuing in his westward mission Through Rev. Quinn's efforts, a call was made for a resident spiritual leader Rev. Erasmus Green and Mrs Eliza Jane Green answered that call in 1857 In the meantime, more people came to the area by boat, long swim, and overland routes They purchased land through outright cash sales and work-for-purchase arrangements These include the Parks and Wilkenson families By 1869, Rev. Green had helped raise the first building to house the Bethel AME Rocky Fork Church and school, the center of a community

The 1880 Census numbers the community at 368 Black and Mulatto individuals Who were these ordinary people living their lives, raising their children? What has become of them and their home?

To learn more about researching your stories or to continue your journey of discovery, visit the Genealogy & Local History Library

## *Adult Summer Reading Program: Reading Colors Your World: July 1–31, 2021*

The Adult Summer Reading Program is back! From July 1-31, 2021, Hayner Library's adult patrons are invited to join in the fun of this year's Adult Summer Reading Program: Reading Colors Your World Each fun activity you complete gives you a chance to win the grand prize drawing. The first thirty patrons to register also get a colorful summer tote bag!

Visit the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to register!

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# The Hayner Public Library District

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## *StoryWalk® Program*

Exercise, fresh air, nature, and literacy are all combined in Hayner Library's StoryWalk.

StoryWalk is an outdoor reading experience in which the library staff deconstructs a children's book (chosen by our children's librarian), laminates the pages, and places them in a weatherproof metal storyboard along a path. Hayner Library sponsors a StoryWalk on the Frog Trail at The Nature Institute in Godfrey and James H. Killion Park at Salu in Alton.

The Nature Institute (TNI) is a non-profit land conservation and envionrnmental education organization based in Godfrey, IL. The Frog Trail, located behind Talahi Lodge, is approximately a half-mile in length. A new book is available at the beginning of each month, from April to November. The library has installed the StoryWalk at James H. Killion Park at Salu on the fence inside the park, nearest Locust Avenue and Washington Avenue.

To celebrate StoryWalk at The Nature Institute, Hayner Library recently offered patrons the opportunity to walk the trail, make or take a craft, and recieve a free book. It was a beautiful day and families enjoyed StoryWalk and all that The Nature Institute has to offer.

We thank Illinois American Water for funding the weatherproof StoryWalk boards at The Nature Institute.

Things to Know...

About The Hayner

Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
Veteran's Day – Nov. 11
Thanksgiving – Nov. 25, 26
Christmas – Dec. 24, 25, 26
New Year's – Dec. 31, Jan. 1

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## *Switchback Returns to the Chapel*

**Switchback Returns!**
**A Celtic Christmas in the Chapel**
**Sunday, December 5, 2:30 p.m.**

Note: The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College jointly sponsor this concert. The concert will take place in the Benjamin Godfrey Chapel on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL. This program is free of charge. Masks and reservations are required.

They're back! The amazing duo of Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss a long-awaited chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their holiday album, Celtic requests, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family. Switchback always provides a beautiful touch of holiday magic. Before COVID, this annual Switchback performance had become a great holiday tradition for our community. Switchback program reservations fill quickly, so don't wait to register for this event. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Wreaths Across America 2021*

Wreaths across America is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, and Teach", is carried out by the wreath-laying ceremonies in cemeteries in all fifty states and beyond. The organization spreads its message about the importance of *remembering* the fallen, *honoring* those who serve, and *teaching* our children the value of freedom and the sacrifices made by veterans and their families through wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 18, 2021, our community will participate in this year's national Wreaths Across America event. The ceremony will start at 11:00 a.m. at the Alton National Cemetery, 600 Pearl Street, Alton, IL.

In 2020, through generous community donations, 560 wreaths were placed on the gravesites at our local national cemetery. Every dollar donated helps ensure each veteran is remembered. You can help continue this tradition by donating to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton, IL 62002. Each $30.00 recieved enables us to purchase three wreaths. For the sixth year, our local Wreaths Across America effort will offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their veteran loved one at other local cemeteries. These wreath reservations must be recieved by Friday, December 3, 2021, by calling Sue Fitzgerald at (618)466-9017.

Please support our community in carrying forward this mission to remember, honor, and teach. Join our nation in honoring veterans, many of whom forfeited their own Christmas celebrations for all of us.

For more information, please call Margaret Hopkins at (618)570-8804, or to learn more, visit the Wreaths Across America website at www.wreathsacrossamerica.org

# *Illinois State Convention For Colored People Held In Alton*

By Charlotte E. Johnson & Reneé B. Johnson

The 1856 State Convention for Colored People was held at Alton's African Baptist Church which later became Union Baptist Church. (Sketch by Mrs. Sadie L. Coates)

Born free, John Jones apprenticed with a tailor in Memphis, Tennessee. He came to Alton in 1840 to marry his ladylove and establish a business. Unbeknownst to him, laws governed his arrival in the state They required his registration, the provision of references to his good character, and the payment of a $1,000 fee. Disgusted by the inequality of these requirements, Mr. and Mrs Jones left Alton, settling in Chicago with a mission to change the laws. Together they were involved in the Underground Railroad and growing his business Eventually, Jones came to own sixteen blocks of what is now the Chicago Loop. He was a wealthy, well-respected businessman with political influence

By the fall of 1856, the country was focused on the machinations of a hotly contested presidential election in which the question of slavery and states' rights were paramount. John Jones and the other men who gathered on November 13 in Alton, Illinois were focused on citizenship rights and liberties, even though they were barred from voting in any such election. These men paid taxes to support schools their children could not attend. They could not bring suit against another man. Exercising their constitutional right to peaceably assemble and petition the government for a redress of grievances was yet another volley in their lifelong fight for justice.

First, in Ohio, in 1830, Colored citizens gathered formally to strategize against exclusionary laws and violence. More than two hundred Colored Conventions are known to have taken place across the country In more than twenty states and the District of Columbia before the turn of the century, men, women, and supporters gathered. Some of these gatherings addressed general grievances in a particular state, while others were national in scope There were seven Illinois State Colored Conventions between 1853 and 1889 and one national meeting held in Chicago

From the proceedings of the 1856 Convention held at the African Baptist Church, later Union Baptist Church in Alton, we know John Jones was one of the delegates from Cook County and that the delegates from Madison County were C.C. Richardson, I. Kelly, Louis Overton, E. White, H. Douglas King, James H Johnson, and Rev. R J. Robinson Representing Macoupin County were L. Magee and J. Samuels.

In his opening remarks, the president of the committee, William Johnson of Cook County, thanked his fellows for choosing him to fill the position and stated, "You are assembled for the purpose of devising means for the repeal of those odious enactments that now disgrace the "Statues Books" of Illinois I trust you will conduct your deliberations with harmony and order…" Over the three days of the convention, the delegates and guests worked in concert, resulting in the formation of a state-wide Repeal Association The Association was to hire agents who would travel throughout the state, holding county conventions, township meetings, lecturing, circulating petitions, and otherwise bringing to light the Black Codes' oppressive and unjust nature. Likewise, these agents were to be charged with collecting statistics on the wealth, education, mental, and moral conditions of colored people throughout the state. Their reports to the Association would shape continuing efforts.

It took nine years of collective effort to see the Illinois State Legislature repeal the Black Laws in 1865. It was another five more years until the Fifteenth Amendment, which states, "The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude." Yet, the fight for justice and equal rights continued through Conventions, marches, and additional legislation.

## *Untold Black Stories: Photo Display at Alton Square Mall*

Hayner Library is pleased to display photos of some of the StoryCorps participants who shared their stories with the community through the Untold Black Stories of Alton project. These are personal stories of family devotion, faith, dedication to hard work, friendship, honor, and reciprocity Laughter, humility, and respect—the essence of community—fill the stories

We discover a rich and often untold history We see ourselves in these stories They help us find our way back to one another and imagine a more inclusive society

Large-scale portraits by local Black photographers animate the downtown Broadway corridor and Alton Square Mall. QR codes accompany each portrait, linking viewers to conversations between cherished friends or relatives, recorded by StoryCorps. StoryCorps is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving and sharing stories to build connections and create a more just and compassionate world.

Jacoby Arts Center, Alton Main Street, All Town USA, Great Rivers & Routes Tourism Bureau, and Hayner Library collaborated on the project, with support from Illinois Humanities, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Illinois General Assembly. Bishoppe Kamusinga and Cedric Parker provided professional photography and Tyrone Stevenson provided graphic design

The project's recorded conversations include the following Alton residents: Aaron Atkins and Ariyah Smith, Courteney Wilson and Nana Becoat, Nancy Becoat and Leah Becoat, Faye Taylor and Wanda Walker, Tracey Northern and Eric Walker, Rosetta Brown and Abe Lee Barham, Amiah Williams and Antione Williams, George Terry, Diane Ingram, Carson Ingram and Faye Taylor, Jason Harrison and Willie Franklin, Bryden Barnes and Norman Barnes, J Eric Robinson and Stephanie Young, Gregory Harrison and Jason Harrison, Autumn Brown and Jasmine Hardimon, Steve Potter and Lloyd Johnson, and Yvonne Campbell and Evelyn Campbell

Archives of the StoryCorps conversations are available at Hayner Library's Genealogy & Local History Library and the Library of Congress. The Mythic Mississippi Project, a public engagement venture of the University of Illinois that promotes community development through cultural heritage programming, sponsored the printing of the portraits.

Stop by the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to view the portraits and to hear the stories! The exhibition will be on view from August-October 2021.

**CURBSIDE PICK UP STILL AVAILABLE**

Call Hayner Library at 618-462-0677 or visit www.haynerlibrary.org for more information

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

***Alton Senior High School Class of 1973: 10 Year Reunion, June 25, 1983.*** IR 373.77386 ALT

***The Annual Report of the Superintendent of School: Alton Community Unit School District No. 11.*** IR LOCKED CASES 371.0177386 ANN 1953

***Black History Month Exhibit 2016: YWCA of Alton—Sponsored by Generation of Legacy.*** IR 973.0496073 BLA

***Bunker Hill Gazette-News. Gazette Vol. 133, News, Vol. 111, No. 12, 50th Anniversary of the Friday, March 19, 1948 Tornado.*** IR 977 383 BUN

***Directory: Alton Community Unit School District No. 11, Alton, Illinois. IR 371.0177386 DIR 1964-65 and*** IR 371.0177386 DIR 1965-1966

***Grandfather's Journey by Allen Say.*** IR jF SAY

***Hold the Fort: The Battle of Allatoona Pass by Tom Emery.*** IR 973.737 EME

***Illinois 101 Recommended Reading List [compiled by the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute].*** IR 011 809773 ILL

***Minutes of the Forty-Second Annual Session of the Wood River Baptist Sunday School Convention, Teachers' Institute, B.Y.P.U. and Mothers' Union: Held with Corinthian Baptist Church, Lovejoy, Illinois, July 5 to 10, 1910.*** IR 286.1773 WOO

***My Life: Including Life of Walter "Shorty" Sharp by Emily LePere Sharp.*** IR 929.2 SHARP

***Members, Standing Committees, Rules and Order of Business of the Board of Supervisors of Madison County, Illinois. Seven volumes available from 1914–1920.*** IR 977.386 MAD

***National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form: Cross Ranch Archeological District.*** IR 978.4843 NAT

***My Poetry Efforts, ETC by Helen Yeothan (1888–1987).*** IR 811 YEO

***The Phillip E. Swan Collection [electronic resource].*** IR 929.2 SWAN

***The Republican, December 31, 1903 (Calhoun County).*** IR 977.3853 REP

***St. Patrick Church: Alton, Illinois, 1883-1977.*** IR 282.977386 STP

***Towers, Turrets, Wooden Beams, and Art Glass: A Tour of Three Theodore Link Buildings of Alton and Godfrey—Monticello College, Hayner Library, First Presbyterian Church of Alton.*** IR 977.386 TOW

***Upper Mississippi River Navigation Charts (1982).*** IR 976.2 UNI

***Western Military Academy: Alumni Service Roster—Alton, Illinois.*** IR 373.77386 WES

# KidsSpace

## FALL 2021 ACTIVITIES

### Virtual Story Times

Our themed virtual story times offer children ages 2–7 the opportunity to listen to books, sing songs, perform fingerplays, and watch an occasional puppet show. We will post our virtual story times on the Hayner Library Facebook page at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Ms. Sam's virtual story times: November 2, 9, 16, 30 and December 7 and 14. Ms. Mary Kay's virtual story times: October 7, 14, and 21, November 4 and 18, and December 2, 9, and 16.

### Nature Institute Story Times

Join us at 10:00 a.m. each Tuesday in October for a fun interactive story time. We will hold these in-person story times at the Talahi Lodge at The Nature Institute, 2213 South Levis Lane, Godfrey, IL, on Tuesday, October 5, 12, 19, and 26, weather permitting. All participants must wear a mask.

### Take-Home Crafts

Young patrons ages 3–8 will be offered a take-home craft each Thursday at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Dates for craft distribution are October 7, 14, 21, and 28, November 4 and 18, and December 2, 9, and 16. We will distribute crafts while supplies last.

### *Star Wars* Reads Day

*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. This year, Hayner Library invites patrons ages 6–12 to drop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on Saturday, October 9, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., and pick up a *Star Wars*-themed take-home craft. Patrons can also enter a drawing for a *Star Wars*-themed fun pack. May the Force be with you!

### After School Fun Craft

Children ages 6–11 can stop by the Downtown Library and pick up a fun holiday-themed craft. Crafts will be distributed on the following Tuesdays: October 12, November 16, and December 14.

### Science with Sam

Science with Sam is a fun monthly STEAM-themed program that happens on the first Friday of each month in October, November, and December. Ms. Sam will prepare interactive kits for children ages 7–10 to take home that demonstrate different STEAM concepts, such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to perform the activity. We will also post an instructional video online for families to watch! Adult assistance is required for some of the activities. Patrons may pick up kits from the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace on October 1, November 5, and December 3. We will distribute kits while supplies last.

### Halloween Scare Stations

Are you ready to be scared? Well, stop by the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace every Saturday in October to see what scary fun awaits! Scare stations will be available on Saturday, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

### Halloween Costume Contest

Hayner patrons ages birth–11 can stop by the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace any Saturday in October between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. in a Halloween costume and enter our KidsSpace Halloween costume contest! Each participant will need to have their picture taken to register. At the end of the month, Hayner Library staff will vote on their favorite costume. We will award prizes to first, second, and third place winners.

### Holiday Family Scavenger Hunt

Load up the family and start your journey to find some of Alton and Godfrey's best holiday displays. Participants will find ten challenges on the Beanstack app or Beanstack.com. Each participant will need a Beanstack account to complete the challenge. Complete all ten challenges for a chance to win a $50.00 gift card. This challenge takes place between Monday, December 6 and Sunday, December 19. We will notify the gift card winner on Monday, December 20.

### Holiday Card Drop-In Station

Drop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Monday, December 6 through Saturday, December 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and make a holiday card to share with someone special.

### Students for Soldiers Donation Boxes

November is the month of giving. This year, Hayner Library has partnered with Marquette Catholic High School's Students for Soldiers, a program developed by Carmen Serio, a longtime teacher at Marquette Catholic High School, and sponsored and supported by the Alton Moose Lodge. This program will allow our patrons to make donations of packaged snacks (no homemade items, please) and personal care items to those serving in the military, both stateside and overseas. During November, the library will set up donation boxes at the KidsSpace desks at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and the Downtown Library. We will also provide a list of items you can donate to the troops. Coloring sheets will be available for children to color and send along with their donations. If you know of anyone in the military (family or friend) to whom you would like a box delivered, please contact the library's KidsSpace department at 618-462-0677, ext. 2836. Let the troops know how much we appreciate their sacrifice!

### Holiday Drop-In Ornament Station

Drop by the Downtown Library from Monday, December 6 through Friday, December 17, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and make your very own holiday ornament.

### Drop-In Holiday Celebration Event

Drop by the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace on Saturday, December 4, between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., and enjoy a little holiday fun! The KidsSpace staff will have festive and interactive stations available for children ages 2–11. All participants must wear a mask. Parents, bring your cameras—Santa may make an appearance!

# *Summer Reading Program 2021 "Reading Colors Your World"*

Hayner Library's staff and young patrons were up for this year's challenging Summer Reading Program, "Reading Colors Your World "

The KidsSpace staff worked hard to prepare fun activities and tasks using our Beanstack online software program Beanstack helped young patrons manage, create, and measure their reading The library also offered weekly virtual programs such as Stories & Art, Stories & Puppets, live entertainers, and take-home crafts Children earned weekly prizes for their reading efforts and those children who read beyond the minimum goal of five books per week earned a ticket for one of the three big end-of-summer reading program prizes

A performance by Wild Hearts entertained participants during the End-of-Summer Reading Party on Facebook. Hayner Library staff used the Beanstack virtual ticket drawing software to select the winners of each of our three grand prizes. Patron Oakley F. won the Magna-Qubix block set, Dylan H. won the yard game bundle, and Rosalie G. won the $100 Edison's gift card.

Staff also picked digital tickets for winners of the artwork created by artist Jennifer Grassle of Cheerful Canvas, made during our Stories & Art online story times.

Congratulations to North Elementary School for having the most student participation in this year's Summer Reading Program! North Elementary will display this year's traveling Summer Reading Program trophy in their school library during the next school year.

We thank the Jennie D. Hayner Association and Jennifer Grassle from Cheerful Canvas for their support of the Summer Reading Program

Congratulations to all our winners!

We hope to see everyone at our 2022 Summer Reading Program when the theme will be "Read Beyond The Beaten Path "

# *It's Back! The 2021 Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl*

**September 27–October 17, 2021**

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce our participation in the 2021 Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS) Library Crawl There are over eighty libraries in this year's crawl!

Participating in the library crawl is easy Simply pick up an IHLS Library Crawl passport from any Hayner Library location, have your passport stamped by at least five participating libraries, and then return your passport to any Hayner Library location for a chance to win our grand prize drawing. All participating patrons who visit a Hayner Library location will receive a small prize (while supplies last) The library crawl will take place from September 27 to October 17, 2021.

To show off where you have traveled, use #IHLSLibraryCrawl2021 on social media! The IHLS Library Crawl is a fun way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit other libraries and experience the vast array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state

Please note: Hayner Library cardholders can pick up and drop off their passports at any Hayner Library location. All other IHLS member library cardholders should pick up and drop off their passports at their home libraries Only Hayner Library patrons are eligible to win our grand prize drawing

# TeenSpace

## FALL 2021 ACTIVITIES

Teen Take-Home Crafts
Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft! We will distribute crafts kits on Wednesday, November 10 and Wednesday, December 8. We will distribute crafts while supplies last.

Diamond Art Series
Teens, stop by the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace each Wednesday in October and pick up a Halloween-themed Diamond Art kit. We will distribute the art kits while supplies last.

Not-Just-for-Teens Escape Rooms
Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Monday for a new escape room challenge. Figure them out by yourself or with your friends! Answer questions, find clues, and solve riddles to complete these fun virtual games. We will post a new escape room each Monday, beginning October 4.

Color Your Stress Away
Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Friday for a new printable coloring sheet. Break out the colored pencils, turn on some relaxing music, and color your stress away. Coloring sheets will be available every Friday, beginning October 1.

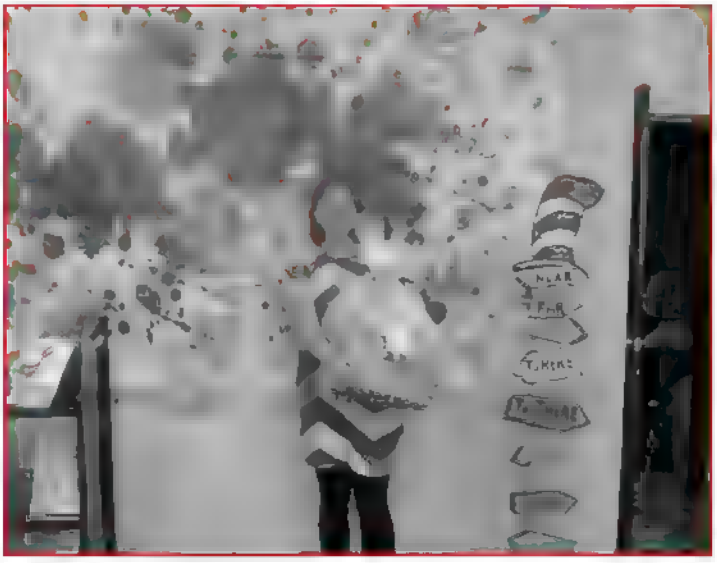
Virtual Teen 'Scape Club
Hey, teens! Join Hayner Library's new virtual club. Get together with other teens once a month to share your thoughts and opinions about the latest movie, music, and book trends. Each new attendee will receive a one-time goody bag, which you can pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Virtual club meetings will take place monthly on Zoom on Wednesday, October 6, November 3, and December 1, at 4:00 p.m. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

All Around Town Teen Halloween Scavenger Hunt
Load up the car and start your journey to find some of Alton and Godfrey's most haunted places. Teens (ages 12-18) will find ten challenges on the Beanstack app or Beanstack.com. Each participant will need a Beanstack account to complete the challenge. Complete all ten challenges for a chance to win a $50.00 gift card. This challenge begins Monday, October 4, 2021 and runs until Sunday, October 24, 2021. We will notify the gift card winner on Monday, October 25, 2021. For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

## *2021 Teen Summer Reading Program "Reading Colors Your World"*

The 2021 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Reading Colors Your World," challenged teens to keep the books open over the summer. We asked teens to go virtual by using either the Beanstack app or Beanstack website. Participants won weekly prizes for their diligent reading, and were asked to participate in challenges which allowed them to earn tickets for a chance to win the grand prize basket. At the end of the five week program, each participant was given a free book for their hard work.

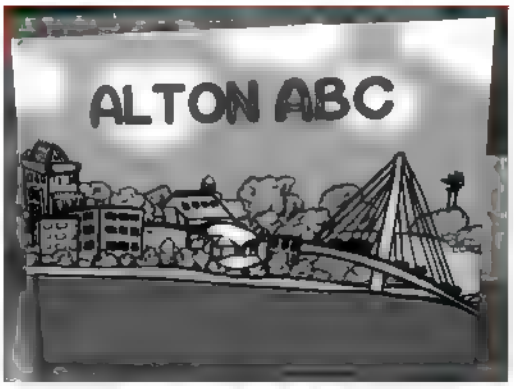
Congratulations to this year's grand prize winner Paityn I. Paityn won the grand prize basket full of books, gift cards, and iRead memorabilia. And congratulations to all our participants for making this year's Teen Summer Reading Program so successful. We hope to see everyone at next year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Read Beyond the Beaten Path."



## HPLD

Staff of the library and many patrons recognize HPLD as the acronym for The Hayner Public Library District. Did you also know that it is a scientific acronym for the Highest Possible Level of Development? Truly. That is exactly how the HPLD can lead you to the HPLD.

# Great Holiday Gift Idea: Alton ABC!




In 2019, a small group of Alton High School students and their teacher, Mrs. Lexa Browning-Needham, collaborated with Reneé B. Johnson of the Genealogy & Local History Library to publish *Alton ABC*.

The rhyming alphabet picture book is designed to delight and inform, acknowledging the present and the history of our area.

The second printing of *Alton ABC* is available for purchase at the Genealogy & Local History Library, located at 401 State Street, Alton, IL. They make a great present or stocking stuffer!

The hardbound books cost $20.00 each. The library will split the proceeds with the Alton School District.

***We are unable to process credit or debit card transactions. We accept cash or check payments only.***

# Twentieth Anniversary of Vintage Voices

Vintage Voices, now in its twentieth year, will continue its tradition of guided walking tours in the Alton Cemetery on the first two weekends in October (October 2, 3, 9, and 10), from 12:00–2:30 p.m. Tours will leave from the main gate of the cemetery (at Vine & 5th Streets) every fifteen to twenty minutes. Masks will be required and social distancing policies followed. A non-walking tour presentation will be held at the Jacoby Arts Center on Sunday, October 10, at 5:00 p.m.

The Vintage Voices steering committee carefully selected the characters and themes of this year's tour.

John Meehan and Stella Egelhoff will welcome guests to the twentieth-anniversary tour as prominent local architect Lucas Pfeiffenberger (1834–1918) and Lucy Jane Haskell (1880–1890), whose legacy lives on at Haskell Park, where her playhouse (designed by Pfeiffenberger) still stands.

Jake Tenberge will portray Elijah A. White (1892–1976). White was a World War I veteran and an employee of Western Military Academy. He will tell the story of the Academy and discuss notable graduates. This year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the closing of Western Military Academy.

Jared Hennings will portray Professor Charles Newton (1856–1886). Newton was the first Black student to graduate from Alton High School in 1873. A brilliant scholar, he then graduated from Shurtleff College in Upper Alton in 1876 and became principal of the Sumner School of St. Louis.

Sean Williams will portray Eddie Lumpkins (1892–1936). Lumpkins was the owner of Lumpkins Hauling Business in Alton and worked at the Stratford Hotel, Laclede Steel Company, and the leadworks. He and his wife were born in Oxford, Mississippi, came to Alton after they married, and became very involved in the community. Lumpkins lead many community activities, including transporting church groups to the St. Louis Zoo.

Latasha LeFlore-Porter will portray Eliza Walker Williams (1882–1957). Walker Williams was the first Black Democratic precinct committeewoman and first Black woman candidate for Alton School District Board of Education. She worked to desegregate the schools, led the struggle for voter registration, and was involved with the Alton YWCA.

Ron Abraham will portray August F. Ratz (1866–1930). Ratz will tell the history of the Rotary Club of Alton-Godfrey in honor of the Rotary's one-hundredth anniversary this year. Ratz was a charter Rotary member and proprietor of the Mineral Springs Hotel.

Flora Van Koten will portray Abigail Hurlbut (1802–1884). Hurlbut will tell the story of her search for news of the fate of her son, Captain Wilberforce Lovejoy Hurlbut. Capt. Hurlbut fought at Antietam, led the Fifth Michigan Regiment at Chancellorsville, and was wounded at Gettysburg. He went missing in action on May 6, 1864, during the Battle of the Wilderness.

This year is the ninetieth anniversary of the adoption of the Star-Spangled Banner, and singer Debbie Maneke will perform the Star-Spangled Banner and Pledge of Allegiance. Blake Schaper and Jacob Schaper will also share the history of the Pledge of Allegiance, originally written in 1892.

Susan Parton Stanard will portray Mrs. Cora Dolbee Rohland (1856–1929). Rohland was an extremely talented musician, musical director, and composer. She organized several choral organizations, notably the Dominant Ninth Choral Society, which won national recognition under her guidance.

Tickets are $15.00 for adults and $10.00 for students ages six through eighteen. Tickets for the cemetery tour can be purchased online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vintage-voices-2021-walking-tours-tickets-139932105695 or at the main gate of the Alton Cemetery at least thirty minutes before the tours begin.

Tickets for the non-walking tour can be purchased online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vintage-voices-2021-non-walking-event-tickets-158489336873

## BOOK BUNDLES

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## *Martyr to Liberty: The Legacy of Elijah P. Lovejoy Film Premiere*

"Lovejoy's tragic death for freedom in every sense marked his sad ending as the most important single event that ever happened in the new world."—Abraham Lincoln

A drunk, angry mob murdered Reverend Elijah P. Lovejoy on November 7, 1837, at the Godfrey & Gilman warehouse in Alton. The mob smashed Lovejoy's (fourth) printing press and threw it into the Mississippi River. The yoke of that printing press, which was found and pulled from the river in 1915, resides in the Genealogy & Local History Library. Lovejoy was an abolitionist who fiercely opposed slavery and published anti-slavery views in his newspaper, the *Alton Observer*. He became the first martyr to the Freedom of the Press and is considered by some to be the "first casualty of the Civil War."

The Mythic Mississippi Project, a collaboration between the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (Dr. Helaine Silverman) and the University of Illinois, Springfield (Dr. Devin Hunter), produced a short documentary film earlier this year about the life and legacy of Elijah P. Lovejoy. The film features Genealogy & Local History Library Manager Lacy McDonald and showcases many books and artifacts related to Lovejoy in the Hayner collection. The twenty-four-minute film premieres on November 9, 2021, as part of a two-day series of events related to Lovejoy.

First, the Lovejoy Memorial Committee will hold its annual Lovejoy Day event at noon on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at the Lovejoy Monument in the Alton Cemetery. Bonnie Fox is the president of the Lovejoy Memorial.

Later that day, Tuesday, November 9, 2021, from 6:00–7:30 p.m., several panelists, including Dr. Silverman and Dr. Hunter from Mythic Mississippi, Great Rivers & Routes Tourism Bureau president Cory Jobe, Lovejoy grave trustee Ed Gray, Route 3 Films creator and owner Ryan Hanlon, and Hayner Library's Lacy McDonald will discuss the Mythic Mississippi project, Elijah Lovejoy, and the creation of the film. The film premiere will follow the panel discussion.

Author Ken Ellingwood will speak the next day, Wednesday, November 10, 2021, from 6:00–7:30 p.m., on his new book, *First to Fall: Elijah Lovejoy and the Fight for a Free Press in the Age of Slavery*. Ellingwood did an excellent job writing a compelling, suspenseful nonfiction account of abolitionist Elijah Lovejoy that reads like a novel. Nancy Gibbs, former editor in chief of *Time* magazine, and Lombard Director of the Shorenstein Center on Media, Politics and Public Policy at Harvard Kennedy School, wrote in her review, "*First to Fall* is not just a rich and well-told tale; it's a genetic test for modern journalism, an exploration of foundational American principles—the power of individuals, the fearless defense of a free press, and the deeper values of equality, justice, and truth-telling at any cost. The story of Lovejoy's martyrdom rhymes with the risks of reporters now facing rubber bullets and death threats. Fascinating in its own right, this history is also a bracing parable for our times."

*First to Fall* is available to read at the Genealogy & Local History Library or to check out at the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

The University of Illinois conference services is organizing the webinar; we will post a registration link for both virtual events on the Hayner Library website when it becomes available. There is no need to register for the Lovejoy Monument event.

**Annual Lovejoy Day program:** Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 12:00–1:00 p.m. Lovejoy Memorial at the Lovejoy Monument in the Alton City Cemetery (Vine Street).

**Panel and film premiere:** Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 6:00–7:30 p.m. Virtual, online registration with the University of Illinois.

**Author talk with Ken Ellingwood *First to Fall: Elijah Lovejoy and the Fight for a Free Press in the Age of Slavery*:** Wednesday, November 10, 2021, 6:00–7:30 p.m. Virtual, online registration with the University of Illinois

We hope you can join us for one or all of these special events.

## *DAR "Friend-Raiser" Open House*

**Saturday, November 6, 2021, 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.**

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to guide you through the DAR application process. Don't think you have a soldier in your family? There's also the more general category of "Patriotic Service," which includes things like members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity.

Admission is free, and registration is not necessary. For updates, please check the Ninian Edwards DAR Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/NinianEdwardsAltonILNSDAR.

## *YWCA Women of Distinction at Hayner Library*

Each year the YWCA Women of Distinction Award is presented to a select group of women with extraordinary accomplishments through career success, community service, leadership, mentoring, and dedication to YWCA of Southwest Illinois's mission of eliminating racism and empowering women. With over 195 recipients of this award, the Women of Distinction Academy is comprised of the most accomplished women in Madison and Jersey counties. Five employees of The Hayner Public Library District have been the recipients of this award.

Bernadette Duvernoy, Executive Director (2004), Sue Hardin, Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Director—Human Resources (2005), Mary Cordes, Assistant Director—Circulation and Strategic Services (2017), and Stephanie Munson, Volunteer Coordinator (1994) have all been recognized. The newest Hayner honoree is Lacy McDonald, Genealogy & Local History Manager (2021).

The Hayner Public Library District is proud to be part of this community, and strives to contribute positively to Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township.

## Nonfiction—

**Andersen, Christopher.** The Brothers: Inside the Private Worlds of William and Harry

**Auster, Paul.** Burning Boy: The Life and Work of Stephen Crane

**Baier, Bret.** To Rescue the Republic: Ulysses S. Grant, the Fragile Union, and the Crisis of 1876

**Barrymore, Drew.** Rebel Homemaker: Food, Family, Life

**Brasier, Mel.** Take It Outside: A Guide to Designing Beautiful Spaces Just Beyond Your Door

**Brooks, Mel.** All about Me!: My Remarkable Life in Show Business

**Burgess, Ann Wolbert.** A Killer by Design: Murderers, Mindhunters, and My Quest to Decipher the Criminal Mind

**Copperfield, David.** David Copperfield's History of Magic

**Couric, Katie.** Going There

**Drummond, Ree.** The Pioneer Woman Cooks Super Easy!: 120 Shortcut Recipes for Dinners, Desserts, and More

**Foxx, Jamie.** Act Like You Got Some Sense: And Other Things My Daughters Taught Me

**Goodall, Jane.** The Book of Hope: A Survival Guide for Trying Times

**Grohl, David.** The Storyteller: Tales of Life and Music

**Gupta, Sanjay.** World War C: Lessons from the Covid-19 Pandemic and How to Prepare for the Next One

**Habib, Rodney.** The Forever Dog: Surprising New Science to Help Your Canine Companion Live Younger, Healthier, and Longer

**Homolka, Gina.** Skinnytaste Air Fryer Dinners: 75 Healthy Recipes for Easy Weeknight Meals

**Howard, Ron.** The Boys: A Memoir of Hollywood and Family

**Jonas Brothers.** Blood: A Memoir by the Jonas Brothers

**Kilmeade, Brian.** The President and the Freedom Fighter: Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, and Their Battle to Save America's Soul

**King Arthur Baking Company.** The King Arthur Baking Company Essential Cookie Companion

**McEnany, Kayleigh.** For Such a Time as This: My Faith Journey Through the White House and Beyond

**Offerman, Nick.** Where the Deer and the Antelope Play: The Pastoral Observations of One Ignorant American Who Loves to Walk Outside

**Orlean, Susan.** On Animals

**Patchett, Ann.** These Precious Days: Essays

**Patterson, James.** The Defense Lawyer: The Barry Slotnick Story

**Patterson, James.** E.R. Nurses: True Stories from America's Greatest Unsung Heroes

**Pearl, Matthew.** The Taking of Jemima Boone: Colonial Settlers, Tribal Nations, and the Kidnap That Shaped America

**Roberts, Andrew.** The Last King of America: The Misunderstood Reign of George III

**Roberts, Steven V. Cokie:** A Life Well Lived

**Sedaris, David.** A Carnival of Snackery: Diaries

**Smith, Will.** Will

**Symon, Michael.** Fix It with Food: Every Meal Easy: Simple and Delicious Recipes for Anyone with Autoimmune Issues and Inflammation

**Tucci, Stanley. Taste:** My Life Through Food

**Weinstein, Bruce.** Instant Pot Bible: Copycat Recipes: 175 Original Ways to Remake Your Favorite Restaurant Recipes in Your Instant Pot

**Wolff, Michael.** Too Famous: The Rich, the Powerful, the Wishful, the Notorious, the Damned

**Wood, Lana.** Little Sister: My Investigation into the Mysterious Death of Natalie Wood

## Fiction—

**Albom, Mitch.** The Stranger in the Lifeboat

**Andrews, Brian.** W E B. Griffin Rogue Asset

**Andrews, Donna.** The Twelve Jays of Christmas (Meg Langslow)

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Over My Dead Body

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B. Parker's Bye Baby (Spenser )

**Baldacci, David.** Mercy

**Balogh, Mary.** Someone Perfect

**Beaton, M. C.** Down the Hatch: An Agatha Raisin Mystery

**Bell, Ted.** Sea Hawke (Alex Hawke)

**Blanchard, Alice.** The Witching Tree: A Natalie Lockhart Novel

**Bowen, Rhys.** God Rest Ye, Royal Gentlemen

**Bradford, Barbara Taylor.** A Man of Honor

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Claws for Alarm (Mrs. Murphy)

**Cameron, Marc.** Tom Clancy Chain of Command (Jack Ryan)

**Child, Lee.** Better Off Dead (Jack Reacher)

**Childs, Laura.** Twisted Tea Christmas

**Clinton, Hillary Rodham.** State of Terror

**Colgan, Jenny.** The Christmas Bookshop

**Connelly, Michael.** The Dark Hours

**Connolly, John.** The Nameless Ones

**Cornwell, Bernard.** Sharpe's Assassin

**Cornwell, Patricia.** Autopsy: A Scarpetta Novel

**Cussler, Dirk.** Clive Cussler's The Devil's Sea

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Midnight Lock (Lincoln Rhyme)

**Erdrich, Louise.** The Sentence

**Eskens, Allen.** The Stolen Hours

**Evanovich, Janet.** Game On, Tempting Twenty-Eight

**Evans, Richard Paul.** The Christmas Promise

**Feehan, Christine.** Dark Tarot (Carpathian Novel)

**Fluke, Joanne.** Christmas Dessert Murder (Hannah Swensen)

**Follett, Ken.** Never

**Franzen, Jonathan.** Crossroads

**French, Nicci.** The Unheard

**Gabaldon, Diana.** Go Tell the Bees That I Am Gone (Outlander)

**Gray, Shelley Shepard.** A Christmas Courtship

**Griffiths, Elly.** The Midnight Hour (Brighton Mysteries)

**Grisham, John.** The Judge's List

**Hoffman, Alice.** The Book of Magic

**Hooper, Kay.** Curse of Salem (Bishop/Special Crimes Unit)

**Keneally, Thomas.** The Dickens Boy

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Forgiving Paris

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**Steel, Danielle.** The Butler

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**Thayne, RaeAnne.** Sleigh Bells Ring

**Towles, Amor.** The Lincoln Highway

**Unger, Lisa.** Last Girl Ghosted

**White, Karen.** The Attic on Queen Street

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**Woods, Stuart.** Criminal Mischief (Stone Barrington)

**Woods, Stuart.** Foul Play

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**Andrews, Donna.** The Twelve Jays of Christmas

**Beaton, M.C.** Down the Hatch

**Bowen, Rhys.** God Rest Ye, Royal Gentlemen

**Brennan, Allison.** The Sorority Murder

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Claws for Alarm

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**Connelly, Michael.** The Dark Hours

**Coyle, Cleo.** Honey Roasted

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Hayner Library is pleased to announce our newest service, the SHARE Mobile Library app! This app makes it easy to manage your library account and access helpful library information directly from your phone, tablet, or other mobile device.

The SHARE Mobile Library app allows you to keep track of checkouts and due dates, renew items, and view your fines. You can also search the catalog and place and manage holds easily.

The app allows you to quickly access the Hayner Library events calendar and our Facebook and YouTube pages. Accessing our online databases, such as Creativebug, Auto Repair Source, NoveList, *Consumer Reports*, and more, has also never been easier!

The app features an ISBN scanning tool that allows you to scan the ISBN barcode from any book to determine if Hayner Library or another SHARE library owns the title! If so, simply place a hold with one easy click, and we will contact you when the item is ready for pick up!

This app is free and available to all Hayner Library cardholders. Find it in the Apple App Store or Google Play store; search for "SHARE Mobile Library" or scan the QR code below.

This app is brought to you by The Hayner Public Library District and the SHARE library consortium, a division of Illinois Heartland Library System.

Things to Know...

About The Hayner

Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
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# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for two special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all* ***free of charge****, financed through a private endowment. All programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. All programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level, unless otherwise stated.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often, program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you have registered, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so that we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Jared Hennings*

**An Evening to Celebrate**
**Tuesday, February 8, 6:30 p.m.**

In celebration of Black History Month, a local favorite, Jared Hennings, will perform music representing the culture and incredible musical contributions of the Black community, including gospel, jazz, swing, popular and contemporary. Hear Jared Hennings pay tribute to great music and artists. But wait, there's more! Since we are on the cusp of Valentine's Day, no doubt the irrepressible Mr. Hennings will also offer up a selection of romantic ballads as only he can perform.

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

## *Bud Shultz & You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*

**Celebrate Fat Tuesday**
**Tuesday, March 1, 6:30 p.m.**

***Note: This program will be held on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey, Ill. In the Ahlmeyer Auditorium (ATC) of the Trimpe Bldg.***

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor. Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in authentic New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great venue. This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College.

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

## *Adult Winter Reading Program*

Join us this winter for our Adult Winter Reading Program! From February 1 to February 28, 2022, Hayner Library invites patrons age eighteen and older to join in the winter reading fun—and a chance to win a grand prize gift basket designed to help you beat the winter chill.

Registration and participation are easy. Simply visit the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and fill out a short registration form. For each book, e-book, or audiobook you read, you get a chance to enter a drawing for the grand prize. The more you read, the more chances you have to win! We will draw a winner at each location.

As an added bonus, each week during the program, we will highlight a different library service, program, or collection in the form of a scavenger hunt "Word of the Week" poster hidden in the library. Visit the library weekly, find the hidden poster, and write down the Word of the Week to earn an additional chance to win the grand prize gift basket. Happy winter reading!

# *Crazy Critters Who Made The News!*

Who doesn't love a cuddly warm kitten or a pudgy rambunctious pup? Over the years, The Hayner Public Library District has shown our support for the canine and feline species with programs such as Food for Fido and Bow-wow Pow-wow, where children can read to a group of laid-back pooches during Saturday morning read-a-thons

For the most part, our pets are cute, lovable, and fun. But sometimes, let's be honest, they can also be a downright headache! I have owned a few such critters, and so did the folks below, according to the local newspaper

In October 1908, the *Alton Evening Telegraph* ran a front-page story about Jim Chessen's parrot. Jim's beautiful pet bird was an enthusiastic talker, but the words he chose to speak were not beautiful at all The newspaper article reported the fine feathered companion had such a foul vocabulary that it even repulsed Jim! So much so, he tried several times to give the bird away, but no one wanted to be the person responsible for bringing such vulgarity into their home. A week after the article ran, the newspaper reported that Mr Chessen was trading horses with his neighbor Joe Heines. I wonder why Jim didn't take advantage of throwing in the bird as an added bonus to the deal?

Jim Chessen's parrot wasn't the only parrot in Alton to make headlines. Three years later, in 1911, Mrs. Scott Walker on East Fifth Street had a parrot which she put on the front porch each morning to bask in the warm sunlight. But the warm morning sun wasn't the bird's only enjoyment. He also delighted in squawking out insults to the children walking to school. Having endured more than a fair share of the bird's shenanigans, a group of young boys plotted their revenge. The newspaper reported the boys armed themselves with "flippers" and declared war on the brash-speaking bird! As they approached the battleground (the Walker's front lawn!), the parrot exclaimed, "Wash your neck, dirty shirt." Now, I have no idea what this silly statement meant to the bird, but the boys took it as a full-blown insult and opened fire. One well-placed shot knocked the pint-sized bully right off his perch Luckily, the bird made a full recovery, and the boys received a reprimand.

In 1973, a moody goose on the loose was causing an uproar all around Grangeville, Idaho. Residents reported it to be running wildly and menacing the neighborhood canines with no regard to the size or disposition of the dogs. The owner of the grumpy goose was fined five dollars for allowing it to run around town unrestrained, but the city dropped the measly fine after their legal counsel declared the leash law did not apply to geese. The harassing of the hounds continued until the city changed the local law.

Dobin was a fire department horse who loved to run, and in 1928 he was arrested for doing just that. But Dobin wasn't running to a fire or a rescue—he was running for the joy of it. He was spotted blissfully sprinting down public streets, across busy intersections, and through red stoplights. Dobin evaded all valiant attempts at capture, but he was finally caught by an exasperated patrolman who, without prejudice, arrested and charged the horse with exceeding the speed limit! Dobin's free rein adventure landed him a front-page newspaper story along with the title of "first horse to be arrested in Chicago."

In 1937, a family in Alton was raising a pair of monkeys on Highland Avenue. Baby Lou was the youngest, and he was said to be a pesky little critter whose daily antics were more than a barrel of . fun (you expected monkeys, right?). According to the newspaper headline, Baby Lou was dubbed "Family Nuisance Number One " Since he was allowed to run around the home unattended, his exploring quickly became a problem for the entire household. When Baby Lou found the mailbox, he began a daily ritual of removing the mail and joyously tearing every piece to shreds. Next, he discovered the clothesline and the great pleasure of removing the freshly laundered clothes so that he could distribute them haphazardly around the yard. But Baby Lou did have a few redeeming qualities. He loved to swim in Piasa Creek, hang from the top of a broomstick, sit lovingly on shoulders, and chew the gum that he would pull right out of his owner's mouth (and there goes the bad temperament, again!).

In 1911, Mr. Pfaff of Alton had a melancholy chicken The chicken was reportedly twenty-five years old and seemingly sick. The newspaper reporter compared the hen to Methuselah, so I assume it is unusual for a chicken to reach this milestone birthday. During her life on the farm, she had dutifully acted as a surrogate mother to the baby chicks, but lately, she had abandoned her position as mother hen and no longer seemed interested in her farm life Mr. Pfaff, thinking the hen was ready to say her final goodbye, took her for a ride into town so he could have a professional photo taken of his beloved bird before she died. Surprisingly, after Mr. Pfaff's and his egg-laying sidekick's joyride ended, the hen recovered from her discontent and went back to her motherly duties with a renewed enthusiasm Mr Pfaff firmly believed the day-long outing away from the farm was the healing touch for the aged hen. I guess this proves that all mothers (human or poultry) need a break from the brood now and then!

Dogs are man's best friend, and some can actually tell you so! According to an article in the September 20, 1950 *Alton Evening Telegraph* newspaper, telephone linemen were startled when a dog at the East Alton residence of E.A. Jones called out to his owner. What was so startling was that he didn't call out by a bark but by a word. According to the linemen, the owner's wife told the dog to "call Earl," and the dog did exactly as he was told. He yelled out, "Earl!" When the shocked workmen questioned Mrs. Jones about what they had just heard, she told them the dog could talk, but usually only on mornings when the weather is cool. It seems the mongrel dog, who had been rescued by the Jones family a year earlier, was a bit picky when it came to vocalizing his talent. She also informed the workers that the dog barks, too! Well, now, who would have guessed that?

Mary may have had a little lamb who followed her to school, but according to the 1948 *Alton Evening Telegraph*, Johnny had a dog. And Johnny's dog was not the only pup who followed the kids to school that year. According to the article, too many dogs were accompanying their young friends to school and then gathering to play and fight on the playground. The canine high jinks, which were happening right outside the schoolroom window, were distracting the children so much that school officials called the police to break up the rally and send the dogs home But the police said the wayward pets were not breaking any laws, so they could not

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do anything about it. Maybe this is why Mary had a little lamb; it was a quiet pet that behaved more civilly on the playground!

Myrtle, the turtle from Wood River, made front-page headline news in 1963 when her six-year-old owner Cynthia Floyd came home from school and couldn't find her slow-moving playmate. Besides Myrtle the turtle, little Cindy had three goldfish named Reggie, Kent, and Wilbur. She also had a small poodle named Babette, who, besides the fish, was the only occupant in the house when Myrtle went missing. An accusatory finger was pointed—and it was pointed in Babette's direction. Worried for the dog's health if she did indeed turn Myrtle into an afternoon snack, the family consulted a veterinarian. The vet declared that the outcome had been far worse for the turtle than the consequences would be for the ornery little pooch. Myrtle the turtle was never seen again, and the newspaper reported that Babette never confessed.

The primate, poodle, and parrots in this article prove that the pets of our ancestors can also shed some light on who our family members were and how they lived  Maybe adding some pet stories to your genealogy research can introduce a whole different side of the family!

**By: Pam Bierman**
**The Genealogy & Local History Library**

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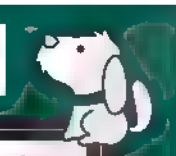

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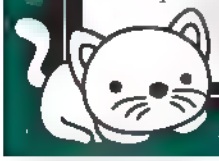

**All collected items will be donated to the SAS.**

## *Pedometer Lending Program Keep Walking This Winter! Borrow a Pedometer!*

Mall walkers and outdoor walkers! Stop by Hayner Library and check out a pedometer with your library card. Pedometers can be borrowed for two weeks and possibly renewed (if there are no outstanding holds). Keep track of your steps and enjoy the physical activity of walking.

Pedometers track the number of steps taken in a day and are a popular tool for motivating physical activity. Both our physical and mental health benefit from walking. Try using a pedometer this winter and add more steps to your day!

And while you're at the library, be sure to pick up our hiking guide, which lists local walking paths and trails to explore.

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

***Cahokia Brought to Life: An Artifactual Story of America's Great Monument.*** IR 977.389 CAH

***Charles (Cletus) Joseph Kramer, 1892-1964: Georgia Ellen (Maboney) Kramer, 1894-1977*** **by Joyce Taff.** IR 929.2 KRAMER

***Dedication Randolph County Courthouse, June 14, 1975.*** IR 977.392 DED

***Education at The Principia: Selections from Letters, Messages, and Statements*** **by Mary Kimball Morgan.** IR 378.77386 MOR

***Directory: Alton Community Unit School District No. 11, Alton, Illinois.*** IR 371.0177386 DIR 1964-65 and IR 371 0177386 DIR 1965-1966

***From Slave to State Legislator: John W. E. Thomas, Illinois' First African American Lawmaker.*** IR B THOMAS

***Historic Preservation Patch: Girl Scout Junior Guide*** **by Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia.** IR j363.69 GIR

***The History of Our New Prayer Garden*** **by Arnold Saaf (First United Methodist Church, Godfrey).** IR 287.677386 SAA

***Holiday Treasures*** **by Godfrey Women's Club (2011 cookbook).** IR 641.5 HOL

***Humble Beginnings: The History of Cassens Transport*** **by Tom Rami and as remembered by Albert Cassens.** IR 388 0977386 RAM

***The Illinois Freedom Project: Using Inspiring Stories of the Past to Inform and Empower Students to Create a Better Future—Featuring Stories and Places of Freedom in Illinois.*** IR 973.7114 ILL

***The J*** **(Jersey Community High School, Jerseyville, IL, yearbooks, 1950, 1952, 1953).** IR 373.773855 JER

***John Wade Taff, 1899-1951: Nina Helen (Baker) Taff, 1896-1953*** **by Joyce Taff.** IR 929.2 TAFF

***Kentucky Barracuda: Parker Hardin French (1826-1878): The Notorious Scoundrel and Delightful Rogue of Antebellum and Civil War America*** **by Joe Goodbody.** IR B FRENCH

***Multigenerational Photos from Local Newspapers: Beginning 1922.*** IR 929 2 MUL

***National Register of Historic Places Registration Form: Middletown Historic District (Boundary Increase 2)—Alton Downtown Historic District.*** IR 977 386 NAT

***The Negro and Education in Missouri (1948)*** **by Ulysses Simpson Donaldson.** IR 378 77866 DON

***Richard Thomas Taff, 1918-1985: Mary Delores (Kramer) Taff, 1920-1999*** **by Joyce Taff.** IR 929 2 TAFF

***Speakers' Spectrum: 1982–83*** **(Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville).** IR 378 77386 SOU

***Touching Each Tree*** **by John J. Dunphy.** IR 811.54 DUN

***Watershed Cairns: The Mississippi River North.*** **Libby Reuter and Joshua Rowan.** IR 731.2 WAT

***YWCA Southwestern Illinois Women of Distinction: 2021, Making a Difference.*** IR 977.386 YWC

# KidsSpace

## *Winter 2022 Activities*

Story Times

Virtual story times, designed for young patrons ages 2–7, will be available on the Hayner Library Facebook page on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. Ms. Sam's Tuesday story time dates are January 4, 11, 18, and 25; February 1, 8, 15, and 22; March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2022. Ms. Mary Kay's Thursday story times dates are January 6, 13, 20, and 27; February 3, 10, 17, and 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2022. The story times will also be available on our Hayner KidsSpace YouTube channel.

Audubon Story Time

Come join Ms. Sam for a fun bird-themed story time at the Audubon Center at Riverlands, located at 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, MO 63386. The fun will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 9, 2022. Masks are required at this program.

Take-Home Crafts

Each Thursday, we will offer take-home craft kits to young patrons ages 3–7 in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Dates for craft distribution are: January 6, 13, 20, and 27; February 3, 10, 17, and 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2022. The craft kits will be available at 10:00 a.m. We will distribute the craft kits while supplies last.

After School Fun Craft

Children ages 6–11 can visit the Downtown Library and pick up a themed craft on the following Tuesdays: January 18, February 15, and March 15, 2022. We will distribute the craft kits while supplies last.

Science with Sam

Science with Sam is a fun, monthly STEAM-themed program that happens on the first Friday of each month. Ms. Sam will prepare interactive kits for children ages 7–10 to take home that demonstrate different STEAM concepts such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to complete the activity. We will also post an instructional video online for families to watch! Adult assistance is required for some of the activities. Kits may be picked up at the KidsSpace desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Kits will be available for pick up on the following dates: January 7, February 4, and March 4, 2022. We will distribute the science kits while supplies last.

Stuffed Animal Workshop

During this fun interactive workshop, children ages 3–7 will be read a themed story and entertained with a short puppet show. Children will then bring their very own plush animal to life by filling it with stuffing, naming it, and then taking it to its forever home. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 12, 2022, in the Hayner Library performance room, located on the upper level of Alton Square Mall. Registration is required to attend this program. Limited space available! Please call 618-433-2881 to register.

Hayner KidsSpace YouTube Channel

Hayner Library KidsSpace is now on YouTube! If you miss one of our virtual story times or Science with Sam videos on Facebook, you can easily find them on the Hayner KidsSpace YouTube channel. Search for "Hayner KidsSpace" on YouTube to access new and old videos—and to subscribe to our channel!

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# TeenSpace

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Teen Take-Home Crafts
Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft! We will distribute crafts kits on the following Wednesdays: January 12, February 9, and March 17, 2022. We will distribute crafts while supplies last.

Teen Diamond Art Series
Teens, stop by TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall each Wednesday in March and pick up a Diamond Art kit. We will distribute these kits to teens ages 11–18 while supplies last.

Not-Just-for-Teens Escape Rooms
Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Monday for a new virtual escape room challenge. Figure them out by yourself or with your friends! Answer questions, find clues, and solve riddles to complete these fun virtual games. We will post a new escape room each Monday, beginning January 3, 2022.

Color Your Stress Away
Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Friday for a new printable coloring sheet. Break out the colored pencils, turn on some relaxing music, and color your stress away. Coloring sheets will be available every Friday, beginning January 7, 2022.

Harry Potter Book Event
We are thrilled to announce "Magical Journeys" as the 2022 Harry Potter Book Night theme. We invite witches, wizards, and Muggles from all around the world to take a magical journey of their own through enchanting games, magical crafts, and bewitching activities. Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on Saturday, February 19, 2022, from 1:00–3:00 p.m. For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Teen Movie Event
Hayner Library invites teens ages 12–18 to join us on Saturday, January 15, 2022, at the new Alton Square Mall movie theater! We have rented one of the NCG Cinema theaters for a Saturday afternoon matinee. Participants will enjoy popcorn and soda during the movie. This program has a strictly enforced limit, so please register early! For more information or to register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Teen Online Bingo
Teens can meet other teens online at our retro fun-filled Bingo challenge! This program takes place on Zoom on Saturday, March 26, 2022, from 1:00–3:00 p.m. Pick up your Bingo bag in TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall beginning Monday, March 21. We will offer the Bingo bags until a few hours before the game starts. The winner will receive a $25.00 gift card. To register for this challenge, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

## *Welcome to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace, Ms. Sam!*

Earlier this spring, children and parents found a new (masked) face behind the KidsSpace desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. We are happy to announce that Sam Staicoff has joined the Hayner KidsSpace department full time! Sam joined KidsSpace after Janet Andrews retired from the department in September 2020.

I must admit that when interacting with Sam, I have the urge to call her Sam I Am. She assures me that I'm not the only one who does. "I have so many parents and caregivers ask, 'Sam? As in Sam I Am?' when they first meet me!" said Sam.

This reference is fitting, not only because Sam works in our children's department, but because *Green Eggs and Ham* happens to be her favorite childhood book!

Sam brings an impressive academic resume to her position. After earning an undergraduate degree in psychology, Sam knew she wanted to pursue a career dedicated to helping children. After internships with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services and the Head Start Program, Sam earned a master's degree in licensed mental health counseling.

Her realization of the potency of unity within a community and her desire to work in an established community-centered organization led her to apply for a position at Hayner Library. "While I was getting my master's degree and volunteering, I realized the magic that happens when a community comes together for the well-being of everyone," Sam explains. "Individual change is a powerful thing, but the change that happens when you have a supportive community is phenomenal."

Since her first day in her new position, Sam has worked tirelessly to provide unique and creative programs and events for the children and families in our community. One such program, Science with Sam, is especially important to her. Science with Sam is a STEAM-based program for children between the ages of seven and ten. STEAM stands for science, technology, engineering, and math. Once a month, children who participate in the Science with Sam program can visit the library to pick up an interactive kit that includes item lists and ingredients to perform an activity that demonstrates different STEAM concepts such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, robotics, and more. Sam also records instructional videos for each kit, published on the library's Facebook page and KidsSpace YouTube channel. The Science with Sam program is rooted in Sam's passion for the scientific field. "The subject of science has always fascinated me, and I love learning about new theories or discoveries that can be tested through the scientific method," she said.

Science with Sam isn't the only program offered in KidsSpace. Each week, the KidsSpace staff, consisting of Sam, Mary Kay Serio, Sharon Windham (manager), and Shannon French, offers story times, crafts, and special programs.

With so many programs happening, I was eager to find out what part of her job Sam loves the most. "My favorite part of KidsSpace is getting to share the joy and creativity that comes with making children's programs. Watching kids' faces light up with happiness and understanding when they participate is what makes this job awesome," smiled Sam.

In the short amount of time that Sam has been in KidsSpace, she has created an atmosphere that allows children to learn, share, and grow as individuals. We're delighted that Sam has joined our KidsSpace department, and we look forward to seeing what creative ideas she has in store!

—Theresa M.
Technical Services Department

# *Congratulations to Vintage Voices for a Successful Twentieth Year!*

Since 2002, Vintage Voices has become an important cultural event in our community. Every October, tours are held in the Alton Cemetery with actors in period costumes telling the story of Altonians who have shaped the Riverbend's history.

Vintage Voices began as a fundraiser for the Alton YWCA. Through the years, the event has been a collaboration between the YWCA, Alton Cemetery Board, Alton Little Theater, and starting in 2019, a committee of community volunteers. The committee partners with the East End Improvement Association (Alton, IL) to "Keep history alive!" The staff at the Genealogy & Local History Library assists the Vintage Voices committee in several ways:

- Helping to compile a list of possible decedents for the Vintage Voices committee to consider.
- Helping to locate the chosen decedents in the cemetery, especially if there is not a gravestone. The Genealogy & Local History Library collection contains copies of burial books, lot books, and other cemetery records. Cemetery maps are available in the library and on The Hayner Public Library District website.
- Providing research packets to the actors on the decedent they will portray. Actors write their own scripts—and really do a fantastic job!
- Providing access to physical and digital research materials such as the *Alton Telegraph* from 1836–present (available remotely from 1836–2012 and 2020–present with your Hayner library card).
- Serving as a permanent repository for Vintage Voices ephemera such as a complete set of the program booklets and many of the scripts written by actors over the years. All of these items are available to view in the library.

Proceeds from the Vintage Voices performances support the continuation of the event, upkeep of the Alton Cemetery, and various community organizations, including Hayner Library. Please come out next year to see our history come alive!

# *Martyr to Liberty: The Legacy of Elijah P. Lovejoy Film*

On 2021's Lovejoy Day, November 9, a new documentary film premiered. *Martyr to Liberty: The Legacy of Elijah P. Lovejoy* has a permanent home in the video section on Hayner Library's Facebook page and on a new page of the Hayner Library website (https://www.haynerlibrary.org/genealogy-local-history/elijah-p-lovejoy-collection).

The Mythic Mississippi Project, a collaboration between the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (Dr. Helaine Silverman) and the University of Illinois, Springfield (Dr. Devin Hunter), produced the film. Created by Route 3 Films, it features Genealogy & Local History Library Manager Lacy McDonald and showcases many books and artifacts related to Lovejoy in the Hayner collection. Most notable is the yoke of Lovejoy's fourth printing press, found by Sparks Milling Company employee Alfred Pitts and pulled from the Mississippi River in 1915, and which now resides in the foyer of the Genealogy & Local History Library.

Our website's Lovejoy page also contains a link to a Zoom lecture with Author Ken Ellingwood. In it, Ellingwood discusses his book *First to Fall: Elijah Lovejoy and the Fight for a Free Press in the Age of Slavery*, a compelling, suspenseful nonfiction account of abolitionist Elijah Lovejoy. "It's a genetic test for modern journalism, an exploration of foundational American principles— the power of individuals, the fearless defense of a free press, and the deeper values of equality, justice and truth telling at any cost," wrote Nancy Gibbs, former Editor in Chief of *TIME*.

In addition to Ellingwood's lecture and the documentary, our website's Lovejoy page also contains behind-the-scenes photos from filming, a bibliography of books and ephemera related to Lovejoy in Hayner's genealogy and local history collection, and information on the Lovejoy Memorial Committee.

# *Inclement Weather Closing Information*

Winter is just around the corner, bringing with it the potential for snow and ice. To ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If inclement weather is in the forecast, please call us at (618) 462-0677 before making a trip to visit one of our locations; an outgoing message will inform you of any changes to our regular hours of operation.

# Celebrate Women's History Month

In honor of Women's History Month, Hayner Library has a selected list of books highlighting the lives of extraordinary women  You will find these books, and more like them, at Hayner Library.

- *Grace and Grit: My Fight for Equal Pay and Fairness at Goodyear and Beyond* by Lilly M. Ledbetter
- *Bad Feminist: Essays* by Roxane Gay
- *Hood Feminism: Notes from the Women that a Movement Forgot* by Mikki Kendall
- *The Doctors Blackwell: How Two Pioneering Sisters Brought Medicine to Women—and Women to Medicine* by Janice P Nimura
- *The Three Mothers: How the Mothers of Martin Luther King, Jr., Malcolm X, and James Baldwin Shaped a Nation* by Anna Malaika Tubbs
- *The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote* by Elaine F Weiss
- *Looking for Lorraine: The Radiant and Radical Life of Lorraine Hansberry* by Imani Perry
- *The League of Wives: The Untold Story of the Women Who Took on the U S  Government to Bring Their Husbands Home* by Heath Hardage Lee
- *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover

# Celebrate Black History Month

## A Focus on Black Health and Wellness

This year, Black History Month examines how American healthcare has often underserved the African American community  Black health and wellness includes the physical body and emotional and mental health  Hayner Library has many health and wellness books written by African Americans about African Americans  The selected list below covers some of the topic for health and wellness. Read a book, become aware of issues, and have a conversation. Check out a good book and be informed.

- *Hunger: A Memoir of (My) Body* by Roxane Gay
- *You are Your Best Thing: Vulnerability, Shame Resilience, and the Black Experience—An Anthology*
- *Just Us: An American Conversation* by Claudia Rankine
- *Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen: The Emotional Lives of Black Women* by Inger Burnett-Zeigler
- *My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies* by Resmaa Menakem
- *Black Pain: It Just Looks Like We're Not Hurting: Real Talk for When There's Nowhere to Go but Up* by Terrie M  Williams
- *Invisible Man, Got the Whole World Watching  A Young Black Man's Education* by Mychal Denzel Smith
- *More Than Pretty  Doing the Soul Work That Uncovers Your True Beauty* by Erica Campbell
- *Every Body Yoga: Let Go of Fear, Get on the Mat, Love Your Body* by Jessamyn Stanley
- *The Body is Not an Apology: The Power of Radical Self-Love* by Sonya Renee Taylor

# Directory of Community Mental Health Resources

Libraries provide an important link to promoting general well-being through our collections and knowledge of information resources. Hayner Library has many mental health and well-being resources in our collection, including our Directory of Community Mental Health Resources. The directory was developed to help patrons locate reliable mental health organizations within the local community.

You can pick up your copy at any Hayner Library location. If you would like multiple copies for your organization, please contact the Reference department at reference@haynerlibrary.org, or call 618-462-0677, ext. 2849.

## Nonfiction—

**Amen, Daniel G., M.D.** You, Happier: The 7 Neuroscience Secrets of Feeling Good Based on Your Brain Type

**Atwood, Margaret.** Burning Questions: Essays and Occasional Pieces, 2004 to 2021

**Bertinelli , Valerie.** Enough Already: Learning to Love the Way I Am Today

**Bushman, David.** Murder at Teal's Pond: Hazel Drew and the Mystery That Inspired Twin Peaks

**Byrne, Rhonda.** The Secret to Love, Health, and Money: A Masterclass

**Clark, Melissa.** Dinner in One: Exceptional & Easy One-Pan Meals

**Douglas, John E.** When a Killer Calls: A Haunting Story of Murder, Criminal Profiling, and Justice in a Small Town

**Eliot, Marc.** The Hag: The Life, Times, and Music of Merle Haggard

**Galloway, Stephen.** Truly, Madly: Vivien Leigh, Laurence Olivier, and the Romance of the Century

**Gerard, Tieghan.** Half Baked Harvest Every Day: Recipes for Balanced, Flexible, Feel-Good Meals

**Gundrey, Steven R., M.D.** Unlocking the Keto Code: The Revolutionary New Science of Keto That Offers More Benefits Without Deprivation

**Hari, Johann.** Stolen Focus: Why You Can't Pay Attention--And How to Think Deeply Again

**Heath, Chip.** Making Numbers Count: The Art and Science of Communicating Numbers

**Kershaw, Alex.** Against All Odds: A True Story of Ultimate Courage and Survival in World War II

**Matthews, Michael.** Muscle for Life: Get Lean, Strong, and Healthy at Any Age!

**McEnany, Kayleigh.** For Such a Time as This: My Faith Journey Through the White House and Beyond

**Meyer, Joyce.** The Power of Thank You: Discover the Joy of Gratitude

**O'Neal, Shaquille.** Shaq's Family Style: Championship Recipes for Feeding Family and Friends

**Peters, William.** At Heaven's Door: What Shared Journeys to the Afterlife Teach about Dying Well and Living Better

**Pink, Daniel H.** The Power of Regret: How Looking Backward Moves Us Forward

**Puhak, Shelley.** The Dark Queens: The Bloody Rivalry That Forged the Medieval World

**Rear, Rachel.** Catch the Sparrow: A Search for a Sister and the Truth of Her Murder

**Roberts, Robin.** Brighter by the Day: Waking Up to New Hopes and Dreams

**Shields, Charles J.** Lorraine Hansberry: The Life Behind a Raisin in the Sun

**Stahr, Walter.** Salmon P Chase: Lincoln's Vital Rival

**Streets, Annabel.** 52 Ways to Walk: The Surprising Science of Walking for Wellness and Joy, One Week at a Time

**Sullivan, Rosemary.** The Betrayal of Anne Frank: A Cold Case Investigation

**Thompson, Laura.** Heiresses: The Lives of the Million Dollar Babies

**Vonn, Lindsey.** Rise: My Story

**Zaleski, Laurie.** Funny Farm: My Unexpected Life with 600 Rescue Animals

## Fiction—

**Allende, Isabel.** Violeta

**Atkins, Ace.** Robert B. Parker's Bye Bye Baby (Spenser)

**Beaton, M. C.** Death of a Green-Eyed Monster

**Benedict, Marie.** Her Hidden Genius

**Box, C. J.** Shadows Reel

**Briggs, Patricia.** Soul Taken

**Burke, Alafair.** Find Me

**Chamberlain, Diane.** The Last House on the Street

**Chase-Riboud, Barbara.** The Great Mrs. Elias: A Novel Based on a True Story

**Coben, Harlan.** The Match

**Dailey, Janet.** Calder Grit

**Deveraux, Jude.** A Relative Murder

**Davis, Fiona.** The Magnolia Palace

**Dorsey, Tim.** Mermaid Confidential (Serge Storms)

**Evanovich, Janet.** The Recovery Agent (Gabriela Rose Novel)

**Feehan, Christine.** Phantom Game (Ghostwalker)

**Fluke, Joanne.** Caramel Pecan Roll Murder

**Foley, Lucy.** The Paris Apartment

**Gardner, Lisa.** One Step Too Far

**George, Elizabeth.** Something to Hide (Lynley Novel)

**De Gramont, Nina.** The Christie Affair

**Greaney, Mark.** Sierra Six

**Gudenkauf, Heather.** The Overnight Guest

**Guterson, David.** The Final Case

**Hawkins, Rachel.** Reckless Girls

**Hoover, Colleen.** Reminders of Him

**Hunter, Stephen.** Targeted (Bob Lee Swagger)

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Dark Horse: An Orphan X Novel

**Jance, J. A.** Nothing to Lose: A J P Beaumont Novel

**Johansen, Roy.** Killer View

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** City of the Dead: An Alex Delaware Novel

**King, Stephen.** Gwendy's Final Task

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Lightning in a Mirror

**Koontz, Dean.** Quicksilver

**Lippman, Laura.** Seasonal Work. Stories

**Macmillan, Gilly.** The Long Weekend

**Mallery, Susan.** The Summer Getaway

**Margolin, Phillip.** The Darkest Place (Robin Lockwood)

**McKinty, Adrian.** The Island

**Meier, Leslie.** Easter Bonnet Murder

**Meltzer, Brad.** The Lightning Rod: A Zig and Nola Novel

**Mezrich, Ben.** The Midnight Ride

**Mitchard, Jacquelyn.** The Good Son

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** A Thousand Steps

**Pataki, Allison.** The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post

**Patterson, James.** The Horsewoman

**Patterson, James and Dolly Parton.** Run, Rose, Run

**Patterson, James.** Steal

**Preston, Douglas.** Diablo Mesa

**Quinn, Kate.** The Diamond Eye

**Rice, Anne.** Ramses the Damned: The Reign of Osiris

**Rivers, Francine.** The Lady's Mine

**Robb, J. D.** Abandoned In Death

**Rollins, James.** The Starless Crown

**Scalzi, John.** The Kaiju Preservation Society

**Scottoline, Lisa.** What Happened to the Bennetts

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Family You Make

**Steel, Danielle.** High Stakes

**Steel, Danielle.** Invisible

**Taylor, Brad.** End of Days (Pike Logan)

**Todd, Charles.** A Game of Fear

**Tyler, Anne.** French Braid

**Winspear, Jacqueline.** A Sunlit Weapon

**Woods, Stuart.** A Safe House (Stone Barrington)

# *A Return to Rocky Fork: Early People*

By Charlotte E. Johnson
& Reneé B. Johnson

*Priscilla Baltimore, known as "The Moses of the West," helped organize the Underground Railroad system in southwest Illinois. (Photo courtesy of Rocky Fork New Bethel AME)*

Though she never lived in Rocky Fork, Priscilla Baltimore was instrumental in founding the community. Born in Kentucky, her father sold her to another Methodist minister from St. Louis, Missouri. He allowed her to work as a seamstress to purchase her freedom. Well respected in St. Louis, Priscilla was therefore allowed to take enslaved peoples to church meetings. In 1825, she took eleven families to a meeting near today's Brooklyn, Illinois, and founded Freedom Town. Four years later, John Paul Quinn, an AME circuit-riding missionary, visited Freedom Town, organizing the people as a religious group and an Underground Railroad station. Priscilla Baltimore brought Rev. Quinn to Alton, where he organized the Lower Alton AME Church, part of today's Trinity AME Church. They then traveled on to Rocky Fork, where he organized the people into a religious group that became the Rocky Fork Bethel AME Church.

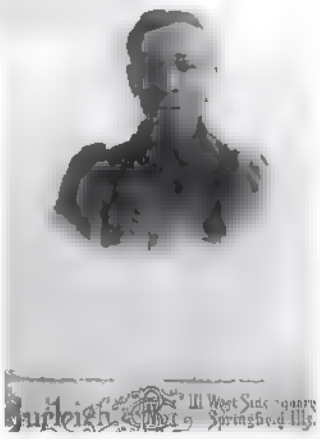
The combined efforts of Mother Baltimore and Rev. Paul Quinn established an AME Underground Railroad route from St. Louis, Missouri, through Jersey County, Illinois. After leading more than 300 people to freedom, many through Rocky Fork, Priscilla Baltimore is known as" The Moses of the West." From Prairie du Rocher, Randolph County, Illinois, Peter and Lavine Baker moved their family to Alton in 1835 after completing a term of indenture. Founding members of the Colored AME Church in the city, the Bakers were well known to Priscilla Baltimore and Rev. Paul Quinn. After learning of the Rocky Fork settlement, Peter Baker purchased forty acres of land at ten dollars per acre and moved his family to the community. He later purchased more land from A. T. Hawley and established a cemetery that cradles the remains of twenty-five early settlers. Called to continue the AME freedom work, Peter and Lavine moved north, joining the AME church group that met at Diamond School in Delphi, Illinois. Peter befriended known abolitionist Dr. Diamond. On September 21, 1879, before a crowd of 3,000 in Brighton, Illinois, the two men shared the podium to celebrate the repeal of the Illinois Black Laws. At the time of her death in 1905, Lavine Baker was returned to lie in eternal rest at Rocky Fork.

London and Agga Jane Parks, along with their four children, registered at the Madison County Courts as required of free persons of color in 1837. Like the Bakers, the family settled first in Alton and became founding members of the Lower Alton Colored Methodist Church. The Parks moved to Rocky Fork in 1842 after purchasing forty-eight acres for $150.00. London Parks became an initial trustee of Rocky Fork Bethel AME, and when plans began for a church building, he deeded the land for construction for just one dollar. Eventually, the family moved north to Delphi and helped organize the gathering of worshippers at Diamond School. Mrs. Agga Jane Parks was returned to Rocky Fork for burial in 1880.

Erasmus Green's father was a respected Methodist minister appointed to the Louisiana Conference. The elder Green purchased his own freedom and assisted others in doing so. When Rev. Paul Quinn sent the call for a spiritual leader for a freedom-seeking community in Illinois, Erasmus answered the call. He and his wife Eliza Jane came to Rocky Fork in 1857.

They settled into their lives, farming land purchased from Misters Baker and Hawley. They welcomed four children and served the people of the area through their good works and the founding of Bethel AME, Rocky Fork Church. Months after the founding in 1863, Erasmus answered a call to arms. Forbidden to own or carry weapons in Illinois, he joined Company B of the 56th US Colored Infantry in St. Louis, Missouri. Following three years of distinguished service in Arkansas, Rev. Green rejoined his family and parishioners in Rocky Fork, bringing Andrew Jackson Hindman formerly of the 56th. Together, Rev. Green and co-pastor Hindman raised the first Rocky Fork Bethel AME church building in 1869. Rev. and Mrs. Green served the community until they died in 1907 and 1927, respectively. Descendants of the Greens and A.J. Hindman still live in the area and support the church.

*Rev. Erasmus Green (Photo courtesy of Evelyn Hyndman Johnson)*



*Eliza Jane Green (Photo courtesy of Evelyn Hyndman Johnson)*

*A. J. Hindman (Photo courtesy of Rocky Fork New Bethel AME Church )*

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## Hayner Library Facts

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**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

The library will be closed for the following holidays:
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Memorial Day - May 29, 30

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## *Hayner Laptops and Hotspots Available for Check Out*

The Hayner Public Library District is pleased to announce that we now have laptops and hotspots available for check out at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

Each laptop is equipped with a mouse, Microsoft Office programs (Word, Excel, and PowerPoint), a web camera, and ports for flash drives (so you can save your work). The hotspots allow users (both individuals and groups) to link a laptop, phone, or tablet to a free high-speed internet connection. For security purposes, the memory on each laptop is erased every time the computer is restarted. Patrons should use a flash drive to save all work; flash drives are available for purchase at the library for $3.00 each if needed.

Funding for this program was made possible through the Illinois State Library's Expanding Digital Inclusion: Transforming Library Services grant.

- Patrons must be a Hayner Library cardholder in good standing (unexpired card and no outstanding fines over $5.00).
- Patrons must be age eighteen or older to check out a laptop or hotspot.
- Patrons must fill out a Library Electronic Device Agreement form when checking out a laptop or hotspot.
- Laptops and hotspots can be checked out for two weeks and can be renewed once if no other patrons are waiting for a device.
- Overdue fees are $5.00 per day, per device. Wi-Fi service will be turned off to any overdue hotspot devices.
- For security and privacy reasons, the laptops are programmed to delete any information saved to the computer each time the device is rebooted. Therefore, patrons must use their own flash drive to save all work.
- Laptops and hotspots cannot be returned in the book drop; patrons must return the devices to the Hayner Library location from which they were checked out.
- Patrons are responsible for returning the devices in working order and with all components intact. Patrons are responsible for replacement costs for any lost or damaged devices and components.

## *Check it Out!*
## *Hayner Library Offers Fort Building Kits for Children*

The Hayner Public Library District will soon offer fort building kits for our young patrons. The 120-piece kits contain plastic tubes and connectors, as well as instructions to create a variety of different shapes and structures.

These building kits are an exciting way for children to utilize hands-on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) skills while designing and building their ultimate fort. The kits provide an opportunity for children to share new and creative structures with friends and family.

# Special Events at Hayner

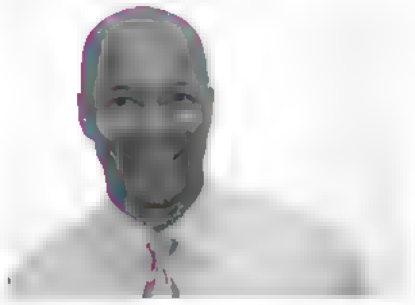
All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material

*Join us for our Spring 2022 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all **free of charge**. All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. All programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often, program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you have registered, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so that we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Jared Hennings*



**Tuesday, April 26, 6:30 p.m.**

Local vocalist Jared Hennings always attracts a full house. Jared will be presenting a program of music for romance. Ballads, Broadway tunes, and more will be on Jared's playlist. He will also perform a selection of spirituals that showcases his beautiful musical range.

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

## *Wood You Be My Neighbor? The Benefits of Trees*

**Wednesday, May 4, 6:00 p.m.**

Join Trees Forever Field Coordinator Emily Ehley to learn the who, what, when, where, and why of urban forestry. This presentation will include information about the benefits of trees to communities as well as tips on selecting, planting, and maintaining trees in your urban habitat. Come curious: questions, discussion, and engagement welcome!

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

**Note: This program will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.**

## *Mark Dvorak*

**Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Mark has performed all over the United States and Europe. In 2018 he was awarded the Woodstock Folk Festival Lifetime Achievement Award and in 2012 he was recognized as Chicago's "official troubadour." His concerts are a mix of the familiar and the new, traditional folk, and standards from the Great American Songbook. He plays authentic country blues guitar and picks a great old-time banjo. Join us for a delightful evening of music and laughter.

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

## *George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass*

**Tuesday, June 7, 6:30 p.m.**

George Portz & The Friends of Bluegrass is one of the most versatile performing groups in the area as they blend their fiery bluegrass roots with some traditional Irish and Louisiana Cajun. Their "Cajun Set" has won raves from crowds throughout the Midwest. This five-piece musical group's enthusiasm, top-notch musical ability, wit, and humor are always evident during their performances. George, the group's leader and founder, has won more than 130 first-place fiddling championships, played for two presidents, and performed at the Grand Ole Opry. George's musical philosophy is to always "leave'em wanting more"and they always do!

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

# *Happy Fiftieth Birthday to The Hayner Public Library District!*

Since 1852, the creation, maintenance, and expansion of (what is now) The Hayner Public Library District has been made possible by the tireless work and dedication of staff, volunteers, donors, Jennie D. Hayner Library Association, and The Hayner Public Library District Board of Trustees. The amount of strategy, effort, and creativity that has gone into the success of this library district is truly inspiring.

This article focuses on the years 1972 to 2022, in celebration of the Golden Anniversary of The Hayner Public Library District. For more information about the early years of Hayner Library, please see *Better Than They Knew: A History of Public Library Service in Alton*, written by Pamela R. Klipsch. This book, written for the celebration of the Hayner Memorial Building Centennial (1891-1991), and others related to Hayner Library history are available in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton

A public library district differs from a city or county library in that it is a wholly independent local governmental unit. Public library districts are created by an election or a conversion of a pre-existing library. On January 25, 1972, Alton voters approved the referendum to establish the independent Hayner Public Library District. Prior to this election, the library had operated first as a subscription library and then a city library

A library center in the Godfrey Town Hall opened in the late spring, Monday through Friday, with over 1,500 items. The new district began operation on July 5, 1972. Just weeks later, and despite expanded services, including the Godfrey library center, bookmobile services, children's programming, and mail-order paperback services, Godfrey and Foster Township voters opted not to join the library district by a five-to-one margin. Godfrey and Foster Township residents who lived in the Alton School District could still purchase non-resident library cards to use Hayner Library services

In 1973, the library's collection was 80,000 books and periodicals, 3,000 recordings, 300 8mm and 6mm films, and subscriptions to 200 magazines and fifteen newspapers.

On October 6, 1974, an open house was held to celebrate the newly-refurbished Hayner Memorial Library building as the Hayner Children's Library. The library has offered a children's Summer Reading Program annually since at least the 1950s, and Hayner Library has always tried to be a welcoming place to children. Also in October 1974, Hayner Library began offering Sunday hours for the first time in its history

In 1978, the library purchased the former Tri-City Grocery building at 326 Belle Street, which now houses the current Downtown Library. The library had leased this property and two adjoining properties since 1970

In June 1981, the Friends of the Hayner Public Library District group was formed.

In 1985, the Alton Square branch library opened at the Alton Square Mall. It was one of the first full-service branch libraries to operate in a shopping mall in the United States and the very first in Illinois. The library branch, whose storefront was covered with gift wrap and a giant bow, was "unwrapped" by Illinois Secretary of State Jim Edgar and Hayner Board Chairman Forrest Cook. The Alton Square Mall library branch was made possible by a grant from the Illinois Library System. Its continuation beyond the first year depended entirely on the expansion of the district to the rest of the Alton School District. Luckily, the following year, on March 18, 1986, a new referendum on Godfrey and Foster Townships joining the library district passed with a margin of seventy-nine percent.

The annual Hayner Library "Food for Fines" drive began in the late 1980s and continues to this day. Each fall, Hayner Library patrons with overdue materials can pay their fines with non-perishable food items, which the library then donates to the Crisis Food Center in Alton.

In June 1987, increasing maintenance costs and the success of the Alton Square branch led the library to discontinue the bookmobile service. In the fall of 1987, the library began providing delivery of books to library users who were temporarily or permanently homebound through the Hayner Homebound service. The service also provided books to area nursing homes and retirement centers.

In August 1987, Hayner Library announced that the Children's Library had become the Young People's Library. The young adult books were moved to the Hayner Memorial Library building in the fall, and services for teens ages thirteen to sixteen increased. The young adult area had a record player with headphones and a record collection that included a selection of rock music.

On Sunday, October 1, 1989, the renovated Main Library (now the Downtown Library) at 326 Belle Street reopened to the public. The renovation featured a new brick exterior, new windows, carpeted floors, new books shelves, and a new computer. The renovation and restoration of the Hayner Memorial Library building at 401 State Street then began. The library's ninety-nine-year-old slate roof was replaced. Other repairs included repairing mortar, installing a new air conditioning system, and making the restrooms and doors accessible to all patrons. The grand opening and rededication of the building occurred on May 19, 1991. More than 100 visitors came to the celebration, and harpist Amy Conrady played at the event.

In 1992, The Hayner Public Library District began mailing the quarterly newsletter to every address in the district.

In 1993, Hayner Library's card catalog was replaced by a computerized catalog of the library's 184,000 holdings. The task of entering titles and holdings into computer files took more than three years Hayner Library's newly-computerized catalog was then linked with other members of the regional Lewis & Clark Library System, allowing Hayner Library patrons to see the holdings of other system libraries and electronically request those items through interlibrary loan.

In 1995, the Hayner Youth Library became the first site in Illinois to launch the rod and reel loaner program in a partnership with the Urban Fishing Program of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Hayner Library is still part of the program to this day.

In late 1999, Hayner Library upgraded the computers and began offering internet access thanks to a per capita grant through the state.

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In 2001, Hayner Library began the annual "Food for Fido" program Every April, Hayner Library patrons with overdue materials can pay their fines in pet food, which the library then donates to the Alton Area Animal Aid Association.

In 2003, Therapy Dog International (Chapter 310) and The Hayner Public Library District staff joined forces to create our Bow-wow Pow-wow reading program. The program enables children of all ages to read an age-appropriate short story of their choice to a certified pet therapy dog. The program intends to make reading fun and boost children's confidence in reading aloud. As word of the success of this program has spread, Hayner Library staff have been contacted by libraries as far away as Colorado and North Carolina who are interested in starting their own reading programs.

In 2006, The Hayner Public Library District was presented with the Illinois Centennial Award by the Illinois State Historical Society The award is presented to Illinois businesses and not-for-profit corporations celebrating 100 or more years of continuous operation in recognition of their economic and cultural contributions to the state Also honored at the 2006 Centennial Awards Banquet were the State Journal-Register, the Chicago History Museum, the Lincoln Park Zoo, and the Chicago Cubs.

On March 21, 2009, Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall moved to its present location on the mall's lower level. State Senator Bill Haine (who worked as a Page at Hayner Library when he was a teenager) cut the ribbon. Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White and his Jesse White Tumbling Team were there to celebrate. Musical ensemble Bach to the Future performed, and Izzy the Grizzly, mascot of the Gateway Grizzlies baseball team, greeted patrons During the first week, presentations by staff from the St. Louis Science Center, the St. Louis Zoo, and the Butterfly House added to the excitement. WBGZ Radio conducted its morning broadcast from the library on March 23

The renovated Hayner Memorial Library building opened as the Genealogy & Local History Library on May 21, 2011, the 120th anniversary of the library building. During the renovation, the stained glass windows were moved from the annex to the current position above the Illinois Room doorways. The display cases and the circular desk area were also added, as well as the Tiffany-style chandelier in the foyer The Illinois Room now houses the Genealogy & Local History collection, which contains more than 9,000 books and other cataloged items.

In 2017, the Genealogy & Local History Library became a Passport to Your National Parks stamp site. Alton is part of the Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area (ALNHA) and was named an official "Looking for Lincoln" community in September 2017. That designation allowed local organizations to become part of the ALNHA's National Park Service passport program. The library has many historic books about Abraham Lincoln and Lincoln photographs and artifacts are generally on display. In the mid-1850s, Lincoln's law partner, William Herndon, was a speaker in the Alton Library Association's lecture series.

In 2018, Hayner Library began providing a Storywalk® at several local parks. StoryWalk® is an outdoor reading experience in which the library staff deconstructs a children's book (chosen by our children's librarian), laminates the pages, and places them in a weatherproof metal storyboard along a path. There are now permanent Hayner Library StoryWalk® markers on the Frog Trail at The Nature Institute in Godfrey.

The yoke of the printing press thrown into the Mississippi River the night that an angry mob murdered Elijah P. Lovejoy on November 7, 1837, can be seen in the lobby of the Genealogy & Local History Library The press yoke had been displayed for more than eighty years in the lobby of *The Telegraph* building in Downtown Alton. The Hearst Corporation bought *The Telegraph* in 2017, and they donated the yoke to the library in 2018 when the newspaper's offices moved to a new building.

In 2019, a small group of Alton High School students and their teacher, Mrs. Lexa Browning-Needham, collaborated with Reneé B. Johnson of the Genealogy & Local History Library to publish a rhyming alphabet picture book *Alton ABC*. Copies are available at the Genealogy & Local History Library, and a new coloring book, *Color Me Alton*, will also be available this May

In 2020, the Coronavirus pandemic struck, and The Hayner Public Library District staff worked to develop innovative ways to serve patrons during this uncertain time. Dial-A-Story, which had first been popular in the 1970s, made a comeback. The Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall started offering curbside pickup. The Genealogy & Local History Library digitized hundreds of books and photographs, and all databases were accessible remotely

In 2022, things are somewhat back to normal, but we've retained some of the pandemic-related services that made using the library easier for patrons. Curbside pickup will remain an option indefinitely. Newspaper databases are still available remotely, and we're adding more historical photographs to the Illinois Digital Archives every day Both the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall have children and teen areas and offer programs in-person and virtually Science with Sam, Dial-A-Story, story time programming, and take-home crafts are all available for children. Teens have movie theater outings, take-home-art projects, virtual escape rooms, and other specialized programming Free musical performances, lectures, and genealogy programs are being offered in-person once again.

The Hayner Public Library District collection contains over 225,000 items. Nearly ten million items are available through interlibrary loan within the Illinois Heartland Library System. The library offers free e-books and audiobooks through the Cloud Library app. You can access free databases on crafting, auto repair, *Consumer Reports,* health, readers' advisory, *The Telegraph* digital archives, and more from home using your Hayner Library card through our website or SHARE Mobile Library app. Computers, internet, and Wi-Fi access are available for use by patrons at all library locations. The library also provides laptops and hotspots for check out at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. You can also check out unique items such as telescopes, binoculars, fishing poles, 3D models, gardening kits, STEAM kits, and more for free with your Hayner Library card. The Hayner Public Library District has come a long way in the first fifty years, and we look forward to serving the Riverbend community for the next fifty and beyond.

**By Lacy McDonald**
**The Genealogy & Local History Library Manager**

# KidsSpace

## *Spring 2022 Activities*

Story Times

Virtual story times, designed for young patrons ages 2-5, will be available on the Hayner Library Facebook page on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. Ms. Sam's Tuesday story time dates are April 5, 12, 19, and 26; May 3, 10, 17 and 24, 2022. Ms. Mary Kay's Thursday story times dates are April 7, 14, 21, and 28; May 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2022. The story times will also be available on our Hayner KidsSpace YouTube channel.

Take-Home Crafts

Each Thursday, we will offer take-home craft kits to young patrons ages 3-6 in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Dates for craft distribution are: April 7, 14, 21, and 28; May 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2022. The craft kits will be available at 10:00 a.m. We will distribute the craft kits while supplies last.

Science with Sam

Science with Sam is a fun STEAM-themed program that happens on the first Friday of each month. Ms. Sam will prepare interactive kits for children ages 7-10 to take home that demonstrate different STEAM concepts such as surface tension, Earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to complete the activity. We will also post an instructional video online for families to watch! Adult assistance is required for some of the activities. Kits may be picked up at the KidsSpace desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Kits will be available for pick up on the following dates: April 1 and May 6. We will distribute the science kits while supplies last.

Library Easter Egg Hunt

April 11-16 - Each child who finds an Easter egg at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall during this week can turn it in at the desk for an Easter surprise!

Jelly Bean Guessing Game

April 11-16 - Stop by KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and see if you can guess how many jelly beans are in the jar. The participant whose guess is the closest wins an Easter basket!

StoryWalk at The Nature Institute

Saturday, May 7 - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All ages. Note: The first twenty-five families will receive a free copy of the StoryWalk book.

**Summer Reading Program 2022**
**"Read Beyond the Beaten Path"**

Registration for our Summer Reading Program begins Monday, June 6. To register, please visit haynerlibrary.beanstack.org. Everyone who registers on June 6 will be entered for a chance to win a Summer Reading Program-themed basket.

**Monday, June 6 - Summer Reading Program Kickoff. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Little Campers Drop-In Craft. 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-5. Mondays, June 6, 13, 20, and 27; July 11, 2022

Stories and Art (Downtown). 10:00 a.m. Ages 2-6. Tuesdays, June 7, 14, 21, and 28; July 5, and 12, 2022.

**Wednesday, June 8 - Fred & His Feathered Friends. 10:00 a.m. All ages.**

Campfire Stories. 10:00 a.m. Ages 3-9. Thursdays, June 9, 16, 23, and 30; July 7, 2022

Big Campers Drop-In Craft. 2:00 p.m. Ages 6-12. Thursdays, June 9, 16, 23, 30; July 7, 2022

KidsSpace Drop-In Camp Game Day. 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Ages 3-10. Saturdays, June 11, 18, and 25; July 2, and 9, 2022

**Wednesday, June 15 - Riverbend Raptor. 10:00 a.m. All ages.**

**Wednesday, June 22 - Mike Anderson Campfire Sing-Along. 10:00 a.m. All ages.**

**Wednesday, June 29 - Rusty Pliers Comedy Show. 10:00 a.m. All ages.**

Monday, July 4 - Library closed - Independence Day.

**Wednesday, July 6 - No performer this week.**

Sunday, July 10 - LAST DAY TO RECORD YOUR READING IN BEANSTACK.

**Wednesday, July 13 - Mad Science. 10:00 a.m. All ages.**

Thursday, July 14 - End-of-the-Summer Reading Program Party. 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. Celia and Little Celia will perform at 6:00 p.m.

Note: Depending upon future COVID-19 rates and possible mandates, the library may have to switch from in-person programming to virtual programming. For updates, please check Hayner Library's website or Facebook page.

# TeenSpace

## *Spring 2022 Activities*

Teen Take-Home Crafts
Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft! We will distribute craft kits on the following Wednesdays: April 20 and May 18. We will distribute crafts while supplies last.

Not-Just-for-Teens Escape Rooms
Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Monday for a new virtual escape room challenge. Figure them out by yourself or with your friends! Answer questions, find clues, and solve riddles to complete these fun virtual games. We will post a new escape room each Monday.

Color Your Stress Away
Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Friday for a new printable coloring sheet. Break out the colored pencils, turn on some relaxing music, and color your stress away.

Teen Movie Event
Hayner Library invites teens ages 12-18 to join us on Monday, April 18, at the new Alton Square Mall movie theater! We have rented one of the NCG Cinema theaters for a Monday evening. Participants will enjoy popcorn and soda during the movie.
**Note: Registration is REQUIRED to attend the NCG movie on April 18. Limited space is available. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.**

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### Teen Summer Reading Program Events 2022
### "Read Beyond the Beaten Path"

**Monday, June 6 - Summer Reading Program Kickoff. 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**
Summer Reading Program Kickoff. All participants who register on this day will be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift card. Please register at haynerlibrary.beanstack.org, or on the Beanstack app.

Virtual Escape Room (Hayner Library Facebook page). Mondays, June 6, 13, 20, and 27.

**Wednesday, June 8** - Board Games @ RBCC. 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Teen Take-Home Craft. Pick up at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace. Thursdays, June 9, 16, 23, and 30.

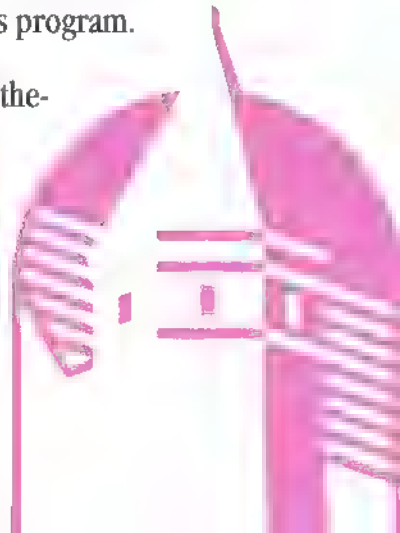
Color Your Stress Away coloring sheet (Hayner Library Facebook page). Fridays, June 10, 17, and 24.

Wednesday, June 15 - NCG Movie (*Jurassic World: Dominion*) Call for time. **Note: Registration is REQUIRED to attend the NCG movie on June 15. Limited space available. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.**

**Wednesday, June 22** - Free Play @ RBCC. 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, June 29** - Paranormal Speaker @ RBCC. 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Please visit our website for more information about this program.

**Wednesday, July 6** - End-of-the-Summer Reading Party (date and time to be announced).



**Note: Unless otherwise stated, all in-person teen programs will take place at the Riverbender.com Community Center, located at 200 West 3rd Street, Alton.**

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

***Annual Freedom Fund Banquet. Programs for 1993, 1994, 1996, 2001, Alton Branch NAACP.*** IR 323.1196073 NAT

***Elm Street Presbyterian Church: 101 W. Elm Street, Alton, IL 62002.*** IR 285 177386 ELM

***Illinois Vignettes*** **by John H. Keiser.** IR 977 3 KEI

***Information Bulletin of the Community High School: School Officers, Faculty, Courses of Study, School Calendar, General Information. Published by the Board of Education of the East Alton-Wood River Community High School, District Number 144, 1930. (Volume: 1930/Aug).*** IR 373.77386 INF

***Jersey County, Illinois, Early Marriages, 1839-1876: With Index to Brides.*** IR 977.38557 JER

***Jersey County, Illinois, Marriage Book III, 1916-1945: Indexed by Groom and by Bride.*** IR 977.38557 JER

***Marriages of Jersey County, Illinois, 1877-1915.*** **Compiled by Jersey County Genealogical Society.** IR 977.38557 JER

***New Hope*** **written and illustrated by Henri Sorensen.** IR jF SOR

***One Hundred Years: Historical Sketch - First Baptist Church, Alton, Illinois (1933).*** IR LOCKED CASES 286.77386 WAR **(also available digitally through the SHARE online catalog)**

***Piasa Indians Drill Team.*** IR 977 386 PIA

***The Prairie Is Our Home: A History of Hammond Community Including La Place, Burrowsville, Lintner.*** **Prepared under the sponsorship of the Hammond Centennial Committee, 1973.** IR 977.3673 PRA

***Preservation & Progress at the Urban/Rural Edge*** **by the Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois.** IR 977 3 PRE

***Reflections: A History of The Bunker Hill-Woodburn Area.*** IR 977.383 REF

***Register of Invalid Pensions: Revolutionary Service, 1789.*** IR 973.34 CLO

***St. Michael's Catholic Cemetery, Beltrees, Illinois.*** IR 977 38555 STM

***Six Artists of St. Louis*** **by Thomas Morrissey.** IR 759 177865 MOR ***(Circulating copies also available at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall)***

***Stark County, Illinois: Marriage Record, 1831-1866.*** IR 977.3513 TAY

***Strasburg, Illinois, Hundertjahrfest, 1874-1974.*** IR 977 3798 STR **(also available digitally through the SHARE online catalog)**

***A Third Life: Sculptures for God, Country & Notre Dame*** **by Jerry McKenna (Autobiography of the sculptor of Alton's Lincoln-Douglas Debate reenactment).** IR B MCKENNA

***Tracing Your Ancestors: African American Research: A Practical Guide*** **by Diane L. Richard (2019).** IR 929 108996073 RIC

***Travel Talk*** **by Carolyn Scroggins. A collection of articles that appeared in the "Travel Talk" column in the Bunker Hill, Illinois *Gazette-News* in the 1980s.** IR 929 2 SCROGGINS

***Topspin: The Story of Dr. James Bazell Stafford, Jr.*** **by James B. Stafford, III.** IR B STAFFORD

***Vintage Voices: Scripts of Decedent Portrayals.*** **Compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library.** IR 977.386 VIN

## *Improve Your Outdoors with a Gardening Kit or Gardening Books*

Have you ever wanted to try your hand at gardening but don't know where to start? Gardening kits are available at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Each kit contains a sun calculator (to help you determine whether your outdoor space is full sun, part sun, part shade, or full shade), a soil pH analyzer, and a soil thermometer.

The library also offers hundreds of gardening books for all skill levels, including books on container gardening, water gardens, vegetable gardens, organic gardening, rock gardens, and many other types of gardens. We also offer books on patio design, shed and deck building, and more.

Stop by Hayner Library and check out all of our resources for better outdoor living!

## *Color Me Alton Book Signing*

Alton High School's Graphics Communication students and Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff member Reneé B. Johnson are at it again! This year's publication, *Color Me Alton*, is a multi-generational coloring book exploring the seasons in the Alton area. The book will be released Saturday, May 7, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton. Reneé, the student illustrators/design team, and project manager Lexa Browning will be on hand to sign copies of this fun new publication.

If you are a book lover, published or unpublished author, poet, songwriter, wordsmith, editor, designer, illustrator, publisher, agent, or creator, you'll want to stop by Maeva's Coffee, 1320 Milton Road, Alton, on June 11, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., for Writers of the Riverbend: Mix and Mingle. This is a unique opportunity to talk with local authors and find your next favorite book. Both *Alton ABC* and *Color Me Alton*, books created through a joint project with Alton High School Graphics Communications students and the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, will be available for purchase.

# *African American Newspapers in Alton*

Before today's instant communications and twenty-four-hour news cycle, the only way to know what was going on in your neighborhood, state, or across the country and internationally was to check in with the neighbor who knew all, be in the thick of the happenings, or read about it in a newspaper Historians and genealogists haunt these relics for evidence of individuals and families; economic, social, and cultural trends, geopolitical developments; and the occasional bit of gossip In addition to the larger mainstream weeklies and dailies, many newspapers focused on labor, politics, ethnicity, and community One of the earliest (1862-1900), and believed to be the first to subsequently become a daily newspaper published by a Black man in Illinois, was *The Cairo Gazette* Such newspapers carried commentary on local, national, or international happenings but with the constituency's lens. Many of these papers are lost to history because they weren't published for very long, had a small circulation, or simply because no one thought to save them for the legacy they offered

Family stories suggest that from 1903 through 1925, Mary Anne Green Hindman wrote a recurring column with highlights from the Rocky Fork area of Godfrey, Illinois Mrs Hindman carefully cut and pasted articles, advertisements, and columns in a scrapbook saved by her family Several pieces include Mrs Hindman's byline and the column heading, "Godfrey, Illinois," but they do not carry the name or date of publication Perhaps her column, full of personal tidbits and community happenings, was a regular feature of a newspaper for which there is no other record

One such publication was produced at St. John's Baptist Church in Alton, Illinois Rev Thomas P Wright, the church's pastor from 1917 through 1984, studied printing at Shurtleff College. He employed this knowledge to print the church's bulletins, programs, and a weekly community newspaper To encourage young people in the church to be informed about their community, Rev. Wright taught them how to run the press and other trade skills No known copies of their efforts remain

Another alumnus of Shurtleff College, Fred L. Penny, established a club at the Booker T Washington Community Center which focused on publishing a community newspaper. Established in 1936 by the Alton Negro Council and the city's Playground and Recreation Commission, the Center stood at 5th and Belle streets in Alton, Illinois The newspaper club continued under Mr Penny's direction after he became principal of Dunbar School (1937-1939). No known copies or details exist related to the club's output

By 1943, members of the Alton NAACP raised concerns about unfair, biased portrayals of the Black community in the Alton media In answer, *The Question* newspaper was created on September 1, with Harold D Johnson, editor, and Alton High School student Conway K. Graves, first as circulation manager and then as associate editor Several prominent African Americans served as directors of the publication and feature writers Just a few issues of *The Question* are known to have been in the files of the Black Pioneers Committee of the Alton Museum of History and Art In those pages are articles on community issues and African American Altonians serving in World War II

*Madison County Courier* began in 1985 with the following editor's note:

"This paper is being published in the hope that communications between these towns will be greater enhanced and the various communities of Alton, Godfrey, Madison, Edwardsville, and surrounding towns will be linked in a chain of information and ideas It is hoped that this chain will serve to bring about the greater development of leadership and fellowship among its citizens.

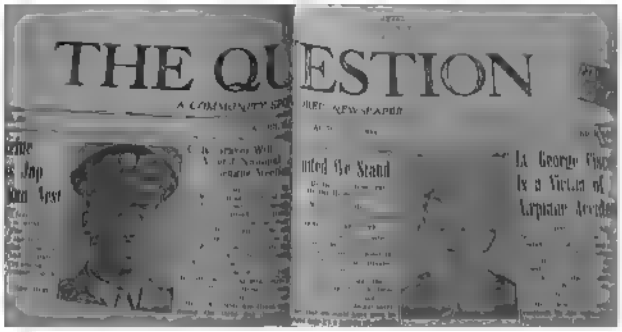
It is the Courier's objective to publish a weekly newspaper that you feel is an asset to you and your community Our objective is to bring to the forefront the positive things that are and can be found in our daily activities."

Once again, a small group came together to both highlight and inform their community They were dedicated to reaching beyond the boundaries of individual towns to highlight a collective need. Lead by editor Grace Monroe, a renowned educator and activist, the *Courier*, carried articles on local happenings, regional and national race politics In less than a year, the *Courier* fell victim to financial issues and discontinued publication Examples of these publications are held in local private collections

***Madison County Courier* Newspaper (Photo courtesy of the Charlotte E. Johnson collection)**

Would that we had an uninterrupted view of how the African American community saw itself and its role in the larger community. Imagine the events, people, camaraderie, and examples of patriotic citizenship lost to time. Likewise, imagine the student and scholar who, at some distant time, take in hand a copy of one of these gems and finds themselves. From such humble bits of paper, ink, and dreams comes the legacy of people, time, and place.

**By Charlotte E. Johnson & Reneé B. Johnson**




***The Question* Newspaper (Photo courtesy of the Charlotte E. Johnson collection)**

## Support Hayner Library While Shopping on Amazon

Does the Amazon delivery truck make frequent stops at your house or business? Consider shopping at AmazonSmile (smile amazon com), Amazon's program that donates 0 5% of your eligible Amazon purchases to a public charitable organization of your choice. With AmazonSmile, you shop as you normally would on the site (there's no extra cost or need to make a separate account) and select "Hayner Public Library" as your organization Help support the library with the click of a mouse or tap of a phone or tablet!

## Project READ Looking for Tutors

Let's change the world through intentional and meaningful service right in our own community.

Project READ, Lewis & Clark Community College's volunteer tutoring program serving our community in reading, math, or English language instruction, is looking for tutors to train and match with community members in need. If you would like to participate in an enjoyable online or face-to-face tutor training, or if you or someone you know could benefit from their free services, please call 618-468-4141. They look forward to hearing from you.

## National Arbor Day Celebrating 150 Years

Arbor Day was first established 150 years ago after newspaper editor J. Sterling Morton of Nebraska City, Nebraska, proposed a tree-planting holiday on April 10, 1872. It is estimated that more than one million trees were planted in Nebraska on the first Arbor Day! Americans now celebrate Arbor Day by planting trees annually to enrich the earth for future generations.

Plant a tree to celebrate! Studies have shown that when you are around trees, stress is reduced, moods improve, and blood pressure lowers. Trees are good for your health and well-being. Urban street and park trees are just as important as rural forests.

Recommended books for a better understanding of trees:

- *The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate: Discoveries from a Secret World* by Peter Wohlleben
- *The Songs of Trees: Stories from Nature's Great Connectors* by David George Haskell
- *Finding the Mother Tree: Discovering the Wisdom of the Forest* by S. Simard
- *The Wild Trees: A Story of Passion and Daring* by Richard Preston
- *Forest Bathing: How Trees Can Help You Find Health and Happiness* by Qing Li

## Branching Out 2022 - Genealogy Classes

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library is happy to resume in-person Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

April 14 - Sharing and Learning Family History on Social Media
April 21 - Discussion group

May 12 - Ancestry.com: Find Our Elusive Ancestors
May 19 - Discussion group

June 9 - FamilySearch.org: Images, Catalog, and the WIKI
June 16 - Discussion group

July 14 - From the Church to the Courthouse
July 21 - Discussion group

August 11 - Where We've Lived: Property Research
August 18 - Discussion group

September 8 - Making a New Home in a New Land: Immigration, Asylum, Naturalization
September 15 - Discussion group

October 13 - Uncover Family Details with Cemetery Records
October 20 - Discussion group

November 10 - Heroes in Our History: Military Records
November 17 - Discussion group

December 8 - All That's Fit to Print and More: Newspaper Research
December 15 - Discussion group

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic.

On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We just relax and listen when we don't have anything to share. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for the programs you would like to attend. You can attend as many or as few as you like.

## Fiction -

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** The Darling Dahlias and the Red Hot Poker

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** The Homewreckers

**Atherton, Nancy.** Aunt Dimity and the Enchanted Cottage

**Baldacci, David.** Dream Town (Archer Novel)

**Barton, Fiona.** Local Gone Missing

**Bentley, Don.** Tom Clancy Zero Hour (Jack Ryan, Jr )

**Berry, Steve.** The Omega Factor

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Lioness

**Brennan, Allison.** The Wrong Victim

**Briggs, Patricia.** Soul Taken

**Brooks, Geraldine.** Horse

**Brown, Dale.** Countdown to Midnight

**Brown, Graham.** Clive Cussler's Dark Vector (NUMA Files)

**Burke, James Lee.** Every Cloak Rolled in Blood

**Cameron, Marc.** Cold Snap (Arliss Cutter)

**Carr, Robyn.** A Family Affair

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** Where Are the Children Now?

**Dailey, Janet.** Somebody Like Santa

**Dallas, Sandra.** Little Souls

**Egan, Jennifer.** The Candy House

**Estleman, Loren D.** Monkey in the Middle: An Amos Walker Mystery

**Feehan, Christine.** Red on the River

**Giffin, Emily.** Meant to Be

**Graham, Heather.** Crimson Summer

**Graham, Heather.** Sound of Darkness (Krewe of Hunters)

**Green, Jane.** Sister Stardust

**Grisham, John.** Sparring Partners

**Henry, Emily.** Book Lovers

**Hepworth, Sally.** The Younger Wife

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** The Hotel Nantucket

**Horowitz, Anthony.** With a Mind to Kill: A James Bond Novel

**Jackson, Lisa.** The Girl Who Survived

**Jenner, Natalie.** The Bloomsbury Girls

**Johansen, Iris.** A Face to Die For

**Kingsbury, Karen.** The Baxters: A Prequel

**Lauren, Christina.** Something Wilder

**Lupica, Mike.** Robert B. Parker's Revenge Tour (Sunny Randall)

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** Omega Rules

**Mallery, Susan.** The Boardwalk Bookshop

**Mandel, Emily St. John.** Sea of Tranquility

**Michaels, Fern.** Secrets

**Novak, Brenda.** Summer on the Island

**Paretsky, Sara.** Overboard

**Patterson, James.** 22 Seconds (Women's Murder Club)

**Patterson, James.** Death of the Black Widow

**Patterson, James.** Escape (Billy Harney)

**Perrotta, Tom.** Tracy Flick Can't Win

**Perry, Anne.** Three Debts Paid (Daniel Pitt)

**Pinborough, Sarah.** Insomnia

**Quick, Amanda.** When She Dreams

**Reich, Christopher.** Once a Thief

**Richardson, Kim Michele.** The Book Woman's Daughter

**Roberts, Nora.** Nightwork

**Rovin, Jeff.** Tom Clancy's Op-Center: Call of Duty

**Sager, Riley.** The House Across the Lake

**Sandford, John.** The Investigator

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Friendship Pact

**Steel, Danielle.** Beautiful

**Steel, Danielle.** Suspects

**Straub, Emma.** This Time Tomorrow

**Thayer, Nancy.** Summer Love

**Thayne, Raeanne.** Summer at the Cape

**Trigiani, Adriana.** The Good Left Undone

**Ward, Amanda Eyre.** The Lifeguards

**Weiner, Jennifer.** The Summer Place

**Weir, Alison.** The Last White Rose: A Novel of Elizabeth of York

**White, Kate.** The Second Husband

## Non-Fiction -

**Alford, Terry.** In the Houses of Their Dead: The Lincolns, the Booths, and the Spirits

**Black, Riley.** The Last Days of the Dinosaurs: An Asteroid, Extinction, and the Beginning of Our World

**Blair, Selma.** Mean Baby: A Memoir of Growing Up

**Brown, Tina.** The Palace Papers: Inside the House of Windsor - The Truth and the Turmoil

**Burrows, James.** Directed by James Burrows: Five Decades of Stories from the Legendary Director of Taxi, Cheers, Frasier, Friends, Will & Grace, and More

**Cain, Susan.** Bittersweet: How Sorrow and Longing Make Us Whole

**Conway, Kellyanne.** Here's the Deal: A Memoir

**Davis, Viola.** Finding Me: A Memoir

**Fischer, Jenna and Angela Kinsey.** The Office Bffs: Tales of the Office from Two Best Friends Who Were There

**Gates, Bill.** How to Prevent the Next Pandemic

**Gilbert, Melissa.** Back to the Prairie: A Home Remade, a Life Rediscovered

**Grey, Jennifer.** Out of the Corner

**Hegseth, Pete.** Battle for the American Mind: Uprooting a Century of Miseducation

**Holes, Paul.** Unmasked: My Life Solving America's Cold Cases

**Jacobs, A. J.** The Puzzler: One Man's Quest to Solve the Most Baffling Puzzles Ever, from Crosswords to Jigsaws to the Meaning of Life

**McGrath, Ben.** Riverman: An American Odyssey

**McShane, Wulfhart, Nell.** The Great Stewardess Rebellion: How Women Launched a Workplace Revolution at 30,000 Feet

**Millard, Candice.** River of the Gods: Genius, Courage, and Betrayal in the Search for the Source of the Nile

**O'Brien, Keith.** Paradise Falls: The True Story of an Environmental Catastrophe

**O'Reilly, Bill.** Killing the Killers: The Secret War Against Terrorists

**Patterson, James.** James Patterson by James Patterson: The Stories of My Life

**Quindlen, Anna.** Write for Your Life

**Rabin-Havt, Ari.** The Fighting Soul: On the Road with Bernie Sanders

**Rinella, Steven.** Outdoor Kids in an Inside World: Getting Your Family Out of the House and Radically Engaged with Nature

**Shannon, Molly.** Hello, Molly!: A Memoir

**Sedaris, David.** Happy-Go-Lucky

**Tur, Katy.** Rough Draft: A Memoir

**Wohlleben, Peter.** Forest Walking: Discovering the Trees and Woodlands of North America

**Woods, Stuart.** An Extravagant Life, An Autobiography Incorporating Blue Water, Green Skipper

## *New! Hayner Library's Walking Book Club*

Hayner Library is happy to introduce a new program, the **Walking Book Club**, starting in April.

A walking book club is like a regular book club, except you meet at a walking trail and get some exercise while chatting about books. Studies have shown that walking stimulates our brain and helps us to focus and be more creative. Our Walking Book Club integrates mental, physical, and social activities, improving brain health while enjoying the company of others! Come enjoy the fresh air and beautiful trails!

Join us in the great outdoors for our first meeting on **Wednesday, April 13, at 12:00 p.m., at The Nature Institute.** Frances Young, manager of Rehabilitation Services at OSF HealthCare, will talk about proper walking techniques. Afterward, we will walk the nature trail and discuss what books we wish to read as a group. Jean Shimunek, Reference librarian and Walking Book Club leader, will adjust the walk to be conducive to talking.

- *The Salt Path: A Memoir* by Raynor Winn. A memoir of love and inspiration set in nature.
- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Nora Zeale Hurston. An all-time classic novel and masterpiece of the Harlem Renaissance.
- *52 Ways to Walk: The Surprising Science of Walking for Wellness and Joy, One Week at a Time* by Annabel Streets. Explores the good things that can happen when walking.
- *The Power of Fun: How to Feel Alive Again* by Catherine Price. Fun isn't optional, it is a must in our world today.
- *The Hidden Life of Trees: What They Feel, How They Communicate: Discoveries from a Secret World* by Peter Wohlleben. Tells the story of species interaction in the forest.
- B*ird Brother: A Falconer's Journey and the Healing Power of Wildlife* by Rodney Stotts. A moving memoir on the power of birds to change a life.
- *Watership Down* by Richard Adams. Chronicles the adventures of a group of rabbits searching for a safe place to establish a new warren where they can live in peace.

Registration is required for the Walking Book Club. Forms are available online at www.haynerlibrary.org, or pick one up at the library. For more information, please contact Jean at reference@haynerlibrary.org or call 618-462-0677, ext. 2849.

## *Pedometers Available at Hayner Library*

Mall walkers and outdoor walkers! Stop by Hayner Library and check out a pedometer with your library card. Pedometers can be borrowed for two weeks and possibly renewed (if there are no outstanding holds). Keep track of your steps and enjoy the physical activity of walking. And be sure to pick up a copy of the library's *Area Nature Walking Guide* for information on great local walks!

## *They're Back! Children's Learning Kits, Study Room Use, and Patron Seating Areas Return to the Library*

Starting April 1, 2022, the use of many of the library items and services that were suspended during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic will resume.

Our children's learning and activity kits, study rooms at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and seating areas at all three library locations will be available for patron use.

A complete list of our children's learning and activity kits can be found on the KidsSpace page at www.haynerlibrary.org and at the KidsSpace service desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

The study rooms at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall are available during regular library hours. Patrons can make reservations at the Circulation Desk or by calling the library at 618-462-0677, option two. Walk-in study room use is also available if there are no pending reservations. There is a two hour limit when using the study rooms.

For the convenience of our patrons, curbside service will remain available at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

Our adult programming will resume in the spring. We will continue to offer our children's story time virtually through the spring, and in-person children's programming and story time will resume with the kickoff of our annual Summer Reading Program on Monday, June 6.

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**Hours of Operation**

Downtown Library
326 Belle Street, Alton
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Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Alton Square Library
132 Alton Square Mall Drive, Alton
Mon.-Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 Noon to 5:00 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
401 State Street, Alton
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wed., 12:00 Noon to 7:00 p.m.
Sat., 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

## *2022 Election Calendar*

Due to the delay in the 2020 Census, the 2022 Illinois primary election will be three months later than normal.

### Illinois Primary

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| March 30-June 23 | Vote by mail applications accepted |
| May 19 | Early voting begins, vote by mail ballots mailed |
| June 27 | Last day for early voting |
| June 28 | Primary election day |

### U.S. General Election

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| November 8 | General Election Day |

For more information on elections, visit the Madison County Clerk's office at www.madisonvotes.com.

### Looking for Your Polling Place?

Visit the Madison County Clerk's website at www.madisonvotes.com. Click on "Elections," select "Where to Vote" from the drop-down menu, then choose "Polling Place on Election Day." Fill in the "Voter Information Search" box. From here, you will be shown your polling place, congressional district, legislative district, and representatives.

### Register to Vote

Hayner Library offers voter registration at our Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Please call ahead before arriving at the library to ensure that a voter registrar is available. You must present two forms of identification, one of which must include your current name and residential address.

You can register to vote throughout the year except during the twenty-seven days before an election. Between twenty-seven and seven days before an election you must use Grace Period Registration.

### Grace Period Registration

You may register to vote in the County Clerk's office starting the day after the close of registration through Election Day. You must also vote at the time of registration during Grace Period Registration.

You may register and vote at any early voting location starting fifteen days before the election through Election Day.

Madison County Clerk's Office
157 North Main Street, Suite 109
Edwardsville, IL 62025

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township Summer 2022

## Calling Local Authors! Hayner Library to Hold Local Author Book Fair

This fall, Hayner Library will host a Local Author Book Fair, where you can meet local authors, buy their books, and have them signed. The event will be held Saturday, October 8, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. If necessary, a rain date is scheduled for Saturday, October 15, 2022.

The event will feature library card registration, a showcase of non-traditional library materials available for check out, a prize drawing, and other library highlights. There will also be activities and story times for the kids. WBGZ will broadcast live from the event, and refreshments will be available for purchase. The Riverbend Raptor will also be roving around the book fair for your amusement!

You can browse or make purchases—and be sure to leave some time to explore the beautiful Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library and Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Park. The Friends of Hayner Library, located at 327 State Street, will also hold a book sale on this date.

Authors, this will be an excellent opportunity to introduce your books to your friends and neighbors!

Patrons, find a new favorite author and stock up your book collection to keep you busy during the approaching cold winter. What is more inviting than a stack of books to ease your cabin fever? There are so many talented local authors in our community who deserve your support.

Free parking will be available in the municipal parking lot across from the Downtown Library on Belle Street between 4th and 5th Streets.

If you are an author with books to sell, reserve a table by calling Mary Cordes at (618) 433-2877 or email mary.cordes@hayerlibrary.org. The library will provide tables and tablecloths for authors. Authors can bring promotional materials and books to sell. Authors are responsible for bringing their own banking supplies. Authors should plan to arrive at 8:00 a.m. in order to set up their tables. There is a limit of available tables, first come, first served. The last date to register for a table is Friday, September 30, 2022.

We are hopeful that this will become an annual event. Please plan to join us—bring the family and support local talent.

## Free Cookie to Celebrate the Golden Anniversary of The Hayner Public Library District!

Fifty years ago this July, after 120 years of existing as a subscription library and then a city library, The Hayner Public Library District began operating as a library district. Come into any library location to celebrate with a My Just Desserts chocolate chip cookie on Friday, August 12, or Saturday, August 13, 2022.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
Public Library District

**MAILING LIST UPDATE**

The mailing list for the quarterly newsletter is being updated Please contact the library if your address has changed, a correction is needed, or you would like to be added to or deleted from the mailing list.

**HOLIDAYS**

HOLIDAYS
The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
Independence Day, July 4
Staff Development Day, August 5
Labor Day, September 4 & 5

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# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Summer 2022 semester of special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all* ***free of charge****. All programs do require registration. To register, call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, Upper Level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Steve Davis*

### *Elvis! Live!*

**Tuesday, July 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Elvis (yes, THE Elvis) returns to Hayner Library with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don't miss this chance to see The King live, onstage!

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

## *Anna Blair*

### *Patsy Cline Review*

**Tuesday, August 16, 6:30 p.m.**

Anna Blair started singing Patsy Cline in 2009 when Steve Davis needed a new opening act for his Memories of Elvis show. She had been singing backup in his show since 2004. Join us for an evening of favorites performed as country music star Patsy Cline.

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

## *The Scott Laytham and Karl Holmes Duo*

**Tuesday, September 20, 6:30 p.m.**

Scott Laytham's skills as a musician, arranger, and composer are well known in the St. Louis area. Besides his live performances, Scott has also produced music for both local and national radio and television ads. For live shows, Scott has his hands full. He plays keys, guitars, and sings and also runs the light show and sound system. Karl "Trickee" Holmes is one of the best vocal impressionists in the country. Some of his impressions include Louis Armstrong, Al Green, Ray Charles, Barry White, Michael Jackson, Prince, Marvin Gaye, Nat King Cole, Elvis, Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones, Johnny Mathis, and the Temptations (he performs all five Temptations voices by himself). You must see it and hear it to believe it!

**Register at 1-800-613-3163**

# KidsSpace

## *Summer/Fall 2022 Activities*

### Summer Reading Activities 2022
***"Read Beyond the Beaten Path"***

**Saturday, July 2** – Drop in between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. for a fun activity in the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Ages 3-11 welcome.

**Monday, July 4** – Library closed in observance of Independence Day.

**Tuesday, July 5** – Enjoy Ms. Mary Kay's stories while Ms. Jenn designs a one-of-a-kind art piece. Ages 2-5 welcome. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Downtown Library.

**Wednesday, July 6 – No performance today.**

**Thursday, July 7** – Stop by the Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square Mall and join Sam for Campfire Stories. Ages 3-7 welcome. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m.

**Thursday, July 7** – Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and join Sam for Big Campers Drop-In Craft. Ages 6-12 welcome. The fun begins at 2:00 p.m.

**Saturday, July 9** – Drop in between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. for a fun activity in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Ages 3-11 welcome.

**Monday, July 11** – Join Ms. Mac at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for Little Campers Drop-In Craft. Ages 2-5 welcome. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m.

**Tuesday, July 12** – Enjoy Ms. Mary Kay's stories while Ms. Jenn designs a one-of-a-kind art piece. Ages 2-5 welcome. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. at the Downtown Library.

**Wednesday, July 13** – Performer: Mad Science – Walk "Beyond the Beaten Path" as we travel 238,900 miles above the Earth. What is it like to walk in outer space? Mad Science will take us on this trip. The fun starts at 10:00 a.m. in the Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square Mall.

**Thursday, July 14** – End-of-the-Summer Reading Party – Participants who have completed the reading requirements of twenty-five books are invited to join us on Thursday, July 14, in the Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. Participants will receive a free book, a reading certificate, and a snack. Winners of the three grand prizes will be announced at 5:45 p.m., followed by the Celia and Little Celia Show at 6:00 p.m.

### Activities July-September 2022

**Family Story Time with Ms. Mary Kay** – Join Ms. Mary Kay and Panda Bear in an interactive story time for children of all ages. Enjoy stories, songs, an occasional puppet show, and a snack. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, August 23 and 30; September 6, 13, 20, and 27, at 10:00 a.m., at the Downtown Library. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Stories with Sam** – Join us for this fun and interactive story time for 2-5-year-olds. Children will hear stories, sing songs, and make crafts that reflect the weekly theme. Meeting dates are Thursdays, August 25; September 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, at 10:00 a.m. at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

**Science with Sam** - Science with Sam is a fun monthly STEAM-themed program that happens on the first Friday of each month, beginning in September. Sam will prepare take-home interactive kits for children ages 7-10 demonstrating different STEAM concepts, such as surface tension, Earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to perform the activity. We will also post an instructional video on our Hayner Library Facebook page and KidsSpace YouTube channel for families to watch! Adult assistance is required for some of the activities. Patrons may pick up their kit from Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace on Friday, September 2.

**After-School Fun** – Kids, join us for our After-School Fun Make-or-Take Craft at the Downtown Library KidsSpace! The craft is designed for children ages 6-10. The fun begins at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20. Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Take-Home Crafts** – Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall every Thursday from July 21 through September 29, and pick up your Take-Home Craft kit while supplies last. No registration required.

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**SIUE StarLab Planetarium Visit** – You're invited to join us and explore the StarLab Planetarium, part of the STEM center at SIUE. This program will take place on Wednesday, August 3, in the J.C. Penney courtyard, located directly outside the doors of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. This fantastic STEM resource will project the night sky, show the movement of the stars and planets, and demonstrate moon phases. To attend this program, you must be at least five years of age and accompanied by an adult. The planetarium will be available for two shows: 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Limited space is available, so register now! To register, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Grandparents' Day Celebration** – Hayner Library KidsSpace will hold our annual Grandparents' Day Celebration for children ages 2-5. The fun kicks off on Wednesday, September 21, at 10:00 a.m., in our Hayner Library Performance Room, located on the upper level of Alton Square Mall. Please join us for a photo booth, cookies, punch, coffee, and the hilarious antics of Mr. Richard Landry and his fuzzy sidekick Snowball. We will have limited registration for this program. Register early! **To register for this program, please call (618) 433-2881. The registration deadline is Friday, September 16.**

**September is Library Card Sign-Up Month** – Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace will hand out a surprise goody bag to children who sign-up for a library card in September (while supplies last). You must show your new library card to a KidsSpace staff member to get your goody bag.

# TeenSpace

## *July-September 2022*

Teen Take-Home Craft

Teens, stop by TeenSpace on Wednesdays, July 20, August 17, and September 14, 2022, and pick up a fun Take-Home Craft kit. Crafts will be distributed at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall (while supplies last).

July: DIY bouncy balls
August: Jar fairy lights
September: Popsicle bracelets

My Library Crate

Do you enjoy book subscriptions? If so, this one is for you! This three-month book subscription is exclusively for teens ages 12-18. Stop by TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and complete a short survey. Each month a TeenSpace staff member will pick a new read and reserve it just for you. The crate contains your book and few goodies! Book crates will be labeled with your name and placed on the hold shelf for five days after you are contacted. The crate will be checked out to you before you arrive. All you have to do is stop by and pick it up. For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

Not-Just-for-Teens Escape Rooms

Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Monday for a new escape room challenge. Figure them out by yourself or with your friends! Answer questions, find clues, and solve riddles to complete these fun virtual games. We will post a new escape room every Monday, beginning July 11, 2022.

Color Your Stress Away

Break out the colored pencils, turn on some relaxing music, and color your stress away. Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Friday, beginning July 15, 2022, for a new printable coloring sheet.

**Note: Unless otherwise stated, all in-person teen programs will take place at the Riverbender.com Community Center, located at 200 West 3rd Street, Alton.**

## New in Our Illinois Room

***175 Years of Art at the St. Louis Mercantile Library: A Revised Second Edition of the Handbook to the Collections*** by Julie Dunn-Morton IR 708.177866 DUN

***Amboy, Illinois: First 150 Years, 1854-2004.*** IR 977.336 AMB

***A Brick and a Bible: Black Women's Radical Activism in the Midwest During the Great Depression*** by Melissa Ford. IR 305 420977 FOR

***Color Me Alton: Seasons*** text by Reneé B Johnson and illustrations by Allison A. McCarty, Hallie C Beiermann, Sabrina K Northway, Madeline J. Besaw, D J. Holiday, Winnie Zheng, Genevieve L.Ahlin, and Olivia Joiner. IR j977.386 JOH

***Golf Report: Study of Alton City Nine Hole Golf Courses (2005).*** IR 333.770977386 GOL

***Great Rivers, Great Routes, Great Memories.*** IR 977.386 GRE 2021/FALL-WINTER

***House of God: The Historic Churches and Places of Worship of the St. Louis Area (1995).*** IR 977 866 SCH

***Influenza Epidemic of 1918: Newspaper Articles from the Alton Evening Telegraph*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library. IR 614.5180973 INF

***Kaskaskia: The Lost Capital of Illinois.*** IR 977 392 MAC

***Local Art & Artists*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library. IR 709 973 LOC

***The Loyalists in the American Revolution.*** IR 973.314 VAN

***Missouri Marriages Before 1840.*** IR 977.87 MIS

***The People of the River Bend: The Way We Were–Index.*** IR 977.386 PEO

***Photographers: A Sourcebook for Historical Research.*** IR 770 9 PHO

***Prisons and Prisoners: A Study of Illinois Civil War Prisons (1992 thesis)*** by P. Samuel Whitehead. IR 973 77 WHI

***A Rosenberg By Any Other Name: A History of Jewish Name Changing in America.*** IR 929 4089 FER

***Rustic Architecture in Rugged Parks*** by Ronald E. Schmitt. IR 720 97 SCH

***Sweet Greeks: First-Generation Immigrant Confectioners in the Heartland*** by Ann Flesor Beck. IR 338 476641 BEC

***Understanding Colonial Handwriting.*** IR 929 1 STR

***Women of Distinction. Thursday, May 24, 2012: 22nd Anniversary Celebration—YWCA of Alton.*** IR 977.386 YWC

***YWCA Southwestern Illinois Women of Distinction: 2022, Making a Difference.*** IR 977.386 YWC

## Adult Summer Reading Program

Join us this summer for our Adult Summer Reading Program! From August 1 to August 31, 2022, Hayner Library invites patrons age eighteen and older to join in the summer reading fun—and a chance to win some fun some prizes. Visit the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for details. Happy summer reading!

## Go Fish! Check Out a Fishing Pole at the Downtown Library

Are you looking for something to do with the kids this summer? Take them fishing! Patrons can check out free fishing poles with a Hayner Library card.

Our fishing pole program started nearly twenty years ago as a collaboration between Hayner Library and the Illinois Department of Natural Resources when the IDNR provided us with thirteen free fishing poles for our patrons to check out.

The fishing poles can be checked out from the Downtown Library and can be checked out for two weeks. Please note: The Illinois Department of Natural Resources requires a fishing license for anglers over sixteen. Please visit the Illinois Department of Natural Resources website for more information on fishing in Illinois (www.dnr.illinois.gov).

## *Color Me Alton: Seasons* Coloring Book

Alton High School Graphic Communications students, their teacher Lexa Browning, and Reneé B. Johnson, Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff, recently published *Color Me Alton: Seasons,* a multi-generational coloring book exploring the seasons in the Alton area. We held a well-attended book signing on Saturday, May 11, 2022, and Hayner staff members dropped off donations of the coloring book to local schools. The coloring books are now available to purchase for $10.00 (cash or check) at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.

Student illustrators Allison A. McCarty, Hallie C. Beiermann, Sabrina K. Northway, Madeline J. Besaw, D. J. Holiday, Winnie Zheng, Genevieve L. Ahlin, and Olivia Joiner worked for months to illustrate text written by Reneé B. Johnson, highlighting seasonal activities and events in Alton, Godfrey, and Fosterburg, Illinois. The students drew pages depicting the Alton Memorial Day Parade, Juneteeth Celebration in James H. Killion Park, Alton Farmers' and Artisans' Market, the Nan Elliott Memorial Rose Garden at Gordon Moore Park, the All-Wheels Drive-In Classic Car Show, the Great Godfrey Corn Maze at Glazebrook Park, and other wonderful local traditions.

This is not the first collaboration between the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library and Alton High School's Graphic Communications students. In 2019, Reneé B. Johnson collaborated with Lexa Browning and her students to publish the rhyming alphabet picture book *Alton ABC*. Copies of *Alton ABC* are also still available to purchase for $20.00 (cash or check) at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.

The proceeds for *Color Me Alton: Seasons* and *Alton ABC* books benefit the Alton High School Graphic Communications club, Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, and future collaborations. It has been a joy to work with the Alton School District and we look forward to future projects!

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## *Branching Out 2022 - Genealogy Classes*

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library is happy to resume in-person Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

July 14 - From the Church to the Courthouse
July 21 - Discussion group

August 11 - Where We've Lived: Property Research
August 18 - Discussion group

September 8 - Making a New Home in a New Land: Immigration, Asylum, Naturalization
September 15-Discussion group

October 13 - Uncover Family Details with Cemetery Records
October 20 - Discussion group

November 10 - Heroes in Our History: Military Records
November 17 - Discussion group

December 8 - All That's Fit to Print and More: Newspaper Research
December 15 - Discussion group

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic.

On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We just relax and listen when we don't have anything to share. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

## *Take a Hike! Read a Story in the Great Outdoors with Hayner Library's StoryWalk Program*

Exercise, fresh air, nature, and literacy are all combined in Hayner Library's StoryWalk.

StoryWalk is an outdoor reading experience in which the library staff deconstructs a children's book, laminates the pages, and places them in a weatherproof metal storyboard along the Frog Trail at The Nature Institute.

The Nature Institute, located at 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey, IL, is a non-profit land conservation and environmental education organization. The Frog Trail, located behind Talahi Lodge, is approximately a half-mile in length and has been paved to make it more accessible for readers of all abilities.

A new StoryWalk book is available at the beginning of each month, from April to November. In the winter, Hayner Library's StoryWalk program takes place on the upper level of Alton Square Mall.

For more information on our StoryWalk program, including the title of the current month's book, please visit the library's website at www.haynerlibrary.org/storywalk or our Facebook page.

The StoryWalk project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Kellog-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

## *Walking Book Club*

In April, Hayner Library recently introduced a new program, the Walking Book Club. The club was launched by Hayner's Reference Librarian, Jean Shimunek, who sadly passed away in May. Jean was devoted to reading, exercise, nature, and friends and designed the Walking Book Club around these things. If this sounds like a perfect fit for you, please consider joining us.

The Walking Book Club is like other book clubs, except it meets at a walking trail or park and allows participants to exercise while chatting about books. Studies have shown that walking stimulates our brain and helps us focus and be more creative. Our Walking Book Club integrates mental, physical, and social activities, improving brain health while enjoying the company of others.

The book club meets for about an hour on the second Wednesday of the month, April through October. At each meeting, titles and walking locations are chosen for the next month's walk with the help of our club moderator. Our walks are paced to allow for both exercise and good conversations. The Alton/Godfrey area offers us many beautiful parks and trails for our walks, such as The Nature Institute, Riverfront Park, Gordon Moore Park, Audubon Center at Riverlands, and Glazebrook Park.

Registration is required for the Walking Book Club. The registration form is available on the library's website and at the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. For more information, please email the library at reference@haynerlibrary.org or call 618-462-0677.

## *Check Out a Telescope and Enjoy the Night Sky*

Everyone knows that you can check out a book using your library card. But you can also check out many other fun things with your library card, including a telescope! Hayner Library offers Orion StarBlast 4.5" telescopes for patron check out at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

Each telescope captures the equivalent amount of light of 250 human eyes. Each has a zoom eyepiece, which gives a range of magnifications from twenty power to sixty power and provides a large field of view. You will be able to obtain clear observations of the craters on our Moon, Jupiter and its moons, Saturn and its rings, and the brighter star clusters and nebulae.

Adult Hayner Library cardholders may check out the telescopes for two weeks. Each telescope also comes with a learning kit and everything you need to start your stargazing adventure. Enjoy the great outdoors and night skies with your family and friends.

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Downtown Library
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Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

***Please note that effective August 1, 2022, hours of operation at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall will change to:***

132 Alton Square Mall Dr., Alton
Monday – Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
401 State Street, Alton
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

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# *Lawyer in the Library: Know Your Rights Presentations at Hayner Library*

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce our newest programming series: Lawyer in the Library. This series is a partnership between The Hayner Public Library District and Land of Lincoln Legal Aid.

Land of Lincoln Legal Aid is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides low-income and senior residents of central and southern Illinois with free high-quality legal services to obtain and maintain their basic human needs.

Our Lawyer in the Library series will focus on three areas of law: housing, consumer protection, and health and income security. These "know your rights" presentations will provide a general overview of the types of help Land of Lincoln Legal Aid provides. Because the attorneys presenting these programs cannot discuss or answer questions concerning specific cases, attorney referrals and appointments can be made after each presentation.

**The following programs will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, from 7:00-8:00 p.m.:**

- August 3, 2022 — Housing: eviction, unsafe living conditions, and foreclosure
- August 17, 2022 — Health and income security: Medicaid, Medicare, TANF, SNAP, Social Security

**The following programs will take place at the Downtown Library from 6:00-7:00 p.m.:**

- September 14, 2022 — Consumer Protection: debt collection, bankruptcy, consumer fraud, and identity theft
- September 28, 2022 — Housing: eviction, unsafe living conditions, and foreclosure

Registration is not required for these programs.

For more information about Land of Lincoln Legal Aid, please visit www.lincolnlegal.org or call 1-800-642-5570 or (618) 462-0029. You may also pick up informational brochures at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Fall 2022

## *Hayner Library Local Author Book Fair Saturday, October 8, 2022, from 9 am to Noon*

This fall, Hayner Library will host a Local Author Book Fair, where you can meet local authors, buy their books, and have them signed! The event will be held Saturday, October 8, 2022, from 9 am-Noon. If necessary, a rain date is scheduled for Saturday, October 15, 2022.

The event will feature library card registration, a showcase of non-traditional library materials available for check out, and other library highlights. There will also be activities and story times for the kids. WBGZ will broadcast live from the event, and refreshments will be available for purchase. The Riverbend Raptor will also be roving around the book fair for your amusement!

You can browse or make purchases—and be sure to leave some time to explore the beautiful Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library and our Downtown Library! The Friends of Hayner Library, located at 327 State Street, will also hold a book sale on this date.

Find a new favorite author and stock up your book collection to keep you busy during the approaching cold winter. What is more inviting than a stack of books to ease your cabin fever? There are so many talented local authors in our community who deserve your support.

Free parking will be available in the municipal parking lot across from the Downtown Library on Belle Street between 4th and 5th Streets.

We are hopeful that this will become an annual event. Please plan to join us—bring the family and support local talent!

## *A New Speaker Series: Art Talks*

The Hayner Public Library District is introducing a new speaker series: Art Talks! For this series, Hayner Library will partner with local artists to help you explore the art world and get an up-close look at different artists, art styles, and art movements. It's a great opportunity to expand your art knowledge and get to know the artists in our very own community!

The first program in this series will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on November 2, from 6-7 pm:

- Art Talks: The Life and Work of Yoko Ono

In this program, artist Linda Vredeveld will discuss the art of Yoko Ono, her life as an artist, and the impact of her time as the "Fifth Beatle."

Be sure to keep an eye on our Events Calendar for more information about upcoming Art Talks!

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Thanksgiving, November 24 & 25
Christmas, December 24, 25, & 26
New Year's Eve, December 31

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## *New Book Drop Outside Alton Square Mall*

We are delighted to announce that The Hayner Public Library District will be installing an outdoor book drop at Alton Square Mall! The book drop will be installed at the Ross/post office entrance on the lower-level of the mall and should be installed by October.

Materials returned in the book drop during the day will be collected and checked in that afternoon, while those returned in the book drop after 4 pm will be checked in the next morning, and back-dated to reflect the previous day's return date. If you are coming to the library to pick up additional materials, please return your items to the library, not the newly-installed outdoor book drop.

The outdoor book drop will be closed on extended holidays (such as Thanksgiving and Christmas). However, the indoor book drop by the library entrance will remain open.We anticipate this will be a great convenience to those of you who want to return materials with just a quick stop. The book drop at the Downtown Library is also still available for your use, to the left of the entrance at 326 Belle Street, Alton, IL.

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## *Hayner Library Now Offers OverDrive e-books, Audiobooks, and Digital Magazines*

Hayner Library is pleased to announce that we have added OverDrive to our collection of free digital resources for patrons with a Hayner Library card!

In July, Hayner Library joined the Digital Library of Illinois, a consortium that provides e-book, audiobook, and digital magazine access to patrons of participating libraries through the OverDrive digital platform.

Patrons can access OverDrive in two ways: online and through OverDrive's Libby app. For help accessing OverDrive online or through the Libby app, please visit www.haynerlibrary.org and click on the *Download Audio & eBooks* or the *Help With Your eReader* links.

Digital Library of Illinois' OverDrive platform offers patrons access to over 86,000 titles in e-book, audiobook, and digital magazine format! OverDrive is also the exclusive digital e-book provider delivering Kindle compatibility to public libraries in the United States, making it easy for Kindle owners to read e-books on their devices.

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Hayner Library offers OverDrive in addition to Cloud Library and TumbleBooks for Kids. Happy (digital) reading!

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## *Taps and Tomes: A Brewery Book Club*

The Hayner Public Library District and The Old Bakery Beer Company are excited to announce a new free bi-monthly book club! Join us for a drink and a discussion of a new book every other month. Food and drink specials will be available exclusively to Taps and Tomes participants. Our first selection will be Colson Whitehead's bestseller *The Nickel Boys*, which chronicles the harrowing trials of the children at a fictional juvenile reformatory in 1960s Tallahassee. Join us on November 16, 2022, at 7 pm, at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL.

# KidsSpace *Fall 2022 Activities*

**Family Story Times**
Family Story Times are back! Come join us on Tuesdays at the Downtown Library at 10 am for Family Story Time with Mary Kay. To register, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Preschool Story Times**
On Thursdays, Preschool Story Times with Sam will be held at 10 am at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. To register, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Take-Home Crafts**
Each Wednesday, young patrons ages 3-8 will be offered a take-home craft from Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Crafts will be available while supplies last.

**After School Fun Craft**
Kids ages 6-11 can come by the Downtown Library KidsSpace for a fun make-it or take-it themed craft. Crafts will be available while supplies last.

**Science with Sam**
Science with Sam is a fun, monthly STEAM-themed program held the first Friday of each month in October, November, and December. Sam will prepare interactive kits for children to take home that demonstrate different STEAM concepts such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to do the activity. A video will be posted online for families to join us and follow along! Adult assistance will be required for some of the activities. This program is designed for children ages 7-10 years old. Kits may be picked up from KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and will be available while supplies last.

**Lego Club**
Kids—join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces! The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Lego Club will meet in the KidsSpace the second Tuesday of each month from 3:30 to 4:30 pm. This program is for kids 6-11 years of age. Limited space is available. Please register at (618) 433-2881.

**Sleepy-Time Stories with Ms. Mac**
Join us for this virtual story time on the Hayner Library Facebook page bi-weekly beginning Monday, October 3, 2022, at 7 pm. Put on your PJ's and snuggle in to listen to Ms. Mac read stories, perform fingerplays, and sing a lullaby right before bedtime. Sleepy-Time Stories will also be available on Hayner's KidSpace YouTube channel. For questions about this program, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Table Top Adventures for Kids**
Do you like adventure? Do you like fantasy? Do you want to role play your favorite hero or villain? Then roll for initiative because this is the place for you! Whether you are an experienced adventurer or looking to try out a new journey, all are welcome. Once a month at 2 pm, kids ages 7-11 are invited to join us in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall where we will try out roleplaying through the wonderful world of tabletop games. Dungeons and Dragons is only the beginning! To register, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Draw on the Desk**
All day, every day, children are welcome to visit KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to help decorate our desk with their art. The front of the desk is covered in paper —just ask for some crayons or markers at the desk and draw to your heart's content.

**TNI Story Stroll**
Come join us Wednesdays in October at The Nature Institute, 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey, IL. Participants will stroll the Story Walk trail while reading the story, signing songs, and playing games, weather permitting. To register, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Tree House Wildlife Program**
Come join us on Monday, October 10, 2022, at 10 am, in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall for an interactive, educational, and spooky show with live animals! This program will host a variety of nocturnal animals that call the Tree House Wildlife Center their home. No registration needed.

**Students for Soldiers Donation Boxes**
November is the month of giving. This year we have partnered with the Students for Soldiers program developed by Carmen Serio, a longtime teacher at Marquette Catholic High School. To participate in this program, both the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and the Downtown Library will have donation boxes out all month long. A list of supplies to donate can be found at the KidsSpace desk at both locations. We will also have coloring sheets available for children to color and send along with their donations. Let our troops know how much we appreciate their sacrifice!

**Holiday Card Drop-in Station**
Make a holiday card to share with someone special by visiting Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Monday-Saturday, 9 am-4 pm, December 2, 2022, through Thursday, December 22, 2022. No registration is required.

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**Holiday Drop-in Ornament Station**
Drop by the KidsSpace at the Downtown Library on Wednesdays, December 7 and 14, 2022, between 10 am - 4 pm, and make your very own holiday ornament. Available while supplies last. No registration needed.

**A Holiday Celebration Event**
Come join us for a fun-filled day including Santa, refreshments, and a performance by OMG Josh. All the fun begins at 10 am in the Performance Room on the upper-level of Alton Square Mall on Saturday, December 3, 2022. This program will be followed by cookies and a visit from Santa in the KidsSpace Multipurpose Room. Parents, don't forget your cameras! To register, please call (618) 433-2881.

# TeenSpace *Fall 2022 Activities*

**The Teen Advisory Council (TAC)**
What type of programs do you want to see at your library? You should be a part of the Teen Advisory Council, which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library! This group will meet at 4 pm on the second Wednesday of each month in the Teen Center in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

**Teen Take-Home Crafts**
Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by Hayner Library TeenSpace at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft! We will distribute crafts while supplies last.

**Teen Movie**
Calling all teens! Bring a friend and enjoy a Halloween movie, pizza, and soda. This program starts at 4 pm on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, in the Teen Center located in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. Ages 12-18. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

**Not-Just-for-Teens Escape Rooms**
Log on to Hayner Library's Facebook page every Monday for a new Escape Room Challenge. Figure them out by yourself or with your friends! Answer questions, find clues, and solve riddles to complete these fun virtual games.

**Color Your Stress Away**
Log on to Hayner Library's Facebook page every Friday for a new printable coloring sheet. Break out the colored pencils, turn on some relaxing music, and color your stress away.

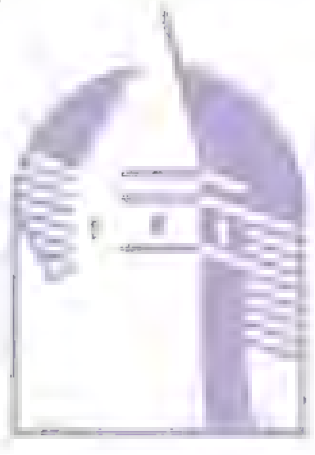
**Halloween Glow-in-the-Dark Bingo**
Come join other teens ages 12-18 for this fun afternoon game of Glow-in-the-Dark Bingo. The fun begins at 4 pm on Wednesday, October 5, 2022. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

**Teen Halloween Party**
Teens ages 12-18 are invited to join us on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 4 pm, for games, treats, pumpkin decorating, and a lot more in the Teen Center located in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. To register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.

**The Teen NCG Movie Event**
Hayner Library TeenSpace invites teens ages 12–18 to join us at the Alton Square Mall NCG Cinema for a private movie showing. Teens will enjoy free soda and popcorn during the movie. For the movie title and show time, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872 to register. Limited space is available, so call now!

**Teen Holiday Guessing Game**
Stop by the TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and see if you can guess how many ornaments are in the jar. The closest guess to the actual number will win a $25 gift card. The game begins on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 and runs through Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

**Teen Holiday Party**
Teens, bring a friend and drop by the Teen Center located in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 4 pm. You and your friend will enjoy holiday treats, music, and games and have thirty minutes to decorate a gingerbread house with a variety of items. The winners of this decorating contest will each leave with a $25 gift card. To register, please call Shannon (618) 433-2872.



# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

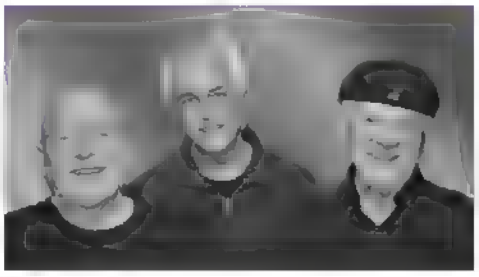
*Join us for our Fall 2022 semester of special events! These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper-level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Town Criers*

**Tuesday, October 18, 6:30 pm**

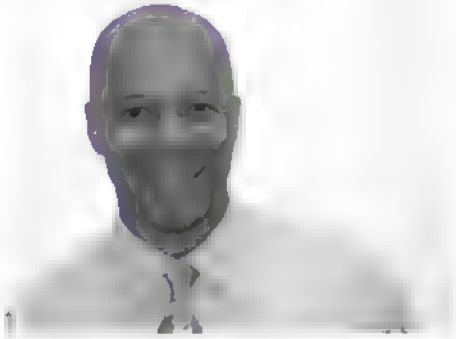


The Town Criers play an eclectic blend of blues, oldies rock, and their own original songs. The band consists of Charlie (CC) Wilson, Larry Vandiver, and Steve Vogel. Wilson and Vandiver are the group's principle songwriters, and Vogel is a veteran of the St. Louis blues scene.

They will be performing selections from *Blues as a Second Language*, Wilson's first CD, as well as some of their newer songs. Many have themes about love, New Orleans, or the south in general.

## *Jared Hennings*

**Tuesday, November 29, 6:30 pm**



Local vocalist Jared Hennings always attracts a full house. Jared will be presenting a program of holiday music both traditional and contemporary. Don't miss this wonderful program, highlighting Jared's beautiful musical range. It will be a great way to kick off your holiday season!

## *Switchback*

**Tuesday, December 6, 6 pm**

They're back! The amazing duo of Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their latest holiday album, *Celtic Requests*, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family! This annual performance has moved to a new venue and night so that all may attend. They will be performing in the beautiful Hatheway Hall on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey IL. Please note that this year's start time has changed to 6 pm. Hatheway Hall is a wonderful theater complex and will be a treat for the whole family. Join us for this event that has become a great holiday tradition for our community! This program is jointly presented by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College.

## October 2022

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | | 1 Vintage Voices (12pm) |
| 2 Vintage Voices (12pm) | 3 Escape Room (All-Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7pm) | 4 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10am) | 5 Kids Take Home Craft (All-Day) Story Stroll (9am) Yoga Halloween Bingo (4pm) | 6 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10am) | 7 Science w/ Sam (All-Day) Color Your Stress Away (All-Day) | 8 Local Author Book Fair (9am) Vintage Voices (12pm) |
| 9 Vintage Voices (12pm & 5pm) | 10 Escape Room (All-Day) Tree House Wild Life Presentation (10am) | 11 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10am) Lego Club (3:30pm) | 12 Kids Take Home Craft (All-Day) Story Stroll (9am) Teen Advisory Council (4pm) | 13 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10am) Branching Out (10am) | 14 Color Your Stress Away (All-Day) | 15 |
| 16 | 17 Escape Room (All-Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7pm) | 18 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10am) After School Craft (All-Day) Town Crier (9:00am) | 19 Kids Take Home Craft (All-Day) Story Stroll (9am) Teen Take Home Craft (All-Day) Teen Movie (4pm) | 20 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10am) Branching Out (10am) | 21 Color Your Stress Away (All-Day) | 22 |
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| 30 | 31 Escape Room (All-Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7pm) | | | | | |

## November 2022

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | 1 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10am) | 2 Kids Take Home Craft (All-Day) Art Talks (6pm) | 3 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10am) | 4 Science w/ Sam (All-Day) Color Your Stress Away (All-Day) | 5 Table Top Adventures (2pm) |
| 6 | 7 Escape Room (All-Day) | 8 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10am) Lego Club (3:30pm) | 9 Kids Take Home Craft (All-Day) Teen Advisory Council (4pm) | 10 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10am) Branching Out (10am) | 11 All Library Branches Closed for Veterans Day | 12 |
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| 27 | 28 Escape Room (All Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7pm) | 29 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10am) Jared Hearings (5:30pm) | 30 | | | |

## December 2022

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | 1 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10am) | 2 Science w/ Sam (All-Day) Color Your Stress Away (All-Day) | 3 Holiday Celebration (10am) |
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# *Branching Out 2022 - Genealogy Classes*

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library is happy to resume in-person Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL

Branching Out classes take place from 10-11:30 am.

October 13 Uncover Family Details with Cemetery Records
October 20 Discussion group

November 10 Heroes in Our History: Military Records
November 17 Discussion group

December 8 All That's Fit to Print and More: Newspaper Research
December 15 - Discussion group

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic.

On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We just relax and listen when we don't have anything to share. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue in 2023 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

# *125th Anniversary of the Alton Woman's Home Association, Beverly Farm, and the Lovejoy Monument by Lacy S. McDonald*

A great deal happened in Alton in 1897! In that year alone, the Alton Woman's Home Association, Beverly Farm, and the Lovejoy Monument were founded or dedicated, which means they are celebrating 125th anniversaries this year. Union Baptist Church, founded in 1837, is celebrating its 185th anniversary. Vintage Voices performances will highlight those stories in the Alton City Cemetery on October 1, 2, 8, and 9. For more information on the actors and decedents who will chronicle these anniversary events, please see the Vintage Voices 2022 article

**Alton Woman's Home Association by Marlene Lewis**

A small group of women met on February 3, 1897 to establish a Women's Home in Alton. The group met six times during the next three weeks to decide on a location for the home. On February 24, Henry Watson unexpectedly appeared at their meeting and offered the old Dolbee Homestead for the very modest fee of $10 per month. The women enthusiastically accepted his offer. By March 20, just forty-five days after their first meeting, three women were admitted to the home.

The Dolbee Homestead sat atop the bluffs in the area now known as Riverview Park. It served the association for twelve years, until the need for repairs became costly and it was decided to build a new home on State Street. The homestead was later demolished. The land was purchased by the city to create an observation area with sweeping views of the Mississippi River.

In 1909, a procession of surreys moved the women to their new home at 2224 State Street. The building was designed by architect Lucas Pfeiffenberger and was built with generous financial support from the community. In the 1950s the lobby boasted one of the first television sets in the area. For more than fifty six years the Alton Woman's Home Association (AWHA) provided a comfortable living environment to hundreds of women from all walks of life. With the advent of social security, pensions, and Medicare, the home saw a gradual decline in admissions. By 1966, the last three residents were moved to the newly-opened Eunice Smith Home on the campus of Alton Memorial Hospital, where the association continued to provide for their care. The last of these three women passed away in 1980.

In 1972, the articles of incorporation were updated to offer a broader range of support to women and children in Madison County. On March 11, 1980, the board of directors met to discuss how best to use AWHA funds moving forward. Jane Henry, Roberta Allen, and Virginia Fabianic put their thoughts in writing, and their memos are among a collection of artifacts housed at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. Archives show a total of $43,200 was granted to fourteen area organizations in 1980. Since that time, nearly $6 million has been distributed locally. In 2021, the organization provided assistance to eighteen area agencies.

The Genealogy & Local History Library has a number of archival items related to the Alton Woman's Home Association that are available to view upon request.

**Beverly Farm**

Beverly Farm was founded in 1897 by Dr. William Hammond Cross Smith, a medical doctor and authority in juvenile psychology, and his wife, Elizabeth, a special education teacher. Dr. Smith served as physician and Assistant Superintendent of the Illinois State Institute at Lincoln, Illinois before he and his wife moved to Godfrey to create "The Beverly Farm," named in honor of Dr. Smith's birthplace in Beverly, Massachusetts. At Beverly Farm, Dr. and Mrs. Smith planned to establish a fundamentally different approach in caring for people who live with developmental disabilities. Here they would offer a caring home, socialization, proper medical care, healthy diet, physical exercise, education, recreation, and meaningful work – a radical concept at the time. In 1897, there were only two buildings and two residents at Beverly Farm, but by 1909, 171 children had been admitted and 1,249 applications, representing every state and nine foreign countries, had been received.

Dr. Smith received notoriety at the 1904 St. Louis World's Fair for his pioneering concepts in the care of people who live with intellectual or developmental disabilities. The Smiths received a certificate from the jury of awards showing that Beverly Farm was the finest of its class in the country.

In 1979, Beverly Farm's focus changed from providing services for children and adults to providing services for adults only. Today, Beverly Farm is a safe and comfortable home for adults who live with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

*The Little World of Beverly Farm* prepared by the Board of Directors of Beverly Farm Foundation, Inc., 1976 IR 362.209773 LIT

*More Than Bricks and Mortar: 100 Years of Caring* by Carolyn Sue Mayhall, 1997 IR 362.209773 MAY

**Lovejoy Monument**

Elijah P. Lovejoy was an abolitionist newspaper editor and Presbyterian minister who started the *Alton Observer* in 1836, and was also pastor at the Upper Alton Presbyterian Church (later College Avenue Presbyterian Church). On Nov. 7, 1837, a pro-slavery mob attacked the Godfrey Gilman warehouse, where his fourth and final press was being stored, setting fire to the building and killing Lovejoy. He was initially buried in an unmarked grave in Alton City Cemetery. In the 1860s, Lovejoy's grave was found and he was reinterred in his final resting place by William "Scotch" Johnston, who helped bury him immediately after his death, and newspaper editor Thomas Dimmock. (Lovejoy's grave is not located at the monument, but is further into the cemetery along a main path and is very clearly marked). Lovejoy was hailed as a martyr to abolition and free speech. In 1897, a monument to Lovejoy was dedicated in the Alton City Cemetery. Dimmock spoke at the dedication, as did Lieutenant Governor of Illinois William Northcott. The State of Illinois contributed $25,000 for construction, and the citizens of Alton raised another $5,000. John E. Hayner, who donated the money for the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library, was treasurer of the Lovejoy Monument Association. The monument consists of a ninety-three-foot-tall granite column topped by a seventeen-foot-tall winged statue of Victory. The monument is the tallest in the state of Illinois and can be seen as you drive from Missouri into Alton across the Clark Bridge.

The Elijah P. Lovejoy Memorial hosts a ceremony at the Lovejoy Monument in Alton City Cemetery every November 9, Lovejoy Day, which has been celebrated in Alton since 1952, when Jesse L. Cannon, president, James Bailey, secretary, and Joseph Brewer, treasurer, officially created the Elijah P. Lovejoy Memorial. The annual commemoration honors Lovejoy's life and legacy on the anniversary of his birth in 1802. The Lovejoy Memorial also awards scholarships to Alton-Godfrey area high school students. In 1954, Alton High School graduate Sterling Scales received the first Lovejoy Memorial scholarship. About 225 high school graduates have received scholarships since then. Bonnie Fox is the current Lovejoy Memorial president and Ed Gray is the Registered Agent Trustee.

*Dedication of the Lovejoy Monument, Alton, Illinois, November 8th, 1897* IR 977.386 LOV

https://archive.org/details/dedication-of-the-lovejoy-monument-alton-illinois

*Preservation, Beautification and Rededication of the Elijah Parish Lovejoy Monument: 5:30 pm, Thursday, September 25, 1969.* IR 977.386 PRE

**Union Baptist Church –**
**Research by Charlotte E. Johnson**

This is also the 185th anniversary of the founding of Union Baptist Church, the oldest African American church in Alton. Union Baptist Church was founded as African Baptist Church and Friends to Humanities in 1837. William "Scotch" Johnston, who dug the grave of Elijah Lovejoy, was a founding member of the church, as was John Anderson, a printer in the Lovejoy's printing office. The church was organized in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards on East Fourth Street, with Rev. John Livingston as the first pastor. Rev. Livingston was the first and only African American ordained minister in Illinois. Other members present at the formative meeting were Mr. And Mrs. Charles Edwards, Mr. William Charles Barton, and Mr. Alfred Richardson, who first raised the issue of organizing the church. Also present were Rev. Ebenezer Rodgers, pastor of both First Baptist Church of Upper Alton and First Baptist Church of Lower Alton, Rev. James Leman Sr., Rev. James Leman Jr., and Mr. Edward White. The African Baptist Church continued to worship in the Edwards House and various other houses in the area until 1853, when its first building was erected. Shortly after, the Church's name was changed from African Baptist Church to Union Baptist Church. Union Baptist Church carries on its storied legacy to this day.

*Historical Sketch of the Union Baptist Church, 1837-1937: Especially Prepared for the Centennial, June 20-27, 1937* IR 286.77386 COA

https://archive.org/details/unionbaptistcentennial-1937

*Union Baptist Church Anniversary Service: 185 years 1837-2022* IR 286.77386 UNI

## FICTION -

**Andrews, Donna.** Dashing Through the Snowbirds: A Meg Langslow Mystery

**Backman, Fredrik.** The Winners

**Baldacci, David.** Long Shadows

**Beaton, M. C.** Devil's Delight: An Agatha Raisin Mystery

**Cameron, Marc.** Tom Clancy Red Winter (Jack Ryan)

**Carr, Robyn.** Holidays in Virgin River

**Child, Lee.** No Plan B: A Jack Reacher Novel

**Connelly, Michael.** Desert Star (Renée Ballard & Harry Bosch)

**Cook, Robin.** Night Shift

**Cornwell, Bernard.** Sharpe's Command

**Cornwell, Patricia.** Livid: A Scarpetta Novel

**Crais, Robert.** Racing the Light (Cole & Pike)

**Dailey, Janet.** Blue Moon Haven

**Deaver, Jeffrey.** Hunting Time

**Deveraux, Jude.** Thief of Fate

**Du Brul, Jack.** Clive Cussler the Sea Wolves (Isaac Bell)

**Evanovich, Janet.** Going Rogue: Rise and Shine Twenty-Nine

**Evans, Richard Paul.** A Christmas Memory

**French, Nicci.** The Favor

**Gervais, Simon.** Robert Ludlum's The Blackbriar Genesis

**Graham, Heather.** Blood Moon (Rising #2)

**Graham, Heather.** Voice of Fear (Krewe of Hunters)

**Gregory, Philippa.** Dawnlands (Fairmile #3)

**Grisham, John.** The Boys from Biloxi: A Legal Thriller

**Hannah, Sophie.** The Couple at the Table

**Harris, Charlaine.** The Serpent in Heaven (Gunnie Rose)

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Endless Summer: Stories

**Horowitz, Anthony.** A Twist of a Knife

**Jackson, Lisa.** Wicked Dreams

**Jones, Darynda.** A Hard Day for a Hangover

**King, Stephen.** A Face in the Crowd and the Longest December

**Kingsolver, Barbara.** Demon Copperhead

**Kirsanow, Peter.** W. E. B. Griffin The Devil's Weapons (Men at War)

**Lindsay, Jeff.** Three-Edged Sword (Riley Wolfe)

**Mackintosh, Clare.** The Last Party

**Macomber, Debbie.** The Christmas Spirit

**Mallery, Susan.** Home Sweet Christmas

**Margolin, Phillip.** Murder at Black Oaks (Robin Lockwood)

**McCarthy, Cormac.** The Passenger

**McCarthy, Cormac.** Stella Maris

**Ng, Celeste.** Our Missing Hearts

**Palmer, Diana.** Wyoming Homecoming

**Paris, B. A.** The Prisoner

**Patterson, James.** The Perfect Assassin: A Doc Savage Thriller

**Patterson, James.** Triple Cross (Alex Cross)

**Patterson, James.** The Twelve Topsy-Turvy, Very Messy Days of Christmas

**Penny, Louise.** A World of Curiosities (Chief Inspector Gamache)

**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Deliverance

**Peterson, Tracie.** Under the Starry Skies

**Picoult, Jodi.** Mad Honey

**Rankin, Ian.** A Heart Full of Headstones (Inspector Rebus)

**Roberts, Nora.** The Choice (Dragon Heart Legacy)

**Rosenfelt, David.** Santa's Little Yelper

**Sandford, John.** Righteous Prey

**Shipman, Viola.** A Wish for Winter

**Smiley, Jane.** A Dangerous Business

**Steel, Danielle.** The High Notes

**Steel, Danielle.** The Whittiers

**Unger, Lisa.** Secluded Cabin Sleeps Six

**Woods, Stuart.** Distant Thunder (Stone Barrington)

## NONFICTION -

**Bono.** Surrender: 40 Songs, One Story

**Brands, H. W.** The Last Campaign: Sherman, Geronimo and the War for America

**Brinkley, Douglas.** Silent Spring Revolution: John F. Kennedy, Rachel Carson, Lyndon Johnson, Richard Nixon, and the Great Environmental Awakening

**Brower, Kate Andersen.** Elizabeth Taylor: The Grit & Glamour of an Icon

**Buettner, Dan.** The Blue Zones American Kitchen: 100 Recipes to Live to 100

**Burns, Ken.** Our America: A Photographic History

**Davis, Geena.** Dying of Politeness: A Memoir

**DK Eyewitness Travel.** Chicago Like a Local: By the People Who Call It Home

**Dylan, Bob.** The Philosophy of Modern Song

**Faulkner, Harris.** Faith Still Moves Mountains: Miraculous Stories of the Healing Power of Prayer

**Flores, Dan.** Wild New World: The Epic Story of Animals and People in America

**Freedland, Jonathan.** The Escape Artist: The Man Who Broke Out of Auschwitz to Warn the World

**Garten, Ina.** Go-To Dinners: A Barefoot Contessa Cookbook

**Goleman, Daniel.** Why We Meditate: The Science and Practice of Clarity and Compassion

**Grandin, Temple.** Visual Thinking: The Hidden Gifts of People Who Think in Pictures, Patterns, and Abstractions

**Haberman, Maggie.** Confidence Man: The Making of Donald Trump and the Breaking of America

**Hill, Clint.** My Travels with Mrs. Kennedy

**Kennedy, Robert F.** The Wuhan Cover-Up: How US Health Officials Conspired with the Chinese Military to Hide the Origins of Covid-19

**Martin, Steve.** Number One Is Walking: My Life in the Movies and Other Diversions

**McHugh, Erin.** Pickleball Is Life. The Complete Guide to Feeding Your Obsession

**Meacham, John.** And There Was Light: Abraham Lincoln and the American Struggle

**Mukherjee, Siddhartha.** The Song of the Cell: An Exploration of Medicine and the New Human

**Newman, Paul.** The Extraordinary Life of an Ordinary Man: A Memoir

**Noom.** The Noom Mindset: Learn the Science, Lose the Weight

**Obama, Michelle.** The Light We Carry: Overcoming in Uncertain Times

**O'Reilly, Bill.** Killing the Legends: The Lethal Danger of Celebrity

**Pearlman, Jeff.** The Last Folk Hero: The Life and Myth of Bo Jackson

**Perelman, Deb.** Smitten Kitchen Keepers: New Classics for Your Forever Files: A Cookbook

**Perry, Matthew.** Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing: A Memoir

**Radloff, Jessica.** The Big Bang Theory: The Definitive, Inside Story of the Epic Hit Series

**Schiff, Stacy.** The Revolutionary: Samuel Adams

**Seinfeld, Jerry.** The Comedians in Cars Getting Coffee Book

**Shatner, William.** Boldly Go: Reflections on a Life of Awe and Wonder

**TerKeurst, Lysa.** Good Boundaries and Goodbyes: Loving Others Without Losing the Best of Who You Are

**Weir, Alison.** Queens of the Age of Chivalry: England's Medieval Queens

**William, Anthony.** Medical Medium Brain Saver: Answers to Brain Inflammation, Mental Health, Oct, Brain Fog, Neurological Symptoms, Addiction, Anxiety, Depression...

# *Vintage Voices 2022*

Vintage Voices, now in its twenty-first year, will continue its tradition of guided walking tours in the Alton City Cemetery on the first two weekends in October: 1, 2, 8, and 9, from noon until 2:30 pm. Tours will leave from the main gate of the cemetery (at Vine & 5th Streets) every fifteen to twenty minutes. A non-walking tour presentation will be held at the Jacoby Arts Center on Sunday, October 9, at 5 pm.

Jeff Pruett will portray Marcellus H. Filley (1818–1868), a private night watchman at the First National Bank in Alton who was murdered on October 31, 1868 in an attempted bank robbery. Alton Mayor J. T. Drummond offered a reward of $1,000 for the apprehension and conviction of the guilty parties.

Debbie Maneke and Jake Tenberge will portray Sarah Baker Metcalfe (1827–1906) and Lyne Shackelford Metcalfe (1822–1906), respectively. Lyne S. Metcalfe was an Alton mayor, a founding board member of the Alton Unitarian Church, and served as a Colonial for the Union during the Civil War. Sarah was the daughter of prominent Alton attorney David Jewell Baker and attended Monticello Seminary in Godfrey. Lyne and Sarah were very devoted to each other and had been married over fifty-seven years when Lyne died. Sarah died later the same year.

Zach Hardin will portray Colonial John Kuhn (1833–1865) of the Alton Jaeger Guard. Kuhn joined the Alton Jaeger Guard in 1855, and served as one of the Company's lieutenants. In 1861, the Company marched to Springfield to muster in with the 9th Illinois Volunteer Infantry. As it was fully uniformed, about seventy-five men strong, well drilled, and accompanied by a brass band, their arrival at the capital created quite a sensation. The men of the Alton Jaeger Guards would become Company A of the 9th Illinois.

Rev. Anton Lane of Union Baptist Church will portray Rev. Austin Otey (1829 – 1905). A deeply religious man, Rev. Otey was the pastor of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church in Godfrey. He was the very first pastor of Upper Alton Second Baptist Church, now known as Tabernacle Baptist Church. He was also a guest speaker at Union Baptist Church, where his funeral was held. Union Baptist Church assisted in the organization of Upper Alton Second Baptist Church. This year marks the 185th anniversary of Union Baptist Church. Union Baptist Church was founded in 1837 and is the oldest African American church in Alton.

Velva Parker will portray Sara Jane Woodson Newton Cohron (1853–1918), who was a very successful teacher in St. Louis and East St. Louis and the founder of the St. Louis Colored Orphans' Home (now the Annie Malone Children's Home). Cohron used her influence with the president of Boatmen's Bank to transfer the ownership of the Negro Civil War Veterans Home to the new St. Louis Colored Orphans' Home. Cohron was also the widow of Professor Charles Newton (portrayed last year by Jared Hennings). Her second husband, Rev. John Lewis Cohron, was pastor of Central Baptist Church of St. Louis, the largest Baptist church in the state of Missouri in the early 1890s.

Sean Williams will portray Henry Mayo (1820s or 1830s–1907). Mayo went with Gen. J.C. Fremont on the historical "Pathfinding" trip to the Pacific coast, where he worked as the camp cook. He also was the first cook on the first dining car ever run on the Chicago & Alton train line. Mayo was known as the only African American Democrat in Alton and in Madison County during much of his life.

This year marks the 125th Anniversary of the founding of the Alton Woman's Home Association. Alice Georgia (1869–1946) and Olga Polster (1884–1968) will share the story of AWHA. Alice Georgia was a resident of the home who was buried near the Alton Woman's Home stone. Her husband was a businessman in St. Louis, and they lived a very comfortable life, but she outlived him by enough years that she ran out of money. Gail Drillinger will portray Alice Georgia. Olga Polster was an Alton Woman's Home board member in the 1920s-1940s, and served as president for a time. Diana Kay will portray Olga Polster on the first weekend and Christy Schaper will portray her the second weekend.

This year is the 125th Anniversary of the completion and dedication of the Lovejoy Monument in the Alton City Cemetery. Ron Abraham will portray E.P. Wade (1833–1920), who was the president of the Lovejoy Monument Association. Wade was in charge of the exercises for the 1897 dedication and gave a speech detailing the efforts to build the monument, which is the tallest in Illinois.

This year is the 125th Anniversary of the founding of Beverly Farm in Godfrey. Claudia Herndon will portray Elizabeth Ellen Blake Smith (1860–1949) and John Meehan will portray her husband Dr. W.H.C. Smith (1860–1928), the founders of Beverly Farm. Dr. Smith received notoriety at

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the 1904 World's Fair for his pioneering concepts in the care of people who live with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students ages 6-18. Tickets for the cemetery tour can be purchased online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vintage-voices-2022-walking-tours-tickets-307131136497 or at the main gate of the Alton City Cemetery at least thirty minutes before the tours begin.

Tickets for the non-walking tour can be purchased online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vintage-voices-2022-non-walking-event-tickets-307133433367 or at Picture This & More, 18 East Broadway, Alton, IL.

The characters and themes of this year's tours were carefully selected by the Vintage Voices steering committee. Hayner Genealogy & Local History staff members provide research packets to the actors on the decedent they will portray. Actors write their own scripts, and really do a fantastic job. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library also serves as a repository for Vintage Voices ephemera such as a complete set of the program booklets and many of the scripts written by actors over the years. All of these items are available to see in the library.

Proceeds from the Vintage Voices performances support the continuation of the event, upkeep of the Alton Cemetery, and various community organizations, including Hayner Library. Please come out to see our history come alive!

## *Food for Fines*

Every October, Hayner Library holds a fine amnesty program, Food for Fines! We will waive fines on overdue Hayner Library materials if you contribute a nonperishable food item for each overdue item during the amnesty period.

During the holiday season, many community organizations hold drives to support centers such as Crisis Food Center, but we often forget about helping those in need at other times of the year. We are holding this amnesty program in October to help people without waiting for the support of "holiday generosity." It may also help make Thanksgiving a happier time for families in need.

From October 1 through October 31, 2022, anyone who has an overdue item can pay their fine with a canned food item. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per overdue item, and only Hayner Library materials are eligible. All food items collected throughout the month will be given to Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, please feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player. Now is a great opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the fines that have accrued. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center—and it is also a great opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so they can be reshelved for circulation. Thank you for your support!

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## *Walk, Learn, and Earn with OSF HealthCare's Mall Walker Program!*

OSF HealthCare Saint Anthony's Health Center is sponsoring a Mall Walkers Program at Alton Square Mall. Join OSF Physical Therapy for a brief discussion on exercise, injury prevention, and maintaining good health on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 8:30 am. Sign-up forms and walking logs for the program are available at the OSF Outpatient Rehabilitation office on the upper-level of Alton Square Mall or the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Turn in your walking log to be entered in a monthly drawing for an OSF prize! Completed walking logs can be turned in at either location. Questions? Please contact Frances Young at (618) 463-5346 or frances.a.young@osfhealthcare.org.

## *Summer Reading Program 2022*
## *"Read Beyond the Beaten Path"*

Young patrons of Hayner Library enthusiastically participated in this year's exciting Summer Reading Program, "Read Beyond the Beaten Path!" Our online reading software, Beanstack, helped young patrons create, measure, and manage their reading. Using this software, KidsSpace staff worked hard to prepare enjoyable activities and challenges resulting in great fun, participation, and learning for our patrons and parents alike! Young patrons in the program were treated to weekly story times, crafts, and performers, and were rewarded for their reading with weekly and big ticket prizes!

To end this year's program, participants were invited to the End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party where they were entertained by Celia's Shack Attack Dance Party and treated to Circus Kaput's airbrush tattoos. Children also received a free book, participation certificate, Gateway Grizzlies tickets, and a sweet treat to take home! Winners of the three big prizes were Auggie K, who won the children's hiking gear set; Isaac S, who won the camp gaming pack; and Angela T, who won the camp-at-home playset. The traveling trophy, awarded to the school with the most readers participating in our Summer Reading Program, was given to Evangelical School in Godfrey. We hope to see everyone next year at our 2023 Summer Reading Program, "Find Your Voice!" Congratulations to all our winners! Thank you all for a great summer!

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## *Teen Summer Reading Program 2022*
## *"Read Beyond the Beaten Path"*

The 2022 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Read Beyond the Beaten Path," challenged teens to keep their books open over the summer. We asked teens to go virtual by using either the Beanstack app or website. Participants won weekly prizes for their diligent reading and were asked to participate in challenges, which allowed them to earn tickets for a chance to win the grand prize basket. At the end of the five-week program, each participant was given a free book for their hard work!

Congratulations to this year's grand prize winner, Jane O, who won the basket full of books, gift cards, and iRead memorabilia! Congratulations to all our participants for making this year's Teen Summer Reading Program so successful! We hope to see everyone at 2023's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Find Your Voice!"

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# *Wreaths Across America 2022*

Wreaths Across America is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor and Teach" is carried out by wreath laying ceremonies in cemeteries in all fifty states and beyond. The organization spreads its message about the importance of remembering the fallen, honoring those who serve, and teaching our children the value of freedom and the sacrifices made by veterans and their families through wreath laying ceremonies and other coordinated events.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 17, 2022, our community will participate in this year's national WAA event. The ceremony will start at 11 am at the Alton National Cemetery, 600 Pearl Street, Alton, IL.

In 2021, through generous community donations, 560 wreaths were placed on the grave sites at our local national cemetery. Every dollar donated helps ensure each veteran is remembered. You can help continue this tradition by donating to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton, IL 62002.

The cost of each wreath is $15.00 and for every $30.00 received we are able to purchase three wreaths.

Once again, our local WAA will offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their special veteran at other local cemeteries. These wreath reservations can be made beginning November 21 through December 9, 2022, by calling Sue Fitzgerald at (618) 530-1430.

Please support our community in carrying forward this mission to REMEMBER, HONOR AND TEACH. Join our nation in honoring veterans, many of whom forfeited their own Christmas celebrations for all of us.

For more information, please call Margaret Hopkins at (618) 570-8804 or to learn more, visit wreathsacrossamerica.org.

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January 16, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 20, Presidents' Day

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## *From Story to Film: Emma by Jane Austen / Clueless*

Monday, February 13, 2023, 5:30-7:30 pm

Friday, February 24, 2023, 5:30-7:30 pm

Join us for our first story-to-film club! We will be discussing *Emma* by Jane Austen, and then watching the film adaptation, *Clueless*. The first meeting will be dedicated to the book discussion, and we will watch the movie at the second.

Attendees should read the book ahead of time so they can join in on the discussion! Please speak with a Circulation staff member to order a copy in regular print, large print, or audio format. Copies of the book may also be reserved online through the Hayner Library website or through the SHARE Mobile Library app. Digital and audio copies of *Emma* are also available on the Cloud Library and OverDrive digital platforms.

**Note:** This adult program will be held in two parts. The book discussion will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and the movie will be shown in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration will be limited to twenty people.

## January 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 All Library Branches Closed for New Year's Day | 2 | 3 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) | 4 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) | 5 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 6 Science w/ Sam (All Day) Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 7 |
| 8 | 9 Escape Room (All Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7 pm) | 10 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) Lego Club (3:30 pm) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 11 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Teen Advisory Council (4 pm) | 12 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Branching Out (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 13 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 14 |
| 15 | 16 All Library Branches Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | 17 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) After School Craft (All Day) | 18 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Teen Take-Home Craft (All Day) Art for the Heart (5 pm) | 19 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Branching Out (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 20 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) Teddy Bear Sleepover | 21 Reimagining Places of the Past (10 am) |
| 22 | 23 Escape Room (All Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7 pm) | 24 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 25 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) YA Wednesdays (4 pm) The Art of Color (5 pm) | 26 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 27 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 28 |
| 29 | 30 Escape Room (All Day) Color Connection (5:30 pm) | 31 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) | | | | |

## February 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Harry Potter Teen Book Night (4 pm) | 2 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 3 Science w/ Sam (All Day) Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 4 |
| 5 | 6 Escape Room (All Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7 pm) | 7 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 8 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Audubon Story Walk (10 am) Teen Advisory Council (4 pm) | 9 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Branching Out (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 10 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 11 Writers Circle. Poetry (10 am) |
| 12 | 13 Escape Room (All Day) From Story to Film Emma (5:30 pm) | 14 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) Lego Club (3:30 pm) | 15 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Teen Take-Home Craft (All Day) Art for the Heart (5 pm) | 16 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 17 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 18 Reimagining Places of the Past (10 am) |
| 19 | 20 All Library Branches Closed for Presidents' Day | 21 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) After School Craft (All Day) X's and Sews (6 pm) Bad Shelfie (6:30pm @ CPL) | 22 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) YA Wednesdays (4 pm) | 23 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 24 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) From Story to Film Clueless (5:30 pm) | 25 |
| 26 | 27 Escape Room (All Day) | 28 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) | | | | |

## March 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | 1 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Teen Diamond Art (All Day) YA Wednesdays (4 pm) | 2 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 3 Science w/ Sam (All Day) Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 4 Woodland Wildflower Identification (10 am) |
| 5 | 6 Escape Room (All Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7 pm) | 7 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 8 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Teen Diamond Art (All Day) Teen Advisory Council (4 pm) | 9 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Branching Out (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 10 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 11 Stuffed Animal Workshop (10 am) |
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# Branching Out 2023 Genealogy Classes

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place from 10-11:30 am.

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| January 12 | Let's Set Goals and Plan Our Research |
| January 19 | Discussion group |
| February 9 | Photos and Important Papers: Organize and Preserve Them |
| February 16 | Discussion group |
| March 9 | Family Trees and Organizing Our Digital Files |
| March 16 | Discussion group |

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We just relax and listen when we don't have anything to share. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2023 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

# KidsSpace

## *Winter 2023 Activities*

**Story Times**
Join us on Tuesdays at 10 am at the Downtown Library for Family Story Time with Mary Kay. Pre-School Story Times with Sam will be held on Thursdays at 10 am at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. **Please register for Family Story Time at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836. Please register for Pre-School Story Time at (618) 433-2881.**

**Audubon Story Time**
Join Mary Kay for a fun bird-themed story time at the Audubon Center at Riverlands, located at 301 Riverlands Way, West Alton, MO 63386. The fun will begin at 10 am on Wednesday, February 8, 2023. **To register for this event, please call (618) 433-2881.**

**Take-Home Crafts**
Each Wednesday, we will offer take-home craft kits to young patrons ages 3-7 in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. The craft kits will be available at 10 am. We will distribute the craft kits while supplies last.

**After School Fun**
Children ages 6-11 can visit the Downtown Library and pick up a themed craft on the following Tuesdays: January 17, February 21, and March 21, 2023. We will distribute the craft kits while supplies last.

**Science with Sam**
Science with Sam is a fun, monthly STEAM-themed program that happens on the first Friday of each month. Sam will prepare interactive kits for children ages 7-10 to take home that demonstrates STEAM concepts such as surface tension, Earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to complete the activity. We will also post an instructional video online for families to watch! Adult assistance is required for some of the activities. Kits may be picked up in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. **Please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your kit.**

**Stuffed Animal Workshop**
During this fun, interactive workshop, children ages 3-7 will be read a themed story and entertained with a short puppet show. Children will then bring their very own plush animal to life by filling it with stuffing, naming it, and taking it to its forever home. The fun begins at 10 am on Saturday, March 11, 2023, in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. Registration is required to attend this program. **Limited space is available! Please call (618) 433-2881 to register.**

**Teddy Bear Sleepover**
Drop off your teddy bear for a fun sleepover at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on Thursday, January 19, 2023, before closing. Each teddy bear will enjoy fun activities with the KidsSpace staff over the next few days. Return to pick up your teddy bear on Saturday, January 21, 2023, for a fun story time and snack at 10 am.

**Draw on the Desk**
All day, every day, children are welcome to come to KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to help decorate our desk with their art. The front of the desk is covered in paper. Ask for some crayons or markers at the desk and draw to your heart's desire!

**Sleepy Time Stories with Ms. Mac**
Join us for this virtual story time on Hayner Library's Facebook page. Join us bi-weekly beginning Monday, January 9, 2023, at 7 pm. Put on your pj's and snuggle in to listen to Ms. Mac read stories, perform fingerplays, and sing a lullaby right before bedtime. Sleepy Time Stories can also be found on the Hayner Library KidsSpace YouTube channel. **For questions about this program, please call (618) 433-2881.**

**Tabletop Adventures for Kids**
Do you like adventure? Do you like fantasy? Do you want to role-play your favorite hero or villain? Then roll for initiative because this is the place for you! Whether you are an experienced adventurer or looking to try a new journey, you are welcome to come. Once a month, kids ages 7-11 are invited to join us in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, where we will try out role-playing through the wonderful world of tabletop games. **Interested in joining? Please call Sam at (618) 433-2881.**

**Lego Club**
Kids, join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. The Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Lego Club will meet in the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on the second Tuesday of each month at 3:30 pm. This program is designed for kids ages 6-11 years of age. **Please register at (618) 433-2881.**

**Schedule a Story Time**
Can't make it to one of Hayner Library's weekly story times? Mary Kay will schedule your family's own personal story time! **To schedule a story time, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.**

**Story Walk**
Attention, families! Story Walk has moved inside for the winter months. Come read our monthly story at Alton Square Mall on the upper level next to J.C. Penney. The books will be posted on storyboards attached to the walls. At the end of each story, children ages 2-12 can stop by The Cookie Factory Café for the opportunity to answer a Story Walk-related question and purchase a half-price cookie.

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**KidsSpace Art for the Heart**
Join Sam in KidsSpace on the third Wednesday of each month at 5 pm, where we will explore our creative side by making art together! Each month will feature a different theme. Art will be made using paint or clay, depending on the month! We will provide the supplies—now all we need is you! This program is designed for children ages 7-11. Register now! Limited space is available. **To register, please call Sam at (618) 433-2881.**

**Valentine's Day Card Station**
From February 1-February 14, 2023, children are invited to stop by and make cards in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Supplies will be available Monday through Saturday, 10 am-4 pm. Adult supervision is required.

**Family Crafting Hour**
Bring the family and join us on Thrusdays at 6 pm for a weekly, fun evening craft in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. **Please register at (618) 433-2881.**

**Dial-A-Story**
For over twenty years, Hayner Library patrons have adored Dial-A-Story. It is a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children—available from the comfort of your home! Dial-A-Story is available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year! Children may call (618) 462-TALE to listen to a short story recorded by a KidsSpace staff member. Each story lasts approximately five minutes and is geared toward young children. A different story will be available each week.

# TeenSpace *Winter 2023 Activities*

**Teen Take-Home Crafts**
Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft! Craft kits will be distributed on the following Wednesdays: January 18 and February 15, 2023. We will distribute crafts while supplies last.

**Teen Diamond Art Series**
Teens, stop by TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall each Wednesday in March and pick up a Diamond Art kit. We will distribute these kits to teens ages 11-18 while supplies last.

**Not-Just-for-Teens Escape Rooms**
Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Monday for a new virtual escape room challenge. Figure them out by yourself or with your friends! Answer questions, find clues, and solve riddles to complete these fun virtual games. We will post a new escape room each Monday, beginning January 9, 2023.

**Color Your Stress Away**
Visit Hayner Library's Facebook page every Friday for a new printable coloring sheet. Break out the colored pencils, turn on some relaxing music, and color your stress away. Coloring sheets will be available every Friday, beginning January 6, 2023.

**Harry Potter Book Night**
We are thrilled to announce "Triwizard Tournament" as the 2023 Harry Potter Book Night theme. We invite teen witches, wizards, and muggles from around the world to take a magical journey through enchanting games, magical crafts, and bewitching activities. Stop by the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall on Wednesday, February 1, 2023, from 4-6 pm. **For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.**

**Teen Movie Event**
Hayner Library invites teens ages 12-18 to join us at the Alton Square Mall movie theater. We have rented one of the NCG Cinema theaters for a Saturday afternoon matinee. Participants will enjoy popcorn and a soda during the movie. This program has a strictly enforced limit, so please register early! **For more information about the movie (including the date and time) or to register, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.**

**YA Wednesdays**
Join us in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall for crafts, movies, and games! This program will take place at 4 pm on the following Wednesdays: January 25, February 22, and March 1, 15, 22, and 29, 2023. **For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.**

**The Teen Advisory Council (TAC)**
What type of programs do you want to see at your library? You should be a part of the Teen Advisory Council, which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library! This group will meet at 4 pm on the second Wednesday of each month in the Teen Center in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. **Please register at (618) 433-2872.**

**My Library Crate**
Do you enjoy book subscriptions? If so, this one is for you! This three-month book subscription is exclusively for teens ages 12-18. Stop by TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or visit the TeenSpace page of the Hayner Library website and fill out a short registration form. Each month, a TeenSpace staff member will pick a new read and reserve it just for you. The crate contains your book and a few goodies! Book crates will be labeled with your name and placed on the hold shelf for five days after you are contacted. The crate will be checked out for you before you arrive. All you have to do is stop by and pick it up. **For more information, please call Shannon at (618) 433-2872.**

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Winter 2023 special events! These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper-level.*

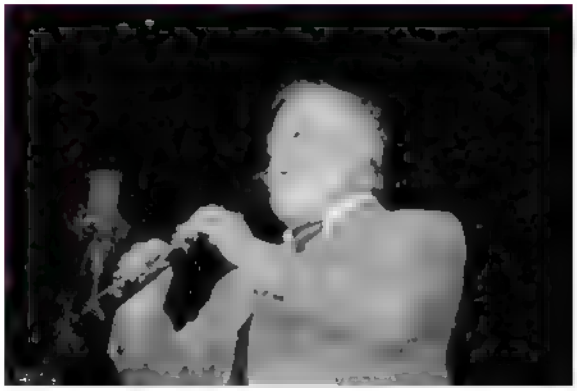
**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Bud Shultz & You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band*

### *Celebrate Fat Tuesday*

**Tuesday, February 21, 6:30 pm**



***Note:** We will hold this program on the campus of Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL, in the Ahlmeyer Auditorium (ATC) of the Trimpe Building*

Bud Shultz and the You Can't Beat Experience Jazz Band will appear in concert to help us celebrate Mardi Gras in the best way possible—through music! The YCBEJB specializes in traditional and Dixieland jazz. They also treat more modern pieces with a Dixieland flavor Join Bud and the group to celebrate Fat Tuesday in authentic New Orleans style. It's going to be a great show—and a great venue This program is jointly sponsored by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College

## *Curtis the Mentalist*

### *This Show Will Blow Your Mind!*

**Tuesday, March 14, 6:30 pm**

Curtis—comedy mentalist, mind reader, magician, actor, and corporate speaker—began entertaining live audiences over thirty years ago with his own unique style of entertainment, creating laughter and astonishment for thousands of clients If you've seen him perform at Hayner Library previously, you know you are in for a hilarious evening of mindreading and an unbelievable performance. Great for all ages!

## *X's and Sews: A New Crafting Program*

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, a new crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating!

This program will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 6-7:30 pm on the following Tuesdays: January 10 and 24; February 7 and 21; March 7 and 21, 2023. No registration is necessary.

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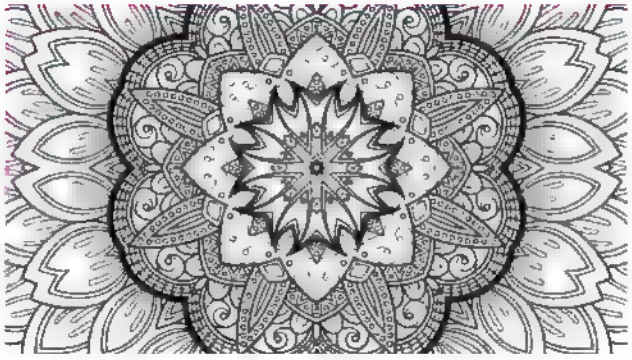
## *Color Connection: Adult Coloring Club*



**Monday, January 30, 2023, 5-7 pm**

**Monday, March 27, 2023, 5-7 pm**

**Note:** This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

Come color with us and enjoy the company of other coloring enthusiasts! Feel free to stay the whole time, or just a little while. We will provide coloring pages, coloring bookmarks, and colored pencils. Feel free to bring your own supplies as well. Registration is not required.

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## *Writers Circle: Poetry*

**Saturday, February 11, 2023, 10 am-12 pm**

**Note:** This adult writing event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

For the novice and the experienced: join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers. Bring a poem you're currently working on or use your prompt-poem in guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every other month, so be sure to check in! Coffee and tea will be provided.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration will be limited to ten people.

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## *Taps & Tomes Brewery Book Club: Thursday, January 12, 2023*

In November, Hayner Library and The Old Bakery Beer Company held the first meeting of our new free bi-monthly book club, Taps & Tomes. The evening was great fun, and we enjoyed a lively discussion of the first Taps & Tomes selection, *The Nickel Boys* by Colson Whitehead—as well as some delicious Old Bakery beverages.

We'd love you to join us Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 6 pm, for a drink and a discussion of our next book selection, *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien. All Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are also available through the Cloud Library and OverDrive digital platforms. The Taps & Tomes Book Club meets at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL.

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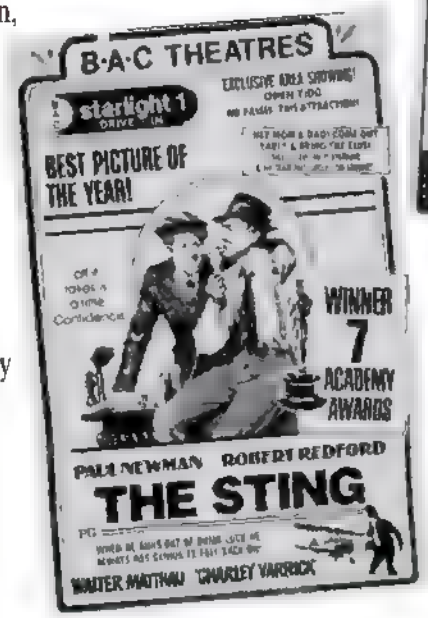
## *Film Flashback Fridays*

What were we watching fifty years ago at the Starlight Drive-In, Grand Theater, and Alton Ciné? A new film series at the Genealogy & Local History Library will answer this question as we come together to watch some of the best movies of 1973. A short introduction will precede each film.

Friday, January 20, 2023, 6 pm: *The Sting*

Friday, March 17, 2023, 6 pm: *Paper Moon*

This program will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.




## *The Art of Calm: Holistic Healthcare with Daisy Yen*

January is Mental Wellness Month, so there is no better time to learn meaningful practices for caring for your mental health and well-being. Join us at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on January 25, 2023, at 6 pm to do just that!

This class, presented by Daisy Yen of SIUE's Lifelong Learning Institute, will introduce you to the concepts of mindfulness, body-mind connection, and self-compassion, followed by creative hands-on activities to help you reduce stress, manage anxiety, and calm your mind.

No mindfulness experience is required. It is recommended that participants dress comfortably for mindful body movements.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Space is limited!

## *Woodland Wildflower Identification with Trees Forever*

Looking forward to spring and all the new, blooming flora that comes with it? Mark your calendars for a woodland wildflower identification class with Emily Ehley of Trees Forever!

Whether you're a seasoned outdoor enthusiast or just starting to explore an interest in nature, this is a great opportunity to get to know our area's wildflowers and how to recognize them.

The class will take place Saturday, March 4, 2023, at 11 am, in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. No registration is required!

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

***Alton: 1905-1909—A Story of Progress, Growth and Improvement (1909).*** IR LOCKED CASES 977.386 ALT

***Alton Senior High School Class of 1957:Class Reunion—25 Years, July 31, 1982.*** IR 373 77386 ALT

***A Backyard Prairie: The Hidden Beauty of Tallgrass and Wildflowers by Fred Delcomyn and James L. Ellis (2021). Purchased in memory of Hayner Library Reference Librarian Jean Shimunek.*** IR 577.44 DEL

***Biographies of the Citizens of Lee County, Illinois: "Through the Years" (2000).*** IR 977.336 BIO

***The Civil War Society's Encyclopedia of the Civil War (1997).*** IR 973 7 CIV

***Daughters of Dakota. Volume II: Stories from the Attic; The South Dakota Pioneer Daughters Collection (1990).*** IR 978 301 DAU

***Diary of Henry Eugene Maul, Prisoner of War (2022).*** IR 940 54 HAL

***Greater St. James Baptist Church, Alton, Illinois: 95th Anniversary—1927-2022.*** IR 286 77386 GRE

***Harrison Funeral Chapel Obituaries: Alton, Illinois Compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library.*** IR 977.3865 HAR 2008-2022 (15 volumes)

***A History of Southernmost Illinois*** by John Asa Beadles (1990). IR 977 399 BEA

***The Irish in Illinois*** by Mathieu W Billings and Sean Farrell (2020). IR 977 3004916 BIL

***The Negro Motorist Green-Book*** (copyright 1940, 2016 printing) IR 305 800973 NEG

***Organizing Freedom: Black Emancipation Activism in the Civil War Midwest*** by Jennifer R. Harbour (2020) IR 973 7114 HAR

***Poles in Illinois*** by John Radzilowski and Ann Hetzel Gunkel (2020). IR 977 30049185 RAD

***Ramblin' Thru Spoon River Country Via the Rambler's Notes (1970).*** IR 977 348 RAM

***The Registers of North Farnham Parish, 1663-1814, and Lunenburg Parish, 1783-1809, Richmond County, Virginia (1986).*** IR 975 523 KIN

***Shadow Traces: Seeing Japanese/American and Ainu Women in Photographic Archives*** by Elena Tajima Creef (2022). IR 305 4889956073 CRE

***Souvenir Program in Commemoration of One Hundred and Seventy-Five Years of Worship and Service: First Presbyterian Church, Brighton, Illinois—September 4, 2022.*** IR 285 977383 SOU

***Union Baptist Church, Alton, Illinois: Laying the Foundation*** by Charlotte E. Johnson (2022) IR 286.77386 JOH

***Union Baptist Church Anniversary Service: 185 Years—1837-2022*** by Harry B Coates, Charlotte E. Johnson, Joyce Elliot IR 286 77386 UNI

***Women Making War: Female Confederate Prisoners and Union Military Justice*** by Thomas F Curran (2020). IR 973 7082 CUR

## *Adult Winter Reading Program*

January 30-February 27, 2023

Some years ago, we followed a detective known as Red as he solved a murder and caught an art thief. In hopes of a quieter life, he moved from the big city to a small town that hadn't seen major crime in nearly twenty years. But just as Red is settling into a slower pace, the inhabitants of this small town start dropping like flies. Questioning if bad luck follows him or if it's all just a terrible coincidence, Red once again puts on his detective hat to catch the killer!

Hayner Library patrons ages eighteen and older are invited to participate in our Adult Winter Reading Program for a chance to win a grand prize basket!

Registration begins January 30, 2023. Register at the Circulation Desks of Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library. Find new hidden messages each week to complete the story and follow Red while he tries to solve this mystery!

# *Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series*

The Genealogy & Local History Library is partnering with Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA) this winter to bring back our three-part Saturday lecture series in January, February, and March. AALA is dedicated to educating, promoting, and saving the architectural heritage of the Alton area. Feel free to register for one talk or all three. All three lectures will take place at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 1**

**Gertrude Barlabie, Amanda Kitchell, and Those Who Helped Them: Underground Railroad Activities in Antebellum Madison County, Illinois**

**Presenter: J. Eric Robinson**

**Saturday, January 21, 2023, 10 am**

In the first of these lectures, historian J. Eric Robinson will tell the story of two women, slaves in the state of Missouri, who escaped to freedom in 1853 via the Underground Railroad in northwestern Madison County.

A graduate of Howard University and University of Missouri-Columbia, J. Eric Robinson has offered Underground Railroad tours, informed by his lifelong interests in genealogy and in local Alton history, to visitors from around the world since 1995. The tours are an outgrowth of his radio show *Eavesdropping*. The BBC World Service, Discovery Channel, PBS, *The New York Times*, Fox News Channel, and Australian Broadcasting are among the media that have featured Robinson's tours. He is an assistant professor of history at the University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy in St. Louis, formerly the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 2**

**Wood Neighbors: How to Plan, Plant, and Care for Urban Trees**

**Presenter: Emily Ehley**

**Saturday, February 18, 2023, 10 am**

This lecture will address the importance of urban trees, information about some notable species, and how to select the right tree for the right place. It will also discuss the importance of tree care such as mulching and pruning. Participants will have a chance to ask questions and explore the topic further.

Speaker Emily Ehley holds a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Education from Warren Wilson College and is an ISA Certified Arborist. She has nearly a decade of experience as an environmental educator and is now the Southern Illinois Field Coordinator for Trees Forever. She is originally from Oregon, and is passionate about trees, forests, and the relationship between humans and the natural world. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series, Part 3**

**Architect Theodore Link**

**Presenter: John Magurany**

**Saturday, March 18, 2023, 10 am**

Theodore C. Link is best known as the architect of Union Station Railroad Depot in St. Louis, Missouri, but he also designed the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library Building, our current Genealogy & Local History Library. Speaker John Magurany will concentrate on Theodore Link and the St. Louis Union Station, but will also discuss some of Link's other works, both residential and commercial, in the Alton-Godfrey area.

John Magurany was born in Alton and attended Marquette Catholic High School. He earned his Bachelor of Arts from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and his master's degree from Saint Louis University. His master's thesis focused on the architecture of St. Louis Union Station. He worked at the Samuel Cupples House at Saint Louis University and then served in various capacities at the Tucson Museum of Art before leaving as Head Curator in 1988. Magurany worked at Washington University, St. Louis, from 1988 to 1991. He was hired by the St. Louis County Parks and Recreation's history division, where he served from 1991 until retiring in June 2022. He began teaching as an adjunct instructor in art and architecture at Lewis & Clark Community College in 2005 and continues teaching in this capacity today. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## FICTION -

**Andrews, V. C.** Eden's Children

**Atwood, Margaret.** Old Babes in the Wood: Stories

**Bailey, Tessa.** Secretly Yours

**Bardugo, Leigh.** Hell Bent (Alex Stern)

**Beaton, M. C.** Death of a Traitor (Hamish Macbeth)

**Benedict, Marie.** The Mitford Affair

**Berg, Elizabeth.** Earth's the Right Place for Love

**Berry, Steve.** The Last Kingdom

**Bowen, Rhys.** All That Is Hidden: A Molly Murphy Mystery

**Box, C. J.** Storm Watch (Joe Pickett)

**Brennan, Allison.** Don't Open the Door

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Hiss & Tell: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery

**Cameron, W. Bruce.** Love, Clancy: Diary of a Good Dog

**Childs, Laura.** Lemon Curd Killer

**Coben, Harlan.** I Will Find You

**Colgan, Jenny.** Lessons at the School by the Sea

**Cosimano, Elle.** Finlay Donovan Jumps the Gun

**Crombie, Deborah.** A Killing of Innocents

**Dailey, Janet.** A Calder at Heart

**Dodd, Christina.** Forget What You Know

**Dorsey, Tim.** The Maltese Iguana

**Dugoni, Robert.** Her Deadly Game

**Ellis, Bret Easton.** The Shards

**Ellison, J. T.** It's One of Us: A Novel of Suspense

**Finlay, Alex.** What Have We Done

**Greaney, Mark.** Burner (Gray Man)

**Grippando, James.** Code 6

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Smolder (Anita Blake, Vampire Hunter)

**Hanks, Tom.** The Making of Another Major Motion Picture Masterpiece

**Harding, Paul.** This Other Eden

**Harper, Jane.** Exiles

**Hawkins, Rachel.** The Villa

**Hunter, Stephen.** The Bullet Garden

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** The Last Orphan

**Jance, J. A.** Collateral Damage (Ali Reynolds)

**Jenoff, Pam.** Code Name Sapphire: A World War II Novel

**Johansen, Iris.** More Than Meets the Eye

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Unnatural History: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Koontz, Dean.** The House at the End of the World

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Sleep No More

**Kubica, Mary.** Just the Nicest Couple

**Landay, William.** All That Is Mine I Carry With Me

**Lansdale, Joe R.** The Donut Legion

**Lipman, Elinor.** Ms. Demeanor

**Mallery, Susan.** The Sister Effect

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Private Life of Spies and the Exquisite Art of Getting Even: Stories

**Michaels, Fern.** On the Line

**Mosley, Walter.** Every Man a King

**Moyes, Jojo.** Someone Else's Shoes

**North, Alex.** The Angel Maker

**Oakley, Colleen.** The Mostly True Story of Tanner & Louise

**Oates, Joyce Carol.** 48 Clues Into the Disappearance of My Sister

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** The Rescue

**Patterson, James.** 3 Days to Live

**Patterson, James.** Countdown

**Patterson, James.** The House of Wolves

**Perry, Thomas.** Murder Book

**Peterson, Tracie.** Remember Me (Pictures of the Heart)

**Preston, Douglas.** The Cabinet of Dr. Leng (Agent Pendergast)

**Reyes, Ana.** The House in the Pines

**Robb, J. D.** Encore in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel

**Robotham, Michael.** Lying Beside You

**Rollins, James.** The Cradle of Ice

**Rose, Karen.** Cold-Blooded Liar

**Rosenfelt, David.** Good Dog, Bad Cop (K Team Novel)

**Roth, Veronica.** Arch-Conspirator

**Ryan, Hank Phillippi.** The House Guest

**Scottoline, Lisa.** Loyalty

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Backup Plan (Sunrise Cove)

**Steel, Danielle.** Without a Trace

**Steel, Danielle.** Worthy Opponents

**Swanson, Peter.** The Kind Worth Saving

**Taylor, Brad.** The Devil's Ransom: A Pike Logan Novel

**Todd, Charles.** The Cliff's Edge (Bess Crawford)

**Tracy, P. G.** The Devil You Know: A Mystery

**Tudor, C. J.** The Drift

**Walls, Jeannette.** Hang the Moon

**Willingham, Stacy.** All the Dangerous Things

**Winspear, Jacqueline.** The White Lady

## NONFICTION -

**Anderson, Pamela.** Love, Pamela

**Chenoweth, Kristin.** I'm No Philosopher, But I Got Thoughts: Mini-Meditations for Saints, Sinners, and the Rest of Us

**Chopra, Deepak, M.D.** Living in the Light: Yoga for Self-Realization

**Collins, Max Allan.** Spillane: King of Pulp Fiction

**Connelly, Matthew.** The Declassification Engine: What History Reveals about America's Top Secrets

**Dean, Janice.** I Am the Storm: Inspiring Stories of People Who Fight Against Overwhelming Odds

**Gowdy, Trey.** Start, Stay, or Leave: The Art of Decision Making

**Groeschel, Craig.** The Power to Change: Mastering the Habits That Matter Most

**Hyman, Mark, M.D.** Young Forever: The Secrets to Living Your Longest, Healthiest Life

**Li, Dr. William W.** Eat to Beat Your Diet: Burn Fat, Heal Your Metabolism, and Live Longer

**Loftis, Larry.** The Watchmaker's Daughter: The True Story of World War II Heroine Corrie Ten Boom

**Mark, Gloria.** Attention Span: A Groundbreaking Way to Restore Balance, Happiness and Productivity

**May, Katherine.** Enchantment: Awakening Wonder in an Anxious Age

**Meltzer, Brad.** The Nazi Conspiracy: The Secret Plot to Kill Roosevelt, Stalin, and Churchill

**Oliver, Jamie.** One: Simple One-Pan Wonders (American Measurements)

**Olson, Lynne.** Empress of the Nile: The Daredevil Archaeologist Who Saved Egypt's Ancient Temples from Destruction

**Orenstein, Peggy.** Unraveling: What I Learned about Life While Shearing Sheep, Dyeing Wool, and Making the World's Ugliest Sweater

**Patterson, James.** Walk the Blue Line

**Petrucci, Kellyann.** Dr. Kellyann's Bone Broth Breakthrough: Turn Back the Clock, Reset the Scale, Replenish Your Power

**Popkin, Jim.** Code Name Blue Wren: The True Story of America's Most Dangerous Female Spy—And the Sister She Betrayed

**Prince Harry, The Duke of Sussex.** Spare

**Rae-Venter, Barbara.** I Know Who You Are: How an Amateur DNA Sleuth Unmasked the Golden State Killer and Changed Crime Fighting Forever

**Schafler, Katherine Morgan.** The Perfectionist's Guide to Losing Control: A Path to Peace and Power

**Shetty, Jay.** 8 Rules of Love: How to Find It, Keep It, and Let It Go

**Smith, Stephen A.** Straight Shooter: A Memoir of Second Chances and First Takes

# *Book Lists for a Better World*

In anticipation of Black History Month in February and Women's History Month in March, we've compiled two lists of ten books that focus on related themes, offering an opportunity to learn about, empathize with, and better understand the experiences of others or ourselves.

**Black History Month**

The theme for Black History Month 2023 is Black Resistance, highlighting the efforts of African American people to elevate and enrich the Black community in opposition to racism, oppression, and injustice.

*The Fire Next Time* by James Baldwin

*The Defender: How the Legendary Black Newspaper Changed America: from the Age of the Pullman Porters to the Age of Obama* by Ethan Michaeli

*Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates

*You Don't Know Us Negroes and Other Essays* by Zora Neale Hurston

*Let Nobody Turn Us Around: Voices of Resistance, Reform, and Renewal: An African American Anthology*

*Creating Their Own Image: The History of African American Women Artists* by Lisa E. Farrington

*Black Bottom Saints* by Alice Randall

*Four Hundred Souls: A Community History of African America, 1619-2019*

*Black Fortunes: The Story of the First Six African Americans Who Escaped Slavery and Became Millionaires* by Shomari Wills

*All That She Carried: The Journey of Ashley's Sack, A Black Family Keepsake* by Tiya Miles

**Women's History Month**

This year's list focuses on the lives and contributions of women less widely known but no less inspiring than women's history icons such as Maya Angelou or Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

*Sophia: Princess, Suffragette, Revolutionary* by Anita Anand

*The Light of Days: The Untold Story of Women Resistance Fighters in Hitler's Ghettos* by Judith Batalion

*Never Caught: The Washingtons' Relentless Pursuit of Their Runaway Slave, Ona Judge* by Erica Armstrong Dunbar

*The Glass Universe: How the Ladies of the Harvard Observatory Took the Measure of the Stars* by Dava Sobel

*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

*Young and Damned and Fair: The Life of Catherine Howard, Fifth Wife of King Henry VIII* by Gareth Russell

*The Woman Who Smashed Codes: A True Story of Love, Spies, and the Unlikely Heroine Who Outwitted America's Enemies* by Jason Fagone

*The Civil Wars of Julia Ward Howe: A Biography* by Elaine Showalter

*The Daughters of Kobani: A Story of Rebellion, Courage, and Justice* by Gayle Tzemach Lemmon

*Civil Rights Queen: Constance Baker Motley and the Struggle for Equality* by Tomiko Brown-Nagin

All of these titles are available at Hayner Library and can be requested online at www.haynerlibrary.org, through the SHARE Mobile Library app, by calling (618) 462-0677, or by visiting our Circulation Desks.

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Monday - Saturday, 8:30 am to 8 pm
Sunday, 12 pm to 5 pm

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Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 am to 5 pm
Wednesday, 12 pm to 7 pm
Saturday, 8:30 am to 1 pm
Closed Sunday

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## *Inclement Weather Closing Information*

To ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If inclement weather is in the forecast, please call us at (618) 462-0677 before making a trip to visit one of our locations; an outgoing message will inform you of any changes to our regular hours of operation. We will also post inclement weather closing information on our website and social media accounts.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Spring 2023

## *Executive Director Bernadette Duvernoy Retires After 27 Years of Service*

The Hayner Public Library District wishes to congratulate Executive Director Bernadette Duvernoy on her retirement after nearly twenty-seven years of service to the District.

After working for IBM for fifteen years, Bernadette moved to the Alton-Godfrey area when her husband, Rick Lauschke, had an opportunity to join his family's business. She quickly became a volunteer at Hayner Library, delivering books to patrons as part of the Homebound delivery service.

Bernadette became an employee of the library on June 16, 1996, when she took a job as a Library Assistant at the Downtown Library. After several years working in the Circulation Department, Bernadette became the library's public relations coordinator, where she developed adult programming and worked to promote the library's services within the community. Bernadette cites programs such as Bow-wow Pow-wow as an example of the type of unique programming she enjoyed instituting for the community.

She became the Executive Director in 2013 and has overseen the development and implementation of many projects and services since then. When asked about her career at Hayner Library, she explained that while there have been challenges, her time at the library has been positive and fulfilling. She is thankful to have worked with so many wonderful people and a supportive library Board of Trustees.

We wish Bernadette all the best in her retirement and look forward to seeing her in her new role: patron of The Hayner Public Library District!

## *Stream Unlimited Movies and Television Shows with Biblio+ and Your Hayner Library Card*

Hayner Library is happy to announce that we now offer the Biblio+ streaming service to our cardholders! Biblio+ is a new streaming service with a highly-curated selection of ad-free films and television shows, including award winners and nominees, independent discoveries, thoughtful documentaries, BBC films and television shows, and everything in between. Biblio+ offers content for patrons of all ages.

Biblio+ offers Hayner Library cardholders unlimited, free streaming through the Biblio+ app or at www.biblioplus.com. The Biblio+ app can also be used on streaming devices such as Roku, Chromecast, Apple TV, Android TV, and more. All you need is a Hayner Library card!

For more information, please visit www.haynerlibrary.org, hover over the "eBooks & Digital Collections" link at the top of the page, and click on "eBooks & Digital Magazines" in the drop-down menu. Instructions for creating a Biblio+ account can also be found on this page. You can also ask about Biblio+ at the Circulation Desks at the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

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**HOLIDAYS**

The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
Staff Development Day, TBD
April 9, Easter Sunday
May 28 & 29, Memorial Day
June 19, Juneteenth

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# Branching Out 2023 Genealogy Classes

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place from 10-11:30 am.

April 13 Social Media: Research Help, Sharing, and Collaborating

April 20 Discussion Group

May 11 Ancestry.com: Databases of Records, Maps, and Histories

May 18 Discussion Group

June 8 FamilySearch.org: Databases, Digitized Books and Microfilm, the WIKI

June 15 Discussion Group

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic.

On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We just relax and listen when we don't have anything to share. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2023 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

## April 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 2 | 3 Escape Room (All Day) | 4 X's and Sews (6 pm.) Jared Hennings (630 pm) IL Libraries Present- Danny Trejo (7 pm) | 5 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Art Talks (6 pm) | 6 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 7 Science w/ Sam (All Day) Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 8 |
| 9 All Library Branches Closed for Easter | 10 Escape Room (All Day) From Story to Film: Murder on the Orient Express (5:30 pm) Sleepy Time Stories (7 pm) | 11 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) Lego Club (4 pm) | 12 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Family Story Time at Hosbell House (10 am) Teen Advisory Council (4pm) | 13 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Branching Out (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 14 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 15 Writers Circle: Short Stories (9 am) |
| 16 | 17 Escape Room (All Day) | 18 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) After School Fun (330 pm) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 19 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Teen Take-Home Craft (All Day) | 20 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Branching Out (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 21 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) From Story to Film: Murder on the Orient Express (5:30 pm) | 22 Art Talks (11 am) |
| 23 30 | 24 Escape Room (All Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7 pm) | 25 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) IL Libraries Present: Will Shortz (7 pm) | 26 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Teen Movie Night (6 pm) | 27 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 28 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 29 |

## May 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | 1 Escape Room (All Day) | 2 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 3 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Art Talks (6 pm) | 4 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) Tops and Tomes Book Club (6 pm) | 5 Science w/ Sam (All Day) Color Your Stress Away (All Day) | 6 IL Libraries Present- Jarrett J. Krosoczka (10 am) |
| 7 | 8 Escape Room (All Day) Sleepy Time Stories (7 pm) | 9 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) Lego Club (4 pm) | 10 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Family Story Time at Hosbell House (10 am) Teen Advisory Council (4 pm) | 11 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Branching Out (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 12 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) An Evening with Thomas Jefferson (6 pm) | 13 |
| 14 | 15 Escape Room (All Day) | 16 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) After School Fun (330 pm) The Friends of Bluegrass (630 pm) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 17 Kids Take-Home Craft (All Day) Teen Take-Home Craft (All Day) IL Libraries Present- Jonathan Van Ness (10 am) | 18 Pre-School Story Time w/Sam (10 am) Branching Out (10 am) Family Crafting Hour (6 pm) | 19 Color Your Stress Away (All Day) Film Flashback Friday- American Graffiti (6 pm) | 20 |
| 21 | 22 Color Connection (5 pm) | 23 | 24 What's All The Buzz About Natives? (6 pm) | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 All Library Branches Closed for Memorial Day | 29 All Library Branches Closed for Memorial Day | 30 X's and Sews (6 pm) | 31 | | | |

## June 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 Writers Circle Micro Fiction (10 am) |
| 4 | 5 Under the Sea Craft Time (10 am) | 6 Stories and Art (10 am) Tree House Tuesday (2 pm) 100 Things To Do... (6 pm) IL Libraries Present- Jesmyn Ward (7 pm) | 7 Enchanted Events- "Little Mermaid" (10 am) YA Wednesday (4 pm) | 8 Teen Take-Home Craft (All Day) Treasures in the Library (All Day) Branching Out (10 am) Ocean Science w/Sam (10 am) | 9 | 10 Saturday Movie Matinee (2 pm) |
| 11 | 12 Under the Sea Craft Time (10 am) From Story to Film: The Color Purple (5:30 pm) | 13 Stories and Art (10 am) Tree House Tuesday (2 pm) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 14 Talesuse- "Science Heroes" (10 am) YA Wednesdays (4 pm) | 15 Teen Take-Home Craft (All Day) Treasures in the Library (All Day) Branching Out (10 am) Ocean Science w/Sam (10 am) | 16 | 17 Saturday Movie Matinee (2 pm) |
| 18 | 19 All Library Branches Closed for Juneteenth | 20 Stories and Art (10 am) Tree House Tuesday (2 pm) | 21 Richard Landry and Snowball (10 am) YA Wednesdays (4 pm) IL Libraries Present- Robin Wall Kimmerer (7 pm) | 22 Teen Take-Home Craft (All Day) Treasures in the Library (All Day) Ocean Science w/Sam (10 am) Teen Board Game Day (2 pm) | 23 From Story to Film, The Color Purple (5:30 pm) | 24 Newton/Cohran Graveyard Dedication (10 am) Saturday Movie Matinee (2 pm) |
| 25 | 26 Under the Sea Craft Time (10 am) | 27 Stories and Art (10 am) Tree House Tuesday (2 pm) X's and Sews (6 pm) | 28 The Opera Show (10 am) YA Wednesdays (4 pm) | 29 Teen Take-Home Craft (All Day) Treasures in the Library (All Day) Ocean Science w/Sam (10 am) | 30 | |

# KidsSpace

## Spring 2023 Activities

***All KidsSpace programs will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall unless otherwise noted.***

### April 2023

*Monday, April 3, 2023* – Story Walk will be available at The Nature Institute.

*Friday, March 31-April 6, 2023* – Jelly Bean Guessing Game – Come by the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and see if you can guess how many jelly beans are in the jar. The participant who is closest wins an Easter basket!

*Monday, April 3-8, 2023* – Library Easter Egg Hunt – Each child who finds an Easter egg at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall between April 3 and April 8 can turn it in at the KidsSpace desk for an Easter surprise!

*Wednesday, April 5, 2023* – Take Home Craft – All Day – Ages 3-7.

*Thursday, April 6, 2023* – Pre-School Story Time – 10 am – Ages 3-5.

*Thursday, April 6, 2023* – Family Crafting Hour – 6 pm – Ages 2-6.

*Friday, April 7, 2023* – Science with Sam (via HPLD Facebook) Science kits will be distributed at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall until gone. To reserve a kit, please call (618) 433-2881

*Monday, April 10, 2023* – Sleepy Time Stories with Ms Mac – (via HPLD Facebook) – 7 pm.

*Tuesday, April 11, 2023* – Family Story Time (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am.

*Tuesday, April 11, 2023* – Lego Club – 4 pm – Ages 6-12.

*Wednesday, April 12, 2023* – Take Home Craft – All Day – Ages 3-7.

*Wednesday, April 12, 2023* – Family Story Time at Haskell's Playhouse (1211 Henry Street, Alton, IL 62002) – 10 am – Ages 2-6

*Thursday, April 13, 2023* – Pre-School Story Time – 10 am – Ages 3-5.

*Thursday, April 13, 2023* – Family Crafting Hour – 6 pm – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, April 18, 2023* – Family Story Time (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am.

*Tuesday, April 18, 2023* After School Fun (**Downtown Library**) – 3:30 pm – Ages 6-12.

*Wednesday, April 19, 2023* – Take Home Craft – All Day – Ages 3-7.

*Thursday, April 20, 2023* – Pre-School Story Time – 10 am – Ages 3-5.

*Thursday, April 20, 2023* – Family Crafting Hour – 6 pm – Ages 2-6.

*Monday, April 24, 2023* – Sleepy Time Stories with Ms. Mac – (via HPLD Facebook) – 7 pm.

*Tuesday, April 25, 2023* – Family Story Time (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am.

*Wednesday, April 26, 2023* – Take Home Craft – All Day – Ages 3-7.

*Thursday, April 27, 2023* – Pre-School Story Time – 10 am – Ages 3-5.

*Thursday, April 27, 2023* – Family Crafting Hour – 6 pm – Ages 2-6.

### May 2023

*Tuesday, May 2, 2023* – Family Story Time (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am.

*Wednesday, May 3, 2023* – Take Home Craft – All Day – Ages 3-7.

*Thursday, May 4, 2023* – Pre-School Story Time – 10 am – Ages 3-5.

*Thursday, May 4, 2023* – Family Crafting Hour – 6 pm – Ages 2-6.

*Friday, May 5, 2023* – Science with Sam (via HPLD Facebook) Science kits will be distributed at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall until gone. To reserve a kit, please call (618) 433-2881.

*Tuesday, May 9, 2023* – Family Story Time (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am

Tuesday, May 9, 2023 – Lego Club – 4 pm – Ages 6-12.

*Wednesday, May 10, 2023* – Take Home Craft – All Day – Ages 3-7.

*Wednesday, May 10, 2023* – Family Story Time at Haskell's Playhouse (1211 Henry Street, Alton, IL 62002) – 10 am – Ages 2-6

*Thursday, May 11, 2023* – Pre-School Story Time – 10 am – Ages 3-5.

*Thursday, May 11, 2023* – Family Crafting Hour – 6 pm – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, May 16, 2023* – Family Story Time (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am

*Tuesday, May 16, 2023* – After School Fun (**Downtown Library**) – 3:30 pm – Ages 6-12

*Wednesday, May 17, 2023* – Take Home Craft – All Day – Ages 3-7.

*Thursday, May 18, 2023* – Pre-School Story Time – 10 am – Ages 3-5.

*Thursday, May 18, 2023* – Family Crafting Hour – 6 pm – Ages 2-6.

***Monday, May 22, 2023-Friday, June 3, 2023 – No Programming***

### Summer Reading Program 2023 "Oceans of Possibilities"

**Summer Reading registration and programming begin Monday, June 5, 2023. To register, go to haynerlibrary.beanstack.org. Everyone who registers by June 5, 2023, will be entered for a chance to win a Summer Reading Program themed basket.**

*Monday, June 5, 2023* – Under the Sea Craft Time – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, June 6, 2023* – Stories and Art (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, June 6, 2023* – Tree House Tuesday – 2-3 pm – Age 6-12.

***Wednesday, June 7, 2023* – Enchanted Events: "Little Mermaid" – 10 am – All Ages.**

*Thursday, June 8, 2023* – Ocean Science with Sam – 10 am – Ages 6-12.

*Thursday, June 8, 2023* – Treasures in the Library – All Day – Ages 2-12.

*Saturday, June 10, 2023* – Saturday Movie Matinee – 2 pm – Ages 2-12.

*Monday, June 12, 2023* – Under the Sea Craft Time – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, June 13, 2023* – Stories and Art (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, June 13, 2023* – Tree House Tuesday – 2-3 pm – Ages 6-12

***Wednesday, June 14, 2023* – Talewise "Science Heroes" – 10 am – All Ages.**

*Thursday, June 15, 2023* – Ocean Science with Sam – 10 am – Ages 6-12.

*Thursday, June 15, 2023* – Treasures in the Library – All day – Ages 2-12.

*Saturday, June 17, 2023* – Saturday Movie Matinee – 2 pm – Ages 2-12.

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***Monday, June 19, 2023* – Library Closed in Observance of the Juneteenth Holiday.**

*Tuesday, June 20, 2023* – Stories and Art (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, June 20, 2023* – Tree House Tuesday – 2-3 pm – Ages 6-12

***Wednesday, June 21, 2023* – Richard Landry and Snow Ball – 10 am - All Ages.**

*Thursday, June 22, 2023* – Ocean Science with Sam – 10 am – Ages 6-12.

*Thursday, June 22, 2023* – Treasures in the Library – All day – Ages 2-12.

*Saturday, June 24, 2023* – Saturday Movie Matinee – 2 pm – Ages 2-12.

*Monday, June 26, 2023* – Under the Sea Craft Time – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, June 27, 2023* – Stories and Art (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, June 27, 2023* – Tree House Tuesday – 2 pm – Ages 6-12.

***Wednesday, June 28, 2023* – The Ozum Show "Surprises in the Swamp" – 10 am – All Ages.**

*Thursday, June 29, 2023* – Ocean Science with Sam – 10 am – Ages 6-12.

*Thursday, June 29, 2023* – Treasures in the Library – All Day – Ages 2-12.

*Saturday, July 1, 2023* – Saturday Movie Matinee – 2 pm – Ages 2-12.

*Monday, July 3, 2023* – Under the Sea Craft Time – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

***Tuesday, July 4, 2023* – Library Closed in Observance of Independence Day.**

***Wednesday, July 5, 2023* – The Peppy Puppets "The Three Little Fishies" – 10 am – All Ages.**

*Thursday, July 6, 2023* – Ocean Science with Sam – 10 am – Ages 6-12.

*Thursday, July 6, 2023* – Treasures in the Library – All day – Ages 2-12.

*Saturday, July 8, 2023* – Saturday Movie Matinee – 2 pm – Ages 2-12.

*Monday, July 10, 2023* – Under the Sea Craft Time – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, July 11, 2023* – Stories and Art (**Downtown Library**) – 10 am – Ages 2-6.

*Tuesday, July 11, 2023* – Tree House Tuesday – 2 pm – Ages 6-12.

*Tuesday, July 11, 2023* – Last Day to Record Reading in Beanstack.

***Wednesday, July 12, 2023* – STL Aquarium "What is an Octopus? – 10 am – All Ages.**

***Thursday, July 13, 2023***
**End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party, 5-7 pm.**
**Performance Room Alton Square Mall**
**Performer: Rockin Rob**
**6-7 pm**

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# TEENSPACE *Spring 2023 Activities*

***All programs will take place in the Teen Center (Performance Room) at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.***

## April and May Events 2023

*Wednesday, April 12, 2023* – Teen Advisory Council Meeting – 4 pm.

*Wednesday, April 19, 2023* – Teen Take Home Craft (Paracord Bracelets) – All Day.

*Wednesday, April 26, 2023* – Teen Movie Night with Pizza (*Black Adam*) – 4-6 pm.

*Wednesday, May 10, 2023* – Teen Advisory Council Meeting – 4 pm.

*Wednesday, May 17, 2023* – Teen Take Home Craft (Balloon Bowls) – All Day.

***To register for our programs, please call (618)433-2872.***

## Teen Summer Reading Program Events 2023
## "Oceans of Possibilities"

*Monday, June 5, 2023* – Summer Reading Program Kickoff – All participants who register on this day will be entered into a drawing for a $50 gift card.

*Wednesday, June 7, 2023* – YA Wednesday (Glass Suncatchers) – 2-4 pm.

*Thursday, June 8, 2023* – Teen Take Home Craft (Mystery Craft) – All Day.

*Wednesday, June 14, 2023* – YA Wednesday (Free Hand Painting) – 2- 4 pm.

Thursday, June 15, 2023 – Teen Take Home Craft (Macramé Key Chain) – All Day

*Wednesday, June 21, 2023* – YA Wednesday (Tie Dye Sea Shells) – 2-4 pm.

*Thursday, June 22, 2023* – Teen Take Home Craft (Morse Code Bracelet) – All Day

*Thursday, June 22, 2023* – Board / Video Game Day – 2-4 pm.

*Wednesday, June 28, 2023* – YA Wednesday (Teen Soap Making) – 2-4 pm.

*Thursday, June 29, 2023* – Teen Take Home Craft (Mystery Craft) – All Day

***Sunday, July 2, 2023* – Last Day to Record Reading in Beanstack.**

*Wednesday, July 5, 2023* – Riverbender.com Community Center Free Play and Summer Reading Program Prize Announcement.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Spring 2023 special events! These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper-level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J.C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, **PLEASE** call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Jared Hennings*

**Tuesday, April 4, 6:30 pm**

Local vocalist Jared Hennings returns to present a musical program of jazz standards, ballads, and spirituals. Jared and his beautiful voice never fail to move audiences. Join us for an eclectic mix of great music and fun.

## *An Evening with Thomas Jefferson*

**Friday, May 12, 6 pm**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

Kurt Smith, the official Thomas Jefferson of Colonial Williamsburg, will visit the Genealogy & Local History Library to present a lecture in character as Jefferson. This event is part of the Lewis & Clark State Historic Site's 2023 Departure Celebration. Please visit https://campdubois.com for more information about other 2023 Departure Celebration events.

## *The Friends of Bluegrass*

**Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 pm**

The Friends of Bluegrass has always featured the amazing performance of award-winning fiddler, George Portz. Unfortunately, Mr. Portz passed away unexpectantly this winter. In this tribute concert, the band will be performing the bluegrass and Cajun sets they have always been known and admired for. Come join us for a wonderful music-filled evening and a great tribute to George.

## *Hayner Walking Book Club 2023*

The Hayner Walking Book Club is back for 2023! The club launched last spring, blending the joy of walking with book discussions. The Walking Book Club meets on the second Wednesday of the month, April through October, for about an hour. Members meet at a walking trail or park for a book discussion and then a walk. At each meeting, titles and walking locations are chosen for the next month's walk with the help of our club moderator. Our walks are paced to allow for both exercise and good conversations. The Alton/Godfrey area offers us many beautiful parks and trails for our walks, such as The Nature Institute, Riverfront Park, Gordon Moore Park, Audubon Center at Riverlands, and Glazebrook Park.

If reading, walking, nature, and good conversation sound like a perfect fit for you, please consider joining us. Our first meeting is Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 12 pm, at Glazebrook Park. We will meet at the pavilion to make reading selections and walk the trail.

Registration is required for the Hayner Walking Book Club. The registration form is available on the library's website at www.haynerlibrary.org and at the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. For more information, please email the library at reference@haynerlibrary.org or call (618)462-0677, ext. 2860.

## *Writers Circle:*

**Short Story** —Saturday, April 15, 2023, 9 am - 12 pm

**Micro Fiction** — Saturday, June 3, 2023, 10 am - 12 pm

Note: This adult writing event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Someone at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!

For the novice and the experienced: join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers. Bring a project you're currently working on, or use your prompt in guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every other month, so be sure to check in! Coffee and tea will be provided.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to ten people.

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## *Hayner Library's George Fuller Presents for the NARA Archive*

Genealogy & Local History Library staff member George Fuller will be the featured speaker for the National Archives and Records Administration's Genealogy series on YouTube on May 24, 2023, at 12 pm! His one-hour presentation, "Partnerships Past and Present: National Park Rangers and Civilian Conservation Corps Enrollees," will discuss the history of the Civilian Conservation Corps and the National Park Service. Intended to aid genealogy researchers, the lecture will be suitable for beginners and will discuss how to order records for genealogical purposes from the National Archives in St. Louis. George will have the honor of being introduced by David Ferriero, Archivist of the United States. Be sure to check our social media for links to the event as it draws nearer!

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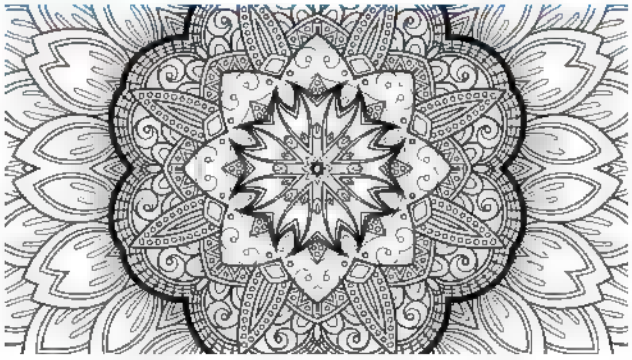
## *Color Connection: Adult Coloring Club*

**Monday, May 22, 5-7 pm**

**Note:** *This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Someone at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!*



Come color with us and enjoy the company of other coloring enthusiasts!

Registration is not required. Feel free to stay the whole time, or just a little while. We will provide coloring pages, coloring bookmarks, and colored pencils. Feel free to bring your own supplies as well.

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## *X's and Sews: A New Crafting Program*

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, a crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating!

This program will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 6-7:30 pm on the following Tuesdays: April 4 and 18; May 2, 16, and 30; June 13 and 27, 2023. No registration is necessary.

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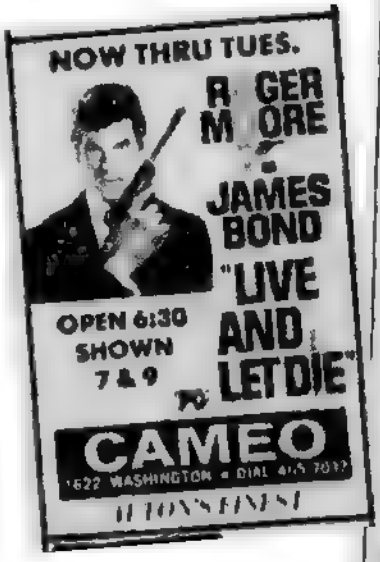
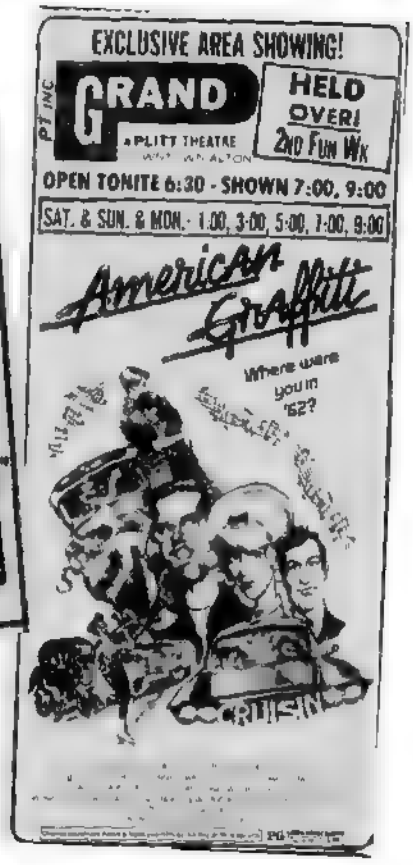



## *Film Flashback Fridays*

What were we watching fifty years ago at the Starlight Drive-In, Grand Theater, and Alton Ciné? A film series at the Genealogy & Local History Library will answer that question as we come together to watch some of the best movies of 1973. A short introduction will precede each film. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

Friday, May 19, 2023, 6 pm: *American Graffiti*

Friday, July 28, 2023, 6 pm: *Live and Let Die* (Roger Moore as James Bond)

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

## *Art Talks*

Art Talks is back for spring! This time, This time, in addition to local artists, The Hayner Public Library District is also partnering with Jacoby Arts Center, to help you explore the art world while also getting to know the artists in our community. Talks will take place at both Hayner Library and Jacoby Arts Center, so there will be lots of opportunities to visit and learn.

Upcoming talks at Hayner Library:

**Saturday, March 25, 11 am – Yarnbombing: Community Art**

Fiber artist and yarnbomber Laura Blair will discuss the community aspect of art and explain the art of yarnbombing. The discussion will be followed by a workshop where you will collaborate on a yarnbomb installation for the library.

**Wednesday, April 5, 6 pm – *Mound City Chronicle* and Post-Documentary Photography**

Photographer Jason Gray will talk about the impact and process of storytelling through post-documentary photography as it relates to his own *Mound City Chronicle* project photographing off-the-beaten-path locations in St. Louis over the course of a decade.

**Saturday, April 22, 11 am – Steampunk Costuming**

Artist and costumer Lynn Carter will introduce us to steampunk and steampunk costuming, a subgenre of science fiction with an aesthetic that combines industrial or mechanical elements with Victorian-era fashion.

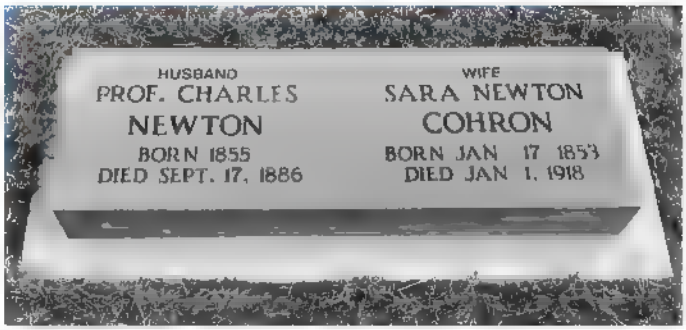
**Wednesday, May 3, 6 pm – Contemporary Landscape Painting**

Artist Jeffrey Vaughn will examine contemporary landscape painting through an art historical lens.

All talks hosted by The Hayner Public Library District will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. For information about upcoming talks hosted by Jacoby Arts Center, visit www.jacobyartscenter.org.

## *Gravestone Dedication: Prof. Charles Newton and Sara Woodson Newton Cohron*

### Alton City Cemetery
### June 24, 2023, 10 am




Since 2002, Vintage Voices has been a significant cultural event in our community. Every October, tours are held in the Alton City Cemetery with actors in period costumes telling the story of Altonians who have shaped the Riverbend's history. The Hayner Public Library District is proud to support Vintage Voices in this important work.

In addition to sharing local history, Vintage Voices has a role in contributing to it, particularly in the two recent portrayals of the Newtons. Charles Newton (portrayed by Jared Hennings in 2021) was the first Black graduate of Alton High School in 1873. He went on to graduate from Shurtleff College in Alton, becoming one of the first Black teachers in the St. Louis Public Schools. He later became principal of the Colored School No. 1 (also called Dumas). Sadly, he died at thirty years of age, on September 17, 1886. His funeral was held at Union Baptist Church in Alton. While researching Newton, Genealogy & Local History Library staff members discovered that his wife, Sara Woodson Newton Cohron (portrayed by Velva Parker in 2022) was buried next to him in the Alton City Cemetery. Sara Newton Cohron had a distinguished career of her own. She was a very accomplished teacher in St. Louis and East St. Louis, and she continued to teach even after she was married. She was also a delegate to the Berean Baptist Sunday School Convention. She had what was essentially a prenuptial agreement for her second marriage in 1891, to Rev. John Lewis Cohron. Sarah Woodson Newton Cohron was also a founder of the Louis Colored Orphans' Home (which is now Annie Malone Family Services in St. Louis).

Sadly, despite their significant achievements, there was nothing to mark their graves.

Vintage Voices and The Hayner Public Library District worked with Gent Funeral Home, who generously donated a marker for the Newtons' graves. While the marker was placed in the cemetery in September 2022, the dedication ceremony is planned for June 2023 to coincide with the 150th anniversary of Prof. Charles Newton's graduation from Alton High School. The Hayner Public Library District, Vintage Voices, Union Baptist Church, the Alton School District, the Alton Black Alumni Association, and other community organizations will be part of this important dedication. Jared Hennings and Velva Parker will reprise their roles as the Newtons. We hope you will join us!

## *From Story to Film*

Join us for our next story to film club! One meeting will be dedicated to a book discussion, and the other to watching the movie.

***Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie/*Murder on the Orient Express* (2017)**

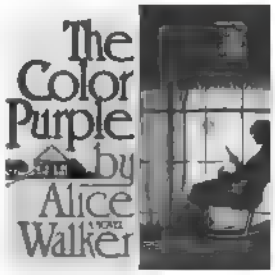
Monday, April 10, 5:30-7:30 pm

Friday, April 21, 5-7:30 pm

We will be discussing *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie, and watching the 2017 film adaptation.

**Note:** *This adult program will be held in two parts. The book discussion will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and the movie will be shown in Hayner Library's Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. Someone at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!*

***From Story to Film: The Color Purple* by Alice Walker/*The Color Purple (1985)***




Monday, June 12, 5:30-7:30 pm

Friday, June 23, 5-7:30 pm

We will be discussing *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker, and watching the 1985 film adaptation.

Attendees should read the books ahead of time in order to join in on the discussion! Please speak with a Circulation staff member to order a copy in regular print, large print, or audio format. Copies of the book may also be reserved online through the Hayner Library website or through the SHARE Mobile Library app. Digital and audio copies of these books are also available on the cloudLibrary and OverDrive digital platforms.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to twenty people.

## *What's All the Buzz About Natives?*

Perhaps you've heard that you should grow native plants to attract more butterflies. Maybe you have the perception that native plants are "weedy." Sue Leahy, with St. Louis Wild Ones, will talk about why native plants are important to the ecosystem and what you can plant to bring more birds, bees, and butterflies to your yard. She will also show basic design elements to keep your yard from looking "wild" and provide maintenance tips to keep your garden looking its best.

Join us on Wednesday, May 24, at 6 pm, in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, to get the "buzz" about natives!

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## *Taps & Tomes Book Club Dates and Selections*

Taps & Tomes, our free bi-monthly book club in partnership with The Old Bakery Beer Company, continues to be an unqualified success! Our January discussion of *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien provided a lively discussion and great fun, aided no doubt by some delectable Old Bakery beverages.

We're excited to announce the dates and book selections for the remainder of 2023!

**May 4, 2023, 6 pm** – *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig

**July 6, 2023, 6 pm** – *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides

**September 7, 2023, 6 pm** – *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

**November 2, 2023, 6pm** – *The Forest of Vanishing Stars* by Kristin Harmel

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our next choice, *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig. Our social hour starts at 6 pm, with the discussion beginning at 7 pm. All Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are also available through the cloudLibrary and OverDrive digital platforms. The Taps & Tomes Book Club meets at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL.

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## *100 Things to Do in Illinois Before you Die*

**Presented by Melanie Holmes**
**Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 6 pm**

*To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.*

Melanie Holmes will discuss the brand-new book, *100 Things to Do in Illinois Before You Die* – hot off the press from Reedy Publishing's line of citywide/statewide bucket list books. Think you've seen all of the best parts of Illinois? What about the white bison? Have you ever slept in a caboose or a treehouse? How about some whitewater rafting or a hot air balloon ride? Illinois is a beautiful blend of rolling cornfields, a "driftless" zone perfect for downhill skiing, and a national forest that spreads from river to shining river. Come and listen on Wednesday, June 7, at 6 pm, as Holmes shares some funny adventure stories and clues you in to the tips for seeing, eating, and absorbing the best of our culturally-crucial, entertaining state!

Holmes' previous books include *The Female Assumption* (2014 Global Media Award Recipient, Best Book category); *A Hero on Mount St. Helens* (2019, University of Illinois Press); *Manteno/Images of America* (2020, Arcadia Publishing); and *The Secret Life of Postcards* (2021). *100 Things to Do in Illinois Before You Die* is Holmes' fifth book.

Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## New in Our Illinois Room

***American Migration Routes. Part I, Indian Paths, Post Roads & Wagon Roads*** by William Dollarhide (2022). IR 304.873 DOL

***American Migration Routes. Part II, Stagecoach, Steamboat, Canal & Early Railroad Routes*** by William Dollarhide (2022). IR 304.873 DOL

***A Black Soldier's Letters Home: World War II*** by James Killion, III & Eugene Jones Baldwin (2022). IR 940.541273 KIL

***Cathy M. Williams & Sons Funeral Home Obituaries: Alton, Illinois.*** IR 977.3865 CAT 2017 – 2022 (6 volumes)

***Coming to America: A Remarkable Journey of the Haynes Family*** by Jeri C. Haynes (2022). IR 929.2 HAYNES

***East Alton Centennial: A History of East Alton, Sept. 4, 1893-1993.*** IR 977.386 EAS

***East Saint Louis Trivia Calendar 1997*** by Bill Nunes. IR 977.389 NUN

***Evangelical United Church of Christ Dedication: Godfrey, Illinois, May 26, 1968.*** IR 285 977386 EVA

***First Presbyterian Church, 4th & Alby, Alton, IL 62002 (Cookbook).*** IR 641.5 FIR

***Hearts of Red and Blue 2: The Athletes and Special Sports Moments of Western Military Academy, 1879-1971*** by Les Pirtle (2022). IR 373.7738 PIR

***Jerseyville Illinois: The Red House, 150th Anniversary, 1834-1984.*** IR 977.3855 JER

***Kaskaskia: The Lost Capital of Illinois.*** IR 977.392 MAC

***Mother of the Company: Sgt. Percy M. Smith's World War II Reflections*** edited by Philip M. Smith (2022). IR 940.541273 SMI

***Saint Louis: "Bicentennial City" (1963).*** IR 977.866 SAI

***Trial of the Conspirators, For the Assassination of President Lincoln, &c: Argument of John A. Bingham, Special Judge Advocate, in Reply to the Arguments of the Several Counsel for Mary E. Surratt, David E. Herold, Lewis Payne, George A. Atzerodt, Michael O'Laughlin, Samuel A. Mudd, Edward Spangler, and Samuel Arnold, Charged with Conspiracy and Murder of Abraham Lincoln, Late President of the United States. Delivered June 27 and 28, 1865, Before the Military Commission, Washington, D.C.*** IR 973.78 BIN

***The Vital Services Building of East Alton, Illinois (1969).*** IR 977.386 EAS

## New Book Drop Outside Alton Square Mall

We are delighted to announce that The Hayner Public Library District has installed an outdoor book drop at our Alton Square Mall location! It's placed outside the mall at the Ross/post office first floor entrance.

Materials returned in the drop box during the day will be collected and checked in that afternoon, while those returned in the drop box after 5 pm will be checked in the next morning and back-dated to reflect the previous day's return date. If you are coming to the library to pick up additional materials, please bring returns to the book drop inside the mall, to the left of the library doors.

The outdoor book drop will be closed on extended holidays (such as Thanksgiving and Christmas). However, the book drop by the library entrance will remain open. We anticipate this will be a great convenience to those of you who want to return materials with just a quick stop. The book drop at the Downtown Library is also still available for your use, to the left of the entrance at 326 Belle Street, Alton.

## FICTION -

**Abbott, Megan.** Beware the Woman

**Allende, Isabel.** The Wind Knows My Name

**Baldacci, David.** Simply Lies: A Thriller

**Balogh, Mary.** Remember Me: Phillippa's Story

**Barry, Dave.** Swamp Story

**Benedict, Marie.** The First Ladies

**Bentley, Don.** Tom Clancy Flash Point

**Brennan, Allison.** Seven Girls Gone

**Berry, Steve.** The 9th Man

**Brown, Dale & Larkin, Patrick.** Weapons of Opportunity

**Callahan Henry, Patti.** The Secret Book of Flora Lea

**Carr, Jack.** Only the Dead: A Thriller

**Constantine, Liv.** The Senator's Wife

**Dallas, Sandra.** Where Coyotes Howl

**Davis, Fiona.** The Spectacular

**Deveraux, Jude.** My Heart Will Find You

**Due, Tananarive.** The Reformatory

**Ford, Richard.** Be Mine: A Frank Bascombe Novel

**Frazier, Charles.** The Trackers

**Gaylin, Alison.** Robert B Parker's Bad Influence

**Graham, Heather.** Shadow of Death

**Graham, Heather.** Whispers at Dusk

**Griffiths, Elly.** The Last Remains

**Hanks, Tom.** The Making of Another Major Motion Picture Masterpiece

**Harmel, Kristin.** The Paris Daughter

**Hazelwood, Ali.** Love Theoretically

**Henry, Emily.** Happy Place

**Hepworth, Sally.** The Soulmate

**Higgins, Kristan.** A Little Ray of Sunshine

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** The Five-Star Weekend

**Horan, Nancy.** The House of Lincoln

**Hood, Joshua.** Robert Ludlum's The Treadstone Rendition

**Iles, Greg.** Southern Man

**Jackson, Joshilyn.** With My Little Eye

**Jackson, Lisa.** The Last Sinner

**Jimenez, Abby.** Yours Truly

**Johansen, Iris.** The Survivor

**Lauren, Christina.** The True Love Experiment

**Lehane, Dennis.** Small Mercies

**Lustbader, Eric Van.** The Quantum Solution

**Maden, Mike.** Clive Cussler's Fire Strike

**Mallery, Susan.** The Happiness Plan

**Meier, Leslie.** Mother of the Bride Murder

**Miranda, Megan.** The Only Survivors

**Morton, Kate.** Homecoming

**Nesbø, Jo.** Killing Moon

**Novak, Brenda.** The Seaside Library

**Page, Katherine Hall.** The Body in the Web: A Faith Fairchild Mystery

**Palmer, Diana.** The Loner

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** The Rescue

**Patrick, Phaedra.** The Little Italian Hotel

**Patterson, James.** The 23rd Midnight

**Patterson, James.** Cross Down

**Patterson, James.** Private Moscow

**Patterson, Richard North.** Trial

**Patterson, Susan.** Things I Wish I Told My Mother: A Novel

**Perry, Anne.** The Fourth Enemy: A Daniel Pitt Novel

**Penner, Sarah.** The London Séance Society

**Quick, Amanda.** The Bride Wore White

**Roberts, Nora.** Identity

**Rosenblum, Emma.** Bad Summer People

**Sager, Riley.** The Only One Left

**Sandford, John.** Dark Angel

**See, Lisa.** Lady Tan's Circle of Women

**Sittenfeld, Curtis.** Romantic Comedy

**Shaara, Jeff.** The Old Lion: A Novel of Theodore Roosevelt

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Sweetheart List

**Shipman, Viola.** Famous in a Small Town

**Smith, Martin Cruz.** Independence Square: Arkady Renko in Ukraine

**Steel, Danielle.** Palazzo

**Steel, Danielle.** The Wedding Planner

**Thayer, Nancy.** All the Days of Summer

**Thayne, Raeanne.** The Café at Beach End

**Ware, Ruth.** Zero Days

**Weir, Alison.** The King's Pleasure: A Novel of Henry VIII

**White, Karen.** The House on Prytania

**Wiggs, Susan.** Welcome to Beach Town

**Williams, Beatriz.** The Beach at Summerly

**Winslow, Don.** City of Dreams

**Winspear, Jacqueline.** The White Lady

**Woods, Stuart.** Near Miss

## NONFICTION -

**Ackerman, Jennifer.** What an Owl Knows: The New Science of the World's Most Enigmatic Birds

**Attia, Peter.** Outlive: The Science and Art of Longevity

**Benedict, Jeff.** Lebron

**Cavallari, Kristin.** Truly Simple: 140 Healthy Recipes for Weekday Cooking

**Davis, Wes.** American Journey: On the Road with Henry Ford, Thomas Edison, and John Burroughs

**Dern, Laura & Ladd, Diane.** Honey, Baby, Mine: A Mother and Daughter Talk Life, Death, Love (and Banana Pudding)

**Egan, Timothy.** A Fever in the Heartland: The Ku Klux Klan's Plot to Take Over America, and the Woman Who Stopped Them

**Eisner, Jeffrey.** Super Shortcut Instant Pot: The Ultimate Time-Saving Step-By-Step Cookbook

**Fishman, Jared.** Fire on the Levee: The Murder of Henry Glover and the Search for Justice After Hurricane Katrina

**Fradin, Kelly.** Advanced Parenting: Advice for Helping Kids Through Diagnoses, Differences, and Mental Health Challenges

**Grann, David.** The Wager: A Tale of Shipwreck, Mutiny and Murder

**Harden, Greg.** Stay Sane in an Insane World. How to Control the Controllables and Thrive

**Jarrett, Gregg.** The Trial of the Century

**Kimball, Christopher.** Milk Street Noodles: Secrets to the World's Best Noodles, from Fettuccine Alfredo to Pad Thai to Miso Ramen

**Lambert, Miranda.** Y'All Eat Yet?: Welcome to the Pretty B*tchin' Kitchen

**Lee, Hasard.** The Art of Clear Thinking: A Stealth Fighter Pilot's Timeless Rules for Making Tough Decisions

**Miller, Max.** Tasting History: Explore the Past Through 4,000 Years of Recipes

**McRaven, Admiral William H.** The Wisdom of the Bullfrog: Leadership Made Simple (But Not Easy)

**Page, Elliot.** Pageboy: A Memoir

**Patel, Kash Pramod.** Government Gangsters: The Deep State, the Truth, and the Battle for Our Democracy

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**Roman, Alison.** Sweet Enough: A Baking Book

**Shuster, Simon.** The Fight Is Here: Volodymyr Zelensky and the War in Ukraine

**Smith, Ian K., M.D.** The Met Flex Diet: Burn Better Fuel, Burn More Fat

**Smith, Maggie.** You Could Make This Place Beautiful: A Memoir

**Thomas, Evan.** Road to Surrender: Three Men and the Countdown to the End of World War II

**Vance, Ashlee.** When the Heavens Went on Sale: The Misfits and Geniuses Racing to Put Space Within Reach

**Wentz, Izabella.** Adrenal Transformation Protocol: A 4-Week Plan to Release Stress Symptoms and Go from Surviving to Thriving

**Winchester, Simon.** Knowing What We Know: The Transmission of Knowledge: From Ancient Wisdom to Modern Magic

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## *Illinois Libraries Present: Live Online Events With Bestselling Authors and Famous Presenters*

The Hayner Public Library District is now partnering with Illinois Libraries Present* to bring you exciting, high-profile virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally-recognized presenters. These events are 100% online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home – or wherever you'd like!

This season's lineup:

**Tuesday, April 4, 7 pm** – Danny Trejo Talks Tacos, Hollywood, and Redemption

**Tuesday, April 25, 7 pm** – Secrets of the Puzzle Master: A Conversation with Will Shortz

**Saturday, May 6, 10 am** – Drawing Comics with Jarrett J. Krosoczka

**Wednesday, May 17, 7 pm** – On Being Fabulous with Jonathan Van Ness and Kristi Yamaguchi

**Tuesday, June 6, 7 pm** – Navigate Your Stars: A Conversation with Jesmyn Ward

**Wednesday, June 21, 7 pm** – *Braiding Sweetgrass:* A Conversation with Robin Wall Kimmerer

Online registration is required for these events. Please check our events calendar at www.haynerlibrary.org for more information.

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# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Summer 2023

## *Hayner Library Now Offers a Library of Things: Non-Traditional Library Items Available for Check Out with Your Hayner Library Card!*

Have you ever needed to use something once a year but didn't want to purchase it because you had nowhere to store it? Have you ever wanted to try out a product before you buy it? Or has there ever been a big-ticket item that was too expensive to purchase—but you still needed to use it? Well, check out Hayner Library's new Library of Things!

The Library of Things is a collection of unique, non-traditional library items available for check out by Hayner Library cardholders age eighteen and older. Library of Things collections are available at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

The Library of Things includes items such as a pickleball set, baking kits, a tool kit, projectors, a green screen, telescopes, a bocce ball game, lawn croquet, podcasting equipment, a bubble machine, a metal detector, a microphone and speaker, a folding table, a socket and wrench set, a DVD/VHS-to-digital converter, leaf scoops, beginner piano keyboard, a microscope, a graphing calculator, and much more!

Be sure to stop by the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to learn more about the The Library of Things. This collection will be available for check out later in the summer!

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## *Hayner Library Newsletter Digitization Project*

The Genealogy & Local History Library is starting a project to digitize all the Hayner Library newsletters and make them available (and searchable!) on archive.org. However, there are several we do not have in our possession. If you've saved any of these Hayner Library newsletters over the years, please consider bringing them to the library for our project! We'll certainly take donations, but if it's a newsletter you'd like to keep, we can also digitize it and return it to you.

We are currently seeking the following issues:

*1993 – Spring, Summer, Fall*
*1994 – Summer*
*1995 – Spring, Summer, Fall*
*1996 – Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter*
*1997 – Spring, Fall, Winter*
*1998 – Spring*
*1999 – Spring*
*2000 – Summer*
*2001 – Winter*
*2008 – Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter*

If you'd like to see what the finished project will look like, newsletters from 2015-2022 are already viewable on our online collection at archive.org. We appreciate your help in preserving the heritage of The Hayner Public Library District!

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The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
July 4, Independence Day
September 3 & 4, Labor Day

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## July 2023

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| 9 | 10 Under the Sea Craft Time (10 am) | 11 Stories and Art (10 am) Tree Home Tuesday (7 pm) Xs and Sews (6 pm) | 12 STL Aquarium "What is an Octopus?" (10 am) | 13 Branching Out (10 am) Computer Class- Basics (2 pm) End-of-the-Summer Reading Program Party (5 pm) | 14 | 15 Writers Circle: Erasure Poetry (10 am) When the Stars Came Out (10 am) |
| 16 | 17 | 18 Community Science Series: Birds (6 pm) | 19 | 20 Branching Out (10 am) | 21 | 22 Computer Class- Internet/Email (2 pm) |
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| 13 | 14 From Story to Film- Little Women (Book) (5:30 pm) | 15 Steve Davis- Elvis Live! (6:30 pm) | 16 | 17 Branching Out (10 am) Computer Class- Social Media (6 pm) | 18 | 19 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) Xs and Sews (6 pm) | 23 YA Wednesday (4 pm) | 24 Pre-School Story Time with Sam (10 am) | 25 From Story to Film- Little Women (Film) (5 pm) | 26 Computer Class- Microsoft Word (2 pm) |
| 27 | 28 | 29 Family Story Time w/Mary Kay (10 am) | 30 YA Wednesday (4 pm) | 31 | | |

## September 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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# *Branching Out 2023 Genealogy Classes*

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place from 10-11:30 am.

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| July 13 | Vital Records: From the Church to the Courthouse |
| July 20 | Discussion Group |
| August 10 | Where They Lived: Property Research |
| August 17 | Discussion Group |
| September 14 | Making a New Home: Immigration and Naturalization |
| September 21 | Discussion Group |

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic.

On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We just relax and listen when we don't have anything to share. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2023 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

# KidsSpace Summer 2023 Activities

## Summer Reading Program

*Saturday, July 1, 2023* — Saturday Movie Matinee — 2 pm — Ages 2-12

*Monday, July 3, 2023* — Under the Sea Craft Time — 10 am — Ages 2-6

*Tuesday, July 4, 2023* — Library Closed in Observance of Independence Day

*Wednesday, July 5, 2023* — The Peppy Puppets "The Three Little Fishies" — 10 am — All Ages

*Thursday, July 6, 2023* — Ocean Science with Sam — 10 am — Ages 6-12

*Thursday, July 6, 2023* — Treasures in the Library — (All Day) — Ages 2-12

*Saturday, July 8, 2023* — Saturday Movie Matinee — 2 pm — Ages 2-12

*Monday, July 10, 2023* — Under the Sea Craft Time — 10 am — Ages 2-6

*Tuesday, July 11, 2023* — Stories and Art (Downtown Library) — 10 am — Ages 2-6

*Tuesday, July 11, 2023* — Tree House Tuesday — 2 pm — Ages 6-12

*Tuesday, July 11, 2023* — Last Day to Record Reading in BeanStack

*Wednesday, July 12, 2023* — STL Aquarium "What is an Octopus?" — 10 am — All Ages

*Thursday, July 13, 2023* — End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party 5-7 pm — Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square Mall — Rockin Rob — 6-7 pm

## August & September

**Family Story Time**
Join Mary Kay and Panda Bear in an interactive story time for children of all ages. Enjoy stories, songs, an occasional puppet show, and a snack at 10 am at the Downtown Library. Limited space is available. **Please register at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.**

**Pre-School Story Time**
Join Sam and Theresa for this fun and interactive story time for 2 to 5-year-olds. Children will hear stories, sing songs, and make crafts that reflect the weekly theme at 10 am at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Limited space is available. **Please register at (618) 433-2881.**

**Science with Sam**
Science with Sam is a fun monthly STEAM-themed program that happens on the first Friday of each month, beginning in September. Sam will prepare take-home interactive kits for children ages 7-10 demonstrating different STEAM concepts, such as surface tension, Earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to perform the activity. Adult assistance is required for some of the activities. Patrons may pick up their kit from the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on Friday, September 1, 2023.

**Lego Club**
Kids, join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Legos stay at the library and will be displayed between sessions. Lego Club will meet in the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on the second Tuesday of each month from 4-5 pm. This program is for children ages 6 and older. Limited space is available. **Please register at (618) 433-2881.**

**The Nature Institute Movie Under the Stars**
The Hayner Public Library District and The Nature Institute will partner for a one-night movie event under the stars on the Institute's front yard! Bring your blanket or lawn chairs and a snack for a fun evening watching *A Bug's Life!* The movie will begin at approximately 8:30 pm on July 25, 2023, at 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey. No registration is required. For more information about other movies being shown this summer at The Nature Institute, please visit www.thenatureinstitute.org.

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**Tabletop Adventures**
Do you like adventure? Do you like fantasy? Do you want to role-play your favorite hero or villain? Roll for initiative, because this is the place for you! Whether you are an experienced adventurer or looking to try out a new journey, you are welcome to come. Once a month, youth ages 9 to 14 are invited to join us in the KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, where we will try out roleplaying through the wonderful world of tabletop games. Interested in joining? **Please call Sam at (618) 433-2881.**

**Dial-A-Story**
For over twenty years, Hayner Library patrons have adored Dial-A-Story. It is a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children—available from the comfort of your home!

Dial-A-Story is available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year! Children may call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253) to listen to a short story recorded by a Hayner Library KidsSpace staff member. Each story lasts approximately five minutes and is geared toward young children. A different story will be available each week.

**September is Library Card Sign-Up Month**
The KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall will hand out a surprise goody bag to children who sign up for a library card in September (while supplies last). You must show your new library card to a KidsSpace staff member to get your goody bag!

***Star Wars* Reads Day**
*Star Wars* Reads Day, launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm, is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. KidsSpace invites patrons ages 6-12 to drop by KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 2-4 pm for a *Star Wars*-themed craft and snack. The fun takes place on Saturday, October 14, 2023. **To register for this program, please call (618) 433-2881.**

# TeenSpace *Summer 2023 Activities*

## July-September 2023

**My Library Crate**
Do you enjoy book subscriptions? If so, this one is for you! Each month we will supply you with a new-release book based on your reading preferences. The book crate will also contain some fun surprise items! When you have enjoyed your book, simply return it (and the box) to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for a new selection. Registration is easy: fill out the My Book Crate form on the TeenSpace page of the library's website. Hayner staff will do the rest! **For more information, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.**

**Teen Advisory Council (TAC)**
What types of programs do you want to see at your library? You should be a part of the Teen Advisory Group, which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library! This group will meet the second Wednesday of each month in the Teen Center in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall at 4 pm. The next meeting date is Wednesday, September 13, 2023. **Please register at (618) 433-2872.**

**Teen Movie Event**
Hayner Library invites teens ages 12-18 to join us at the NCG Cinema at Alton Square Mall! We have rented a theater for a Saturday afternoon matinee, and participants will enjoy popcorn and soda during the movie. This program has a **strictly enforced limit**, so please register early! **For more information about the movie title or to register, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.**

**YA Wednesdays**
Come join us at 4 pm in the Teen Center in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall for crafts, movies, and games on the following Wednesdays:

*August 23:* Back to School Glow-in-the-Dark Bingo

*August 30:* Make and Take Craft (Fridge Magnet)

*September 6:* Retro Board Games

*September 20:* Make and Take Craft (DIY Wall Collage)

*September 27:* Make and Take Craft (Diamond Art)

**For more information about these programs or to register, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.**

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Summer 2023 semester of special events! These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! All programs do require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney.**

**REMINDER:** Often program registration fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program that you are signed up for, PLEASE call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know so we can fill your reservation from the waiting list.

## *Steve Davis*
## *Elvis! Live!*

**Tuesday, August 15, 6:30 pm**

Elvis (yes, THE Elvis!) returns to The Hayner Public Library District with his Las Vegas-style revue that will have you rockin' in your blue suede shoes. Elvis sings and reminisces about his career in this great show that will take you back to Elvis's Vegas performances of the 1970s. Don't miss this chance to see The King live and onstage!

## *John Lynn*
## *Dead People of Illinois*

**Wednesday, September 20, 6 pm**

Searching for dead people in all the right places, this 'underground' presentation by renowned researcher John Lynn explores hundreds of Illinois cemeteries to find interesting graves and headstones, intriguing lives and deaths, and lots and plots of funny names! It's an opportunity for mortals to not only whistle past the graveyard, but to pause and enjoy the oddities of life and death just in time for the Halloween season!

## *The Sacred Marriage of Heaven and Earth in Han Dynasty Art and Architecture*

**Saturday, September 23, 11 am**

This presentation by Dr. Cory Willmott of SIUE's Lifelong Learning Institute will focus on the Han Dynasty (202 BCE-9 CE, 25-220 CE), considered the "golden age" of Chinese civilization from which many elements of Chinese culture originated. At the core of Chinese symbolism are circle and square shapes as metaphors for Heaven and Earth, respectively. Dr. Willmott will interpret circle and square symbolism in Han Dynasty art forms, and then explore examples of them in art forms of more recent times.

This presentation will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. No registration is required!

## *Woodland Wildflower Identification: Summer Flora*

**Saturday, July 8, 11 am**

Emily Ehley with Trees Forever will be back with another Woodland Wildflower Identification class, this time focusing on summertime blooms!

Whether you're a seasoned outdoor enthusiast or just starting to explore an interest in nature, this is a great opportunity to get to know the wildflowers of our area and how to recognize them. If you joined us for the first Woodland Wildflower Identification class with Emily in the spring, this summer installment will add to what you've already learned!

The class will take place in the Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. No registration is required!

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## *X's and Sews: A New Crafting Program*

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating!

This program will take place in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 6-7:30 pm on the following Tuesdays: July 11 and 25; August 8 and 22; September 5 and 19, 2023. No registration is necessary.

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## *Writers Circle*

**Erasure Poetry**—Saturday, July 15, 10 am-12 pm

**Hermit Crab Fiction**—Saturday, August 12, 10 am-12 pm

**Poetry**—Saturday, September 16, 10 am-12 pm

**Note:** *This adult writing event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Staff at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!*

For the novice and the experienced: join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in! Coffee and tea will be provided.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to ten people.

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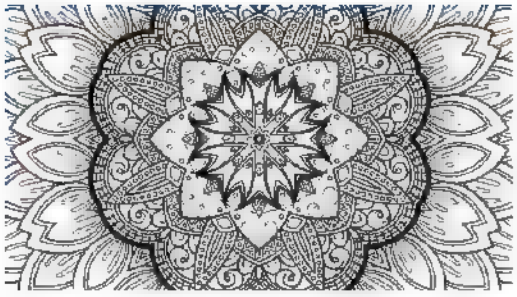
## *Color Connection: Adult Coloring Club*



**Monday, July 31, 5-7 pm**

**Monday, September 25, 5-7 pm**

**Note:** *This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Staff at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!*

Come color with us, and enjoy the company of other coloring enthusiasts!

Registration is not required. You can to stay the whole time, or just a little while. We will provide coloring pages, coloring bookmarks, and colored pencils. Feel free to bring your own supplies as well.

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# *Taps & Tomes Book Club Dates and Selections*

Taps & Tomes, our free bi-monthly book club in partnership with The Old Bakery Beer Company, continues to be an unqualified success! Our May discussion of *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig provided a lively discussion and great fun, aided no doubt by some delectable Old Bakery beverages.

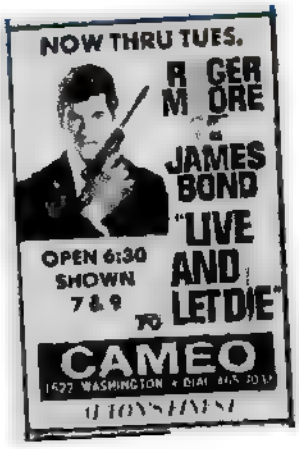
We're excited to announce the dates and book selections for the remainder of 2023!

**Thursday, July 6, 2023, 6 pm** — *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides

**Thursday, September 7, 2023, 6 pm** — *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot

**Thursday, November 2, 2023, 6 pm** — *The Forest of Vanishing Stars* by Kristin Harmel

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our next choice, *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides. Our social hour starts at 6 pm, with the discussion beginning at 7 pm. All Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are also available through the cloudLibrary and OverDrive digital platforms. The Taps & Tomes Book Club meets at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL.




## *Film Flashback Fridays*

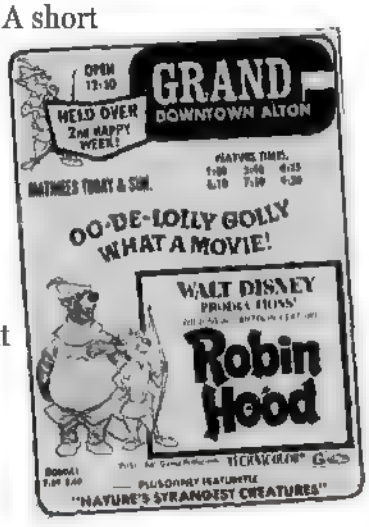
What were we watching fifty years ago at the Starlight Drive-In, Grand Theater, and Alton Ciné? Our film series at the Genealogy & Local History Library will answer that question as we come together to watch some of the best movies of 1973. A short introduction will precede each film. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

**Friday, July 28, 6 pm:** *Live and Let Die* (Roger Moore as James Bond)

**Friday, September 29, 6 pm:** *The Way We Were*

**Friday, November 3, 6 pm:** *Robin Hood*

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.



## New in Our Illinois Room

***The Bloody Ninth: A Chronicle of The Ninth Illinois Volunteer Infantry Regiment in The Civil War, The Regiment with The Greatest Number of Casualties at Shiloh*** by Paul W. Shetley (2022). IR 973.7473 SHE

***Brief Biographies of the Figurines on Display in The Illinois State Historical Library Compiled*** by Georgia L. Osborne (1932). IR 920.0773 OSB

***Brighton Centennial Cookbook, 1869-1969*** IR 641.5 BRI

***Capturing the City: Photographs from the Streets of St. Louis, 1900-1930*** by Joseph Heathcott (2016). IR 977.866 HEA

***Catholic Churches of South Calhoun: St. Mary, Brussels – St. Joseph, Meppen – St. Barbara, Batchtown.*** IR LOCKED CASES 282.9773853 CAT 1993

***City of Alton, Illinois: Land Subdivision Ordinance #6104 (199?).*** IR 333.770977386 CIT

***Community Development Plan for Highland, Illinois*** by the Southwestern Illinois Metropolitan and Regional Planning Commission (1991). IR 333.770977386 SOU

***Community Development Plan, June 6, 1988*** IR 333.770977386 COM

***A Development Guide, Wood River Township Area*** by Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville (1979). IR 333.770977386 SOU

***Grandma's Stew*** Compiled by St. Ruth Altar Society, St. Ambrose Catholic Church (1975). IR 641.5 GRA

***Hunterstown Neighborhood Revitalization Plan: Prepared for the City of Alton, Illinois (1996).*** IR 333.770977386 HUN

***The Haskell Family: 1211 Henry Street, Alton, Illinois*** Compiled by The Hayner Public Library District (2023). IR 346.0438 HAS

***Impressions: Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine*** (1981 and 1982 yearbooks) IR 378.77386 IMP 1981 and IR 378.77386 IMP 1982

***The Legacy of Delyte W Morris: President Southern Illinois University 1948-1970.*** "Commemorative Convocation, Shryock Auditorium, October 1998." IR 378.773 LEG

***Madison County Zoning Ordinance, Madison County, Illinois (2001).*** IR 352 MAD

***OnIzed Altonian Owens-Illinois Glass Company*** (October 1941 newsletter). IR LOCKED CASES 666.1 OWE 1941/10

***Riverfront Tax Increment Redevelopment Plan: Prepared for the City of Alton, Illinois (1994).*** IR 333.770977386 RIV

***Shock and Awe: The Spiritual Journey of Coyote Chris Sutton (2001).*** IR B SUTTON

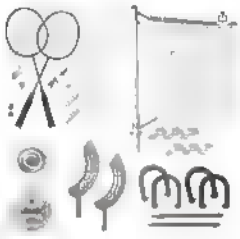
***Your Favorite Recipes from the Fire Department: Fieldon Fire Protection District (2011).*** IR 641.5 YOU

## Adult Summer Reading Program

***July 1-31, 2023***

Join us for our 2023 Adult Summer Reading Program! Hayner Library patrons ages 18 and older can enter to win fun prizes by playing Summer Reading Bingo! Mark the bingo boxes as you complete different activities including reading, checking out materials, or learning about Alton! The first bingo sheet will be available to patrons July 1, with a second sheet, including all-new activities, available on July 15. Upon returning your bingo sheet to the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library, you will earn one raffle ticket for each bingo. A full bingo sheet will earn you an extra raffle ticket!

Prizes include: an outdoor egg swing chair with stand; a two-in-one firepit/grill; and an outdoor game set that includes badminton, volleyball, horseshoes, flip toss, and frisbee! Register at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library starting July 1!



## Tech Help Appointments

Did you know you can book our Reference Librarian for one-on-one technology help appointments?

These appointments cover basic questions about:

- eBooks, eAudiobooks, and eReaders
- Using library databases and online learning resources
- Using apps
- Computer skills or programs (Microsoft Office, using the internet, email, etc.)
- Mobile devices (tablets, cell phones, laptops, etc.)
- Basic device troubleshooting

Each appointment is booked for thirty minutes. To make the most of your time, the appointment may be limited to one issue and/or one device, depending on the nature of your request.

To request an appointment, please fill out our online form at haynerlibrary.org/how-do-i/library-services/tech-help-appointments, or call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2845.

After we've received your request, we will contact you to schedule the appointment!

# *Computer Classes at Hayner Library*

Back by popular demand, The Hayner Public Library District is once again offering computer classes! Courses will be held twice a month, covering topics from basic skills to using social media platforms such as Facebook and Pinterest. Whether you have no computer experience or just need a refresher, feel free to join us for these introductory classes!

Laptops will be provided, and space is limited! To reserve your spot, please call 1-800-613-3163.

**Computer Basics***
Thursday, July 13
2-3 pm
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Internet/Email**
Saturday, July 22
2-3 pm
*Genealogy & Local History Library*

**Social Media**
Thursday, August 17
6-7 pm
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Microsoft Word**
Saturday, August 26
*2-3 pm*
*Genealogy & Local History Library*

**Internet/Email**
Thursday, September 21
2-3 pm
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Computer Basics***
Saturday, September 30
2-3 pm
*Genealogy & Local History Library*

***Note:** Computer Basics is for the true beginner. This class will cover foundational skills, such as understanding the parts of a computer and how to use the keyboard and mouse.

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# *When the Stars Came Out: The Story of the Mississippi River Festival*

**Presented by Mark Pierce**

**Saturday, July 15, 10 am**

To be presented at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton.

Join us as author Mark Pierce discusses his new book, *When the Stars Came Out: Stories of the Mississippi River Festival!* In the summer of 1969, the Mississippi River Festival (MRF) kicked off on the campus of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Over the next twelve turbulent summers, the outdoor concert series attracted more than a million fans, showcased the talents of hundreds of legendary performers (including The Who, Bob Dylan, the Grateful Dead, the Eagles, and Janis Joplin), and created countless memories among the artists, fans, and workers who called the MRF their summer home.

Pierce has been a journalist and corporate communications leader in the St. Louis area for more than thirty years. A graduate of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, his love of music and connections with many pivotal players in the MRF story served as inspiration for the new book, which was written with Jack Twesten and former festival director Lyle Ward. Pierce will be sharing stories he collected during his research and will have the copies of *When the Stars Came Out* for sale after the presentation!

Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## FICTION—

**Abrams, Stacey.** The Art of Desire

**Acevedo, Elizabeth.** Family Lore

**Andrews, Donna.** Birder, She Wrote: A Meg Langslow Mystery

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** Bright Lights, Big Christmas

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Traitors Gate

**Atkinson, Kate.** Normal Rules Don't Apply: Stories

**Bailey, Tessa.** Chase Me

**Beaton, M. C.** Dead on Target: An Agatha Raisin Mystery

**Benjamin, Melanie.** California Golden

**Bentley, Don.** Tom Clancy Weapons Grade (Jack Ryan Jr.)

**Black, Lisa.** What Harms You

**Bowen, Rhys.** The Paris Assignment

**Brennan, Allison.** North of Nowhere: A Thriller

**Brown, Graham.** Clive Cussler Condor's Fury (NUMA Files)

**Brown, Sandra.** Out of Nowhere

**Burke, James Lee.** Flags on the Bayou

**Cabot, Meg.** Enchanted to Meet You: A Witches of West Harbor Novel

**Castillo, Linda.** An Evil Heart (Kate Burkholder)

**Center, Katherine.** Hello Stranger

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** Canary Girls

**Childs, Laura.** Honey Drop Dead (Tea Shop Mystery)

**Colgan, Jenny.** The Summer Skies

**Donoghue, Emma.** Learned by Heart

**Downing, Samantha.** A Twisted Love Story

**Ellroy, James.** The Enchanters

**Feeney, Alice.** Good Bad Girl

**Fluke, Joanne.** Pink Lemonade Cake Murder (Hannah Swensen)

**Flynn, Vince.** Code Red: A Mitch Rapp Novel by Kyle Mills

**Follett, Ken.** The Armor of Light

**Francis, Felix.** No Reserve (Dick Frances Novel)

**Freeman, Brian.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Defiance

**Galbraith, Robert.** The Running Grave: A Cormoran Strike Novel

**Goldberg, Lee.** Malibu Burning

**Goldin, Megan.** Dark Corners

**Graham, Heather.** Cursed at Dawn

**Graham, Heather.** Secrets in the Dark

**Harris, Charlaine.** All the Dead Shall Weep

**Harvey, Kristy Woodson.** The Summer of Songbirds

**Heller, Peter.** The Last Ranger

**Hoffman, Alice.** The Invisible Hour

**Jance, J. A.** Blessing of the Lost Girls: A Brady and Walker Family Novel

**Jewell, Lisa.** None of This Is True

**Jiles, Paulette.** Chenneville: A Novel of Murder, Loss, and Vengeance

**Johnson, Craig.** The Longmire Defense

**Jones, Sandie.** The Trade Off

**King, Stephen.** Holly

**Koontz, Dean.** After Death

**Krueger, William Kent.** The River We Remember

**Lapena, Shari.** Everyone Here Is Lying

**Lippman, Laura.** Prom Mom

**Macomber, Debbie.** Must Love Flowers

**McAllister, Gillian.** Just Another Missing Person

**McBride, James.** The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Discreet Charm of the Big Bad Wolf (Detective Varg)

**Michaels, Fern.** Rock Bottom (Sisterhood)

**Mina, Denise.** The Second Murderer: A Philip Marlowe Novel

**Novak, Brenda.** Talulah's Back in Town

**Patchett, Ann.** Tom Lake: A Novel

**Patterson, James.** 23 ½ Lies

**Patterson, James.** Circle of Death

**Patterson, James.** Jane Smith

**Patterson, James.** Lion & Lamb· Two Investigators. Two Rivals. One Hell of a Crime

**Patterson, James.** Obsessed (Michael Bennett)

**Pekkanen, Sarah.** Gone Tonight

**Perry, Anne.** The Traitor Among Us (Elena Standish)

**Preston, Douglas.** Dead Mountain (Nora Kelly)

**Reichs, Kathy.** The Bone Hacker (Temperance Brennan)

**Rimmer, Kelly.** The Paris Agent

**Robb, J. D.** Payback in Death (Eve Dallas)

**Rollins, James.** Tides of Fire: A Thriller (SIGMA Force)

**Rose, Karen.** Beneath Dark Waters

**Rosenfelt, David.** Flop Dead Gorgeous (Andy Carpenter)

**Russo, Richard.** Somebody's Fool (North Bath Trilogy)

**Silva, Daniel.** The Collector

**Slaughter, Karin.** After That Night: A Will Trent Thriller

**Smirnoff, Karin.** The Girl in the Eagle's Talons: A Lisbeth Salander Novel (Dragon Tattoo)

**Steel, Danielle.** Happiness

**Tapper, Jake.** All the Demons Are Here

**Thor, Brad.** Dead Fall: A Thriller (Scot Harvath)

**Weiner, Jennifer.** The Breakaway

**Whitehead, Colson.** Crook Manifesto

## NONFICTION—

**Anderson, Cooper.** Astor: The Rise and Fall of an American Fortune

**Andrews, Lena S.** Valiant Women: The Extraordinary American Servicewomen Who Helped Win World War II

**Buettner, Dan.** The Blue Zones Secrets for Living Longer: Lessons from the Healthiest Places on Earth

**Carew Kraft, Jessica.** Why We Need to Be Wild: One Woman's Quest for Ancient Human Answers to 21st Century Problems

**Casey, Susan.** The Underworld: Journeys to the Depths of the Ocean

**Dent, Mark.** Kingdom Quarterback: Patrick Mahomes, the Kansas City Chiefs, and How a Once Swingin' Cow Town Chased the Ultimate Comeback

**Grush, Loren.** The Six: The Untold Story of America's First Women Astronauts

**Gutfeld, Greg.** The King of Late Night

**Harden, Greg.** Stay Sane in an Insane World: How to Control the Controllables and Thrive

**Hollis, B. Dylan.** Baking Yesteryear: The Best Recipes from the 1900s to the 1980s

**Jacobs, Sally H.** Althea: The Life of Tennis Champion Althea Gibson

**Lauren, Jillian.** Behold the Monster: Confronting America's Most Prolific Serial Killer

**Lepore, Jill.** The Deadline: Essays

**Loeb, Avi.** Interstellar: The Search for Extraterrestrial Life and Our Future in the Stars

**Lucado, Max.** God Never Gives Up on You: What Jacob's Story Teaches Us About Grace, Mercy, and God's Relentless Love

**Mann, Michael E.** Our Fragile Moment: How Lessons from Earth's Past Can Help Us Survive the Climate Crisis

**O'Reilly, Bill.** Killing the Witches: The Horror of Salem, Massachusetts

**Patel, Kash Pramond.** Government Gangsters: The Deep State, the Truth, and the Battle for Our Democracy

**Saad, Gad.** The Saad Truth about Happiness: 8 Secrets for Leading the Good Life

**Strassel, Kimberley.** The Biden Malaise: How America Bounces Back from Joe Biden's Dismal Repeat of the Jimmy Carter Years

**Taraborrelli, J. Randy.** Jackie: Public, Private, Secret

**Taupin, Bernie.** Scattershot: Life, Music, Elton, and Me

**Thielen, Amy.** Company: The Radically Casual Art of Cooking for Others

**Walczynski, Mark.** Jolliet and Marquette: A New History of the 1673 Expedition

**Walters, Billy.** Gambler: Secrets from a Life at Risk

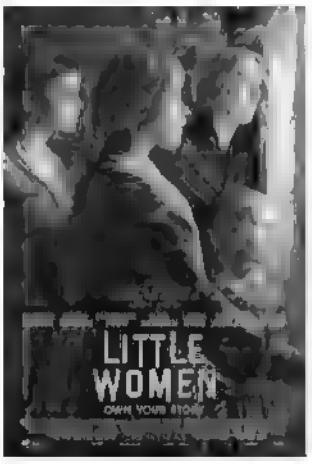
**Washington, Kerry.** Thicker Than Water: A Memoir

**Wenner, Jan S.** The Masters: Conversations with Dylan, Lennon, Jagger, Townshend, Garcia, Bono, and Springsteen

**Wickens, Kim.** Lexington: The Extraordinary Life and Turbulent Times of America's Legendary Racehorse

# *From Story to Film*

Join us for our next story to film club! One meeting will be dedicated to book discussion, and the other to watching the movie.




***Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott/*Little Women* (2019)**

Monday, August 14, 5:30-7:30 pm

Friday, August 25, 5-7:30 pm

We will be discussing *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott, and watching the 2019 film adaptation.

Attendees should read the book ahead of time so they can join in on the discussion! Please speak with someone in Circulation to order a copy in regular print, large print, or audio format. Copies of the book may also be reserved online through the Hayner Library website or through the SHARE Mobile Library app. Digital and audio copies are also available on the cloudLibrary and OverDrive digital platforms.

**Note:** *This adult program will be held in two parts. The book discussion will be held in the Multipurpose Room at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and the movie will be shown in Hayner Library's Performance Room at Alton Square Mall. Someone at the Circulation Desk will point you in the right direction!*

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to twenty people.

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# *Community Science Series*

Join us for a new lecture series with The Nature Institutes's Ramona Pollard! Focused on all the ways that the wider community can participate in ongoing science projects, Ramona will share information and strategies that will help scientists gain real world data! Don't miss these opportunities to help move science forward!

**Birds: The Early Bird Gets the Worm**

**Location: Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**

**Tuesday, July 18, 6 pm**

Birds are up early feeding in the cool of the morning, that's true, but they also become active in the late afternoon. Let's learn about some community science projects that focus on birds! These projects look at migration patterns, species abundance, and nesting behavior. You will leave knowing some birding basics for identifying birds, a better understanding of how to choose binoculars, and a few community science projects to check out for your own use!

**Helping NASA: Small Changes Can Be Significant**

**Location: Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**

**Tuesday, September 12, 6 pm**

Scientists with NASA are working to figure out what satellite images are telling us about the natural world. Through observing clouds, weather patterns, and other day-to-day changes, you can help inform the researchers doing that work! The community science app Globe Observer is a champion at asking for basic information from people all over the world that can give insight into what is happening in real-time in specific places. Join us to find out what this data collection is teaching us about our world and find out how to get involved!

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Monday - Saturday, 8:30 am to 8 pm
Sunday, 12 pm to 5 pm

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Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:30 am to 5 pm
Wednesday, 12 pm to 7 pm
Saturday, 8:30 am to 1 pm
Closed Sunday

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# *Hayner Library Announces Quarterly Fine Amnesty Program*

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce two new fine amnesty programs during the year. In addition to our "Food for Fido" and "Food for Fines" amnesty programs, which take place in April and October respectively, we will also hold "Cold but Kind" in January and "Supplies for Summer" in July!

For "Supplies for Summer", patrons can bring in personal hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, hand lotion, etc. when returning overdue Hayner Library items. These items will be donated to the Alton School District and Crisis Food Center and patrons' fines will be waived. For "Cold but Kind", patrons can bring in cold weather clothing such as stocking caps, socks, gloves, and scarves when returning overdue Hayner Library items. These items will be donated to the Crisis Food center and patrons' fines will be waived. As with our "Food for Fido" and "Food for Fines" programs, "Supplies for Summer" and "Cold but Kind" items must be donated at the same time the overdue Hayner Library items are returned.

The benefits of this program are threefold: patrons with long-overdue library items benefit from a quarterly fine amnesty program (January, April, July, and October); overdue library materials make their way back to the library so that they can be enjoyed by other library patrons; and organizations such as the Alton Area Animal Aid Association (5 A's) and Crisis Food Center can benefit from our patrons' generosity. It's a win-win for everyone!

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Fall 2023

## *Second Annual Hayner Library Local Author Book Fair: Saturday, December 9*

Just in time for the holiday season, The Hayner Public Library District will host our second annual Local Author Book Fair on Saturday, December 9, from noon to 3:00 p.m., at Alton Square Mall. Meet local authors, buy their books, and have them signed!

The event will also feature library card registration, a showcase of non-traditional library materials available in our collection, a prize drawing, and other library highlights. There will be activities and story times for the kids, and Frosty the Snowman will even be on hand to spread some winter cheer!

You can browse and make purchases—and be sure to leave some time to explore Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and the other great mall businesses.

Authors, this will be an excellent opportunity to introduce your books to your friends and neighbors.

Patrons, find a new favorite author and stock up on books to keep you entertained during the cold winter nights. There will undoubtedly be titles for everyone on your holiday shopping list—and even a stocking stuffer or two!

If you are an author with books to sell, reserve a table by calling Mary Cordes at (618) 433-2877 or email mary.cordes@haynerlibrary.org. The library will provide tables and tablecloths for authors. Authors can bring promotional materials and books to sell. Authors are responsible for bringing their own banking supplies. Authors should plan to arrive at 11:00 a.m. to set up their tables. There is a limit of twenty-five tables, first come, first served. The last day to register for a table is Wednesday, November 22.

Last year's inaugural event was great fun. Please join us—bring the family and support local writers!

Things to Know...
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**HOLIDAYS**
The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
Nov. 10, Veterans Day (Observed)
Nov. 23 & 24, Thanksgiving
Dec. 24, 25, & 26, Christmas
Dec. 31, New Year's Eve

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# *New at Hayner Library! Non-Traditional Library Items Available for Checkout in the Library of Things*

The Hayner Public Library District's Library of Things collection is now available for checkout! The Library of Things is a collection of non-traditional items: gadgets, tools, games, kits, electronics, and more—all available for free with a Hayner Library card. Need something for a one-time project or want to try before you buy? Explore the collection and discover your next new thing to borrow!

**Things to Know:**

- Library of Things collections are available at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.
- Each location has unique items, with only a few duplicates of high-demand items such as projectors and screens.
- Only Hayner Library cardholders, age eighteen and older, with fines under $5.00, can check out items from the Library of Things.
- Patrons must have a Hayner Library card for at least two weeks before checking out items from the Library of Things.
- Overdue fines for Library of Things items are $1.00 per item per day.
- Holds may be placed on Library of Things items.
- Patrons may check out up to three items from the Library of Things at one time.
- Patrons must sign a waiver before checking out items from the Library of Things.
- More rules and policies apply. Library staff is always happy to answer patrons' questions regarding the Library of Things.

**What's in the Library of Things?**

**Downtown Library Collection:**

- Piano keyboard
- Tool kit
- Croquet set
- Digital tire pressure gauge
- Bosch self-leveling cross-line laser level and Craftsman stud sensor kit
- Video-to-digital converter
- Multipurpose speaker system with microphone
- Epson projector
- Toss and catch game set
- Foxwell CAN OBDII & EOBD automotive code reader
- Ghost hunting kit
- Globe
- KanJam outdoor game
- Knitting and crochet set
- Projector screen with tripod stand
- Handheld microphone
- Folding hand truck
- Sports ball bag (soccer ball, basketball, and football)
- TI-84 Plus calculator
- Training sports cones
- Bubble machine

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Collection:**

- Ring light with tall tripod stand and phone holder
- Lyre harp
- Cake cutters (numbers)
- Stand mixer
- Baking kit (hand mixer, measuring cups and spoons, sifter, and rolling pin)
- Microscope
- Bundt pan
- Chess and checkers set
- DeWalt drive tool accessory set
- DeWalt metric combination wrench set
- Green screen
- Epson projector
- Bocce set
- Cornhole game set
- Dough baking set (dough blender, pastry scraper, biscuit cutter set, and silicone mat)
- Kodak Scanza digital film scanner
- Portable fish finder
- Leaf scoops
- Pickleball set
- Metal detector
- Projector screen with tripod stand
- Victrola record player with Bluetooth speakers
- Springform cake pan set
- Monster outdoor speaker
- Podcast kit

For more information about the Library of Things, including a complete list of items in the collection, instruction manuals, and rules for using the collection, please visit https://www.haynerlibrary.org/library-of-things/ or stop by Hayner Library and take a look!

# KidsSpace

## *Fall 2023 Activities*

**Stories with Panda Bear**
Join us at the Downtown Library every Tuesday for stories, songs, music, and snacks. This story time is for children ages 2-4. Meeting dates are October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; November 7, 14, 28; and December 5, 12, 19, at 10:00 a.m. To register, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Baby Lap-Sit Story Time**
This storytime is designed for little ones, ages birth-2. Bring your children to a fun morning of stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. This story time takes place at the Downtown Library at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays, October 4, 11, 18, 25; November 1, 15, 29; and December 6, 13, 20. To register, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Books and Busy Bees Story Time**
Children ages 3-5 will enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft. This story time will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall at 10:00 a.m. on Thursdays, October 5, 12, 19, 26; November 2, 9, 16, 30; and December 7, 14, 21. To register, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Make-or-Take Crafts**
Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace and ask for your free Make-or-Take Craft. Crafts will be available on the first of each month while supplies last.

**Treasures in the Library**
Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and follow the clues to see what treasures you can find in KidsSpace! Treasure hunts will change biweekly. The treasure hunts are available Monday through Sunday. Come to the KidsSpace desk for your first clue!

**Bite-Size Science**
This fun, monthly S.T.E.A.M.-themed program happens on the first Friday of each month in October, November, and December. Staff will prepare interactive kits for children to take home demonstrating different S.T.E.A.M. concepts such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to perform the activity. Adult assistance may be required for some of the activities. This program is designed for children ages 7-10 years old. Kits can be picked up at the KidsSpace desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Kits will be available for pick-up on the following dates: October 6, November 3, and December 1. For more information or to reserve a kit, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Lego Club**
Kids, join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces. The library will supply the Legos; feel free to bring your own. Lego Club meets in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on the second Tuesday of each month. This program is for children ages 6-11 years old. Meeting dates are Tuesdays, October 10, November 14, and December 12, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Limited space is available. Please register by calling (618) 433-2881.

***Star Wars* Reads Day**
*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event celebrating reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. This year, Hayner Library invites patrons ages 6-12 to stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 14, and pick up a *Star Wars*-themed take-home craft. Kids can also enter a drawing for a *Star Wars*-themed fun pack. May the force be with you!

**D&D for Kids**
Do you like adventure? Do you like fantasy and want to role-play your favorite hero or villain? Roll for initiative, because this is the place for you! Whether you are an experienced adventurer or looking to try out a new journey, you are welcome to join us for some fun Dungeons and Dragons campaigns! Interested in joining? Please call (618) 433-2881.

**Draw on the Desk**
Any time the library is open, children are welcome to visit KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to help decorate our desk with their art. The front of the desk is covered in paper; ask for some crayons or markers at the desk and draw to your heart's content!

**Story Time at Lucy's Playhouse**
Join Ms. Mary Kay and Panda Bear for a fun interactive story time at Lucy Haskell's Playhouse at 1211 Henry Street, Alton. Story times will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Fridays, October 20, November 17, and December 15. To register, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

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**Dial-A-Story**
For over thirty years, Hayner Library patrons have adored Dial-A-Story. It is a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children—available from the comfort of your home! Dial-A-Story is available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year! Children may call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253) to listen to a short story recorded by a Hayner Library KidsSpace staff member. Each story lasts approximately five minutes and is geared toward young children. A different story is available each week.

**1000 Books Before Kindergarten Reading Challenge**
Calling all parents of children ages birth-4 years old! Did you know that the simple act of sharing books helps your child learn pre-reading skills that prepare them for kindergarten? All children who register for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten will have fun and receive prizes at each reading milestone. To register, please visit www.haynerlibrary.beanstack.org and sign up today! For more information, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Reading Dragons**
Do you like dragons, griffons, and unicorns? Do you want a new game to play with your friends? Then this is the challenge for you! For every thirty minutes you read and log with the library, you earn a new mystical creature card. Watch as your dragon, unicorn, or griffon grows from an egg to an adult. It's easy! Visit the library to get your starter pack and start collecting today. For more information, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Students for Soldiers**
November is the month of giving, and this year we have again partnered with Students for Soldiers to give back to area military personnel. Carmen Serio, a longtime teacher at Marquette Catholic High School, developed the Students for Soldiers program. During November, the KidsSpace areas at both the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall will each have donation boxes available. To participate, you can drop off donations at either location. A list of suggested supplies can be found at both KidsSpace locations. We will also have coloring sheets available for children to color and send along with their donations. Let our troops know how much we appreciate their sacrifice!

**Club H: Homeschool Social Group**
Local homeschool families! Join us in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for a fun time filled with learning and support. The library will provide a group space for families to gather and meet with fellow homeschoolers. During this time, we will offer a chance for adults to socialize and discuss their needs with each other. We will also provide an educational activity for children while they socialize with their peers. For more information, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Holiday Card Drop-in Station**
Make a holiday card to share with someone special by visiting Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Mondays through Saturdays, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., December 4-16.

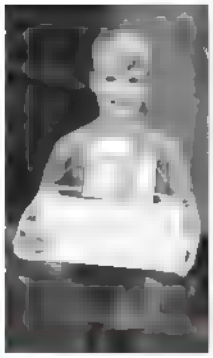
**Holiday Drop-in Ornament Station**
Stop by Hayner Library Downtown KidsSpace December 11-15, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., and make your own holiday ornament. Available while supplies last.

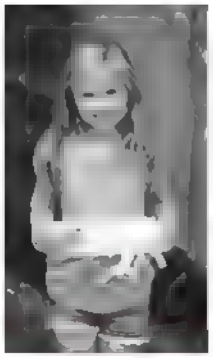
**Kids Holiday Celebration Event**
Join us for a fun-filled day, including Santa, refreshments, and a performance of *Frosty the Snowman* by the Peppy Puppet Troupe. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 2, in the Performance Room on the upper level of Alton Square Mall. Cookies and a visit from Santa in KidsSpace will follow this program. Parents, don't forget your cameras! To register, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Summer Reading Program 2023 Recap "Oceans of Possibilities"**
The KidsSpace staff and young patrons of Hayner Library enthusiastically participated in this year's exciting Summer Reading Program, "Oceans of Possibilities." Beanstack, our online reading software, helped young patrons manage, create, and measure their reading. KidsSpace staff worked hard to prepare fun activities and challenges using this software, resulting in great fun, participation, and learning for our patrons and parents alike. Young patrons in the program were offered weekly story times, crafts, and performances and were rewarded for their reading with weekly prizes and prize tickets for a chance to win the grand prize drawings.

Participants were invited to the End-of-the-Summer Reading Party, where they were entertained by our Summer Reading program land shark, Circus Kaput's Balloon Artist Oz, a prize table provided by our friends at First Community Bank, and an impromptu story and dance party with the KidsSpace staff! Children also received a free book, a participation certificate, a ticket to a River Dragons baseball game (also provided by our friends at First Community Bank), and a sweet treat to take home. Winners of the three big prizes were: William A., who won the children's STEM activity set; Gia L., who won the $100 gift card to the St. Louis Aquarium; and Josh C., who won the water table playset. The traveling trophy was

awarded to Evangelical School in Godfrey. We hope to see everyone next year at our 2024 Summer Reading Program, "Read, Renew, Repeat." Congratulations to all our winners! Thank you all for another great summer!





# TeenSpace

## *Fall 2023 Activities*

**The Teen Advisory Council (TAC)**
What types of programs do you want to see at your library? Be a part of the Teen Advisory Group and help make decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library! This group meets monthly at 4:00 p.m. in the Hayner Library Performance Room Teen Center at Alton Square Mall. Meeting dates: Wednesdays, October 11, November 15, and December 13. For more information, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

**Teen Take-Home Crafts**
Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft! We will distribute craft kits on Wednesdays, October 18 and November 8. We will distribute crafts while supplies last.

**Teen Crime Stoppers**
Calling all true crime and murder mystery fans! Put on your detective hat and join other sleuths to solve a mystery at the library. Participants will work together to examine clues, read case files, and figure out whodunnit. Meeting dates for this program are Wednesdays, October 4, November 1, and December 6, at 4:00 p.m. This event is designed for teens ages 13-18. Teen Crime Stoppers will be held in the Hayner Library Performance Room Teen Center at Alton Square Mall. For more information, or to register, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

**Lego Challenge**
Do you love Legos? If so, bring a friend and join other teens to create complex builds and win prizes. Lego Challenge takes place in the Hayner Library Performance Room Teen Center at Alton Square Mall on the following dates: Wednesdays, October 25, November 29, and December 20, at 4:00 p.m. To register, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

**TeenTober**
TeenTober is a new nationwide celebration hosted by libraries every October. TeenTober aims to celebrate teens, promote year-round teen services, and highlight the innovative ways teen services help teens learn new skills and fuel their passions in and outside the library. Join us at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings in October in the Hayner Library Performance Room Teen Center at Alton Square Mall. Meeting dates are: Thursdays, May 5, 12, and 19. For more information, or to register, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

***Five Nights at Freddy's* Movie Release Party**
Come join us at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 26, to celebrate Scott Cawthon's bestselling book and video game, *Five Nights at Freddy's*. The fun takes place in the Hayner Library Performance Room Teen Center at Alton Square Mall. To register, or for more information, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

**Ugly Christmas Sweater Party**
Calling all ugly sweater owners! Join us in the Hayner Library Performance Room Teen Center at Alton Square Mall for music, games, prizes, snacks, and good company. Wear your ugliest sweater and you may be crowned this year's winner! The fun takes place on Wednesday, December 13, at 5:00 p.m. For more information, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

**The Teen NCG Movie Event**
Hayner Library TeenSpace invites teens ages 12-18 to join us at the Alton Square Mall NCG Cinema for a private movie showing. Teens will enjoy free soda and popcorn during the movie. For the movie title and show time, please call to register. Limited space is available, so call now! To register, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

**Teen Summer Reading Program 2023 Recap**
**"Oceans of Possibilities"**

The 2023 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Oceans of Possibilities," challenged teens to keep their books open over the summer. We asked teens to go virtual using either the Beanstack app or the Beanstack website. Participants won weekly prizes for their diligent reading and were asked to participate in challenges, which allowed them to earn tickets for a chance to win the grand prize basket. At the end of the five-week program, participants were invited to iMerge for an afternoon of fun and games. Participants were also given a certificate, a free book, and a free ticket to attend a River Dragons baseball game.

Congratulations to this year's grand prize winner, Mason S.! Mason won the grand prize basket full of books, gift cards, and themed prizes. Congratulations to all our participants for making this year's Teen Summer Reading Program so successful. We would also like to thank First Community Bank for donating the River Dragons tickets. We hope to see everyone at next year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Read, Renew, Recycle."

## *Tech Help Appointments*

Did you know you can book an appointment with our Reference Librarian for one-on-one technology help?

These appointments cover basic questions about:

- e-books, e-audiobooks, and e-readers
- Using library databases and online learning resources
- Using apps
- Computer skills or programs (Microsoft Office, using the internet, email, etc.)
- Mobile devices (tablet, cell phone, laptop, etc.)
- Basic software troubleshooting

Each appointment is booked for thirty minutes. To make the most of your time, the appointment may be limited to one issue and/or one device, depending on the nature of your request.

Please be aware that there are some topics we cannot help with, including but not limited to:

- Fixing or repairing broken/damaged devices
- Recovering accounts or unlocking devices
- Entering sensitive information (credit card info, online banking, etc.)

To request an appointment, please fill out our online form at www.haynerlibrary.org/how-do-i/library-services/techhelp-appointments, or call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2845. After we've received your request, we will contact you to schedule the appointment.

## *Food for Fines*

Hayner Library holds Food for Fines, a fine amnesty program, every October. From October 1 through October 31, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with a canned food item.

Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per overdue item, and only Hayner Library materials are eligible.

The library will donate the food items to Crisis Food Center in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, please feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Perhaps you have some Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player? Food for Fines is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as Crisis Food Center—and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

# *Vintage Voices 2023*

Vintage Voices, now in its twenty-second year, will continue its tradition of guided walking tours in the Alton Cemetery on the first two weekends in October (October 7, 8, 14, and 15), from noon until 2:30 p.m. Tours will leave from the main gate of the cemetery (at Vine & 5th Streets) every fifteen to twenty minutes. A non-walking tour presentation will be held at The Lovejoy, 401 Piasa Street, Alton, on Sunday, October 15, at 5:00 p.m.

Anna Jenkins and Ron Abraham will portray Elizabeth "Mother" Clarkson (1819-1916) and William Netzhammer (1878-1959), who will discuss their opposing views on Prohibition. Mother Clarkson was a fixture in the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and William Netzhammer owned Bluff City Brewery in Alton. This is the ninetieth anniversary of the Twentieth Amendment, which repealed the Eighteenth Amendment and thus ended Prohibition.

Diana Kay will portray Lottie Coleman (1866-1939), with Annalynn Abbott and Reigh Thompson portraying Lottie's nieces Eleanor and Lottie Jaeger. Lottie Coleman ran a successful boarding house, the Myrtle Hotel, and raised four homeless children. Lottie's father fought in the Civil War, and she was an officer of the local Daughters of Veterans.

Clarence Graves Sr. (1896-1974) and Lillian Knight Graves (1897-1966) will be portrayed by Jared Hennings and Velva Parker. Clarence Graves Sr. was a World War I veteran, retired from Standard Oil Company after forty years, and then was employed by Alton Banking and Trust Co. Active in the Piasa Bird Boy Scout Council, he was awarded the Silver Beaver Award. Lillian Knight Graves was employed by the Alton Recreation Department, where she worked in the teenage center, with the senior citizens group, and as a playground director. She was also president of the Mary Hart Club and belonged to the American Legion Auxiliary. Clarence and Lillian Graves belonged to Campbell Chapel AME Church.

John Meehan will portray Joseph Gratian (1819-1897), a nationally known pipe organ builder, composer, teacher, and musician. The Gratian Organ Company built organs in Alton at St. Paul's Episcopal Church and St. Mary's Catholic Church. They also built organs in St. Louis, Missouri, and across the Midwest. Joseph Gratian invented and held patents on several improvements in organ design.

Latasha Leflore Porter will portray Pearl Singleton (1889-1971), who owned a popular restaurant at 706 Belle Street. Many of her customers were shift workers at Duncan Foundry, just down the street. Pearl Singleton was also heavily involved in the Colored Women's Unity Club and Federated Unity Club. The motto of the Colored Women's Unity Club was "Loyalty to women and justice to children."

This year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the end of direct U.S. military involvement in the Vietnam War. Sean Williams will portray Larry Julius Gholston (1945-2014), an Edwardsville High School standout athlete who went on to serve in the 11th Motor Transport Battalion, a logistics unit of the United States Marine Corps. He is buried in the Alton National Cemetery.

Anissa Reinoso will portray Mildred Ladon Leake Cunningham (1900-1970). Mildred Cunningham was an accomplished pianist and organist in Alton. She played for St. John's Church for thirty-five years and for other churches that staggered their services. She also founded a traveling gospel choir and the LaDon Henderson Repertory Company.

Mary Sargent Dodge (1846-1922) and Joseph True Dodge (1845-1930) will be portrayed by Gail Drillinger and Jeff Pruett. Captain J.T. Dodge enlisted in the Union Army shortly before his sixteenth birthday and later worked in the steamboat and railroad industries. Mary Sargent Dodge was a lifetime member of the First Presbyterian Church in Alton. She and her husband were involved in Memorial Day (originally called Decoration Day) observances in Alton. The 156th consecutive Alton Memorial Day Parade was held in 2023. The Memorial Day Parade in Alton is the nation's oldest consecutively running Memorial Day parade.

Debbie Maneke will portray Angie Rand Schweppe (1853-1923), a charter member of the Alton Woman's Home Association who also coordinated the creation of Riverview Park. Angie Schweppe was heavily involved with the Humane Society and fought for women's suffrage. A wax figurine depicting Angie Schweppe resides in the Illinois State Museum, part of a collection of 129 figures depicting outstanding women in Illinois history and donated to the Illinois State Historical Library in 1929.

Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students ages 6-18. Tickets for the cemetery tour can be purchased online at https://vintagevoices2023.eventbrite.com, at Picture This & More, 17 East Broadway, Alton, or at the main gate of the Alton Cemetery at least thirty minutes before the tours begin.

Tickets for the non-walking tour can be purchased online at https://vintagevoices2023nonwalking.eventbrite.com or at Picture This & More, 17 East Broadway, Alton.

The characters and themes of this year's tours were carefully selected by the Vintage Voices steering committee. Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff members provide research packets to the actors on the decedent they will portray. Actors write their own scripts and do a fantastic job. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library also serves as a repository for Vintage Voices ephemera, such as a complete set of the program booklets and many of the scripts written by actors over the years. All of these items are available to view in the library.

Proceeds from the Vintage Voices performances support the continuation of the event, upkeep of the Alton Cemetery, and various community organizations, including Hayner Library. Please come out to see our history come alive!

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Fall 2023 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! All programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Unless otherwise stated, all programs will be held in 225 Alton Square Mall, upper level.*

**NOTE: 225 Alton Square Mall is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney. For parking purposes, please be aware that J.C. Penney now closes at 7:00 p.m.**

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *Jared Hennings and The Jared Hennings Band*

### *Music of the Rat Pack Era*

**Tuesday, October 17, 6:30 p.m.**

Who doesn't enjoy music from the Rat Pack era? *Fly Me to the Moon*, *The Best is Yet to Come*, and *That Old Black Magic* are just a few tunes that The Jared Hennings Band will perform. Even some swing era songs like Duke Ellington's *Satin Doll* and Fats Waller's *Your Feet's Too Big* are bound to make the set list! Jared hopes you're not the one looking around thinking, "Is he singing about my feet?".

## *Fiddlin' Banjo Billy Mathews and The Old Time Players*

**Tuesday, November 21, 6:30 p.m.**

Fiddlin' Banjo Billy Mathews and The Old Time Players have played early American music together for over fifteen years. Billy Mathews has been fiddling and collecting tunes for over fifty years. They sometimes stumble over old and rare, often unheard tunes in their travels. They have developed a passion for these relics. Their unique group is dedicated to playing a wide variety of traditional music, old-time fiddle and dance tunes, rags, waltzes, schottisches, and music that would be heard during the great Western expansion. Fiddlin' Banjo Billy Mathews and The Old Time Players is comprised of musicians Billy Mathews, Paul Breen, and Christine Breen. Please join us for an evening of early American music.

## *Holiday Memory Café*

**Saturday, December 16, 10:00 a.m. – Noon**

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

Memory Cafés are a comfortable and welcoming place for those experiencing Alzheimer's disease or any other form of dementia, along with their loved ones, to connect, socialize, and build new support networks.

We invite you to join us at Hayner Library's first Memory Café! This Memory Café will feature a winter theme. Patrons are welcome to come and go as they please.

A spokesperson from San Gabriel Memory Care will be present to supply information and answer questions, and we will provide various holiday-themed items and activities to bring people together and foster reminiscing.

Registration is not required.

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## *DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Open House*

**Saturday, November 4, 10:00 a.m. – Noon**

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to guide you through the DAR application process. Don't think you have a soldier in your family? There's also the more general category of "Patriotic Service," which includes topics such as members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity. Admission is free, and registration is not necessary. For any updates, please check the Ninian Edwards DAR Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/NinianEdwardsAltonILNSDAR

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## *Film Flashback Fridays*

**Friday, November 3, 6:00 p.m.**

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**

What were we watching fifty years ago at the Starlight Drive-In, Grand Theater, and Alton Ciné? Hayner Library's Film Flashback Fridays program will answer that question as we watch some of the best movies of 1973. A short introduction will precede each film. In November, we will watch Walt Disney's *Robin Hood*.

Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

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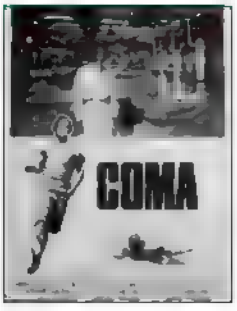
## *From Story to Film*




***Coma* by Robin Cook/*Coma* (1978)**

**Book Discussion: Monday, October 16, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**Film: Friday, October 27, 5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

We will discuss the book *Coma* by Robin Cook and watch the 1978 film adaptation of the same name.

Attendees should read the book ahead of time so they can join in on the discussion. Copies of the book are available in regular print, large print, and audiobook format at Hayner Library and through the Illinois Heartland Library System's SHARE consortia.

**Note:** This adult program is a two-part format. The book discussion will take place in the multipurpose room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. The movie will be shown in the Hayner Library Performance Room at Alton Square Mall.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to twenty patrons.

## *Writers Circle*

**Writers Circle: Eerie Edition**

**Saturday, October 28, 10:00 a.m. – Noon**

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

For the novice and the experienced: Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing, and receive constructive feedback from your peers in guided group discussion.

**Writers Circle: Ode Poetry**

**Saturday, November 18, 10:00 a.m. – Noon**

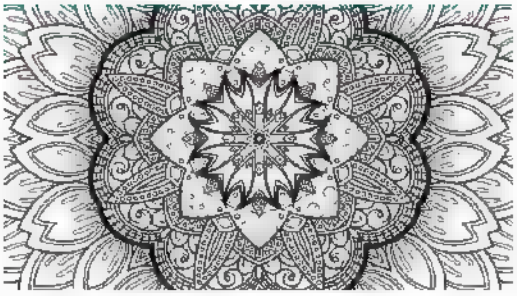
**Jacoby Arts Center, 627 E. Broadway, Alton**

Join us for a special Writers Circle at Jacoby Arts Center! We will meet at the center's entrance at 10:00 a.m. for a quick discussion. After the discussion, participants can view Jacoby Art Center's latest installation, Swap Show: Artwork Across the River, using the installation as a writing prompt and inspiration. Once writing time has ended, we will reconvene to share our writing.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Please note: Registration is limited to ten patrons.

## *Color Connection: Adult Coloring Club*

**Monday, November 20, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**



**Note:** *This adult coloring event will be held in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

Come color with us and enjoy the company of other coloring enthusiasts!

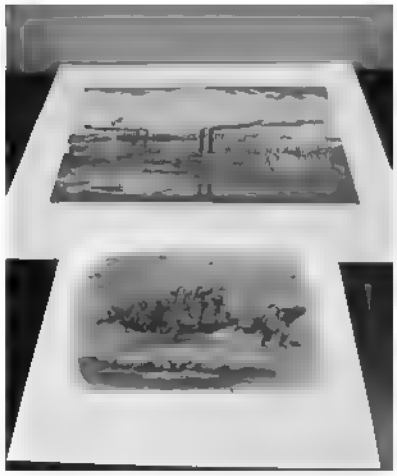
Feel free to stay the whole time or just a little while. We will provide coloring pages, coloring bookmarks, and colored pencils. Feel free to bring your supplies as well. Registration is not required.

## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating.

This program will take place in the multipurpose room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on the following Tuesdays: October 10 and 24; November 7 and 21; December 5 and 19. No registration is necessary.

## *Mississippi Lime's Currier and Ives Riverboat Era Prints Available for Sale*



Just in time for the holidays, Hayner Library will have Mississippi Lime Company prints available for sale at the Genealogy & Local History Library. The Mississippi Lime Company gave these high-quality lithographs to customers as Christmas gifts starting in the 1930s. Most of the prints are reproduced Currier and Ives images of the paddlewheel boat era and are suitable for framing.

A selection of the reprints will be available for $25.00 each starting November 1. We will accept only check or cash payments, no credit or debit cards. Be sure to stop by the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, and check out the selection of prints available for sale. They are sure to make a great gift or (oversized!) stocking stuffer for the art or history lover in your life.

## *Taps & Tomes Book Club*

Taps & Tomes, our free bi-monthly book club in partnership with The Old Bakery Beer Company, continues to be an unqualified success! Our September discussion of *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot was lively, aided no doubt by some delectable Old Bakery beverages. We'd love for you to join us for a drink and a discussion of our next book selection, *The Forest of Vanishing Stars,* by Kristin Harmel. This discussion will take place Thursday, November 2. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., and the book discussion begins at 7:00 p.m. All Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are available through the Cloud Library and OverDrive digital platforms. The Taps & Tomes Book Club meets at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton.

## *Award-Winning Author and Speaker Series Free at Hayner Library*

Hayner Library is happy to announce the line-up for this season's Illinois Libraries Present programs:

**Wednesday, October 4, 7:00 p.m.** — National Endowment for the Arts Fellow Stephen Graham Jones talks horror.

**Tuesday, October 17, 7:00 p.m.** — Children's book author and illustrator Grace Lin discusses food, family, and folktales, along with a drawing demonstration.

**Wednesday, November 8, 7:00 p.m.** — Netflix's *Bake Squad* star and owner of the Chicago-based bakery Justice of the Pies Maya-Camille Broussard shows us how to bake with love.

**Wednesday, December 6, 7:00 p.m.** — Psychotherapist and *New York Times* bestselling author Lori Gottlieb helps us survive the holidays.

**December (Date and Time TBD)** — A stream of *The Nutcracker,* danced by The Royal Ballet, with music played by the orchestra of the Royal Opera House.

Illinois Libraries Present is a consortia of member libraries joined together to provide premier online events to library patrons. We connect libraries of all sizes and budgets across Illinois through shared event experiences. All Illinois Library Present programs are 100% online and 100% free. Visit www.haynerlibrary.org for more information, including program registration and links to individual programs.

## *Computer Classes at Hayner Library*

Back by popular demand, The Hayner Public Library District is offering computer classes! Classes will be held twice a month, covering topics from basic computer skills to using the internet and smart phones. Whether you have no computer experience or just need a refresher, feel free to join us for these introductory classes.

Laptops will be provided, and space is limited! To reserve your spot, please call 1-800-613-3163.

**Smart Phones***
Saturday, October 14
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
*Genealogy & Local History Library*

**Microsoft Word**
Thursday, October 19
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Internet I: Basics**
Saturday, November 4
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

**Internet II: Email**
Thursday, November 9
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
*Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall*

***Please bring your own device to this class if you would like to be hands-on. Smart phones will not be provided.**

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## *Monsters, Magic, and the Unnatural*

**Wednesday, October 25, 6:00 p.m.**

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**

**Presented by Dr. Kathleen Vongsathorn of SIUE's Lifelong Learning Institute**

For centuries, societies across the globe have created monsters, faeries, and dragons. We will explore how these creatures came into being, why they have remained a part of our world for so long, and how their meaning has changed over time. This talk will also offer glimpses of monsters, faeries, and dragons around the world, considering their similarities and differences. Registration is not required.

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## *Mobile Memory Lab*

**Saturday, November 18, Thirty-minute time slots available from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**

The Illinois Heartland Library System's new Mobile Memory Lab project aims to engage the public to share our rich local history beyond county and state borders. The Mobile Memory Lab partners with libraries across the IHLS service area to host Digitization Days. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library has the distinct honor of being one of the very first Mobile Memory Lab host libraries. Community members can bring items such as photographs, letters, diaries, and small objects to be digitized at the library. Once items are scanned or photographed, patrons can provide the date, location, and story accompanying each item via a web form. Patrons may provide contact information to receive an email copy of all digital files, and they will be given archival supplies with tips for storing items at home. After each Mobile Memory Lab program, the IHLS Metadata Cataloger will attach patron-provided metadata to digitized items and upload each collection to the Illinois Digital Archives. The Illinois Digital Archives is a repository for the digital collections of the Illinois State Library and other libraries and cultural institutions in the State of Illinois. Hayner Library uses the Illinois Digital Archives to provide access to our rich photograph collection.

Please call Lacy McDonald at (618) 433-2859 or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org to register for your time slot!

## New in Our Illinois Room

***100 Things to Do in Illinois Before You Die*** by Melanie Holmes (2023). IR 917.7304 HOL

***6.1.2020: Alton, IL BLM Corner Kreem Protest*** by Tyrone Stevenson, photographer. IR 323.1196073 STE

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***6.8.2020: Alton, IL BLM March*** by Tyrone Stevenson, photographer. IR 323.1196073 STE

***A Book of Favorite Recipes compiled*** by Board of Deacons of First Presbyterian Church (Wood River) (1969). IR 641.5 BOO

***Arkansas Township Atlas: A History of the Minor Civil Divisions & Each Arkansas County*** by Russell Pierce Baker (1989). IR 976.7 BAK

***Born Under a Lucky Star*** by Henry L. Levy. IR 929.2 LEVY

***The Centennial History of Blue Mound, Illinois*** by Melvin R. Matthew (1970). IR 977.3582 MAT

***East Jr. High .... Alton, Illinois.*** (Yearbooks—1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002). IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 EAS

***Emigrants in Chains: A Social History of Forced Emigration to the Americas Of Felons, Destitute Children, Political and Religious Non-Conformists, Vagabonds, Beggars and Other Undesirables, 1607-1776*** by Peter Wilson Coldham (2007). IR 364.68 COL

***Farm Families of Jackson and Williamson Counties, Illinois, in 1920*** by the Frankfort Area Genealogy Society (1978). IR 977.399 FAR

***From Shelter to Self-Reliance: A History of the Illinois Braille and Sight Saving School*** by Walter B. Hendrickson (1972). IR 371.91109773 HEN

***The Hill: Its History, Its Recipes*** by Eleanore Berra Marfisi (2003). IR 977.866 MAR

***History of St. Clair County, Illinois: With Illustrations Descriptive of Its Scenery, And Biographical Sketches of Some of Its Prominent Men and Pioneers*** (1984 Reprint. Originally published 1881). IR 977.389 HIS

***A Knight of Another Sort: Prohibition Days and Charlie Birger*** by Gary DeNeal (1981). IR B BIRGER

***Map Guide to the U.S. Federal Censuses, 1790-1920*** by William Thorndale and William Dollarhide (1998). IR 911.73 THO

***Norwegian Research Guide*** by Linda M. Herrick and Wendy K. Uncapher (2001). IR 948.1 HER

***Shelby County, Illinois, Cemetery Locations*** by Judy Graven (1982). IR 977.3798 GRA

***West Jr. High, Alton, Illinois*** (Yearbook—1973). IR 373.77386 WES

***When the Stars Came Out: The Story of the Mississippi River Festival*** by Mark Pierce, with Lyle Ward and Jack Twesten (2023). IR 780.7877386 PIE

***YWCA Southwestern Illinois Women of Distinction: 2023, Making a Difference.*** IR 977.386 YWC

## Branching Out 2023 Genealogy Classes

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We just relax and listen when we don't have anything to share. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

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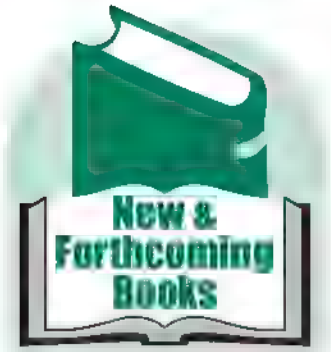
| October 12 | Uncover Family Details with Cemetery Records |
| October 19 | Discussion Group |
| November 9 | Heroes in Our History: Military Records |
| November 16 | Discussion Group |
| December 14 | All That's Fit to Print: Newspaper Research |
| December 21 | Discussion Group |

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2023 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

## Solar Eclipse Glasses Available at Hayner Library

On Saturday, October 14, an annular solar eclipse will cross North, Central, and South America. It will be visible in parts of the United States, Mexico, and many other countries. While this eclipse won't darken the skies in our area like the total solar eclipse of August 21, 2017, it will still be a fun event for the whole family. Be sure to stop by Hayner Library to pick up your solar eclipse glasses to view the eclipse safely. We will hand out eclipse glasses starting in early October while supplies last. Limit one pair of glasses per patron.




## FICTION—

**Albert, Susan Wittig.** Someone Always Nearby

**Albom, Mitch.** The Little Liar

**Alderman, Naomi.** The Future

**Andrews, Donna.** Let It Crow! Let It Crow! Let It Crow! (Meg Langslow)

**Bailey, Tessa.** Wreck the Halls

**Baldacci, David.** The Edge (6:20 Man #2)

**Barron, Stephanie.** Jane and the Final Mystery

**Bowen, Rhys.** The Proof of the Pudding

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Lost & Hound

**Cameron, Marc.** Tom Clancy Command and Control (Jack Ryan)

**Child, Lee.** The Secret

**Clinch, Jon.** The General and Julia

**Colgan, Jenny.** Midnight at the Christmas Bookshop

**Connelly, Michael.** Resurrection Walk

**Cook, Robin.** Manner of Death

**Cornwell, Patricia.** Unnatural Death

**Cunningham, Michael.** Day

**Cussler, Dirk.** Clive Cussler The Corsican Shadow

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Watchmaker's Hand (Lincoln Rhyme)

**DeMille, Nelson.** Blood Lines

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**Doctorow, Cory.** The Lost Cause

**Dunmore, Evie.** The Gentleman's Gambit

**Estleman, Loren D.** Vamp (Valentino Mysteries)

**Evanovich, Janet.** Dirty Thirty

**Faulkner, Katherine.** The Other Mothers

**Foster, Lori.** The Fearless One (Osborn Brothers)

**Gardiner, Meg.** Shadowheart

**Gerritsen, Tess.** The Spy Coast

**Grisham, John.** The Exchange· After the Firm

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** Slay (Anita Blake)

**Hannah, Sophie.** Hercule Poirot's Silent Night

**Harrod-Eagles, Cynthia.** The Mistress of Ashmore Castle

**Harrow, Alix E.** Starling House

**Kane, Darby.** The Engagement Party

**Kingsbury, Karen.** Just Once

**Kinsella, Sophie.** The Burnout

**Kwok, Jean.** The Leftover Woman

**Lethem, Jonathan.** Brooklyn Crime Novel

**Lindsay, Jeff.** The Fourth Rule (A Riley Wolfe Novel)

**Lupica, Mike.** Robert B. Parker's Broken Trust

**MacMillan, Gilly.** The Manor House

**Margolin, Phillip.** Betrayal: A Robin Lockwood Novel

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** From a Far and Lovely Country (No. 1 Ladies')

**McDermott, Alice.** Absolution

**Miller, Linda Lael.** Christmas in Painted Pony Creek

**Mitchard, Jacquelyn.** A Very Inconvenient Scandal

**Morris, Heather.** Sisters Under the Rising Sun

**Nesbø, Jo.** The Night House

**Novak, Brenda.** The Talk of Coyote Canyon

**O'Brien, Tim.** America Fantastica

**Palmer, Diana.** Wyoming Proud (Wyoming Men)

**Parks, Adele.** Two Dead Wives

**Patterson, James.** Alex Cross Must Die

**Perry, Anne.** A Christmas Vanishing

**Prose, Nita.** The Mystery Guest: A Maid Novel

**Rice, Luanne.** Last Night

**Robb, Kate.** This Spells Love

**Roberts, Nora.** Inheritance (Lost Bride Trilogy #1)

**Rosenfelt, David.** 'Twas the Bite Before Christmas: An Andy Carpenter Mystery

**Sandford, John.** Judgment Prey

**Shipman, Viola.** The Wishing Bridge

**Singh, Nalini.** There Should Have Been Eight

**Smith, Wilbur.** Testament (The Egyptian Series)

**Steel, Danielle.** The Ball at Versailles

**Steel, Danielle.** Second Act

**Thompson, Victoria.** City of Betrayal (Counterfeit Lady)

**Unger, Lisa.** Christmas Presents

**Ward, Jesmyn.** Let Us Descend

**Wiggs, Susan.** The Twelve Dogs of Christmas

**Woods, Stuart.** Obsession (Teddy Fay)

**Yarros, Rebecca.** Iron Flame

## NONFICTION—

**Baier, Bret.** To Rescue the Constitution: George Washington and the Fragile American Experiment

**Beard, Mary.** Emperor of Rome: Ruling the Ancient Roman World

**Brands, H. W.** Founding Partisans: Hamilton, Madison, Jefferson, Adams and the Brawling Birth of American Politics

**Cheney, Liz.** Oath and Honor: A Memoir and a Warning

**Davenport, Matthew J.** The Longest Minute: The Great San Francisco Earthquake and Fire of 1906

**Drummond, Ree.** The Pioneer Woman Cooks--Dinner's Ready!: 112 Fast and Fabulous Recipes for Slightly Impatient Home Cooks

**Duncan, Dayton & Burns, Ken.** Blood Memory: The Tragic Decline and Improbable Resurrection of the American Buffalo

**French, Erin.** Big Heart Little Stove: Bringing Home Meals & Moments from the Lost Kitchen

**Graff, Garrett M.** UFO: The Inside Story of the U.S. Government's Search for Alien Life Here--And Out There

**Grant, Adam.** Hidden Potential: The Science of Achieving Greater Things

**Harmon, Mark & Carroll, Leon.** Ghosts of Honolulu: A Japanese Spy, a Japanese American Spy Hunter, and the Untold Story of Pearl Harbor

**Karl, Jonathan.** Tired of Winning: Donald Trump and the End of the Grand Old Party

**Kilmeade, Brian.** Teddy and Booker T.: How Two American Icons Blazed a Path for Racial Equality

**Kurlansky, Mark.** The Core of an Onion: Peeling the Rarest Common Food--Featuring More Than 100 Historical Recipes

**Land, Stephanie.** Class: A Memoir of Motherhood, Hunger, and Higher Education

**Leamer, Laurence.** Hitchcock's Blondes: The Unforgettable Women Behind the Legendary Director's Dark Obsession

**LePera, Nicole.** How to Be the Love You Seek: Break Cycles, Find Peace, and Heal Your Relationships

**Levin, Mark.** The Democrat Party Hates America

**Marrs, Jenny.** House + Love = Home: Creating Warm, Intentional Spaces for a Beautiful Life

**McEntire, Reba.** Not That Fancy: Simple Lessons on Living, Loving, Eating, and Dusting Off Your Boots

**Mezrich, Ben.** Breaking Twitter: Elon Musk and the Most Controversial Corporate Takeover in History

**Mundy, Liza.** The Sisterhood: The Secret History of Women at the CIA

**Napier, Erin.** Heirloom Rooms: Soulful Stories of Home

**Patterson, James.** What Really Happens in Vegas: True Stories of the People Who Make Vegas, Vegas

**Schwarzenegger, Arnold.** Be Useful: Seven Tools for Life

**Scobie, Omid.** Endgame: Inside the Royal Family and the Monarchy's Fight for Survival

**Singer, Matt.** Opposable Thumbs: How Siskel & Ebert Changed Movies Forever

**Stamos, John.** If You Would Have Told Me: A Memoir

**Stewart, Patrick.** Making It So: A Memoir

**Streisand, Barbra.** My Name Is Barbra

**Winkler, Henry.** Being Henry: The Fonz . . . and Beyond

## *Wreaths Across America 2023*

Wreaths Across America is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, and Teach," is carried out by wreath-laying ceremonies in cemeteries in all fifty states and beyond. The organization spreads its message about the importance of remembering the fallen, honoring those who serve, and teaching our children the value of freedom and the sacrifices made by veterans and their families through wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 16, 2023, our community will participate in this year's national Wreaths Across America event. The ceremony will start at 11:00 a.m. at the Alton National Cemetery, 600 Pearl Street, Alton.

In 2022, through generous community donations, 560 wreaths were placed on the gravesites at our local national cemetery. Every dollar donated helps ensure each veteran is remembered. You can help continue this tradition by donating to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton, IL 62002. The cost of each wreath is $17.00, or three wreaths may be purchased for $34.00.

For the seventh year, our local Wreaths Across America effort will offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their veteran loved one at other local cemeteries. Wreath reservations may be made Monday, November 20, 2023, through Friday, December 8, 2023, by calling Sue Fitzgerald at (618) 530-1430.

Please support our community in carrying forward this mission to remember, honor, and teach. Join our nation in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own Christmas celebrations for all of us.

For more information, call or email Margaret Hopkins at (618) 570-8804 or Hopkins1014@sbcglobal.net. To learn more, visit the Wreaths Across America website at www.wreathsacrossamerica.org.

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## *Learn and Explore with Online Resources*

Whether you're a student, a teacher, or just love to learn, our newest online learning tools make research easy and accessible.

**Explora** lets you search through six separate databases in a way that's easier and less intimidating than traditional database searching. If you've used any common search engines, you'll find that Explora looks and feels familiar, with the added certainty that the information you find is trustworthy. For broader searches, Explora will provide a Topic Overview in addition to the search results to help you get started. You can also browse popular topics, save individual articles or entire searches, and organize your research into project folders to help you stay on track.

**Britannica Library** is an online encyclopedia containing comprehensive information for all ages. With three separate experiences—Children, Young Adults, and Reference Center—anyone can find easy-to-use, trusted information at their fingertips. Because it's online, articles can be updated at any time to keep pace with our fast-moving world. You'll also find features that aren't possible with a print encyclopedia, such as instant translation of an article into another language, listening to an article, watching videos, viewing related articles and links, and playing interactive games. To help you with your research projects, Britannica Library offers a "Ready for Research" step-by-step research guide and "How-Tos" for different kinds of projects.

For more information or a one-on-one tutorial for using either of these resources, please contact our Reference Librarian at reference@haynerlibrary.org or 618-462-0677, ext. 2845.

To view our full list of online resources, use this QR code or visit
https://www.haynerlibrary.org/digital-resources-collections/online-databases/

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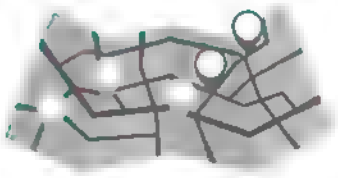

2023 IHLS Library Crawl
October 1 - October 31
#IHLSLibraryCrawl2023

## *The 2023 Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl*

**October 1 – October 31, 2023**

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce our participation in the Illinois Heartland Library System's fifth annual Library Crawl. There are over 125 libraries in this year's crawl!

Participating in the library crawl is easy. Pick up an IHLS Library Crawl passport from any Hayner Library location, have your passport stamped by at least five participating libraries, and then return your passport to any Hayner Library location for a chance to win our grand prize drawing. All participating patrons who visit a Hayner Library location will receive a small prize (while supplies last).

To show off where you have traveled, use #IHLSLibraryCrawl2023 on social media! The IHLS Library Crawl is a fun way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit other libraries and experience the vast array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state.

Please note: Hayner Library cardholders can pick up and drop off their passports at any Hayner Library location. All other IHLS member library cardholders should pick up and drop off their passports at their home libraries. Only Hayner Library patrons are eligible to win our grand prize drawing.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## *See the Autographed Abraham Lincoln Letter at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library on February 17!*

On Saturday, February 17, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., a letter written by Abraham Lincoln and owned by Hayner Library will be displayed in the Genealogy & Local History Library. This letter, written before Lincoln became the sixteenth President of the United States, is addressed to Alton resident Simeon Ryder. Ryder was a sea captain and fisherman who moved to Alton in 1834 and opened a grocery, dry goods, and hardware business. He was also involved with the development of the Terre Haute & Alton Railroad. The Ryder Building, now housing My Just Desserts in downtown Alton, was built and owned by Simeon Ryder.

Hayner Library has had ties to Abraham Lincoln since the library's 1852 founding. In the mid-1850s, Lincoln's law partner, William Herndon, was a speaker in the Alton Library Association's lecture series. In addition to the Lincoln letter, several other Lincoln-related items in the library's collection, including a small china cup and saucer said to have belonged to former First Lady Mary Todd Lincoln, will also be displayed. The seventh and final of the Lincoln-Douglas Debates was held in Alton in 1858, and this debate was the only one attended by Mary Todd Lincoln. Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas traveled to Alton from Quincy by steamboat, but Mrs. Lincoln came by train from Springfield to support her husband with their eldest son, Robert.

To give context to the Lincoln letter and Lincoln's ties to this area, at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 17, historian Tom Emery will present a lecture entitled "Abraham Lincoln in Alton" as part of our Historic Preservation Lecture Series, co-sponsored by Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA). For more information and registration instructions, please see the lecture series article in this newsletter.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**HOLIDAYS**
The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
Dec. 24, 25, & 26, Christmas
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Jan. 1, New Year's Day
Jan. 15, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb. 19, Presidents' Day


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## *Keep Up-to-Date with Hayner Library on Riverbender.com's Our Daily Show and with Our Weekly Email Newsletter!*

As patrons of Hayner Library know, the library is more than just books. We offer many programs, services, and collections for patrons of all ages—and we're always adding more!

There are many ways to keep up with everything that's happening at the library. Quarterly, we mail our print newsletter to each household in the District, our monthly KidsSpace and TeenSpace newsletters are available on our website and at the library, and our social media accounts are updated daily.

And now we're happy to announce that Hayner Library has a regular segment entitled "Beyond the Shelves with Hayner Library" on Riverbender.com's *Our Daily Show!*

Tune in to Riverbender.com on the first and last Monday of each month at 10:30 a.m. to hear about all the exciting free programs, services, and collections at Hayner Library. We will also feature staff, patrons, and Board members discussing why they love the library and believe Hayner Library is a vital asset to our community. We will post the segments on our social media accounts so that you can easily share the information with your family and friends.

We are also happy to announce that we're offering a free weekly email newsletter to keep you updated on everything happening at the library. Visit www.haynerlibrary.org to sign up or ask a Library Assistant to add your email address to our mailing list!

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## *Volunteer Opportunity: Reach Out and Read (ROAR)*

Are you looking for a rewarding literacy-focused volunteer opportunity? If so, check out the Alton School District's Reach Out and Read (ROAR) program.

ROAR is a flexible volunteer opportunity that supports literacy in our community. The program meets before school Tuesdays through Fridays, from October 3, 2023 through April 26, 2024. Volunteers are encouraged to pick the day of the week that is most convenient in their weekly schedule. Volunteers read with one student at a time, with the student reading at their reading level. Volunteers have flexible schedules—there is no need to call the school if your schedule changes. Simply go to the school on a different morning or the next week.

ROAR uses simple strategies to help young readers. Volunteers provide encouragement and individual attention to students, help students with difficult words, talk about the stories they read, and sign the student's reading log so that the practice is counted towards the student's goal.

You can choose a school close to your heart or your home. Volunteers are needed at West Elementary and North Elementary Schools from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and Eunice Smith Elementary, Gilson Brown Elementary, Lewis & Clark Elementary, and Lovejoy Elementary Schools from 7:45 a.m. to 8:15 a.m.

Getting started is easy! Contact Elaine Kane at ekane@altonschools.org or (618) 433-7825 to get involved and receive an Alton Community Unit School District 11 volunteer information form.

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## *Puzzle of the Month*

Take a stroll through history while relaxing with a good puzzle. On the first Wednesday of each month, a new puzzle will be available for patrons to assemble at the Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street, Alton. The puzzles will depict some aspects of local history, and most have been made especially for this program. These one-of-a-kind puzzles will vary in size and difficulty so that most adults may participate. Patrons are welcome to work the entire puzzle or just a part, leaving the finishing to others. Each puzzle will be available for just one month before it retires into the history books.

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# *Vintage Voices: How We Bring Past to Present*

In October 2024, Vintage Voices will present its twenty-third season of guided walking tours in the Alton Cemetery (sometimes referred to as the Alton City Cemetery). To date, Vintage Voices has shared 266 stories presented by 115 actors. The characters and themes are carefully selected every year by the Vintage Voices steering committee. But how does that process work? How does the committee find new decedents to portray year after year?

Vintage Voices committee members and Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff members keep ever-evolving lists of possible decedents. We look through published books that discuss Alton residents, such as *Footprints and Echoes: From Historical Alton Area* by Viola W. Voss (who is buried at Alton Cemetery), *Centennial History of Madison County, Illinois, and Its People, 1812 to 1912* edited and compiled by W.T. Norton (also buried at Alton Cemetery), and *20th Century African American Leaders in Alton: Committee on Black Pioneers, Alton Museum of History and Art Exhibit Catalog*. We discover interesting people in family scrapbooks, business publications, and books of veterans. We keep a file in the Genealogy & Local History Library with obituaries of interesting people we find while doing unrelated research. For example, when researching a local business or industry, we sometimes find fascinating information about the people who owned it or worked there. We even consult with current and previous sextons of the cemetery to help identify interesting people who have been buried in the cemetery and, in many cases, locate the graves themselves. Only about half of the people buried in the Alton Cemetery have gravestones, a sad but common occurrence in many old cemeteries. Sometimes, we rely on contextual information to find possible decedents. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library collection contains the original cemetery internment books. These books list data on when people died, cause of death, burial location, and even the undertaker and funeral home. Checking these books for burials made by African American funeral homes to find African Americans buried in the cemetery has helped us create a list of possible decedents that is more reflective of the Alton area's community. We also have cemetery books that list burials by location, and researching the names of everyone buried in one lot can give us clues about maiden names and other familial information about women who would otherwise be lost.

Once auditions have been held and actors chosen, the Genealogy & Local History staff further researches the decedents and compiles packets of relevant information for the actors on the decedent they will portray. These packets contain census records, newspaper articles, photographs, World War One and World War Two draft cards, city directory entries, maps, death certificates, information about jobs, families, service and community organizations, and anything else we discover. Actors write their own scripts, and often come up with follow-up questions for the Genealogy & Local History staff. For instance, several years ago, an actor asked for information about the Stratford Hotel in the 1930s, when the decedent he was depicting would have worked there. We found newspaper articles and ads that described everything from the meals (in 1933, lunch was fifty cents, dinner was sixty-five cents, and Sunday dinner with chicken, steaks, and chops was seventy-five cents) to the dances (in 1938 the St. Patrick's Young Men's Club held its annual St. Patrick's Day dance there) to the meetings (the Piasa Amateur Radio Club, the Alton-Wood River League of Women Voters, the Rotary Club, and so many more).

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library also serves as a repository for Vintage Voices ephemera, such as a complete set of the program booklets and many of the scripts written by actors over the years. All of these items are available to see in the library. IR 977.386 VIN

Proceeds from the Vintage Voices performances support the continuation of the event, upkeep of the Alton Cemetery, and various community organizations, including Hayner Library. Please come out next October to see our history come alive!

## FICTION—

**Atwood, Margaret.** Fourteen Days: A Collaborative Novel

**Bailey, Tessa.** Fangirl Down

**Balogh, Mary.** Always Remember: Ben's Story

**Banks, Russell.** American Spirits

**Beaton, M. C.** Death of a Spy (Hamish Macbeth)

**Berry, Steve.** The Atlas Maneuver (Cotton Malone)

**Black, Lisa.** The Deepest Kill

**Blake, Matthew.** Anna O: A Novel

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Princess of Las Vegas: A Novel

**Bowen, Rhys & Broyles, Clare.** In Sunshine or in Shadow (Molly Murphy)

**Box, C. J.** Three-Inch Teeth (Joe Pickett)

**Brennan, Allison.** The Missing Witness: A Quinn & Costa Novel

**Burke, James Lee.** Harbor Lights

**Carr, Robyn.** The Friendship Club

**Childs, Laura.** Murder in the Tea Leaves

**Coble, Colleen.** Fragile Designs

**Colgan, Jenny.** Studies at the School by the Sea

**Dailey, Janet.** One in a Million

**Dodd, Christina.** Every Single Secret

**Elston, Ashley.** First Lie Wins

**Finn, A. J.** End of Story

**French, Nicci.** Has Anyone Seen Charlotte Salter?

**French, Tana.** The Hunter

**Gardner, Lisa.** Still See You Everywhere (Frankie Elkin)

**Goodwin, Daisy.** Diva

**Greaney, Mark.** The Chaos Agent (Gray Man)

**Grippando, James.** Goodbye Girl: A Jack Swyteck Novel

**Gudenkauf, Heather.** Everyone Is Watching

**Hannah, Kristin.** The Women

**Hawkins, Rachel.** The Heiress

**Hazelwood, Ali.** Bride

**Hunter, Stephen.** Front Sight: Three Swagger Novellas

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Lone Wolf: An Orphan X Novel

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** The Ghost Orchid: An Alex Delaware Novel

**King, Laurie R.** The Lantern's Dance (Mary Russell and Sherlock Holmes)

**Koontz, Dean.** The Bad Weather Friend

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** The Night Island (The Lost Night Files)

**Maas, Sarah J.** House of Flame and Shadow (Crescent City)

**Mallery, Susan.** The Summer Book Club

**McFadden, Freida.** The Teacher

**Michaelides, Alex.** The Fury

**Michaels, Fern.** The Wild Side

**Novak, Brenda.** The Messy Life of Jane Tanner

**Orange, Tommy.** Wandering Stars

**Paris, B. A.** The Guest

**Pataki, Allison.** Finding Margaret Fuller

**Patterson, James.** The #1 Lawyer

**Patterson, James.** Crosshairs (Michael Bennett)

**Patterson, James & Sitts, Brian.** Holmes, Marple & Poe: The Greatest Crime-Solving Team of the Twenty-First Century

**Patterson, James & Hamdy, Adam.** Missing Persons: A Private Novel

**Perry, Thomas.** Hero

**Phillips, Susan Elizabeth.** Simply the Best: A Chicago Stars Novel

**Quindlen, Anna.** After Annie

**Rice, Luanne.** Last Night

**Robb, J. D.** Random in Death: An Eve Dallas Novel

**Ryan, Hank Phillippi.** One Wrong Word

**Sanderson, Brandon.** The Sunlit Man: A Cosmere Novel

**Scottoline, Lisa.** The Truth about the Devlins

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Bright Spot

**Steel, Danielle.** Never Too late

**Steel, Danielle.** Upside Down

**Stevenson, Benjamin.** Everyone on This Train Is a Suspect

**Taylor, Brad.** Dead Man's Hand: A Pike Logan Novel

**Unger, Lisa.** The New Couple in 5B

**Willingham, Stacy.** Only If You're Lucky

## NONFICTION—

**Alexander, Paul.** Bitter Crop: The Heartache and Triumph of Billie Holiday's Last Year

**Bowler, Kate.** Have a Beautiful, Terrible Day!: Daily Meditations for the Ups, Downs & In-Betweens

**Boyle, Rebecca.** Our Moon: How Earth's Celestial Companion Transformed the Planet, Guided Evolution, and Made Us Who We Are

**Brewer, Judson.** The Hunger Habit: Why We Eat When We're Not Hungry and How to Stop

**Brown, Tabitha.** I Did a New Thing: 30 Days to Living Free (A Feeding the Soul Book)

**Cameron, Julia.** Living the Artist's Way: An Intuitive Path to Greater Creativity

**Davis, Patti.** Dear Mom and Dad: A Letter about Family, Memory, and the America We Once Knew

**Downey, Robert, Jr.** Cool Food: Erasing Your Carbon Footprint One Bite at a Time

**Duhigg, Charles.** Supercommunicators: How to Unlock the Secret Language of Connection

**Durkin, Hannah.** The Survivors of the Clotilda: The Lost Stories of the Last Captives of the American Slave Trade

**Evans, Richard Paul.** Sharing Too Much: Musings from an Unlikely Life

**Gottfried, Sara.** The Autoimmune Cure: Healing the Trauma and Other Triggers That Have Turned Your Body Against You

**Green, Joshua.** The Rebels: Elizabeth Warren, Bernie Sanders, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and the Struggle for a New American Politics

**Gregory, Philippa.** Normal Women: Nine Hundred Years of Making History

**Gundry, Steven R.** Gut Check: Unleash the Power of Your Microbiome to Reverse Disease and Transform Your Mental, Physical, and Emotional Health (Plant Paradox)

**Guthrie, Savannah.** Mostly What God Does: Reflections on Seeking and Finding His Love Everywhere

**Horton, Michelle.** Dear Sister: A Memoir of Secrets, Survival, and Unbreakable Bonds

**Karger, Dave.** 50 Oscar Nights: Iconic Stars & Filmmakers on Their Career-Defining Wins

**McCabe, Jessica.** How to ADHD: An Insider's Guide to Working with Your Brain (Not Against It)

**Morgan, Lee.** Four Thousand Paws: Caring for the Dogs of the Iditarod: A Veterinarian's Story

**National Geographic Society.** National Geographic Bucket List Family Travel: Share the World with Your Kids on 50 Adventures of a Lifetime

**Noom.** The Noom Kitchen: 100 Healthy, Delicious, Flexible Recipes for Every Day

**Oliver, Jamie.** 5 Ingredients Mediterranean: Simple Incredible Food

**Poulson, Gracielinda.** Grace Rose Farm: Garden Roses: The Complete Guide to Growing & Arranging Spectacular Blooms

**Reid, Joy-Ann.** Medgar and Myrlie: Medgar Evers and the Love Story That Awakened America

**Rick, Scott.** Tightwads and Spendthrifts: Navigating the Money Minefield in Real Relationships

**Robbins, Tony.** The Holy Grail of Investing: The World's Greatest Investors Reveal Their Ultimate Strategies for Financial Freedom

**Shakespeare, Nicholas.** Ian Fleming: The Complete Man

**Wilkinson, Crystal.** Praisesong for the Kitchen Ghosts: Stories and Recipes from Five Generations of Black Country Cooks

**Williams, Billy Dee.** What Have We Here?: Portraits of a Life

# KidsSpace Winter 2024 Activities

## Stories with Panda Bear

***Downtown Library KidsSpace***

**Tuesdays, January 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 20, 27; March 5, 12, 19, 26 at 10:00 a.m.**

Come join us for stories, songs, music, and a snack! This story time is for children ages 2-4.

**To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.**

## Baby Lap-Sit Story Time

***Downtown Library KidsSpace***

**Wednesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31; February 7, 14, 21, 28; March 6, 13, 20, 27 at 10:00 a.m.**

Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun! This story time is for children ages 0-2.

**To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.**

## Books and Busy Bees Story Time

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

**Thursdays, January 11, 18, 25; February 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; March 7, 14, 21, 28 at 10:00 a.m.**

Come enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft! This story time is for children ages 3-5.

**To register, call (618) 433-2881.**

## Make-or-Take Crafts

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

**January 8, February 5, and March 4**

Stop by on the first Monday of each month to pick up your free Make-or-Take Craft.

**Crafts will be available while supplies last.**

## Bite-Size Science

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

**January 5, February 2, and March 1**

This fun S.T.E.A.M.-themed program, designed for children ages 7-10, happens on the first Friday of each month. Staff prepare interactive kits for children to take home that demonstrate different S.T.E.A.M. concepts such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit includes an item list and the ingredients for the activity. Adult assistance is required for some of the activities.

**For more information or to reserve a kit, call (618) 433-2881.**

## Lego Club

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

**Tuesdays, January 16, February 13, and March 12 from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces! Hayner Library will supply the Legos. Lego Club is for children ages 6-11.

**Limited space is available. Please register by calling (618) 433-2881.**

## Valentine Drop-in Station

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

**February 7 through February 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

Drop in and make a Valentine card to share with someone special!

## Draw on the Desk

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

All day, every day, children are welcome to help decorate our desk with their art. The front of the KidsSpace desk is covered in paper; just ask for some crayons or markers at the desk and draw to your heart's desire!

## Reading Dragons

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

Do you like dragons, griffins, and unicorns? Do you want a new game to play with your friends? Then this is the challenge for you! For every thirty minutes that you read and log with the library, you earn a new mystical creature card. Watch as your dragon, griffin, or unicorn grows from an egg to an adult. It's easy! Come to the library to get your starter pack and start collecting today.

## Club H: Homeschool Social Group

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

Local homeschool families: join us for a fun time of learning and support. We will be providing a regular group space for families to gather and meet with fellow homeschoolers. During this time, we will offer a chance for adults to discuss their needs with each other and socialize, and activities for children to learn and socialize with their peers.

**For more information, call (618) 433-2881.**

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## Treasures in the Library

***Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall***

Follow the clues to see what treasures you can find. Treasure hunts will change biweekly. This program will be available Monday through Sunday. Come to the KidsSpace desk for your first clue!

## Dial-A-Story

For over twenty years, Hayner Library patrons have adored Dial-A-Story. It is a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children—available from the comfort of your home! Dial-A-Story is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year! Children may call 618-462-TALE (618-462-8253) to listen to a short story recorded by a Hayner Library KidsSpace staff member. Each story lasts approximately five minutes and is geared toward young children. Four new stories will be uploaded at the beginning of each month.

## *1000 Books Before Kindergarten* Reading Challenge

Calling all parents of children ages birth to 4! Did you know the enjoyable act of sharing books helps your child learn pre-reading skills that help prepare them for Kindergarten? All children who register for *1000 Books Before Kindergarten* will have fun and receive prizes at each reading milestone. To register, visit haynerlibrary.beanstack.org and sign up today!

**For more information, call (618) 433-2881.**

# TeenSpace *Winter 2024 Activities*

## The Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

***Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center***

**Wednesdays, January 17, February 21, and March 13 at 4:00 p.m.**

What types of programs do you want to see at your library? Come be a part of the Teen Advisory Board which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library!

**For more information, contact Megan at (618) 433-2872 or megan.dees@haynerlibrary.org.**

## Teen Take-Home Crafts

***Hayner Library TeenSpace at Alton Square Mall***

**Wednesdays, January 24 and February 14**

Do you love making crafts? If so, pick up a teen take-home craft at the TeenSpace desk!

**Crafts will be available while supplies last.**

## Teen Crime Stoppers

***Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center***

**Wednesdays, January 10, February 7, and March 6 at 4:00 p.m.**

Calling all true crime and murder mystery fans: put on your detective hat and join other sleuths to solve a mystery at the library. Participants will work together to examine clues, read case files, and figure out whodunnit. This event is designed for teens ages 13-18.

**For more information, contact Megan at (618) 433-2872 or megan.dees@haynerlibrary.org.**

## Lego Challenge

***Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center***

**Wednesdays, January 31, February 28, and March 27 at 4:00 p.m.**

Do you love Legos? Bring a friend and come join other teens to create complex builds and win prizes!

**For more information, contact Megan at (618) 433-2872 or megan.dees@haynerlibrary.org.**

## YA Wednesdays

***Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center***

**Wednesdays, January 17, February 21, and March 13 at 5:00 p.m.**

Come hang out with other teens in the Teen Center! We will have crafts, video games, and other fun activities.

**No registration required.**

## Teen Interactive Movie Night

***Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center***

**Wednesday, March 13 at 4:30 p.m.**

Teens, bring your friends and come join us for a fun interactive movie night. Teens that attend will receive a goodie bag containing props and snacks. During the movie, you will be prompted to use props, make sounds, and act out scenarios.

**For more information, contact Megan at (618) 433-2872 or megan.dees@haynerlibrary.org.**

## New in Our Illinois Room

***All Request*** [sound recording] by George Portz & His Friends of Bluegrass (2017). IR MC GEOR AR G

***Alton High School 45 Year Class Reunion: 1956 - September 8, 2001, Lockhaven Country Club Alton, Illinois.*** IR 373.77386 ALT PROGRAM and IR 373.77386 ALT SUPPLEMENT

***American Expansion: A Book of Maps*** by Randall Sale (1979). IR 973 SAL

***American Pogrom: The East St. Louis Race Riot and Black Politics*** by Charles L. Lumpkins (2008). IR 305.896073 LUM

***Archaeological Surveys of the American Bottoms and Adjacent Bluffs, Illinois*** by Patrick J. Munson (1971). IR 977.389 MUN

***British Origins of American Colonists, 1629-1775*** by William Dollarhide (1997). IR 942 DOL

***College Avenue Presbyterian Church: Cor. Clawson St. and College Avenue, Alton, Illinois -Dedicated, November 27, A.D. 1927.*** IR 285.977386 COL

***Essential Guide to Researching Your Kentucky Family History: Celebrating 50 Years of Kentucky Genealogical Research (2023).*** IR 976.9 KEN

***Famous Footprints in Our Local History: A Collection of Newspaper Articles Chronicling Some of the Renowned Dignitaries Who Have Visited Alton and the Surrounding Areas*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District (2023). IR 977.386 FAM

***The Governor Takes a Bride: The Celebrated Marriage of Cora English and John R. Tanner, Governor of Illinois (1897-1901)*** by John Thomas Trutter and Edith English Trutter (1977). IR 977.3040922 TRU

***A History of the City of Cairo, Illinois*** by John M. Lansden (1976). IR 977.3999 LAN

***Index of Obituaries Printed in the Southern Illinois Herald Newspaper, 1893-1922*** compiled by Walter L. Brieschke (1985). IR 977.399 BRI

***Just Call Me Harry Steinfeldt: Memoirs and Musings From "Playin' The Game" of Life*** by Tom Dehner (2014). IR 384.5443 DEH

***Munchin' at the Met. Vol. 2*** compiled by Metropolitan United Methodist Church, Alton, Illinois (1992). IR 641.5 MUN

***Pioneer Folks and Places: An Historic Gazetteer of Williamson County, Illinois*** by Barbara Burr Hubbs (1979 Reprint. Originally published 1939). IR 977.3993 HUB

***Randolph County, Illinois Orphans' Court Records, 1804-1809*** by Peggy Lathrop Sapp (1986). IR 977.392 SAP

***Recipes and Remembrances: Celebrating 150 Years / A Collection of Recipes*** by Moro Presbyterian Church, Family & Friends (1998). IR 641.5 REC

***The Revolutionary War Period, 1763-1787: In Publications of The Illinois State Historical Library and Society; A Bibliography*** by Olive S. Foster [and] Mary C. Hempstead (1973). IR 973.34 FOS

***River Roads to Freedom: Fugitive Slave Notices and Sheriff Notices Found in Illinois Sources*** compiled by Helen Cox Tregillis (2012). IR 973.7115 TRE

***War in Illinois*** by Donald Bain (1978). IR 364.1060773 BAI

## Branching Out 2024: Genealogy Classes

Hayner Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and everyone gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

January 11 - Let's Set Goals and Plan our Research

January 18 - Discussion group

February 8 - Photos and Important Papers: Organize and Preserve Them

February 15 - Discussion group

March 14 - Family Trees and Organizing our Digital Files

March 21 - Discussion group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2024.

Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next.

For more information or to register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Winter 2024 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge!*

**The Performance room is located at 225 Alton Square Mall. This is located on the east side of the mall, on the second floor between the escalators and J. C. Penney. For parking purposes, please be aware that J.C. Penney now closes at 7:00 p.m.**

**The Multipurpose Room is located inside Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.**

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *Filing IL-1040 Through MyTax Illinois*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, January 13, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Get ready for tax season! A representative from the Illinois Department of Revenue will provide basic level instruction for Illinois taxpayers who would like to file their income tax returns electronically via MyTax Illinois. Please keep in mind that this is a presentation only; individual tax preparation assistance will **not** be provided.

Registration is required. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your spot.

## *St. Louis: The Best Sports Town in America: An Evening with Ed Wheatley*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**

**Tuesday, January 16, 6:30 p.m.**

St. Louis has long been known as a city with a rich sports history. Four of the most prestigious trophies in sports are named after St. Louisans—one in chess, one in golf, one in soccer, and one in tennis. Can you name them? What about the four national football teams that started as St. Louis franchises? Did you know that in 2014, the United States Congress designated St. Louis as the Chess Capital of the United States? Can you name the two St. Louisans who teamed up to form Wimbledon's first-ever interracial mixed doubles team? What "Hollywood legend" could regularly be seen racing his Datsun at a race track in Wentzville? Learn the answers to these questions and much more as we revisit the sights and sounds of St. Louis sports memories when author and sports historian Ed Wheatley explains what makes St. Louis a contender for the "Best Sports Town in America."

**Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.**

Ed Wheatley is an award-winning and bestselling author, film producer, and sports historian. He is also a weekly sports contributor on a St. Louis drive-time radio program. His book, *The St. Louis Browns – The Story of a Beloved Team,* received numerous accolades and awards, including *Sports Collectors Digest's* selection as the best baseball book published in 2017. It was also the Society for American Baseball Research's 2017 Lawrence Ritter Award nominee for the best book in baseball. In 2020, the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* selected his other book, *Baseball in St. Louis – Little Leagues to Major Leagues,* as one of the top twenty-five books of 2020. He has produced two baseball films shown on the PBS network, each receiving EMMY award nominations and a win in 2020. His films were also selected for inclusion in the prestigious National Baseball Hall of Fame's Annual Film Festivals in 2018 and 2019. His book *Wrestling at the Chase,* from which he produced a third PBS film last summer, also received an EMMY nomination. His newest book, *St. Louis Sports Memories – Forgotten Teams and Moments from America's Best Sports Town,* explains why St. Louis is the best sports town in America.

## *Winter Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**

**Friday, January 19, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Put on your favorite sweater, grab a book, and head to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for our first-ever book retreat!

Sip on some hot cocoa, decorate a sugar cookie sweater, chat about books, and read one too! You are also welcome to bring your own drink, treat, and a blanket or anything else to help put you in the winter reading mood.

Not sure what to read? Clear up your "to be read" list, check out a library book before you join us, use this time to finish a super-long book you've been intimidated by, read a few short stories, or cycle through a few books four or five chapters at a time. If you still don't know what to read, we will also have winter-themed books available for check-out.

This is an open house-style program, so please feel free to stay for a short while or the entire time.

Space is limited. Please register by calling 1-800-613-3163.

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## *Valentine Memory Café*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, February 10, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

What is a Memory Café?

Memory Cafés are a comfortable and welcoming place for those experiencing Alzheimer's Disease or any other form of dementia, along with their loved ones, to connect, socialize, and build new support networks.

This Memory Café will be a Valentine-themed gathering, where patrons are welcome to come and go as they please. A spokesperson from San Gabriel Memory Care will be present to supply information and answer questions, and we will provide various holiday-themed items and activities to bring people together and foster reminiscing.

Registration is not required. Refreshments will be provided.

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## *Get Up and Grow! with St. Louis Herb Society*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, March 2, 10:00 a.m.**

This introduction to herbs will cover the basics, including how to grow or purchase herbs and what they need to succeed in your garden. Not sure what to do with your herbs after you've grown them? This program will also discuss cooking, preserving, and using herbs from your garden!

Registration is required. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to reserve your spot.

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## *The Scott Laytham and Karl Holmes Duo*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**

**Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 p.m.**

Scott Laytham's skills as a musician, arranger, and composer are well-known in the St. Louis area. Besides his live performances, Scott has produced music for local and national radio and television ads. For live shows, Scott has his hands full. He plays keys, guitars, sings, and runs the light show and sound system. Karl "Trickee" Holmes is one of the best vocal impressionists in the country. Some of his impressions include Louis Armstrong, Al Green, Ray Charles, Barry White, Michael Jackson, Prince, Marvin Gaye, Nat King Cole, Elvis, Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones, Johnny Mathis, and the Temptations (he performs all five Temptations voices by himself). You must see it and hear it to believe it!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Sacred Spaces of Care Hosting Rick Griffin: Beyond Behavior: Be Curious, Not Furious*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**

**Wednesday, January 31, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

We invite you to join us as we host Megan Tyler, founder of the Alton-based nonprofit group Sacred Spaces of Care, and Rick Griffin, Director of Community Resilience Initiative, in this free public training event. This session will help you to become "curious instead of furious," about the underlying issues of defensive and offensive behavior.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to thirty people.

## *Sacred Spaces of Care & Metro East Recovery Council: A Conversation on Reducing Stigma*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**

**Wednesday, March 27, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

We invite you to join us as we host Megan Tyler, founder of the Alton-based nonprofit group Sacred Spaces of Care, and the Metro East Recovery Council for a conversation on reducing the stigma of mental health.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to thirty people.

## *Writers Circle*

Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in! Refreshments are provided for this adult writing event designed for both the novice and the experienced.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to ten people.

**Writers Circle: Word for Word**

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, January 27, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Writers Circle: Concrete Poetry**

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, February 24, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Writers Circle: Myths & Cryptids**

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, March 30, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

## *From Story to Film*

**Discussion of the Book *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald**

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Thursday, February 8, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**Viewing of the Film *The Great Gatsby* (2013)**

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**

**Saturday, February 17, 2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

We will discuss *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald, and watch the 2013 film adaptation of the same name. The first meeting, on February 8, will be dedicated to book discussion. At the second meeting, on February 17, we will watch the movie.

Attendees should read the book ahead of time so they can join in on the discussion! Speak with someone in circulation to order a copy in regular print, large print, or audio format.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to twenty people.

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## *Illinois Libraries Present*

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present* to bring you exciting, high-profile virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally-recognized presenters. These events are 100% online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home – or wherever you'd like!

Coming Up:

**Thursday, January 11 at 7:00 p.m.** – Speculating our AI Future: A Panel Discussion with Corry Doctorow, Ken Liu, and Martha Wells

**Tuesday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m.** – A Conversation with Jerry Craft: From *Mama's Boyz* to *New Kid* and Beyond

Save the Date:

*Note: Event times and full program titles will be added to our Events Calendar at haynerlibrary.org as soon as this information is announced to us.*

**Tuesday, February 20** – #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Julia Quinn helps us feel the romance all month with a discussion about Bridgerton and all things romance

**Wednesday, March 20** – Academy Award-winning costume designer Ruth E. Carter explores the passion that inspires her pieces spanning Spike Lee costume design to Wakanda

**Wednesday, April 3** – Dr. Temple Grandin shares on the gifts of neurodiversity

**Tuesday, May 7** – Writer, producer, and former White House staff member Kal Penn closes season three

Registration is required to attend these virtual events. Find registration information and more for each event on our Events Calendar at haynerlibrary.org.

*These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. Illinois Libraries Present is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office for the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

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## *Computer Classes at Hayner Library*

Interested in improving your tech skills? Computer classes at Hayner Library cover topics from basic computer skills to using the internet and smartphones. Whether you have no computer experience or just need a refresher, feel free to join us for these introductory classes!

Laptops will be provided, and space is limited! To reserve your spot, please call 1-800-613-3163.

**Smartphones: iPhones***
Saturday, January 20
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Genealogy & Local History Library

**Computer Basics****
Thursday, February 1
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Smartphones: Androids***
Saturday, February 17
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Genealogy & Local History Library

**Internet Safety**
Thursday, February 29
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Internet Basics**
Saturday, March 16
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Using Email**
Thursday, March 28
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

*** Please bring your own device to this class if you want to be hands-on. Smartphones will not be provided.**
**** This class is for the true beginner, covering foundational skills, such as understanding the parts of a computer and how to use the keyboard and mouse.**

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## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Tuesdays, January 2, 16, 30; February 13, 27; and March 12, 26 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters.

All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating.

No registration is necessary.

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## *Film Flashback Thursdays*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**

**Thursday, January 11, 6:00 p.m.: *Murder on the Orient Express* (1974)**

**Thursday, March 14, 6:00 p.m.: *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom* (1984)**

What films have we watched at the Starlight Drive-In, Grand Theater, Alton Ciné, and other local movie theaters over the last fifty years? A film series at the Genealogy & Local History Library will answer that question as we watch some of the best movies from that time. Last year, we focused only on films from 1973 and held the showings on Fridays, but we're doing things a little differently in 2024. We've switched to Thursdays, and over the course of the year, we will show films from 1974, 1984, 1994, 2004, 2014, and, finally, from 2024.

Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

# *Unfiltered Lens: Civil Rights and Vietnam War through the Eyes of Robert J. Ellison*

**Exhibition Dates: Saturday, February 17 through Wednesday, March 27, 2024**

**Reception: Friday, March 1, 2024, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Jacoby Arts Center
627 E. Broadway
Alton, IL 62002
www.jacobyartscenter.org

Jacoby Arts Center will showcase the award-winning work of photographer Robert J. Ellison – focusing on his coverage of the Civil Rights movement and Vietnam War – during a public photo exhibition from February 17 through March 27, 2024. This exhibition is a collaboration between Lewis and Clark Community College, The Hayner Public Library District, and Jacoby Arts Center. Photos are courtesy of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum. It has been an absolute pleasure working with these organizations, and we look forward to more collaborative projects in the future.

Both the exhibit and reception are free and open to the public.

The photo exhibition, originally displayed at Lewis and Clark's Hatheway Gallery in August 2023, mimics a journey through time in 100 photographs captured by the young photographer, who was killed in action at age twenty-three when a plane he was on was hit by enemy gunfire in Vietnam in March 1968.

Robert Ellison was born on July 6, 1944, in Ames, Iowa, the son of Albert Jackson "Jack" Ellison, a lieutenant in the 11th Airborne J Division, and his wife, Monticello College alumna Miriam Kindermann Ellison (later Miriam Eaton). Ellison's great-grandfather founded the Western Military Academy in Alton, Illinois. Jack Ellison graduated from Western in 1938 and Robert followed in his footsteps, graduating in 1963. Nearly everyone of age, including two of his aunts, served in the military during World War II. In early 1945, twenty-three-year-old Lt. Jack Ellison was killed at Luzon, Philippines. Robert, six months old at the time, never met his father.

As the only surviving son of a soldier killed in World War II, Ellison was exempt from military service in Vietnam. Nevertheless, he bravely served on the front lines as a civilian photographer for *Newsweek* and *Time*, bringing captive images from overseas to the American public.

"Ellison felt compelled to record the story of American soldiers honestly," said Ralph "Bo" Jackson, Robert Ellison's cousin, whose dream has been to bring this exhibition to life in the Riverbend community.

Jackson said Ellison was one of 200,000 people who heard Martin Luther King, Jr. give his famous "I Have a Dream" speech in Washington, D.C., and was so moved that it spurred him to take an active role in the Civil Rights movement. His images follow several marches and other events throughout the 1960s, capturing the essence and energy of the times, and were published by *Ebony* magazine.

The Civil Rights events depicted in the display at Jacoby are the March on Washington D.C. for Jobs and Freedom, August 1963; March on Washington to End the War in Vietnam, November 1965; Selma to Montgomery March, March 1965; Murden School Segregation Protest and School Bus Protest, Crawfordsville, Georgia, June through October 1965; and Mississippi March Against Fear, June 1966. The Vietnam War categories are Preparation (Ellison practicing skydiving); Booby Trap School, also called Demolitions and Mine Warfare School; general military life; Vietnamese citizens both in rural areas and in Saigon; and the Battle of Khe Sanh.

The week following Robert Ellison's presumed death in Vietnam, *Newsweek* published his Khe Sanh photos. They also printed an early obituary. Twenty-nine days after Robert Ellison's plane went down, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated. *Ebony* magazine devoted their entire May 1968 issue to Dr. King, but also included a moving tribute to Ellison. "He was a young white man who lived as Dr. King hoped all white men would live—free of prejudice, full of understanding, and respectful of the rights of all men. The world mourns Dr. King. Only the few who knew him mourn Bob. We feel that Dr. King would insist that he be given this space."

Later this year, Lacy McDonald, Genealogy & Local History Library Manager, will put the photos and captions together for a limited-printing, noncirculating book that will be added to library collections at The Hayner Public Library District, Lewis and Clark Community College, the Wisconsin Veterans Museum, the Springfield Community Center (Crawfordville, Georgia), and several other repositories.

# *Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series*

*The Genealogy & Local History Library is partnering with Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA) this winter to bring back our three-part Saturday lecture series in January, February, and March. AALA is dedicated to educating, promoting, and saving the architectural heritage of the Alton area. Feel free to register for one talk or all three.*

***Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.***

**Part 1: Freedom to Equality: Black History in the Riverbend with Jared Hennings**

**Genealogy & Local History Library**

**Saturday, January 20, 10:00 a.m.**

In the first of these lectures, Jared Hennings will discuss Black history in the Riverbend area, including Alton's significance on the Underground Railroad, abolitionists who fought against slavery, and local Civil Rights leaders. Hennings will mention Rocky Fork Church in Godfrey, the Elijah P. Lovejoy Monument at Alton Cemetery, Union Baptist Church, and other significant locations. He will also talk about notable Black Alton residents, such as Charles Newton, the first Black graduate of Alton High School in 1873; Scott Bibb, a former slave who battled for public school integration in Alton; Josephine Beckwith, who fought to secure equality for African American youths and adults; and jazz great Miles Davis, who was born in Alton. Hennings will bring the historical figures to life with re-enactments, stories, and song.

Jared has been a character reenactor for a number of years with Vintage Voices at the Alton Cemetery beginning in 2004. He's had similar performing experiences with the Madison County Historical Society - Chautauqua in 2018 and 2019. He's acted at Alton Little Theatre in 'Fences,' 'To Kill a Mockingbird,' 'Driving Ms. Daisy,' 'The Full Monty,' and 'Gee's Bend.' He's performed with touring companies of the Black Rep and Historyonics Theatre Co. with the Missouri History Museum.

Note: The Riverbend is part of the National Park Service's "Network to Freedom" passport program. A passport stamp honors Underground Railroad sites in Alton and Godfrey. Passport holders can have their passports stamped at the Alton Visitor Center or the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library.

**Part 2: Abraham Lincoln in Alton with Tom Emery**

**Genealogy & Local History Library**

**Saturday, February 17, 10:00 a.m.**

Author Tom Emery of Carlinville will discuss Abraham Lincoln's relationship with the Riverbend. Lincoln played a key role in the economic development of Alton with his staunch support of railroads to the city, and he was involved in several fascinating legal cases in the area, including one with a New York actress who fell into an open cellar door on an Alton sidewalk. There are also many connections of Lincoln to Shurtleff College, a fixture in Upper Alton for decades, the Alton prison, and Elijah and Owen Lovejoy. Lincoln's appearances in Alton, his professional and personal relationships, and the city's importance in his political career are covered in Emery's book, *Lincoln in Alton*, which earned the Certificate of Excellence from the Illinois State Historical Society in 2021.

Tom Emery is a critically acclaimed freelance writer and historical researcher. Emery has compiled more than forty book and booklet titles on an array of historical topics. Articles with his byline have appeared in over 150 newspapers across the United States including the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Omaha World-Herald, Chicago Daily Herald,* and many more.

To accompany the "Abraham Lincoln in Alton" lecture, on Saturday, February 17, from 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., the Lincoln letter to Simeon Ryder owned by Hayner Library will be on display in the Genealogy & Local History Library (a facsimile of the letter is on view at all times). Please see the cover article in this newsletter for more details.

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**Part 3: The Gateway Arch: An Illustrated Timeline with John C. Guenther**

**Genealogy & Local History Library**

**Saturday, March 16, 10:00 a.m.**

The Hayner Public Library District's Genealogy & Local History Library welcomes author, architect, and historian John C. Guenther to discuss his new book, *The Gateway Arch: An Illustrated Timeline.*

The book takes a chronological look at the historical foundations of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, beginning in 1699 with the Louisiana Territory, with ninety historical events which led to the realization of the Gateway Arch and the latest refinements to the memorial grounds and new museum.

As Guenther writes in the book's Introduction: "As impressive as the Gateway Arch is, the story of how this monument came to be is equally remarkable. This book seeks to "connect the dots" of history, illustrating key points in time which led to the creation of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial and the Gateway Arch. Within this context, the reader may better understand and appreciate the importance of this site, the historical events that shaped our nation, region, Missouri, and St. Louis across time, and how the Memorial and Gateway Arch grew out of these events, honoring, celebrating, and raising our awareness of them."

Architect John C. Guenther, FAIA, LEED AP holds a fellowship in the American Institute of Architects for notable contributions to the advancement of the profession of architecture in design and was a lecturer in the College of Architecture at Washington University in St. Louis, where he co-founded and taught Mid-Century Modernism in St. Louis 1930–1970. John serves as president of the Society of Architectural Historians–St. Louis Chapter. He wrote "Missouri's Architectural Treasures," published by *Missouri Life Magazine;* "25 Must-See Buildings in Missouri" for *USA TODAY*; and the introduction to *The Lost St. Louis Riverfront 1930-1943,* which documents the historic riverfront architecture removed in anticipation of Gateway Arch National Park.

## *Taps & Tomes*

Taps & Tomes, our free bi-monthly book club in partnership with The Old Bakery Beer Company, continues to be an unqualified success!

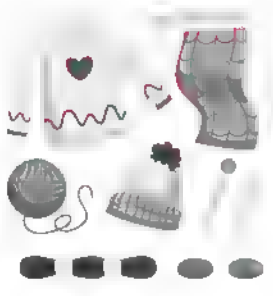
We're excited to announce the dates for the upcoming quarter:

**Thursday, January 4, 6:00 p.m.** — *A Lesson Before Dying by Ernest J. Gaines*

**Thursday, March 7, 6:00 p.m.** — The book will be posted on the library website's Events Calendar after the January meeting.

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our next choice, A Lesson Before Dying by Ernest J. Gaines. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. All Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are also available through the Cloud Library and OverDrive digital platforms. The Taps & Tomes Book Club meets at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL. No registration is required.

## *Knitters and Sewers Needed!*



Do you love knitting or sewing? At a meeting of the Hayner Library Teen Advisory Board, the teens suggested that they dedicate some of their meeting times to creating hats, scarves, and blankets for those in need in Alton and Godfrey. However, many of the teens need help learning how to sew and knit in order to make this idea a reality. If you're a crafter and would like to help our teens learn how to develop their sewing and knitting skills, please contact Megan at (618) 433-2872 or megan.dees@haynerlibrary.org.

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Closed Sunday

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Monday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 p m. to 5:00 p.m.

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Wednesday, 12:00 p m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

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# *Cool to Be Kind:*
# *Hayner Library's Fine Amnesty Program for January 2024*

Hayner Library's newest fine amnesty program, Cool to Be Kind, will take place from January 2 through January 31, 2024. During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with cold weather clothing items such as gloves, mittens, hats, scarves, etc.

Library materials must be returned with clothing donations, at least one clothing item per overdue item, and only Hayner Library materials are eligible.

The library will donate the clothing items to the Crisis Food Center's Nearly New shop in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, please feel free to donate items to help others in our community.

Do you have some Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or behind the DVD player? Cool to Be Kind is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as Crisis Food Center—and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township Spring 2024

## *From Education to Recreation, Hayner Library Has It All*

When asked to name the first thing they think of when they hear the word "library," most people think of one thing: books. Yes, Hayner Library has books (approximately 185,000 of them, in fact), but we also offer so much more than that.

As you glance through the pages of this newsletter, you'll read about the programs, services, and collections offered at Hayner Library. To paraphrase the old Oldsmobile tagline, "This isn't your father's library."

On the technology front, Hayner Library offers internet access, Wi-Fi, printers, copiers, free fax service, and scanning, and our Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall study rooms are equipped with smartboard interactive displays. We also check out hotspots and laptops to Hayner Library cardholders.

Hayner Library offers a myriad of digital resources, many accessible 24/7 from home with a Hayner Library card. These resources are designed to assist patrons of all ages and interests with homework, research, and business. We also have databases for crafting, auto repair, genealogy, local history, legal forms, small businesses, readers' advisory, and much more.

Download the Cloud Library and OverDrive Libby apps and enjoy access to thousands of free ebooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines! Biblio+ (available online or through the Biblio+ app) allows Hayner Library cardholders to stream television shows and movies for free, and it's even compatible with Roku!

Yes, we still check out books, but that's not all. In addition to books, Hayner Library's collection includes audiobooks, magazines, DVDs, large print materials, music CDs, Blu-rays, read-along audiovisual materials for emerging readers, and much more. Each format is available for readers of all ages. We have recently added board games and video games to our collection, and we're excited to announce that several of our board games are available in braille editions. We've also added memory kits to our collection to help those with memory loss and their caregivers foster positive memories. We add new items to our collection every day. You can even sign up for Wowbrary (www.wowbrary.org) and receive a weekly email listing every item added to the Hayner Library collection during the week.

Our Library of Things allows Hayner Library cardholders to check out unconventional library materials, such as baking kits, tools, projectors, musical instruments, outdoor lawn games, moving equipment, a metal detector, telescopes, fishing poles, and many other fun items.

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**HOLIDAYS**
The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
March 31, Easter
April 5, Staff Development Day
May 26 & 27, Memorial Day
June 19, Juneteenth

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Hayner Library's membership in the Illinois Heartland Library System's SHARE consortia allows patrons to request materials from hundreds of Illinois libraries. Most available items can be ready for pick-up in just a few days! There's even an app to make ordering easier. Download the "SHARE Mobile Library" app to order materials, review your online account, renew items, and so much more.

Hayner Library offers programming for children, teens, and adults, including story times, crafts, musical performances, lectures, one-on-one technology assistance, computer classes, book clubs, a homeschooling club, and too many others to list. Check out the Events Calendar on our website to view the dates and times of our programs.

Our website, www.haynerlibrary.org, social media accounts, and weekly email newsletter (sign up for free on our website) are great ways to stay up-to-date on everything that's happening at the library.

Our outstanding library staff is happy to help you learn more about these programs, services, and collections. If you haven't been to the library in a while, I encourage you to visit us. I guarantee you'll find something interesting, enlightening, and entertaining. And yes, you'll find books, too. Lots and lots of books!

—Mary Cordes, Executive Director

## *Food for Fido Fine Amnesty Program*

Do you have some Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the back seat of your car? Food for Fido is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. Hayner Library's fine amnesty program, Food for Fido, will take place from April 1 through April 30, 2024. During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with pet food and care items.

Library materials must be returned at the same time you donate the pet care items. We ask that you bring at least one pet care item for each overdue library item. This program applies only to overdue Hayner Library materials. The library will donate the pet care items to the Alton Area Animal Aid Association (5As).

Food for Fido is a great way to support community organizations such as the 5As, and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

## *State Senator Erica Harriss to Host Spring Traveling Office Hours at Hayner Library*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**

**Thursday, April 4, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Thursday, May 2, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

State Senator Erica Harriss will hold traveling office hours at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall in April and May. Traveling office hours are a way for Senator Harriss and her staff to assist residents with a wide variety of services, including navigating state agencies and connecting residents with available resources on state government-related issues.

## *Hayner Library Available for Community Outreach Presentations*

Hayner Library is more than just books—and we'd love the opportunity to tell you more about the services and programs that we offer. If you belong to an organization in Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township and you're looking for a guest speaker, please call Hayner Library Executive Director Mary Cordes at 618-433-2877 or email mary.cordes@haynerlibrary.org.

## FICTION—

**Andrews, Brian.** Tom Clancy Act of Defiance (Jack Ryan)

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** Summers at the Saint

**Atkins, Ace.** Don't Let the Devil Ride

**Baldacci, David.** A Calamity of Souls

**Barclay, Linwood.** I Will Ruin You

**Bardugo, Leigh.** The Familiar

**Berry, Steve.** Red Star Falling

**Brennan, Allison.** You'll Never Find Me

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Feline Fatale: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery

**Burke, James Lee.** Clete: A Dave Robicheaux Novel

**Carr, Jack.** Red Sky Mourning: A Thriller

**Castle, Jayne.** People in Glass Houses

**Chevalier, Tracy.** The Glassmaker

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Museum of Lost Quilts

**Clark, Mary Higgins.** It Had to Be You

**Coben, Harlan.** Think Twice (Myron Bolitar)

**Connolly, John.** The Instruments of Darkness (Charlie Parker)

**Constantine, Liv.** The Next Mrs. Parrish

**Cornwell, Bernard.** Sharpe's Command

**Crichton, Michael & James Patterson.** Eruption

**Dailey, Janet.** Evergreen Christmas

**Deveraux, Jude.** An Unfinished Murder: A Detective Mystery

**Du Brul, Jack.** Clive Cussler The Heist

**Finlay, Alex.** If Something Happens to Me

**Foley, Lucy.** The Midnight Feast

**Fortune, Carley.** This Summer Will Be Different

**Gardiner, Meg.** Shadowheart

**Graham, Heather.** Death Behind Every Door

**Graham, Heather.** Market for Murder

**Graham, Heather.** The Reaper Follows

**Gramazio, Holly.** The Husbands

**Greaney, Mark.** Sentinel (Armored)

**Griffiths, Elly.** The Last Word

**Grisham, John.** Camino Ghosts

**Hazelwood, Ali.** Not in Love

**Henry, Emily.** Funny Story

**Hepworth, Sally.** Darling Girls

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** Swan Song

**Hillerman, Anne.** Lost Birds (Leaphorn)

**Horowitz, Anthony.** Close to Death

**Iles, Greg.** Southern Man

**Jackson, Holly.** The Reappearance of Rachel Price

**Jackson, Lisa.** Our Little Secret

**Jimenez, Abby.** Just for the Summer

**Johansen, Iris.** Flashback (Kendra Michaels)

**Johnson, Craig.** First Frost: A Longmire Mystery

**King, Stephen.** You Like It Darker: Stories

**Kubica, Mary.** She's Not Sorry: A Psychological Thriller

**Kwan, Kevin.** Lies and Weddings

**Lauren, Christina.** The Paradise Problem

**Lauren, Christina.** Tangled Up in You

**Mackintosh, Clare.** A Game of Lies

**Mallery, Susan.** For the Love of Summer

**Michaels, Fern.** Proof (Lost and Found)

**Miranda, Megan.** Daughter of Mine

**Mosley, Walter.** Farewell, Amethystine

**Muller, Marcia.** Circle in the Water (Sharon McCone)

**Novak, Brenda.** Tourist Season

**Oates, Joyce Carol.** Butcher

**Paretsky, Sara.** Pay Dirt (V.I. Warshawski)

**Patterson, James.** The 24th Hour

**Patterson, James.** The Murder Inn

**Preston, Douglas.** Extinction

**Reichl, Ruth.** The Paris Novel

**Robards, Karen.** Some Murders in Berlin

**Roberts, Nora.** Mind Games

**Rose, Jeneva.** Home Is Where the Bodies Are

**Roth, Veronica.** When Among Crows

**Sager, Riley.** Middle of the Night

**Sandford, John.** Toxic Prey

**Shaara, Jeff.** The Shadow of War: A Novel of the Cuban Missile Crisis

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Summer Escape

**Smiley, Jane.** Lucky

**Steel, Danielle.** Only the Brave

**Steel, Danielle.** Resurrection

**Thayer, Nancy.** The Summer We Started Over

**Towles, Amor.** Table for Two: Fictions

**Ware, Ruth.** One Perfect Couple

**White, Randy Wayne.** One Deadly Eye

**Wingate, Lisa.** Shelterwood

**Winslow, Don.** City in Ruins

## NONFICTION—

**Attkisson, Sharyl.** Follow the Science

**Bertinelli, Valerie.** Indulge: Delicious and Decadent Dishes to Enjoy and Share

**Blum, Howard.** When the Night Comes Falling: A Requiem for the Idaho Student Murders

**Brown, Peter.** All You Need Is Love: The Beatles in Their Own Words: Unpublished, Unvarnished, and Told by the Beatles and Their Inner Circle

**Carr, Caleb.** My Beloved Monster: Masha, the Half-Wild Rescue Cat Who Rescued Me

**Dench, Judi.** Shakespeare: The Man Who Pays the Rent

**Gibbins, David.** A History of the World in Twelve Shipwrecks

**Goldberg, Whoopi.** Bits and Pieces: My Mother, My Brother, and Me

**Goodwin, Doris Kearns.** An Unfinished Love Story: A Personal History of the 1960s

**Habib, Rodney.** The Forever Dog Life: 120+ Recipes, Longevity Tips, and New Science for Better Bowls and Healthier Homes

**Hanson, Victor Davis.** The End of Everything: How Wars Descend into Annihilation

**Junger, Sebastian.** In My Time of Dying: How I Came Face to Face with the Idea of an Afterlife

**Kershaw, Alex.** Patton's Prayer: A True Story of Courage, Faith and Victory in World War II

**Lamott, Anne.** Somehow: Thoughts on Love

**Larson, Erik.** The Demon of Unrest: A Saga of Hubris, Heartbreak, and Heroism at the Dawn of the Civil War

**O'Keefe, Edward F.** The Loves of Theodore Roosevelt: The Women Who Created a President

**Page, Susan.** The Rulebreaker: The Life and Times of Barbara Walters

**Patterson, James.** The Secret Lives of Booksellers and Librarians: Their Stories Are Better Than the Bestsellers

**Psaki, Jen.** Say More: Lessons from Work, the White House, and the World

**Saphier, Nicole.** Love, Mom: Inspiring Stories Celebrating Motherhood

**Selleck, Tom.** You Never Know: A Memoir

**Sides, Hampton.** The Wide Wide Sea: Imperial Ambition, First Contact and the Fateful Final Voyage of Captain James Cook

**Stephanopoulos, George.** The Situation Room: The Inside Story of Presidents in Crisis

**Tan, Amy.** The Backyard Bird Chronicles

**Upholt, Boyce.** The Great River: The Making and Unmaking of the Mississippi

**Wilson, Rebel.** Rebel Rising: A Memoir

# KidsSpace Spring 2024 Activities

Unless otherwise noted, all programs will be held at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.
There will be no programming Monday, May 20 through Saturday, June 1.

**KidsSpace Egg Hunt: Ages 2-12**
Monday, March 25 – Saturday, March 30

**Story Walk Opens at The Nature Institute**
Monday, April 1

**Lego Club: Ages 6-12**
4:00 p.m.
Tuesdays, April 9; May 14

**Homeschool Meet-Up: Ages 5-12**
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Thursday, April 18

**Make-or-Take Crafts: Ages 3-7**
Mondays, April 1; May 6
Kits available for pick-up until gone.

**Bite Size Science: Ages 7-10**
Thursday, April 4; Friday, May 3
Kits available for pick-up until gone. Call 618-433-2881 to reserve a kit.

## Story Time

**Stories with Panda Bear: Ages 2-5**
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
Tuesdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14

**Baby Lap-Sit Story Time: Ages 0-2**
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
Wednesdays, April 10, 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15

**Books and Busy Bees Story Time: Ages 3-6**
10:00 a.m.
Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16

**Story Time at Lucy Haskell's Playhouse: Ages 2-6**
10:00 a.m.
Fridays, April 12; May 10

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# 2024 Kids Summer Reading Program

*"Read, Renew, Repeat"*

Summer Reading registration and programming begin Monday, June 3, 2024. To register, go to haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack mobile app. Everyone who registers on June 3, 2024 will be entered for a chance to win a Summer Reading Program-themed basket.

*All Summer Reading Program activities will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall unless otherwise noted.

## Mondays

**Recycled Art: Ages 2-6**
10:00 a.m.
June 3, 10, 17, 24; July 1, 8

## Tuesdays

**Stories and Art: Ages 2-6**
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9

**TNI Tuesday**
*The Nature Institute*
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
June 4, 18: Fairy Garden Project: Ages 6-12
June 11, 25: Stories and Stations: Ages 3-10

**TNI Two-Liter Tuesday***
June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9

## Wednesdays

**Performer: All Ages**
*Performance Room at Alton Square Mall*
10:00 a.m.
June 5: World Bird Sanctuary
June 12: Fred and His Feathered Friends
June 26: The Ozum Show
July 3: Twist and Bounce
July 10: The Butterfly House

## Thursdays

**Conservation Kids: Ages 6-12**
10:00 a.m.
June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11

**Endangered Animal Quest Scavenger Hunt: All Ages**
All Day
June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11

## Saturdays

**Come, Play, and Stay: Ages 5-12**
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
June 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13

**End-of-the-Summer Endangered Animal Quest Scavenger Hunt: All Ages**
All Day
Monday, July 15 – Wednesday, July 17
Children who participate will receive one extra ticket for one of the big prizes!

**Last Day to Record Reading in Beanstack**
Wednesday, July 17

**End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party: All Ages**
***Performance Room at Alton Square Mall***
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 18
"Mad Science" Show 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Treats by Mo'z Sweet Treats.

**TNI Two-Liter Tuesday: Recycle one clean two-liter bottle per child, per week for one big prize ticket. Bottles may be dropped off at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

# TeenSpace *Spring 2024 Activities*

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for ages 12-18 and will be held in the Teen Center at Alton Square Mall.

**Teen Crime Stoppers**
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesdays, April 3; May 1

**Teen Advisory Board**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesdays, April 17; May 8

**Teen Lego Challenge**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesdays, April 24; May 15

**Mini Library Make-and-Take**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 10

**Bookend Painting for the Teen Library**
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 17

**Bad Art Night**
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 8

## 2024 Teen Summer Reading Program

### *"Read, Renew, Repeat"*

This year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Read, Renew, Repeat," will get teens pumped up about reading and conservation! The theme gives participants the opportunity to read some fantastic books to earn prizes. Participants can register at haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack mobile app. All participants who continue over the four-week program will be entered into a drawing for a prize basket full of themed prizes, gift cards, and books.

*All Summer Reading Program activities will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall unless otherwise noted.

### Mondays

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June 3: Bee Habitat Craft
June 10: Mini Planter Pot Painting
June 17: Butterfly House Craft
June 24: Pom-Pom Pillow Case

### Tuesdays

**TNI Tuesday**
***The Nature Institute***
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
June 4, 18: Fairy Garden Project

**TNI Two-Liter Tuesday***
June 4, 11, 18, 25

### Wednesdays

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June 5: Rock Painting
June 12: Diamond Art Feather Bookmark
June 26: Squishmallow Canvas Painting

**Teen Party**
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, July 2
Join us for Endangered Animal Mini Golf and henna tattoos!

**TNI Two-Liter Tuesday: Recycle one clean two-liter bottle per child, per week for one big prize ticket. Bottles may be dropped off at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.*

**Recycle a Book Project**

Do your children have books lying around that they don't read? This summer, the Hayner Library KidsSpace and TeenSpace departments will be collecting lightly used children's and teen books to donate to local children's organizations. A limit of five books per child can be donated from June 3, 2024 through July 17, 2024. Donations will be accepted at the Alton Square Mall location only.

## New in Our Illinois Room

***A Bibliography of Illinois Imprints, 1814-58*** by Cecil K. Byrd (1966). IR 015.773 BYR

***Behind the Guns: The History of Battery I, 2nd Regiment, Illinois Light Artillery*** by Thaddeus C.S. Brown (1966). IR 973.7473 BRO

***Bethel Baptist Church Minutes, 1806-1851: Excerpts From the Minutes 1851-1852, Membership Lists 1809-1909, St. Clair County, Illinois*** edited by Diana Walsh (1993). IR 286.977389 BET

***Bound with an Iron Chain: The Untold Story of How the British Transported 50,000 Convicts to Colonial America*** by Anthony Vaver (2011). IR 364.68 VAV

***Court Records, Johnson County, Illinois: October 15, 1814-1817***. IR 977.3996 SIS

***DNA For Native American Genealogy*** by Roberta Estes (2021). IR 929.1072 EST

***Essays in Illinois History: In Honor of Glenn Huron Seymour*** edited by Donald F. Tingley (1968). IR 977.304 ESS

***Favorite Recipes and Directory*** compiled by College Avenue Presbyterian Church (1920s). IR LOCKED CASES 285.977386 COL

***Gallatin County, Illinois Newspapers*** by Shirley Cummins Shewmake (1994). IR 977.397 SHE V. 1

***The Genehouse Chronicles: Tales from the Mississippi Valley*** by E. Eugene Baldwin (2023). IR 808.4 BAL

***Heirloom Rooms: Soulful Stories of Home*** by Erin Napier; with photography by Brooke Davis-Jefcoat (2023). IR 747 NAP

***Here and There in Illinois: An Example of Regional Analysis*** by the Illinois Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (1968). IR 977.3 ILL

***Kentucky and Its Kin: An In-Depth Guide to Genealogical Resources in Kentucky and Beyond*** by the Kentucky Genealogical Society (2023). IR 976.9 KEN

***A Knight of Another Sort: Prohibition Days and Charlie Birger*** by Gary DeNeal (1981). IR B BIRGER

***More Emigrants in Bondage, 1614-1775*** by Peter Wilson Coldham (2002). IR 942 COL

***My Own Times: Embracing Also the History of My Life*** by John Reynolds (1968 Reprint. Originally Published 1879). IR 977.3 REY

***Race Riot at East St. Louis, July 2, 1917*** by Elliot M. Rudwick (1964). IR 305.896073 RUD

***Radicals in the Heartland: The 1960s Student Protest Movement at the University of Illinois*** by Michael V. Metz (2019). IR 378.7736 MET

***Ray's Broken Branch*** by Barbara Rae Vonland Morris (2019). IR 929.2 VONLAND

***Reminiscences of the Moore Family: Descended from James Moore, Who Settled in Belle Fontaine in the State of Illinois in 1782*** by Capt. J. M. Moore (Reprint. Originally Published 1882). IR 929.2 MOORE

***River City: A Home-Town Remembrance of Cairo, Illinois*** by Larry Heid (1966). IR 977.3999 HEI

***Way Down in Egyptland*** by Harold Ray Hartley (1982). IR 929.2 HARTLEY

## Branching Out 2024: Genealogy Classes

Hayner Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and everyone gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs, too!

April 11 - Sharing and Learning on Social Media

April 18 - Discussion group

May 9 - Ancestry.com: Research Records, Build Family Trees, DNA

May 16 - Discussion group

June 13 - FamilySearch.org: Research, the WIKI, and FamilyTree

June 20 - Discussion group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2024.

Are you just getting started with genealogy and unsure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next.

For more information or to register, call 618-462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

## Hayner Library Offers Weekly Email Newsletter

Sign up for Hayner Library's weekly email newsletter at www.haynerlibrary.org. Keep up to date with the week's coming events, direct to your inbox!

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Spring 2024 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! All programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.*

**Hayner Library is pleased to announce a partnership with Jacoby Arts Center for our spring semester of programming. Two of our three programs (Mark Dvorak and Miss Jubilee) will take place at the Jacoby Arts Center, located at 627 E. Broadway, Alton. Our programs still require registration, so please call 1-800-613-3163 to register.**

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *St. Louis: The Best Sports Town in America: An Evening with Ed Wheatley*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Wednesday, April 3, 6:30 p.m.**

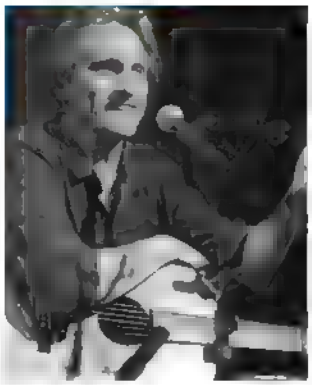
St. Louis has long been known as a city with a rich sports history. Four of the most prestigious trophies in sports are named after St. Louisans—one in chess, one in golf, one in soccer, and one in tennis. Can you name them? What about the four national football teams that started as St. Louis franchises? Did you know that in 2014, the United States Congress designated St. Louis as the Chess Capital of the United States? Can you name the two St. Louisans who teamed up to form Wimbledon's first-ever interracial mixed doubles team? What "Hollywood legend" could regularly be seen racing his Datsun at a race track in Wentzville? Learn the answers to these questions and much more as we revisit the sights and sounds of St. Louis sports memories when author and sports historian Ed Wheatley explains what makes St. Louis a contender for the "Best Sports Town in America." Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

Ed Wheatley is an award-winning and bestselling author, film producer, and sports historian. He is also a weekly sports contributor on a St. Louis drive-time radio program. His book, *The St. Louis Browns – The Story of a Beloved Team*, received numerous accolades and awards, including *Sports Collectors Digest's* selection as the best baseball book published in 2017. It was also the Society for American Baseball Research's 2017 Lawrence Ritter Award nominee for the best book in baseball. In 2020, the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* selected his other book, *Baseball in St. Louis – Little Leagues to Major Leagues,* as one of the top twenty-five books of 2020. He has produced two baseball films shown on the PBS network, each receiving EMMY award nominations and a win in 2020. His films were also selected for inclusion in the prestigious National Baseball Hall of Fame's Annual Film Festivals in 2018 and 2019. His book *Wrestling at the Chase*, from which he produced a third PBS film last summer, also received an EMMY nomination. His newest book, *St. Louis Sports Memories – Forgotten Teams and Moments from America's Best Sports Town*, explains why St. Louis is the best sports town in America.

## *What a Wonderful World: An Evening with Mark Dvorak*

**Jacoby Arts Center, 627 E. Broadway, Alton**

**Thursday, May 7, 6:30 p.m.**



Hayner Library is pleased to once again host award-winning singer and songwriter Mark Dvorak as he presents an all-ages family concert, "What a Wonderful World," at Jacoby Arts Center. Dvorak is a singer and storyteller who accompanies himself on guitar, five-string banjo, twelve-string guitar, and other instruments. He has been a Hayner Library favorite for almost two decades, and we're delighted to be presenting him again this spring for a very special family concert. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

In 2012, WFMT's Rich Warren, host of "The Midnight Special," named Dvorak "Chicago's official troubadour," a sobriquet previously given to Old Town School of Folk Music founder Win Stracke and later to seminal folk singer and Dvorak mentor Fred Holstein. The Folk Alliance Region Midwest named Dvorak the 2013 Lantern Bearer Award recipient, an award presented to an individual who has contributed to folk performance arts and the folk music and dance community for twenty-five years or more.

## *Spring Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**

**Friday, April 12, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Grab a book and head to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for our second reading retreat!

Sip on some lemonade, make a fruit kabob, decorate your own pressed flower jar, chat about books, and read one too! You're welcome to bring your own drink, treat, or anything else to help put you in the reading mood.

Not sure what to read? Clear up your "to be read" list, check out a library book before you join us, use this time to finish a super-long book you've been intimidated by, read a couple of short stories, or cycle through a few books four or five chapters at a time.

This is an open house-style program, so please feel free to stay for a short while or the entire time.

Space is limited. Please register by calling 1-800-613-3163.

## *Puzzle Me This*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**

**Saturday, April 20, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Which four-person team will take home the prize for the fastest completion, and which team will shine through the accompanying historical trivia? Puzzlers and puzzle fans are invited to join us for the first-ever Hayner Library Spring Puzzle Competition. For this special event, Genealogy & Local History Library staff are once again collaborating with Alton High School Graphic Communication students to create a one-of-a-kind image that speaks to the history of Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township. These puzzles will be produced only for the competition.

Teams of four puzzlers must register by calling 1-800-613-3163 prior to the event. Registered participants may arrive fifteen minutes early to settle into their tables. The competition starts promptly at 11:00 a.m. and ends when the puzzles are complete or at 2:00 p.m. Audience members are welcome to come and go quietly throughout the competition.

Space is limited, so assemble your team of four and call to register today!

Details on a two-person Fall Puzzle Competition will be in our Fall 2024 newsletter.

## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

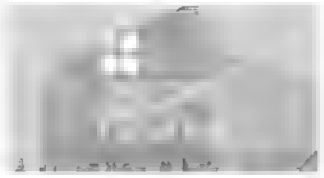
**Tuesdays, April 9 and 23; May 7 and 21; June 4 and 18, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating. No registration is necessary.

## *Writers Circle*

Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in! Refreshments will be provided for these adult writing events designed for both the novice and the experienced. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to ten people.



**Writers Circle: In Response**
**Jacoby Arts Center**
**Saturday, April 27, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Writers Circle: Flash Fiction**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, May 25, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Writers Circle: Short Story**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, June 29, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

## *Illinois Libraries Present*

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present* to bring you exciting, high-profile virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally-recognized presenters. These events are 100% online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home – or wherever you'd like!

*Coming Up:*

**Wednesday, April 3 at 7:00 p.m. – Dr. Temple Grandin: The Hidden Gifts of Visual Thinkers**

**Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 p.m. – The Many Lives of Kal Penn**

Registration is required to attend these virtual events. Find registration information and more for each event on our Events Calendar at www.haynerlibrary.org.

*These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. Illinois Libraries Present is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office for the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

## *Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company*

**Thursday, May 2, 6:00 p.m. — *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge**

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our next choice, *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. The Taps & Tomes book selection can be checked out at Hayner Library and is also available through the Cloud Library digital platform. The Taps & Tomes Book Club meets at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton. No registration is required.

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## *Sacred Spaces of CARE Trauma & Awareness Training*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**

**Wednesday, May 29, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

We invite you to join us as we host Megan Tyler, founder of the Alton-based nonprofit group Sacred Spaces of CARE, in this free public training event. This event is designed for anyone who would like to better understand the roots of trauma, examine how mental health impacts our daily lives, and discover how we can better care for ourselves and others.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to thirty people.

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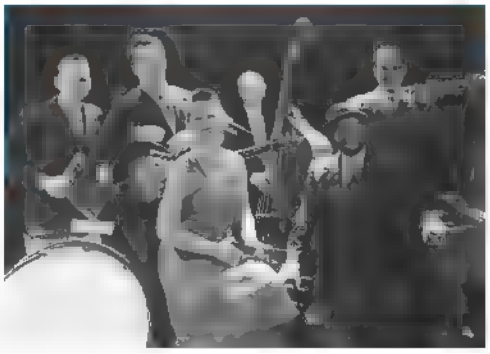
## *Miss Jubilee: St. Louis Jazz and Blues*



**Jacoby Arts Center, 627 E. Broadway, Alton**

**Wednesday, June 12, 6:30 p.m.**

Miss Jubilee is a St. Louis band that specializes in 1920s and 1930s blues and jazz. Vocalist Valerie Kirchhoff leads the group, paying homage to the female blues singers of old, and to the rich musical heritage of St. Louis. In those days, the line between "jazz" and "blues" was often blurred, and these are the sounds that most inspire the band. Performed with joy, precision, and an infectious energy, they prove that this wonderful old music isn't ready for the museum quite yet! Put on your dancing shoes and join us for an evening of music and fun at Jacoby Arts Center!

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## *Summer Picnic Memory Café*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, June 15, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Open House)**

Welcome summer and all the fun that comes with it at our picnic-themed Memory Café! Hands-on activities will be available to help spark conversation and foster reminiscence, and a representative from the Alzheimer's Association will be present to provide information and support.

What is a Memory Café?

Memory Cafés are a comfortable and welcoming place for anyone experiencing Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia, along with their loved ones, to connect, socialize, and build new support networks.

Registration is not required and refreshments will be provided.

## *Computer Classes*

Interested in improving your tech skills? Computer classes at Hayner Library cover topics from basic computer skills to using the internet and smart phones. Whether you have no computer experience or just need a refresher, feel free to join us for these introductory classes!

Laptops will be provided, and space is limited! To reserve your spot, please call 1-800-613-3163.

**Smart Phones: iPhones***
Saturday, April 13
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Genealogy & Local History Library

**Computer Basics****
Thursday, April 25
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Smart Phones: Androids***
Saturday, May 11
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Genealogy & Local History Library

**Internet Basics**
Thursday, May 23
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Smart Phones: iPhones***
Saturday, June 8
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Smart Phones: Androids***
Thursday, June 20
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

*** Please bring your own device to this class if you would like to be hands-on. Smart phones will not be provided.**

**** This class is for the true beginner, covering foundational skills such as understanding the parts of a computer and how to use the keyboard and mouse.**

## *All the News That's Fit to Print: Write Your Own Obituary with Reneé B. Johnson*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**

**Two Session Workshop: June 1 and June 22, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

A good obituary tells us a bit about the deceased, more than just when they were born and died but how they lived. An exceptional obituary reveals their personality and priorities; it draws us into their world for just a moment. It leaves us feeling like we know them that much more. This important document may celebrate their achievements, identify their family, and share their legacy.

So why leave the writing of such an intimate, lasting statement to someone else? Write your own obituary. Have the last word and get the dates right. Alleviate the stress for your loved ones. You are the expert on you and your life. This two-part workshop will help you consider what you want to include in your obituary, how best to convey your thoughts, and provide feedback on your draft.

Both sessions, led by Reneé B. Johnson, will be held on Saturdays, June 1 and June 22, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. A pre-session questionnaire and other materials will be sent to registered participants prior to the first session. Participants will be expected to do most of their writing between sessions.

**Session 1: June 1, 2024**
- Review of pre-session questionnaire
- What is an obituary and what is a legacy letter?
- How to craft the document you want

**Session 2: June 22, 2024**
- Considerations of placement and distribution
- Sharing and feedback

This workshop is limited to ten participants. Register now by calling 1-800-613-3163.

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132 Alton Square Mall Dr , Alton
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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401 State Street, Alton
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Wednesday, 12:00 p m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

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## *Adult Spring Scavenger Hunt*

Join us for our 2024 Adult Spring Scavenger Hunt! Hayner Library patrons ages eighteen and older can enter to win fun prizes by participating in a scavenger hunt around town. Patrons will receive a raffle ticket for each item found in the scavenger hunt and five additional raffle tickets for completing the sheet. This program will run through the month of April. The winners will be drawn on May 1, 2024. Prizes include a heavy-duty portable folding chair with a side table and pocket, OXO Good Grips five-piece grilling tool set and grill light, and a coffee and dessert gift card bouquet with $15 gift cards to Post Commons, Maeva's Coffee, Germania Brew Haus, The Cookie Factory, Dolci di Anna, and LuciAnna's Pastries!

Register at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library starting April 1, 2024!

# The Hayner Public Library District

Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township Summer 2024

## *Our Collection Just Keeps Growing! Seed Library Available at Hayner Library*

For the last few months, library staff have been busy planning and implementing a new collection for patrons: a seed library!

Our seed library is available at all three Hayner Library locations. Patrons can stop by the library and select up to six packets of seeds to take home and plant. Each seed packet is labeled with the seed variety, sowing information, and plant-specific notes.

The current seed library contains:

- Flower seeds (aster, cornflower, marigold, sunflower, and zinnia)
- Fruit and vegetable seeds (acorn squash, butternut squash, cantaloupe, cucumber, pumpkin, and zucchini)
- Herb seeds (basil, dill, oregano, parsley, and sage)

Our seed library is not just a collection, it's a community effort! We warmly encourage donations from your garden, which will enrich our seed library and provide a wider variety of seeds for all. We accept all kinds of seed donations, both commercially packaged and saved seed. If you're donating saved seed, we ask that you fill out a form providing information such as variety, collection date, contact information, and growing notes to ensure the best possible use of your contribution.

But that's not all! The Hayner Library collection is a treasure trove for gardening enthusiasts, with hundreds of books and DVDs covering gardening, farming, and other agriculture-related topics. We even have gardening kits available for checkout, complete with a sun calculator, pH analyzer, and soil thermometer, to support your gardening journey!

Whether you're a master gardener or this is your first time planting seeds, we hope you'll stop by Hayner Library and take a look at our latest offering!

## *Hayner Library Available for Community Outreach Presentations*

Hayner Library is more than just books—and we'd love the opportunity to tell you more about the services and programs that we offer. If you belong to an organization in Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township and you're looking for a guest speaker, please call Hayner Library Executive Director Mary Cordes at 618 433-2877 or email mary.cordes@haynerlibrary.org.

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July 4, Independence Day
September 1 & 2, Labor Day

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# KidsSpace *Summer 2024 Activities*

## 2024 Kids Summer Reading Program

*"Read, Renew, Repeat"*

All Summer Reading Program activities will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall unless otherwise noted.

### Mondays

**Recycled Art: Ages 2-6**
July 1 and 8 at 10:00 a.m.

### Tuesdays

**Stories and Art: Ages 2-6**
**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
July 2 and 9 at 10:00 a.m.

**TNI Two-Liter Tuesday**
On July 2 and 9, recycle one clean two-liter bottle per child, per week for one big prize ticket. Bottles may be dropped off at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

### Wednesdays

**Performer: All Ages**
**Performance Room at Alton Square Mall**
July 3 at 10:00 a.m. — Twist and Bounce
July 10 at 10:00 a.m. — The Butterfly House

### Thursdays

**Conservation Kids: Ages 6-12**
July 11 at 10:00 a.m.

**Endangered Animal Quest Scavenger Hunt: All Ages**
July 11, All Day

### Saturdays

**Come, Play, and Stay: Ages 5-12**
July 6 and 13, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Last Day to Record Reading in Beanstack**
Sunday, July 14

**End-of-the-Summer Endangered Animal Quest Scavenger Hunt: All Ages**
**Monday, July 15 – Wednesday, July 17, All Day**
Children who participate will receive one extra ticket for one of the big prizes!

**End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party: All Ages**
**Performance Room at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursday, July 18, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**
"Mad Science" Show 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Treats by Mo'z Sweet Treats.

**The Nature Institute Movie Under the Stars**
**The Nature Institute, 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey**
**Saturday, July 20, at 8:30 p.m.**
Hayner Library KidsSpace and The Nature Institute will partner for a one-night movie event under the stars on the front lawn at The Nature Institute. Bring your blanket or lawn chairs and a snack for a fun evening watching *Wall-E*. The movie will begin at approximately 8:30 p.m. No registration is required. For more information about other movies being shown this summer at The Nature Institute, please go to www.thenatureinstitute.org.

**Recycle a Book Project**
Do your children have books lying around that they don't read? This summer, the Hayner Library KidsSpace and TeenSpace departments will be collecting lightly used children's and teen books to donate to local children's organizations. A limit of five books per child can be donated through July 17, 2024. Donations will be accepted at the Alton Square Mall location only.

### *August & September Activities*

**Stories with Panda Bear: Ages 2-5**
**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, August 20 and 27; September 3, 10, 17, and 24, at 10:00 a.m.**
Come join Panda Bear for stories, songs, music, and a snack. To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Baby Lap-Sit Story Time: Ages 0-2**
**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Wednesdays, August 21 and 28; September 4, 11, 18, and 25, at 10:00 a.m.**
Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Books and Busy Bees Story Time: Ages 3-6**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursdays, August 22 and 29; September 5, 12, 19, and 26, at 10:00 a.m.**
Children will enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft at this story time. To register, call (618) 433-2881.

**Make-or-Take Crafts: Ages 3-7**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Monday, August 5 and Tuesday, September 3**
Stop by on the first Monday of each month to pick up your free Make-or-Take Craft. September's craft will be available on Tuesday, September 3, 2024 due to our holiday closure for Labor Day on Monday, September 2, 2024. Crafts will be available while supplies last.

**Bite-Size Science: Ages 7-10**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Friday, September 6**
This fun S.T.E.A.M.-themed program happens on the first Friday of each month. Staff prepare interactive kits for children to take home that demonstrate different S.T.E.A.M. concepts such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit includes an item list and the ingredients for the activity. Adult assistance is required for some of the activities. For more information or to reserve a kit, call (618) 433-2881.

**Lego Club: Ages 6-12**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Tuesday, September 10, at 4:00 p.m.**
Join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces on the second Tuesday of each month! Hayner Library will supply the Legos. Limited space is available. Please register by calling (618) 433-2881.

**Treasures in the Library**
Follow the clues in the Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall to see what treasures you can find. Treasure hunts will change biweekly. This program will be available Monday through Sunday. Come to the KidsSpace desk for your first clue!

**Dial-A-Story**
For over twenty years, Hayner Library patrons have adored Dial-A-Story. It is a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children—available from the comfort of your home! Dial-A-Story is available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year! Children may call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253) and choose between four short stories recorded by a Hayner Library staff member. Each story lasts approximately five minutes and is geared toward young children. Four new stories will be uploaded at the beginning of each month.

**1000 Books Before Kindergarten Reading Challenge**
Calling all parents of children ages birth through four years old! Did you know that the simple act of sharing books helps your child learn pre-reading skills that prepare them for kindergarten? All children who register for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten will have fun and receive prizes at each reading milestone. To register, please visit www.haynerlibrary.beanstack.org in September. For more information, please call (618) 433-2881.

**Reading Dragons**
Do you like dragons, griffons, and unicorns? Do you want a new game to play with your friends? Then this is the challenge for you! For every thirty minutes you read and log with the library, you earn a new mystical creature card. Watch as your dragon, unicorn, or griffon grows from an egg to an adult. It's easy! Visit the library beginning in September to get your starter pack and start collecting. For more information, please call (618) 433-2881.

***Star Wars* Reading Challenge: Ages 6-12**
*Star Wars* Reads Day is an international event that celebrates reading and *Star Wars*. It was launched in 2012 by Lucasfilm. KidsSpace invites patrons ages 6-12 to register in October for the Young Padawan Reading Challenge at www.haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or on the Beanstack app. Each week participants who complete the required reading will receive a *Star Wars*-themed prize. Participants who finish all four weeks will be entered to win a big *Star Wars* Lego set. For more information, please call (618) 433-2881.

# TeenSpace
## *Summer 2024 Activities*

**Summer Reading Program Teen Party**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Tuesday, July 2, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**
Join us for Endangered Animal Mini Golf and henna tattoos to celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Program!

**Teen Make & Take Crafts**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesday, August 21, at 4:00 p.m.: Dragon Eyes**
**Wednesday, September 18, at 4:00 p.m.: Herbarium**
Do you enjoy crafting? If so, this program is for you. Meet up with other teens and show off your crafting abilities.

**Take-Home Craft**
**Wednesday, August 28: Boba Tea Kits**
**Tuesday, September 3: Yarn Puff Ball Bookmarks**
Stop by the Hayner Library TeenSpace at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft! Kits will be distributed until supplies last.

**Teen Crime Stoppers**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesday, September 4, at 4:00 p.m.**
Calling all true crime and murder mystery fans! Put on your detective hat and join other sleuths to solve a mystery at the library. Participants will work together to examine clues, read case files, and figure out whodunnit.

**Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesday, September 11, at 4:00 p.m.**
What types of programs do you want to see at your library? Come be a part of the Teen Advisory Board which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library! This group will meet on the second Wednesday of each month.

**Lego Challenge**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesday, September 25, at 4:00 p.m.**
Do you love Legos? Bring a friend and come join other teens to create complex builds and win prizes!

**Teen Book Crates**
Do you enjoy book subscriptions? Check out our Teen Book Crates! Each month we will supply you with a new-release book based on your reading preferences. The book crate will also contain some fun surprise items. After you've enjoyed your book, simply return the book and box to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for a new selection. Registration is easy. Fill out the Teen Book Crates form on the TeenSpace page of the library's website. Hayner staff will do the rest!

## *The Architecture of Lucas Pfeiffenberger*

On November 14, 1834, in the town of Mudau, State of Baden, Germany, a son was born to Johann Joseph and Eva Catherine (Mueller) Pfeiffenberger. They named him Lucas.

When Lucas was a small child, Johann and Eva packed up their family and belongings and crossed the Atlantic Ocean in search of a new home in the United States. They eventually settled on a farm near Dayton, Ohio, and it was here that American life began for the Pfeiffenberger family.

At fifteen years old, Lucas began an apprenticeship in carpentry during his daytime hours and used library services in the evenings to self-study architecture and engineering. These vocations would launch him into a very successful sixty-year career. In the spring of 1857, while traveling from his home in Ohio to the goldfields of California, Lucas stopped in Alton to visit his childhood priest and school teacher, Bishop Henry Juncker. The bishop had been called to Alton to serve as the first bishop of the Catholic Diocese. During Lucas' visit to Alton, he appears to have fallen in love with the city. Instead of moving on to California, he remained in Alton and made it his home for the rest of his life.

Lucas quickly excelled in business and civic duty in his new hometown. A year after his arrival, advertisements in the local newspaper began offering his contracting services. He had also joined Alton's volunteer hook and ladder fire organization. He became the chief of that organization in 1866 and continued in that seat until 1872. In 1872, he was elected mayor of Alton, a position he dutifully served for four terms.

On November 21, 1867, Lucas married Elizabeth C. M. Mather in her parents' home on Market Street. Rev. C.S. Abbott, pastor of Saint Paul's Episcopal Church, performed the ceremony. Elizabeth was a hometown girl born and raised in Lucas' beloved town of Alton. Five sons were born to their union. Neither marriage nor children seemed to slow Lucas down in his business or community duties. In fact, it appears that his passion for business and his active role in the community inspired his sons to follow in their father's footsteps. Three of his sons assisted in the family's architectural business, one became a doctor, and all were active in community affairs, just like their father.

From his arrival in Alton until his death, Lucas Pfeiffenberger stood as a prominent figure among businessmen and political circles. But he is most widely remembered for his expert talents as an architect. His range of skills stretched far beyond stately homes, multi-storied business buildings, and exquisite churches. He was also hired to design many other less conspicuous construction necessities, such as barns, sewer systems, roofs, staircases, pavilions, porches, bridges, garages, and much more. His services included designs for additions, remodels, alterations, and even demolitions.

The Pfeiffenberger firm's main office was 102 West Third Street in Alton. However, this city was not the only location touched by Lucas Pfeiffenberger's magnificent architectural designs. The firm also had offices in Granite City and East St. Louis, but his influence stretched even further. Architect Pfeiffenberger often traveled to other cities and states to work on projects of all designs, such as a summer cottage

in Iowa, a hospital in Missouri, a factory in Arkansas, and a first-class hotel in Colorado.

On the afternoon of March 16, 1918, Alton lost its beloved architect. Lucas Pfeiffenberger passed away at his home, a house he designed at 708 State Street. He was eighty-three years old and had continued to work at his architectural firm until two weeks before his passing. He left his wife, Elizabeth (Mather) Pfeiffenberger, and three sons, George D., John M., and Dr. James Mather Pfeiffenberger. Two sons, Lucas Jr. and Andrew M., preceded him in death. He was laid to rest in the Alton Cemetery.

After Lucas' death, his sons George and John continued the family business in the Alton office under the name of *L. Pfeiffenberger's Sons, Architects and Structural Engineers*. The business continued at the same West Third Street location until 1953, when George Pfeiffenberger turned off the lights and closed the door to the family business for the last time.

Many of Pfeiffenberger's designs continue to stand along the streets of Alton. They are testaments to the fine work of a skilled architect whose structures were designed and constructed to withstand the elements of time.

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library is excited to announce that a seven-year project documenting the work of Alton's most distinguished architect has been finished and is now available to use for local history, property, or genealogy research. Some of the architectural and engineering work of John and George Pfeiffenberger have also been included. The project was designed, researched, organized, and indexed by Hayner Library staff member Pam DeCourcy, with assistance from library volunteers Bette Flactiff and Ann (Morrissey) Davidson. The project began as a small file folder that held approximately twenty-five newspaper clippings regarding Lucas Pfeiffenberger and his life in Alton. That information grew into a project that now boasts over 370 individual files about the people, businesses, and industries involved with Pfeiffenberger on a business level and employed his services in some way. There is also a list of over 270 people and projects associated with Pfeiffenberger outside the Alton area. The collection spans a distance from Arkansas to Colorado. The information included in these files came from sources such as Lucas Pfeiffenberger's personal notebook, the Lucas Pfeiffenberger Papers kept at the Missouri Historical Society in St. Louis, newspaper articles, and other miscellaneous documents such as city directory listings and *Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps*. An individual file might have a copy of the architect's original drawing or blueprint, newspaper clippings, a handwritten note copied from the architect's personal notebook, or a combination of all these things. Indexes are provided to help locate a name or address quickly. This project is part of the Illinois Room collection and available only at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library at 401 State Street. It is important to note that an address in this collection does not necessarily mean that Lucas Pfeiffenberger was the original architect. The information in this collection only confirms that the persons or establishments listed on the index were involved with Pfeiffenberger on a business level and employed his services in some way.

We wish to extend a special thank you to Mr. Alan Weinberger of Alton and Mr. Mather Pfeiffenberger of Washington, D.C. During the process of this research, Alan Weinberger donated Lucas Pfeiffenberger's personal notebook to The Hayner Public Library District. The notebook lists contract and financial information for customers who hired Architect Pfeiffenberger between 1896-1906. Mather Pfeiffenberger donated family information and photos and was always available to answer questions about the Pfeiffenberger family. He is the great-grandson of Lucas Pfeiffenberger.

-Pam DeCourcy
Genealogy & Local History Library

## *Supplies for Summer Fine Amnesty Program*

Do you have Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the back seat of your car? Supplies for Summer is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. Hayner Library's fine amnesty program, Supplies for Summer, will take place from July 1 through July 31.

During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with personal hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes, hand lotion, etc. Library materials must be returned at the same time you donate the personal hygiene products. We ask that you bring at least one product for each overdue library item. This program applies only to overdue Hayner Library materials. The library will donate the personal hygiene products to Crisis Food Center and the Alton School District.

Supplies for Summer is a great way to support community organizations such as the Crisis Food Center, and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

## New in Our Illinois Room

***A. Lincoln Cookbook: A Cookbook of Epic Portions (2008).*** IR 641.5 ALI

***Ancestors of Leland Milnor Cole*** by Leland Milnor Cole and Carol Cronk Cole (2023). IR 929.2 COLE

***The Architecture of Lucas Pfeiffenberger Files*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library Genealogy & Local History Department (2024). IR LOCKED CASES ARCHITECTURE FILES

***The Architecture of Lucas Pfeiffenberger: A Comprehensive List of the Files Available at The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library—Includes the Areas of Alton, North Alton, Upper Alton, and Godfrey*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library Genealogy & Local History Department (2024). IR LOCKED CASES ARCHITECTURE FILES INDEX

***Brief Biographies of the Figurines on Display in the Illinois State Historical Library*** by Georgia L. Osborne (1932). IR LOCKED CASES 920.0773 OSB

***Centennial of the Zion Presbyterian Church, Fosterburg, Illinois: October 13, 1957.*** IR LOCKED CASES 285.977386 CEN

***Early Divorce Records, Franklin County, Illinois*** by Carla Pulliam (1994) IR 977 394 PUL v. 1

***The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy*** by Blaine T. Bettinger (2019). IR 929.1072 BET

***Flowers That Bloom in the Spring: Spring Comes to Illinois—And with It Come Wild Flowers Which Are Part of the Picture of Springtime*** by Virginia S. Eifert (1970). IR 582.130977 EIF

***For Labor, Race, And Liberty: George Edwin Taylor, His Historic Run for the White House, and the Making of Independent Black Politics*** by Bruce Mouser (2011). IR B TAYLOR

***The Historic Cooperative Village of Leclaire, Edwardsville, Illinois: A Centennial Collection*** by Robert R. Blain (1990). IR 977.386 BLA

***I Also Did It My Way*** by Edith Imo Miller Roberson Broemser (1980s). IR 929.2 BROEMSER

***Ku Klux Klan in Illinois*** compiled by William R. Whiteside (2019). IR 322 4209773 KUK

***Lewis and Clark Community College, Godfrey, Illinois: Sixty Years of Newsworthy History, 1963-2023*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library Genealogy & Local History Department (2023). IR 378.19822 LEW

***Lincoln and Jersey County, Illinois*** by Tom Emery (2022) IR 973 7092 EME

***Lucas Pfeiffenberger*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library Genealogy & Local History Department (2023). IR 929 2 PFEIFFENBERGER

***Lusts of the Prairie Preachers: [A True Story of Illinois History]*** by Jerry Klein & Jack L. Bradley (1996). IR 287.6773 KLE

***Lynching in Illinois*** compiled by William R. Whiteside (2019). IR 364 13409773 LYN

***The Milling Industry of Alton, Illinois*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library Genealogy & Local History Department (2023). IR 622.790977386 MIL

***Remembering the Thirties: Public Work Programs in Illinois, A Traveling Exhibit (1980).*** IR 977.3042 REM

***Robert Jackson Ellison, 1944-1968*** by C.B. Jackson (2023). IR B ELLISON

***West Jr. High Falcons [yearbook]*** IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WES 1976, IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WES 1977

## Branching Out 2024: Genealogy Classes

Hayner Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton.

Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and everyone gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

**July 11** – Vital Records: From the Church to the Courthouse

**July 18** – Discussion group

**August 8** – Where They Lived: Property Research

**August 15** – Discussion group

**September 12** – A New Home: Immigration and Naturalization

**September 19** – Discussion group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2024.

Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next.

For more information or to register, call 618-462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Summer 2024 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! All programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *Madison County Community Development Information Session: Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, July 9, at 6:00 p.m.**

Each year, the City of Alton receives federal funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for community improvements. HUD's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding provides decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities primarily for low- and moderate-income individuals.

Please join Chris Kalter, CDBG Coordinator for Madison County, at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, to hear about upcoming projects and provide your thoughts and feedback on future projects. Light refreshments will be served.

If you cannot make the meeting, you can still contact Chris Kalter at cjkalter@madisoncountyil.gov or call 618-296-4955 to voice your comments, questions, or concerns. Although comments are accepted year-round, if you would like your comments included in Madison County's report to HUD, please submit your thoughts by 4:00 p.m. on July 31, 2024. No registration required.

## *George Caleb Bingham and the River Paintings Dee Kilgo, Ph.D.*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**

**Lecture offered on two dates:**
**Wednesday, July 10, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
**Saturday, July 13, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

*Fur Traders Descending the Missouri, 1845, Metropolitan Museum, New York*

In the mid-nineteenth century, Missouri artist George Caleb Bingham (1811-1879) earned a national reputation for paintings that defined the American frontier for curious eastern audiences. His images focusing on life along the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers underscored the unique economic significance of these great waterways in America's western expansion. Today, several of Bingham's river scenes rank among American art's most cherished masterpieces. Dee's program tells the story behind the creation and importance of these paintings both as iconic artworks and as unique historical records.

Dee (Dolores) Kilgo, Ph.D., is a Professor Emerita of Art History at Illinois State University. She has authored two books, a PBS documentary, and numerous articles on nineteenth-century art and photography. Grants and fellowships from The Smithsonian, The National Endowment for the Arts, and The Missouri History Museum have funded her research projects. Since retiring from ISU, Dee has lectured widely on nineteenth-century art and popular culture. An Alton native, she now resides in Godfrey and Dunedin, Florida.

Don't miss this special event—Dee's knowledge and humor make art history fun, accessible, and intriguing. Seating is limited. Register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Summer Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, July 19, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Grab a book and head to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for our Summer Reading Retreat! Enjoy charcuterie and lemonade, paint a flower pot, chat about books, and read one too! You're welcome to bring your own drink, treat, or anything else to help put you in the reading mood.

Not sure what to read? Clear up your "to be read" list, check out a library book before you join us, use this time to finish a super-long book you've been intimidated by, read a couple of short stories, or cycle through a few books four or five chapters at a time. This is an open house-style program, so please feel free to stay for a short while or the entire time. Space is limited. Please register by calling 1-800-613-3163.

## *Code Talkers: The Fascinating History of Native American Service in World War II*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, July 23, at 6:30 p.m.**

On June 6, 1944, American troops stormed Utah and Omaha beaches in Normandy, France, and scaled the cliffs at Pointe du Hoc as part of Operation Overlord, the Allied invasion of France during World War II. Amongst the many brave soldiers deployed into action that day and the many harrowing days that followed were Code Talkers, Native American service members who transmitted secret tactical messages between troops using their native tribal languages.

We invite you to join us on Tuesday, July 23, at 6:30 p.m., when Warren Gohl will present a fascinating lecture detailing the Code Talkers' role in the United States Military and their efforts on Omaha Beach. This lecture is a unique opportunity to delve into the fascinating history of these unsung heroes. Mr. Gohl is a maternal descendant of Comstock, Seneca Cayuga tribes of Little Sandusky River relocated 1831. He serves as a Native American Indian Traditional Practitioner verified to conduct rites and ceremonies by the United Indians of All Tribes Foundation (2015) and Chaplain for the Inter-Tribal Warriors Society Honor Guard, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Auburn, WA (2001 - present). Mr. Gohl is the 2023 recipient of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Beloved Community Award (Community Partnership) from the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services. He is an Army Vietnam veteran and a recipient of the Bronze Star medal.

Mr. Gohl is currently serving as the National Memorial of Military Ascent (NMMA) chaplain. He currently resides in Guadalajara, Mexico, where he serves as chaplain for the American Legion Post #17. In July, he will visit and lecture in the Riverbend area in his role as the NMMA chaplain. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *NGK Band: Let the Good Times Roll*

**Jacoby Arts Center, 627 E. Broadway, Alton**
**Friday, August 2, at 7:00 p.m.**

Break out your dancing shoes and get ready to move as Hayner Library presents the NGK Band! Making their first appearance at Hayner Library, the NGK Band is a St. Louis and Riverbend favorite, entertaining audiences with their blues, soul, and pop music repertoire. The third program in our series at Jacoby Arts Center, this is a concert you won't want to miss. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *State Senator Erica Harriss to Host Summer Traveling Office Hours at Hayner Library*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Tuesday, August 6, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
**Tuesday, September 3, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

State Senator Erica Harriss will hold traveling office hours at Hayner Library in August and September. Traveling office hours are a way for Senator Harriss and her staff to assist residents with a wide variety of services, including navigating state agencies and connecting residents with available resources on state government-related issues.

## *Avoiding Scams and Scammers: How to Identify Scams and What to Do if it Happens to You*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, August 14, at 6:00 p.m.**

Scams come in all shapes and sizes, and as scammers come up with new, creative ways to adapt to changing technology, they are becoming more and more prevalent. According to the Federal Trade Commission, there were 2.6 million fraud reports in the U.S. in 2023, with $10 billion reported lost – the highest ever!

We invite you to join us in taking an in-depth look at different kinds of scams and how to identify them, steps you can take to protect yourself, and what to do if you believe you've been scammed. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## *Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body: Tips from the Latest Research*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, August 24, at 10:00 a.m.**

In this introductory workshop presented in partnership with the Alzheimer's Association, you'll learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these tips into a plan for healthy aging. To register for this workshop, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## *Fall Memory Café*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, September 14, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Open House)**

This Memory Café will be a harvest festival themed gathering, where patrons are welcome to come and go as they please. We will provide activities to bring people together and foster reminiscing. Registration is not required and refreshments will be provided.

What is a Memory Café? Memory Cafés are a comfortable and welcoming place for those experiencing Alzheimer's Disease or any other form of dementia, along with their loved ones, to connect, socialize, and build new support networks.

## *The Jared Hennings Trio — An Evening with Billy and Mel*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, September 24, at 6:30 p.m.**

Billy Eckstine and Mel Tormé: two true balladeers (or crooners, if you prefer) from back in the day. No matter what you call them, you can't go wrong with the hits of The Velvet Fog and Mr. B. From *Strangers in the Night, I've Got You Under My Skin, The Christmas Song* (Mel wrote the lyrics), *Don't Get Around Much Anymore,* and *Alright, Ok, You Win,* to *The Days of Wine and Roses*, the hits just keep on coming! There'll be something to keep you tapping your toe and something to swoon over, too! With the incomparable Ralph Monroe on piano and Brian McKinney on bass, it'll be a can't-miss evening with the Jared Hennings Trio. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Reference Services Downtown!*

This summer, we'll be offering Reference Services once a week at our Downtown location! Stop by on Fridays July through September for help with job applications, research questions, using online resources, connecting with local support services, eBook help, or any other information you need. Tech Help appointments will also be available and can be scheduled twenty-four hours in advance.

If you'd like to schedule an appointment or find out more about how Reference Services can help you, contact us at reference@haynerlibrary.org or 618-462-0677, ext. 2845.

## *Film Flashback Thursdays*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Thursday, July 11, at 6:00 p.m.: *The Lion King* (1994)**
**Thursday, September 12, at 6:00 p.m.: *House of Flying Daggers* (2004)**
What have we watched at the Starlight Drive-In, Grand Theater, Alton Ciné, and other local movie theaters over the last fifty years? A film series at the Genealogy & Local History Library will answer that question as we come together to watch some of the best movies of that time period. Last year, we focused only on movies from 1973 and held the showings on Fridays, but we're doing things a little differently in 2024. We've switched to Thursdays, and over the course of the year, we will show films from 1974, 1984, 1994, 2004, and 2014. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

## *Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company*

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton**
**Thursday, July 11: *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles**
**Thursday, September 5: Title TBD**
**Social Hour: 6:00 p.m., Book Discussion: 7:00 p.m.**
We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our next choice, *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. The Taps & Tomes book selection can be checked out at Hayner Library and is also available through the Cloud Library and OverDrive Libby digital platforms. The Taps & Tomes Book Club meets at The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton. No registration is required.

## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, July 2, 16, and 30; August 13 and 27; September 10 and 24, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating. No registration is necessary.

## *Illinois Libraries Present*

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present* to bring you exciting, high-profile virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally-recognized presenters. These events are 100% online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home–or wherever you'd like!

Coming Up:

**Tuesday, September 17, at 7:00 p.m. – Neil Gaiman**
**Wednesday, October 9, at 7:00 p.m. – Erika Sánchez**
Registration is required to attend these virtual events. Find registration information and more for each event on our Events Calendar at www.haynerlibrary.org.

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Genealogy & Local History Library
401 State Street, Alton
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## *Writers Circle*

Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion. The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in! Refreshments will be provided for these adult writing events designed for both the novice and the experienced. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to ten people.

**Writers Circle: In Response**
**Jacoby Arts Center**
**Saturday, July 20**
**11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Writers Circle: Combo Poem**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, August 31**
**10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Writers Circle: Seasonal Sonnet**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, September 28**
**10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

## *Puzzle Me This: Fall Puzzle Competition*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Saturday, September 14, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Will the two-person teams beat the time of our Spring competitors? Puzzlers and puzzle fans are invited to join us for the Hayner Fall Puzzle Competition! Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff are once again collaborating with Alton High School Graphic Communication students to create a one-of-a-kind image that speaks to the history of Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township. These puzzles will be produced only for the competition.

Participants may arrive fifteen minutes early. The competition will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. and will end when the puzzles are complete or at 2:00 p.m. Audience members may come and go quietly throughout the competition. Teams of two puzzlers must register by calling 1-800-613-3163.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township Fall 2024

## *Third Annual Hayner Library Local Author Book Fair: Saturday, December 7, 2024*

Just in time for the holiday season, The Hayner Public Library District will host our third annual Local Author Book Fair on Saturday, December 7, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Alton Square Mall.

Meet local authors, buy their books, and have them autographed! The event will also feature library card registration, a showcase of our Library of Things collection, a prize drawing, and other library highlights. There will also be activities and story times for the kids.

You can browse and make purchases—and be sure to leave some time to explore Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and the other great mall businesses.

Authors, this will be an excellent opportunity to introduce your books to friends and neighbors. Patrons, find a new favorite author and stock up on books to keep you entertained during the cold winter nights. There will undoubtedly be titles for everyone on your holiday shopping list—and even a stocking stuffer or two!

If you're an author with books to sell, don't miss this opportunity. Author registration begins Tuesday, October 1, 2024. Reserve your table now by calling Mary Cordes at (618) 433-2877 or emailing mary.cordes@haynerlibrary.org. The library will provide tables and tablecloths for authors. Authors can bring promotional materials and books to sell. Authors are responsible for bringing their own banking supplies. Authors should plan to arrive at 10:00 a.m. to set up their tables. There is a limit of twenty-five tables, so act fast!

Last year's event was great fun. Please join us—bring your family and friends and support local writers!

## *Inclement Weather Closing Information*

Winter is just around the corner, bringing the potential for snow and ice. To ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If bad wintery weather is in the forecast, please call the library, visit the Hayner Library website, or check our social media pages before visiting one of our locations. Drive carefully!

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The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
November 11, Veterans Day
November 28 & 29, Thanksgiving
December 24, 25, & 26, Christmas
December 31 – New Year's Eve

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## FICTION—

**Andrews, Brian.** Tom Clancy Defense Protocol (Jack Ryan

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**Armstrong, Kelley.** I'll Be Waiting

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**Beaton, M. C.** Killing Time: An Agatha Raisin Mystery

**Bowen, Rhys.** We Three Queens (Royal Spyness Mystery)

**Broadbent, Carissa.** The Songbird & the Heart of Stone

**Brown, Graham.** Clive Cussler Desolation Code

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Time Will Tell

**Cameron, W. Bruce.** My Three Dogs

**Child, Lee.** In Too Deep: A Reacher Novel

**Coble, Colleen.** I Think I Was Murdered

**Connelly, Michael.** The Waiting: A Ballard and Bosch Novel

**Cook, Robin.** Bellevue

**Cornwell, Bernard.** Sharpe's Storm

**Cornwell, Patricia.** Identity Unknown

**Dugoni, Robert.** Beyond Reasonable Doubt

**Erdrich, Louise.** The Mighty Red

**Evanovich, Janet.** Now or Never (Stephanie Plum)

**Evans, Richard Paul.** Christmas in Bethel

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**Haines, Carolyn.** Blue Christmas Bones

**Hall, Rachel Howzell.** The Last One

**Harkaway, Nick.** Karla's Choice: A John Le Carré Novel

**Hawkins, Paula.** The Blue Hour

**Johnson, Craig.** Tooth and Claw: A Longmire Story

**Kane, Darby.** What the Wife Knew

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**Klavan, Andrew.** A Woman Underground

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**Macomber, Debbie.** A Christmas Duet

**Mallery, Susan.** One Big Happy Family

**Margolin, Phillip.** An Insignificant Case: A Thriller

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Great Hippopotamus Hotel (No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency)

**McFadden, Freida.** The Boyfriend

**McKinlay, Jenn.** A Merry Little Murder Plot

**Miller, Linda Lael.** Where the Creek Bends

**Oates, Joyce Carol.** Flint Kill Creek: Stories of Mystery and Suspense

**Palahniuk, Chuck.** Shock Induction

**Palmer, Diana.** Lawbreaker

**Patterson, James.** The House of Cross

**Patterson, James.** Murder Island

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**Penny, Louise.** The Grey Wolf

**Peterson, Tracie.** A Truth Revealed

**Price, Richard.** Lazarus Man

**Prose, Nita.** The Mistletoe Mystery: A Maid Novella

**Rankin, Ian.** Midnight and Blue: An Inspector Rebus Novel

**Rekulak, Jason.** The Last One at the Wedding

**Roberts, Nora.** The Mirror (The Lost Bride Trilogy)

**Rosenfelt, David.** The More the Terrier: An Andy Carpenter Mystery

**Sanderson, Brandon.** Wind and Truth (Stormlight Archive)

**Shelton, Paige.** Perfect Storm (Alaska Wild)

**Souljah, Sister.** Love After Midnight

**Steel, Danielle.** Trial by Fire

**Steel, Danielle.** Triangle

**Stephenson, Neal.** Polostan (Bomb Light #1)

**Thayne, RaeAnne.** The December Market

**Williams, Beatriz.** The Author's Guide to Murder

## NONFICTION—

**Cher.** Cher: The Memoir

**Clavin, Tom.** Bandit Heaven: The Hole in the Wall Gangs and the Final Chapter of the Wild West

**Clinton, Bill.** Citizen: My Life After the White House

**Coates, Ta-Nehisi.** The Message

**Colbert, Stephen.** Does This Taste Funny?: Recipes Our Family Loves

**Gabriele, Matthew.** Oathbreakers The War of Brothers That Shattered an Empire and Made Medieval Europe

**Garten, Ina.** Be Ready When the Luck Happens: A Memoir

**Gerard, Tieghan.** Half Baked Harvest Quick & Cozy

**Gladwell, Malcolm.** Revenge of the Tipping Point: Overstories, Superspreaders, and the Rise of Social Engineering

**Goff, Bob.** Catching Whimsy: 365 Days of Possibility

**Grisham, John.** Framed: Astonishing True Stories of Wrongful Convictions

**MacLaine, Shirley.** The Wall of Life: Pictures and Stories from This Marvelous Lifetime

**Mahnke, Aaron.** Cabinet of Curiosities: A Historical Tour of the Unbelievable, the Unsettling, and the Bizarre

**Merkel, Angela.** Freedom: Memories 1954 2021

**Navalny, Alexei.** Patriot: A Memoir

**Pacino, Al.** Sonny Boy: A Memoir

**Patterson, James.** American Heroes

**Peterson, Jordan B.** We Who Wrestle with God: Perceptions of the Divine

**Presley, Lisa Marie.** From Here to the Great Unknown, A Memoir

**Seinfeld, Jessica.** Not Too Sweet: 100 Dessert Recipes for Those Who Want More with Just a Little Less

**Sethi, Ramit.** Money for Couples: No More Stress. No More Fights. Just a 10-Step Plan to Create Your Rich Life Together

**Slate, Jenny.** Lifeform

**Sobel, Dava.** The Elements of Marie Curie: How the Glow of Radium Lit a Path for Women in Science

**Stewart, Martha.** Martha: The Cookbook: 100 Favorite Recipes, with Lessons and Stories from My Kitchen

**TerKeurst, Lysa.** I Want to Trust You, But I Don't

**Trump, Melania.** Melania: A Memoir

**Tucci, Stanley.** What I Ate in One Year: (And Related Thoughts)

**Van Halen, Alex.** Brothers

**Wallace, Chris.** Countdown 1960: The Behind the Scenes Story of the 312 Days That Changed America's Politics Forever

**Zehme, Bill.** Carson the Magnificent

# KidsSpace *Fall 2024 Activities*

### Stories with Panda Bear
**The Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; November 5, 12, and 19; December 3, 10, and 17, at 10:00 a.m.**
Come join us for stories, songs, music, and a snack. This story time is for children ages 2–4.
To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### Baby Lap-Sit Story Time
**The Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Wednesdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30; November 6, 13, and 20; December 4, 11, and 18, at 10:00 a.m.**
Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. This story time is for children ages birth to two.
To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### Books and Busy Bees Story Time
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursdays, October 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31; November 7, 14, and 21, December 5, 12, and 19, at 10:00 a.m.**
Come enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft. This story time is for children ages 3–5.
To register, call (618) 433-2881.

### Story Time at Lucy's Playhouse
**Lucy Haskell's Playhouse, 1211 Henry Street, Alton**
**Fridays, October 18, November 15, and December 13, at 10:00 a.m.**
Come join Ms. Mary Kay and Panda Bear for a fun interactive story time at Lucy Haskell's Playhouse!
To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### Lego Club
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Tuesdays, October 8, November 12, and December 10, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
Join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces! The library will supply the Legos, or feel free to bring your own. Lego Club will meet on the second Tuesday of each month. This program is for children ages 6–11.
Limited space is available. To register, call (618) 433-2881.

### Bite-Size Science
**Fridays, October 4, November 1, and December 6**
This fun, monthly S.T.E.A.M.-themed program happens on the first Friday of each month. Staff will prepare interactive kits for children to take home that demonstrate different S.T.E.A.M. concepts such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to do the activity. Adult assistance will be required for some of the activities. This program is designed for children ages 7–10 years old. Kits may be picked up from the Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall.
For more information or to reserve a kit, call (618) 433-2881.

### Make-or-Take Crafts
**Mondays, October 7, November 4, and December 2**
Stop by the Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall and ask for your free Make-or-Take Craft. Crafts will be available on the first Monday of each month while supplies last.

### Smokey Bear's 80th Birthday Story Time
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursday, October 10, at 10:00 a.m.**
Help us celebrate Smokey Bear's 80th birthday with a visit from the Alton Fire Department, stories, a birthday treat, and a fire truck climb-through!
Limited space is available. To register, call (618) 433-2881.

### Stories and Yoga
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Thursday, October 17, at 10:00 a.m.**
Bring your little ones to our Stories and Yoga class offered by SonJoria Sydnor, owner and CEO of Our Family's Doing Yoga. SonJoria is the author of children's book *Our Family's Doing Yoga*. SonJoria will read her book, teach yoga poses, and play games with our young participants during this event.
To register, call (618) 433-2881.

## Bluey Party

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Performance Room**
**Saturday, November 9, at 10:00 a.m.**

Come join lovable Heeler puppies Bluey and Bingo and the KidsSpace staff for a magical hour of playing games, having a snack, and making a Bluey craft!
Limited space is available. To register, call (618) 433-2881.

## Kids Holiday Celebration

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Performance Room**
**Saturday, December 7, at 10:00 a.m.**

Come join us for a fun-filled day, starting with a performance by Ozum of Circus Kaput and ending with cookies and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus! Parents, don't forget your cameras!
To register, call (618) 433-2881.

## Kids Holiday Card Drop-In Station

**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**

Make a holiday card to share with someone special by visiting Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Monday, December 9, through Saturday, December 14, 2024, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

## Kids Holiday Ornament Drop-In Station

**The Downtown Library KidsSpace**

Drop by the Downtown Library KidsSpace between Monday, December 16, and Friday, December 20, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and make your very own holiday ornament. Available while supplies last.

## Treasures in the Library

Come to the Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall and follow the clues to see what treasures you can find. Treasure hunts will change biweekly. Stop by the KidsSpace desk for your first clue!

## Dial-A-Story

For over twenty years, Hayner Library patrons have adored Dial-A-Story. It's a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children—available from the comfort of your home! Dial-A-Story is available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year! Children may call (618) 462-TALE ((618) 462-8253) to listen to a short story recorded by a Hayner Library KidsSpace staff member. Each story lasts approximately three to five minutes and is geared toward young children. Stories change at the beginning of each month.

## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Reading Challenge

Calling all parents of children ages 0–4 years old! Did you know the enjoyable act of sharing books helps your child learn pre-reading skills that help prepare them for kindergarten? All children who register for *1000 Books Before Kindergarten* will have fun and receive prizes at each reading milestone. To register, visit haynerlibrary.beanstack.org and sign up today!
For more information, call (618) 433-2881.

## Reading Dragons

Do you like dragons, griffins, and unicorns? Do you want a new game to play with your friends? Then this is the challenge for you! For every thirty minutes that you read and log with the library, you earn a new mystical creature card. Watch as your dragon, unicorn, or griffin grows from an egg to an adult. It's easy! Come to the library to get your starter pack and start collecting today.
For more information, call (618) 433-2881.

## Summer Reading Program 2024 Recap "Read, Renew, Repeat"

Young patrons of The Hayner Public Library District participated in this year's exciting Summer Reading Program, "Read, Renew, Repeat." Children were asked to register online with Beanstack, our online reading software. This program helped young patrons manage, log, and measure their reading. KidsSpace staff worked hard to prepare reading activities and challenges that resulted in great fun! Young patrons in the program were offered weekly story times, crafts, games, and performances by an array of different performers. They also received weekly prizes and big prize tickets as a reward for their reading.

To end the Summer Reading Program, children were invited to a party where they were entertained by Mad Science of STL, received a free book, and enjoyed a delicious treat made by Mo'z Sweet Treats. Winners of the three big prizes were Daisy G. who won the Save the Bees basket; Mary Rose C., who won the Monarch Habitat basket; and Julia B., who won the FAHLO Animal Tracking Bracelets and books set. The traveling trophy was awarded to Evangelical School in Godfrey. We hope to see everyone next year at our 2025 Summer Reading Program, "Level Up at Your Library." Congratulations to all our readers for another great summer!

# TeenSpace

# *Fall 2024 Activities*

For more information about Teen programs and events, contact Megan at (618) 433-2872 or megan.dees@haynerlibrary.org.

## Teen Crime Stoppers

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, October 2, November 6, and December 4, at 4:00 p.m.**

Calling all true crime and murder mystery fans! Put on your detective hat and join other sleuths to solve a mystery at the library. Participants will work together to examine clues, read case files, and figure out whodunnit. This event is designed for teens ages 13-18.

## Teen Take-Home Crafts

**Mondays, October 7, November 4, and December 2**

Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and pick up a teen take-home craft! Kits will be distributed while supplies last.

## Graphic Novel Writers Guild

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, October 9, November 13, and December 11, at 5:00 p.m.**

If you love reading graphic novels, this program may be just what you've been waiting for! Come join us this fall for a three-class series on how to begin your own graphic novel.

## The Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, October 16, November 13, and December 11, at 4:00 p.m.**

What types of programs do you want to see at your library? Come be a part of the Teen Advisory Board, which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library! This group will meet on the second Wednesday of each month.

## Lego Challenge

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, October 23, November 20, and December 18, at 4:00 p.m.**

Do you love Legos? Bring a friend and come join other teens to create complex builds and win prizes!

## Harry Potter Book Day Event

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Saturday, October 12, at 4:00 p.m.**

Come join other Harry Potter fans for an evening of Harry Potter-themed crafts, games, snacks, and the viewing of Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone. Wear your Hogwarts best for a chance to win a Harry Potter-themed prize!

## TeenTober

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, October 16 and 30, at 5:00 p.m.**

TeenTober is a new nationwide celebration hosted by libraries every October. TeenTober aims to celebrate teens, promote year-round teen services, and highlight the innovative ways teen services help teens learn new skills and fuel their passions in and outside the library.

## Ugly Christmas Sweater Party

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center**
**Saturday, December 7, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Calling all ugly sweater owners! Join us for music, games, prizes, snacks, and good company. Wear your ugliest sweater, and you may be crowned this year's winner!

## Teen Summer Reading Program 2024 Recap "Read, Renew, Repeat"

The 2024 Teen Summer Reading Program, "Read, Renew, Repeat," challenged teens to keep their books open over the summer. We asked teens to go virtual using either the Beanstack app or the Beanstack website. Participants won weekly prizes for their diligent reading and were asked to participate in challenges, which allowed them to earn tickets for a chance to win the grand prize baskets. At the end of the five-week program, participants were invited to a party where they received a free book, played a round of endangered animal miniature golf, got a Henna tattoo, and enjoyed pizza.

This year's grand prize winners were Izzabelle S.C. and Madisyn M. Congratulations to our grand prize winners and all our participants for making this year's Teen Summer Reading Program so successful. We hope to see everyone at next year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Level Up at Your Library"!

# Vintage Voices 2024

Vintage Voices, now in its twenty-third year, will continue its tradition of guided walking tours in the Alton Cemetery on the first two weekends in October (October 5, 6, 12, and 13) from noon until 2:30 p.m. Tours will leave from the main gate of the cemetery (at Vine & 5th Streets) every fifteen to twenty minutes. A non-walking tour presentation will be held at St. Mary's Middle School, 1015 Milton Rd., Alton, IL, on Sunday, October 6, at 5:00 p.m.

Gail Drillinger will portray Mary Alice McCarthy (1862 – 1950), a teacher and principal at various schools in Alton, including McKinley, Lowell, Humboldt, and Lincoln. Annalynn Abbott and Talia McDonald will portray two of her students, Sarah Brueggeman and Violet Hermann respectively. McCarthy retired from school administration to take care of her elderly mother, and she was a quiet benefactor to many organizations in Alton, including First Baptist Church, where she was a member. When she died, her will contained thirty-three cash bequests totaling nearly $100,000, largely to Alton religious, charitable, welfare, and youth organizations or institutions.

Velva Parker will portray Anna Wilkerson Gillis Johnson (1873 – 1953), a native of Sparta, Illinois, who came to Alton to be a truant officer for the Black schools. Johnson was the president of the Colored Women's Civic League, a member of the committee on Negro Women and Children in Industry, and the secretary of the Alton Branch of the NAACP. She was a member of Union Baptist Church and often was a featured speaker at church functions.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the dedication of Camp Warren Levis, the Boy Scout camp located in Godfrey. Kevin Botterbush will portray Andrew T. Hawley Jr. (1867 – 1949) and will discuss the history of Camp Warren Levis. The Piasa Bird Council's first camping area was called Camp Hawley and was located just north of Route 100 in Godfrey. Camp Hawley became the sole property of the Boy Scouts when the deed was transferred by Andrew T. Hawley Jr. on April 1, 1924. Mr. and Mrs. George Levis funded the sale and added more land in memory of their son, Warren, who died in 1906. The council named the camp in his honor.

Debbie Maneke will portray Eleanor Mawdsley (1896 – 1972). Mawdsley was a forty-seven-year employee of the Family Service and Visiting Nurse Association and eventually became the executive director. She was referred to as the Alton area's "dean of social workers." Mawdsley was educated at Alton public schools, Shurtleff College, and Washington University. She was a long-time member of First Baptist Church, the Business and Professional Women's Club, and Zonta. In 1967, she received the Alton Exchange Club's "Book of Golden Deeds" award.

Latasha LeFlore-Porter will portray Elizabeth (Lizzie) Scott (1830 – 1905). Scott's obituary described her as "one of the best known and most respected colored residents of Alton." Scott lived in Alton for more than fifty years and worked in the home of Dr. B. K. Hart. In the 1850s, when a previously enslaved woman, Amanda Kitchell Chavers, came to Alton and a slavecatcher arrived to forcibly return her to slavery, Scott contributed to a fund to buy Chavers's freedom.

The story of Alton Sportsman's Park and the years of baseball played there will be told by three people. Archibald Daniels (1838 – 1918) was an umpire who lent his services to games played between "the Fats versus the Leans." He will be portrayed by Jeff Pruett. Jim Lieber will portray A. J. (Doc) Bushong (1856 – 1908), catcher for the world champion St. Louis Browns who played a game against an Alton team at Sportsman's Park in August 1886. The Browns won the World Series two months later. Sean Williams will portray Bill Gatewood (1881 – 1962), the first pitcher to throw a no-hitter in the Negro National League. Gatewood played for the St. Louis Giants, who played in Sportsman's Park against the Cuban Stars baseball club of Havana, Cuba, in 1916.

This year marks the 110th Anniversary of the Grandview Mausoleum at Alton Cemetery. Jake Tenberge will portray John Kremer (1853 – 1914), the first person entombed there. Kremer's funeral was held on April 8, 1914, and the formal dedication with speakers and musical selections played by a quartet took place in June. Kremer was a prominent businessman in Alton and, at one point, was president of the Alton liquor dealers' association. He had a beautiful voice and was a singer with the Maennerchor.

Mollie Stiritz (1868 – 1952), Dora Stiritz (1874 – 1951), and Julia Hochstuhl (1862 – 1934) will be portrayed by Rhonda Brown, Jean Heil, and Diana Kay. They will be visiting their brother Louis F. Stiritz's grave at the Grandview Mausoleum. Mollie Stiritz, Dora Stiritz, and Julia Hochstuhl ran the Clifton Terrace Hotel in the early 1900s. The Clifton Terrace Hotel was a beautiful resort on the Mississippi River that consisted of a twelve-room hotel and several cottages, a large kitchen, a dining room, and a dance hall. The twenty-seven-acre resort was accessible by boat, train, and automobile.

Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students ages 6-18. Tickets for the cemetery tour can be purchased online at https://vintagevoices.eventbrite.com, at Picture This & More at 17 East Broadway, Alton, IL, or at the main gate of the Alton Cemetery at least thirty minutes before the tours begin.

Tickets for the non-walking tour can be purchased online at https://vintagevoices.eventbrite.com or at Picture This & More at 17 East Broadway, Alton, IL.

The characters and themes of this year's tours were carefully selected by the Vintage Voices steering committee. Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff members provide research packets to the actors on the decedent they will portray. Actors write their own scripts and really do a fantastic job. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library also serves as a repository for Vintage Voices ephemera such as a complete set of the program booklets and many of the scripts written by actors over the years. All of these items are available to see in the library.

Proceeds from the Vintage Voices performances support the continuation of the event, upkeep of the Alton Cemetery, and various community organizations, including Hayner Library. Please come out to see our history come alive!

## *Wreaths Across America 2024*

Wreaths Across America is a grassroots movement begun in 1992 by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, and Teach," is carried out by wreath-laying ceremonies in cemeteries in all fifty states and beyond. The organization spreads its message about the importance of remembering the fallen, honoring those who serve, and teaching our children the value of freedom and the sacrifices made by veterans and their families through wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 14, 2024, our community will participate in this year's national Wreaths Across America event. The ceremony will start at 11:00 a.m. at the Alton National Cemetery, 600 Pearl Street, Alton, IL.

In 2023, through generous community donations, 560 wreaths were placed on the gravesites at our local national cemetery. Every dollar donated helps ensure each veteran is remembered. You can help continue this tradition by donating to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 181, Alton, IL 62002. The cost of each wreath is $17.00, or three wreaths may be purchased for $34.00.

For the eighth year, our local Wreaths Across America effort will offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their veteran loved one at other local cemeteries. Wreath reservations may be made Monday, November 11, 2024, through Sunday, December 1, 2024, by calling Sue Fitzgerald at (618) 530-1430.

Please support our community in carrying forward this mission to remember, honor, and teach. Join our nation in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own Christmas celebrations for all of us.

For more information, call or email Margaret Hopkins at (618) 570-8804 or hopkins1014@sbcglobal.net. To learn more, visit the Wreaths Across America website at www.wreathsacrossamerica.org.

## *Food for Fines: October Fine Amnesty Program*

Do you have some Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the trunk of your car? Food for Fines is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. From October 1 through October 31, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with a canned food item. The library will donate the food items to Crisis Food Center in Alton.

Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per overdue item. Only Hayner Library materials are eligible. Only non-expired, non-perishable food items are eligible for Food for Fines.

Of course, even if you don't have fines, please feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as Crisis Food Center -and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

## New in Our Illinois Room

***Black Settlements in Southern Illinois*** by Kimberly France (2024). IR 305.8960730773 FRA

***A Camera's View of Local History: Movies, Documentaries, and Other Productions*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library Genealogy & Local History Library (2023). IR 791.430977386 CAM

**[Catholic Children's Home vertical file].** IR VERTICAL FILE CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S HOME

***Cathy M. Williams & Sons Funeral Home Obituaries: Alton, Illinois*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library. IR 977.3865 CAT 2023

***Cumberland County Illinois, 1843-1993*** edited by Mildred "Millie Lee" Gentry Lindsay (1992). IR 977.373 CUM

***Harrison Funeral Chapel Obituaries: Alton, Illinois*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library. IR 977.3865 HAR 2023

***History of Calhoun County*** by George W. Carpenter (1934). IR LOCKED CASES 977.3853 CAR

***The Illinois Weekender (1972)*** IR 977.3 ILL 1972

***Inside Illinois: Mineral Resources*** by the Illinois State Geological Survey (1965). IR 552.0977 ILL

***Jean Laffite was Buried in Alton, Illinois*** by Alan Y. Harrison (2000). IR B LAFFITE

***The Journal of Jean Laffite: Its History and Controversy*** by Robert L. Schaadt (1999). IR B LAFFITE

***The Journal of Jean Laffite: The Privateer-Patriot's Own Story*** (reprint 2009). IR B LAFFITE

***Mules Go to War: A Tale of Floating Barns on the High Seas During World War II*** by Andy Crawford (1979). IR 358.25 CRA

**[Oasis Center for Women vertical file].** IR VERTICAL FILE OASIS CENTER FOR WOMEN

***Reminiscences of Col. A. F. Rodgers*** by Sara Rodgers Barnett IR 973.7473 BAR (ALSO DIGITIZED https://archive.org/details/reminiscences-of-col.-a.-f.-rodgers)

***Shawneetown Land Entry Plat Maps, 1814-1820, For the Counties of: Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Saline, Williamson Plus 1807 Squatters Maps for Hardin and Pope Counties*** compiled and indexed by Doris Nelson (1981). IR 977.39 NEL

***Souvenir Dedication of Marquette Monument at Grafton, Illinois: Sunday, September 1st, 1929*** IR LOCKED CASES 977.3855 SOU

***Those Were the Days of the Little German School House*** by Louise Schmidt (1990). IR 370.9773555 SCH

***A Translation of Lafitte Family Records From La Sainte Bible, a French Edition Bible Published in 1820*** translated from the French and transcribed by Melinda Barton. IR B LAFFITE

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## Branching Out 2024: Genealogy Classes

Hayner Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.

Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and everyone gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

**October 10** - Uncover Family with Cemetery Records

**October 17** - Discussion Group

**November 14** - Heroes in our History: Military Records

**November 21** - Discussion Group

**December 12** - All That's Fit to Print: Newspaper Research

**December 19** - Discussion Group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2024.

Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next.

For more information or to register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

## *Family History Tips from the Genealogy & Local History Library*

Do you want to know when and where your great grandparents were born, but you can't find any birth certificates? Here are some other sources of birth information.

First, double check with your parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. Does anyone know who their parents were? Is a family Bible lying around at someone's house? Old school records? Military papers? A fancy marriage certificate? Did someone keep newspaper clippings about family members?

If you strike out with family, look at their death records. If there are no death records, look for obituaries or funeral home records. Was a program passed out at their funeral? Funeral home and cemetery records include whatever birth information the family knew. No death or funeral home records? Look for other newspaper articles that were written about them when they were alive.

Look for them in the U.S. census. All household members' ages plus the country or U.S. state where they were born were recorded beginning in 1850.

Look for their marriage records. Applications for county marriage licenses asked for birth information. Don't forget church membership records!

Did your great grandparents immigrate to America? Their information on the ship passenger list will include their name and, sometimes, their age. Did they go through the process to become a citizen of the U.S.? That paperwork can include where and when they were born.

Did your great grandfather sign up to serve in a local militia in the 1800s? Register for the draft in the 1900s? Were either of them a veteran with an official military service record?

Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library staff will help you learn where and how to find all of this information about your ancestors and much more! Join us at Branching Out, our genealogy classes, or contact us to schedule an individual appointment at genealogy@haynerlibrary.org or (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892.

Beth Phillips
Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library

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## *Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Saturday, December 7, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Please join us for the 2024 Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House! Genealogy & Local History Library employee Reneé Johnson creates an absolutely beautiful Victorian-inspired holiday wonderland. We will have cookies, lemonade, and a brand-new Genealogy & Local History Library puzzle to put together in front of the fireplace. Enjoy the decorations, create family history crafts to take home, and buy your copy of the rhyming picture book *Alton ABC*! Staff members will also be available to help you think about ways to connect with your family history during holiday gatherings.

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## *Mississippi Lime's Currier and Ives Riverboat Era Prints Available for Sale*

Just in time for the holidays, Hayner Library will have Mississippi Lime Company prints available for sale at the Genealogy & Local History Library. The Mississippi Lime Company gave these high-quality lithographs to customers as Christmas gifts starting in the 1930s. Most of the prints are reproduced Currier and Ives images of the paddlewheel boat era and are suitable for framing. A selection of the reprints will be available for $15.00 each starting November 1. We will accept only check or cash payments, no credit or debit cards. Be sure to stop by the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL, and check out the selection of prints available for sale. They are sure to make a great gift or (oversized!) stocking stuffer for the art or history lover in your life.

## *Shelf Care: A Book Club That Happens Whenever, Wherever!*

Always wanted to join a book club and connect with other readers but haven't been able to make the time? We invite you to join Shelf Care, our new virtual book club!

Shelf Care is asynchronous: there are no meetings or dedicated discussion times! All discussion takes place online in our Shelf Care Facebook Group, so participation is entirely on your time and in your space - whenever and wherever that may be.

We'll read one book every two months and all selections can be checked out through the library. Here's what we're reading next:

**October** – *Silver Nitrate* by Silvia Moreno-Garcia

**December** – *Land of Milk and Honey* by C Pam Zhang

Scan the QR code to join us on Facebook:

## *DIY Automotive Repair? Hayner Has You Covered!*

As winter approaches, many of us think of car maintenance. If you'll be spending the cooler fall months in the garage working on a project car, doing routine maintenance on your daily driver, or just finally getting around to fixing an issue that cropped up last winter - *Auto Repair Source* is a great addition to your toolbox.

*Auto Repair Source* provides accurate, up-to-date service and repair information for thousands of domestic and imported vehicles as far back as 1974. This includes step-by-step repair information for all of your car's components, diagrams, maintenance schedules, labor estimates, service bulletins, and recalls – all from the Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM).

Using your Hayner Library card, you can access *Auto Repair Source* 24/7 from anywhere! To find it, visit www.haynerlibrary.org and select "Online Databases" from the "eBooks and Digital Collections" menu.

## *TumbleBook Library: Free eBooks for Children*

TumbleBook Library is a curated database of children's ebooks, available for free with your Hayner Library card. Perfect for children ages kindergarten through sixth grade, TumbleBook Library has over 1,100 titles and includes animated talking picture books, read-along chapter books, nonfiction books and videos, graphic novels, and curated playlists. TumbleBook Library even has books in Spanish and French. TumbleBook Library is free to use and can be accessed from your home computer, phone, tablet, or mobile device. Visit www.haynerlibrary.org and select "eBooks and Digital Magazines" from the "eBooks and Digital Collections" menu, or download the TumbleBook Library app from your device's app store. Explore literacy in a fun and interactive way! A valid Hayner Library card is needed to access this collection.

## *Creativebug: A Digital Crafting and Arts Platform*

Creativebug is a high-quality, on-trend arts and crafts instructional video platform that allows users on-demand access to thousands of classes for artists and makers of all levels. Users can enjoy award-winning HD instructional videos on drawing, painting, sewing, knitting, crocheting, quilting, baking, and more. All classes are taught by experts, with new classes added daily. The platform also offers downloadable patterns, templates, and recipes. Creativebug offers classes for adults and children. Creativebug is optimized for mobile and tablet access, so it's easy to use and enjoy from all your favorite devices. The Creativebug app is available via iTunes and Google Play. Please note that you must create a Creativebug account online before downloading the app. Creativebug is available to Hayner Library cardholders 24/7. To create a free Creativebug account, visit www.haynerlibrary.org and select "Online Databases" from the "eBooks and Digital Collections" menu. A valid Hayner Library card is needed to access this collection.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Summer 2024 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! All programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *Adult Fall Scavenger Hunt*

**October 1 – October 31**

Join us for our 2024 Adult Fall Scavenger Hunt! Hayner Library patrons ages eighteen and older can enter to win fun prizes by participating in a scavenger hunt around town and playing themed word games! Patrons will receive a raffle ticket for each item found in the scavenger hunt and an additional five raffle tickets for each of the word games completed.

This program will run through the month of October. The winners will be drawn on November 1. Prizes include a 3-in-1 outdoor firepit, a Crosley 3-speed Bluetooth suitcase vinyl record player, and a 1.7L electric water kettle with temperature gauge.

Register at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library starting October 1!

## *The 2024 Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl*

**October 1 – October 31**

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce our participation in the Illinois Heartland Library System's sixth annual Library Crawl. There are over 125 libraries in this year's crawl!

Participating in the library crawl is easy. Pick up an IHLS Library Crawl passport from any Hayner Library location, have your passport stamped by at least five participating libraries, and then return your passport to any Hayner Library location for a chance to win our grand prize drawing. All participating patrons who visit a Hayner Library location will receive a small prize (while supplies last).

To show off where you have traveled, use #IHLSLibraryCrawl2024 on social media! The IHLS Library Crawl is a fun way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit other libraries and experience the vast array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state.

Please note: Hayner Library cardholders can pick up and drop off their passports at any Hayner Library location. All other IHLS member library cardholders should pick up and drop off their passports at their home libraries. Only Hayner Library patrons are eligible to win our grand prize drawing, a canvas "due date" tote with matching travel pouch, "due date" coasters, a reading-themed enamel mug, and a copy of the board game *Really Loud Librarians*!

## *State Senator Erica Harriss to Host Fall Traveling Office Hours at Hayner Library*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Tuesday, October 1, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

State Senator Erica Harriss will hold traveling office hours at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall in October. Traveling office hours are a way for Senator Harriss and her staff to assist residents with a wide variety of services, including navigating state agencies and connecting residents with available resources on state government-related issues.

## *Haunted Hayner: History & Hauntings*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Wednesday, October 2, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Kick off spooky season with Hayner Library's first Haunted Hayner ghost tour! Patrons ages eighteen and older are invited to join us as we discuss the history of Hayner Library, why Alton is so haunted, and talk Ghost 101 with the gang from Alton Odyssey Tours. After, guests are welcome to stay and do some ghost hunting! The event will start in our Genealogy & Local History Library and end in our Downtown Library on Belle Street.

Ghost hunting equipment courtesy of Alton Odyssey Tours will be provided to use during the tour, but feel free to bring your own, as supplies are limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Registration is limited to forty people.

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## *American Gothic: The Art and Politics of America's Most Famous Painting - Dee Kilgo, Ph.D.*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Wednesday, October 2, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Grant Wood's *American Gothic* painting is one of the world's most famous and most parodied artworks. Despite its iconic status in popular culture, few people know the incredible story behind the creation and politics of this work. Dee's lecture tells how and why Wood created this painting and what prompted its meteoric rise to fame in 1930.

Alton native Dee Kilgo, Ph.D., is Professor Emerita of Art History at Illinois State University. Dee lectures widely on art in popular culture. She currently resides in Dunedin, FL and Godfrey, IL.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Wrestling at the Chase: An Evening with Ed Wheatley*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, October 15, at 6:30 p.m.**

How can four simple words, "Wrestling at the Chase," stir such vivid and special memories across multiple generations? When Sam Muchnick and Harold Koplar had a chance conversation on a plane in the fall of 1958, they had no idea that their unique idea would turn into the iconic program *Wrestling at the Chase*. Spanning multiple generations of fans, the show's premiere in 1959 would launch a phenomenon and the onset of professional wrestling's golden years. St. Louis became the wrestling capital of the world. Today, the WWE rules television and arenas nationwide, but without the leadership and promotion of *Wrestling at the Chase*, it may never have reached the standing it enjoys today.

Hundreds of men and women, dressed to the nines, would be drawn ringside every Saturday night in the Khorasan Room of the opulent Chase Park Plaza Hotel while hundreds of thousands more tuned in at the stroke of nine to enjoy the spectacle. They would marvel at heroes sporting monikers such as Bruiser, the Fabulous Moolah, Gorgeous George, King Kong, and Nature Boy. Then, the next morning, a brand-new audience of thousands would tune in for the re-airing of the show. The fans loved it. Since most Americans couldn't cheer their idols in person, Sam Muchnick, the Vince McMahon of his day, brought wrestling to the living rooms across America.

Emmy Award-winning producer Ed Wheatley brings the story of professional wrestling's rise to prominence in his exciting, ride-of-a-lifetime book, *Wrestling at the Chase*. The book is filled with hundreds of photos, stories, and personal tales from those involved both inside and outside the ring. See how the stool's three legs (the location, the delivery, and the product) came together in *Wrestling at the Chase* to support nearly three decades of entertainment that still provides countless memories for past, current, and future generations. Wheatley's book became the basis for the Emmy Award-nominated film *Head Over Heels – Remembering Wrestling at the Chase*, recently shown on the PBS network.

Ed Wheatley is an award-winning and bestselling author, film producer, and sports historian. He is also a weekly sports contributor on a St. Louis drive-time radio program. His books documenting sports history in St. Louis have received numerous accolades, and the documentary adaptations of his books have earned him several Emmy Award nominations. Please join us for an evening filled with reminiscences that will definitely send you home with a smile.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Hayner Cookbook Club*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, October 15: *The Magnolia Bakery Handbook* by Bobbie Lloyd**
**Wednesday, December 11: Cookbook Selection TBD**
**6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Let's get cooking at Hayner Library! Come join us for our first Cookbook Club event. To participate, stop by the Circulation desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, choose a recipe from the cookbook on display, and register on the sign-up sheet. Hayner Library staff will mark your recipe and make a copy for you to take home. Create your masterpiece and bring it to share at the Cookbook Club event! Please bring the recipe copy to display next to your yummy creation. Coffee, tea, plates, and utensils will be provided.

December's cookbook will be on display after the October event.

## *Library 101: Getting the Most from Your Public Library: Navigating and Utilizing Hayner Library's Collections, Programs, and Services*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, October 16, at 10:00 a.m.**
**Wednesday, October 23, at 6:30 p.m.**

How much do you know about the collections, programs, and services Hayner Library offers? Find out during this informative presentation! Executive Director Mary Cordes will discuss everything Hayner Library-related, including how to register for a library card, the types of library cards available to residents of Illinois, how interlibrary loan services work, how to navigate the library's website and online card catalog, a synopsis of all Hayner Library digital collections and databases—including Cloud Library, Libby, and Biblio+, and how to download and use the SHARE Mobile Library app. She will also explain the many programs and services available to Hayner Library patrons, including homebound delivery, Library of Things, seed library, story times, lectures, classes, and much more. Bring a friend and discover all the fantastic (and free) benefits of being a public library patron!

No registration is necessary for this program.

## *Avoiding Scams and Scammers (Rescheduled from August)*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, October 16, at 6:00 p.m.**

Scams come in all shapes and sizes, and as scammers come up with new, creative ways to adapt to changing technology, they are becoming more and more prevalent. According to the Federal Trade Commission, there were 2.6 million fraud reports in the U.S. in 2023, with $10 billion reported lost—the highest ever!

We invite you to join us in taking an in-depth look at different kinds of scams and how to identify them, steps you can take to protect yourself, and what to do if you believe you've been scammed.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Fall Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, October 18, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Grab a book and your coziest sweater and head to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for our Fall Reading Retreat! Enjoy fall treats (think apple and pumpkin flavored items), hot cocoa, tea, and coffee, paint a wooden pumpkin to add to your fall décor, chat about books, and take some time to read one too! You're welcome to bring your own drink, treat, or anything else to help put you in the reading mood.

Not sure what to read? Clear up your "to be read" list, check out a library book before you join us, use this time to finish a super-long book you've been intimidated by, read a couple of short stories, or cycle through a few books four or five chapters at a time. This is an open house-style program, so please feel free to stay for a short while or the entire time.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Exploring the Legacy of the 1904 World's Fair through Fiction – Sara Angleton and Jana Meehan*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Saturday, October 19, at 10:00 a.m.**

In 1904, all eyes were on the City of St. Louis, and on the largest, most ambitious fair the world had ever seen. The works of local authors Jana Meehan and Sarah Angleton explore the environment of this impactful event through stories of love, crime, and intrigue against a backdrop of the fascinating sights, experiences, innovations, and impressions of St. Louis's World's Fair. Join them as they discuss their research, the challenges of representing the era through fiction, and the lasting legacy of the fair in St. Louis and around the world.

Sarah Angleton is the author of four historical novels, including *Paradise on the Pike*, a mystery set at Hagenbeck's Zoological Paradise and Trained Animal Circus on the grounds of the 1904 World's Fair. Jana Meehan is the author of four novels including *Where the Lights are Shining*, a World's Fair romantic adventure, and is the editor of the monthly *World's Fair Bulletin*, the main publication of the 1904 World's Fair Society.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Open House*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Saturday, November 2, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to guide you through the DAR application process. Don't think you have a soldier in your family? There's also the more general category of "Patriotic Service," which includes things like members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity.

Admission is free, and registration is not necessary. For any updates, please check the Ninian Edwards DAR Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/NinianEdwardsAltonILNSDAR

## *The Semples of Alton – George Provenzano, Ph.D.*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Wednesday, November 13, at 6:00 p.m.**

In 1836, General James Semple moved from Edwardsville to Alton to take advantage of better opportunities for real estate development in what then was a very rapidly growing city on the Mississippi River. For the next fourteen years, Semple and his family lived in a large country home in Semple Town [North Alton], a residential subdivision that he platted in a picturesque setting on elevated acreage just north of Alton.

When he moved to Alton, Semple was serving as Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives in the Illinois General Assembly. He had been elected to three consecutive terms as representative from Madison County. In two of these terms, Semple served concurrently with an awkward-looking, ambitious politician from Sangamon County named Abraham Lincoln.

While living in Alton, Semple would continue his political career: first serving as President Martin Van Buren's appointee as Charge de Affaires to Bogota, New Granada [Columbia] in South America, then as justice of the Illinois Supreme Court, and finally as U.S. Senator from Illinois. During these years, Semple also devoted considerable time and personal wealth toward demonstrating the technical and economic feasibility of a giant steam-powered locomotive that utilized large, drum-like wheels to run on a trackless roadbed—Semple's patented invention that became known as the prairie car.

George Provenzano is a historian and retired economist. He has published several articles on General James Semple, Abraham Lincoln, and Illinois before the Civil War.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company*

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton**
**Thursday, November 14: Book Title: *James: A Novel* by Percival Everett**
**Social Hour: 6:00 p.m.**
**Book Discussion: 7:00 p.m.**

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our November book selection *James: A Novel* by Percival Everett. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. The Taps & Tomes book selection can be checked out at Hayner Library and is also available through the Cloud Library and OverDrive Libby digital platforms.

No registration is required.

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## *Puzzle Me This*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Saturday, November 16, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Which four-person team will take home the prize for the fastest completion, and which team will shine through the accompanying historical trivia? Puzzlers and puzzle fans are invited to join us for the Hayner Library Fall Puzzle Competition. For this special event, Genealogy & Local History Library staff are once again collaborating with Alton High School Graphic Communication students to create a one-of-a-kind image that speaks to the history of Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township. These puzzles will be produced only for the competition.

Registered participants may arrive fifteen minutes early to settle into their tables. The competition starts promptly at 11:00 a.m. and ends when the puzzles are complete or at 2:00 p.m. Audience members are welcome to come and go quietly throughout the competition.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Space is limited, so assemble your team of four and register today!

## *We're Hiring! Illinois Department of Human Services In-Person Recruitment Presentation*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, November 19, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

Please join the Illinois Department of Human Services for a unique opportunity that allows individuals to explore career paths in the public sector. This event offers a platform for meaningful dialogue, fostering connections, and potential employment opportunities across diverse state government roles. The IDHS recruitment team will cover topics related to applying for state positions, state profile creation, and other best practices when applying for careers with the State of Illinois. A question-and-answer session will take place after the presentation. No registration is required for this program. Copies of the presentation will be emailed to all attendees.

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## *Switchback: A Celtic Christmas*

**Benjamin Godfrey Chapel, Lewis & Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL**
**Sunday, December 8, at 2:00 p.m.**

They're back! The amazing duo of Brian Fitzgerald and Martin McCormack, who perform as Switchback, are returning to bring us a wonderful holiday program. Don't miss another chance to see these award-winning musicians playing selections from their holiday album, *Celtic Requests*, and favorites from their original songbook—truly a show for the whole family! Join us for this event that has become a great holiday tradition for our community. This program is jointly presented by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Sacred Spaces of CARE Training Series*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
To register for one or more programs in this training series, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration will be limited to thirty people per program.

**Youth Drug Trends and Substance Use Prevention**
**Wednesday, October 9, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
Co-facilitators Tracy Hancock (Community Outreach Specialist with Chestnut Health Systems - Prevention) and Mark Knott (Madison and St. Clair County ROSC Coordinator with Metro East Recovery Council) will discuss drug trends, tools and strategies for prevention, and start a conversation on substance use.

**Trauma and Its Impact on our Mind and Body**
**Wednesday, October 23, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
Angie Darden (Case Manager and Parent Educator at Refuge) will give a presentation on trauma education, ACES, and the impact on both the mind and body. Ashley Brewer (Special Education Coordinator at Ladue School District) will share additional information on trauma, specifically behavior as communication, and the effect trauma has on learning.

**Health Habits and Hangups: Tools to Promote Wellness**
**Wednesday, November 6, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
Megan Tyler (Executive Director of Sacred Spaces of CARE) and Sherry McCrady (Therapist with Luminous Life Coaching) will discuss relationships and social influences, emotional regulation, and share tools for wellness.

**Shared Lived Experience: Navigating and Connecting to Systems of Support for Mental Health and Other Needs**
**Wednesday, November 20, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
Jake Dunavant (Outreach Coordinator with Illinois Recovery Center) will share a narrative of lived experience, supportive systems, family systems, and discuss healthy and unhealthy coping mechanisms. Eli Horner (Program Manager with the Madison County Mental Health Board) will discuss system navigation and connection to supports, becoming an advocate, involvement in community spaces, supporting our youth population, and more.

## *The 90-Day Weather Outlook—Plus, This is Not the Winter of Your Youth - An Evening with Mike Roberts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Wednesday, December 11, at 6:30 p.m.**

Join us for an engaging and informative evening as veteran meteorologist Mike Roberts discusses everyone's favorite topic: the weather! This program will not only provide insights on what to expect as we approach the winter solstice from December through February, but also encourage interactive participation. Discover why the new normal is not normal for those who grew up in the twentieth century.

Mike Roberts is a veteran meteorologist with over thirty-five years of experience in television weather. He began in 1979 at WWTV in Cadillac, Michigan, and continued until 2016 at KSDK in St. Louis, where he won four regional Emmy Awards. In 2014, Mike received the first Archbishop Robert J. Carlson Excellence in Communication Award from the St. Louis Archdiocese.

Since retiring from television, Mike has provided forecasts for My Mix 94.3 Radio in Alton and the Covenant Catholic Radio network, where he also presents "Saint of The Day." He also teaches theology at Marquette Catholic High School.

Mike holds a Bachelor of Atmospheric Science degree from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, and a Bachelor of Broadcast Journalism degree from Central Michigan University.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, October 8 and 22; November 5 and 19; December 3 and 17, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating. No registration is necessary.

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## *Illinois Libraries Present*

Back for another season of exciting, high-profile virtual events, our partnership with Illinois Libraries Present* brings bestselling authors and nationally-recognized presenters to you! These events are 100% online, and registration is required. Find registration information and more for each event on our Events Calendar at www.haynerlibrary.org.

**October 9 at 7:00 p.m. – Being Imperfect with Erika Sánchez**
**October 22 at 7:00 p.m. – Raise Your Voice with Jason Reynolds *(youth program)***
**November 20 at 7:00 p.m. – Holiday Tips & Tricks with Chef Art Smith**
**December 10 at 7:00 p.m. – The Magic of Raina Telgemeier *(youth program)***
**December 20 to December 22 – Experience *Little Women: The Musical***

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## *Writers Circle*

Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in! Refreshments will be provided for these adult writing events designed for both the novice and the experienced.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Registration is limited to ten people.

**Writers Circle: Eerie Edition**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, October 26, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Writers Circle: Flash Fiction**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, November 16, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

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## *What Do I Read Next?*

What do the books *A Legacy of Spies, The Voyage of the Dawn Treader, A Song of Ice and Fire,* and *The Dragonfly in Amber* have in common? They're each a title within a book series! If you enjoy a good book series, the following websites will come in handy:

**Stop, You're Killing Me** -– This website is a terrific resource for mystery, crime, thriller, spy, and suspense book lovers. It profiles over 5,200 authors and contains chronological lists of their books (over 60,000 titles). Looking for something new to read? This site also includes indexes for the location, job, and historical period of fictional main characters and a diversity and genre index. www.stopyourekillingme.com

**Fantastic Fiction** — Keeping track of the chronological order of titles in a book series can feel like a full-time job for bookworms. For example, author Nora Roberts has penned thirty different book series! This site allows readers to search and browse the bibliographies of over 50,000 bestselling fiction authors of all genres in chronological order. www.fantasticfiction.co.uk

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## *Wowbrary — The Online "New Book" Shelf Delivered to Your Inbox Each Week*

Keep track of every new item added to the Hayner Library collection every week with Wowbrary, a free email newsletter. Published weekly, Wowbrary highlights top new books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, and even online magazines added to the Hayner Library collection during the week. Browsing categories include "Top 20 Choices," along with other fiction and nonfiction lists for adults, teens, and children. What makes Wowbrary different from generic lists? It only highlights new materials added to the Hayner Library collection.

Wowbrary makes new items easy to browse and allows you to immediately reserve any item that strikes your fancy. It is free, published weekly, and can be received as an email or RSS feed. Visit www.wowbrary.org and sign up today!

# *Non-Traditional Library Items Available for Checkout in the Library of Things*

The Hayner Public Library District's Library of Things collection is available for checkout! The Library of Things is a collection of non-traditional items: gadgets, tools, games, kits, electronics, and more—all available for free with a Hayner Library card. Need something for a one-time project or want to try before you buy? Explore the collection and discover your next new thing to borrow!

**Things to Know:**

- Library of Things collections are available at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.
- Each location has unique items, with only a few duplicates of high-demand items such as projectors and screens.
- Only Hayner Library cardholders, age eighteen and older, with fines under $5.00, can check out items from the Library of Things.
- Patrons must have a Hayner Library card for at least two weeks before checking out items from the Library of Things.
- Overdue fines for Library of Things items are $1.00 per item per day.
- Holds may be placed on Library of Things items.
- Patrons may check out up to three items from the Library of Things at one time.
- Patrons must sign a waiver before checking out items from the Library of Things.
- More rules and policies apply. Library staff is always happy to answer patrons' questions regarding the Library of Things.

**What's in the Library of Things?**
**Downtown Library Collection:**

- Piano keyboard
- Tool kit
- Croquet set
- Digital tire pressure gauge
- Bosch self-leveling cross-line laser level and Craftsman stud sensor kit
- Video-to-digital converter
- Multipurpose speaker system with microphone
- Epson projector
- Toss and catch game set
- Foxwell CAN OBDII & EOBD automotive code reader
- Ghost hunting kit
- Globe
- KanJam outdoor game
- Knitting and crochet set
- Projector screen with tripod stand
- Handheld microphone
- Folding hand truck
- Sports ball bag (soccer ball, basketball, and football)
- TI-84 Plus calculator
- Training sports cones
- Bubble machine

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Collection:**

- Ring light with tall tripod stand and phone holder
- Lyre harp
- Cake cutters (numbers)
- Stand mixer
- Baking kit (hand mixer, measuring cups and spoons, sifter, and rolling pin)
- Microscope
- Bundt pan
- Chess and checkers set
- DeWalt drive tool accessory set
- DeWalt metric combination wrench set
- Green screen
- Epson projector
- Bocce set
- Cornhole game set
- Dough baking set (dough blender, pastry scraper, biscuit cutter set, and silicone mat)
- Kodak Scanza digital film scanner
- Portable fish finder
- Leaf scoops
- Pickleball set
- Metal detector
- Projector screen with tripod stand
- Victrola record player with Bluetooth speakers
- Springform cake pan set
- Monster outdoor speaker
- Podcast kit

For more information about the Library of Things, including a complete list of items in the collection, instruction manuals, and rules for using the collection, please visit https://www.haynerlibrary.org/library-of-things/ or stop by Hayner Library and take a look!

The Hayner Public Library District

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Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall
132 Alton Square Mall Dr., Alton
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
401 State Street, Alton
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

# *Expand Your Digital Horizons with New e-Resources*

We are excited to announce that Hayner Library now offers access to over 50 new and specialized e-resources from EBSCO, provided by The Secretary of State and Illinois State Library! These new e-resources include:

**Biography Reference Source**
- More than 390,000 biographies

**EBSCO eBooks Cricket Media Subscription Collection**
- Short-form fiction and nonfiction titles for building literacy skills in pre-K to 8th grade students

**Ethnic Diversity Source**
- Full-text database covering the culture, social treatment, and experiences of ethnic groups in America

**Home Improvement Source**
- Includes maintenance, remodeling, electrical work, plumbing, wood projects, outdoor improvements, decorating, home & garden, etc.

**Legal Information Source**
- Thousands of legal forms by topic, including bankruptcy, divorce, wills, and more

**LGBTQ+ Source**
- Scholarly and popular LGBTQ+ publications in full text, plus historically important primary sources, including monographs, magazines, newspapers, and videos

**Points of View Reference Source**
- Presents multiple sides of over 500 issues

**Small Business Source**
- Covers all aspects of starting and operating a business

Hayner Library cardholders have 24/7 access to these resources and more for at-home use. They are also available to non-Hayner Library cardholders at all three Hayner Library locations during normal library hours.

To find them, visit www.haynerlibrary.org/digital-resources-collections/online-databases

# The Hayner Public Library District

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The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
January 1, New Year's Day
January 20, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 17, Presidents' Day

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## *Keep Up-to-Date with Hayner Library on Riverbender.com's Our Daily Show and with Our Weekly Email Newsletter!*

As patrons of Hayner Library know, the library is more than just books. We offer many programs, services, and collections for patrons of all ages—and we're always adding more!

There are many ways to keep up with everything that's happening at the library. Quarterly, we mail our print newsletter to each household in the District, our monthly KidsSpace and TeenSpace newsletters are available on our website and at the library, and our social media accounts are updated daily.

We also have a regular segment entitled "Beyond the Shelves with Hayner Library" on Riverbender.com's *Our Daily Show*. Visit Riverbender.com on the first and last Monday of each month at 10:30 a.m. to learn about all the exciting free programs, services, and collections at Hayner Library. We will also feature staff, patrons, and Board members discussing why they love the library and believe Hayner Library is a vital asset to our community. We will post the segments on our social media accounts so that you can easily share the information with your family and friends.

We also offer a weekly email to keep you updated on everything happening at the library throughout the week. Visit www.haynerlibrary.org to sign up, or ask a Library Assistant to add your email address to our mailing list!

## *Hayner Library Available for Community Outreach Presentations*

Hayner Library is more than just books—and we'd love the opportunity to tell you more about the services and programs that we offer. If you belong to an organization in Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township and you're looking for a guest speaker, please call Hayner Library Executive Director Mary Cordes at (618) 433-2877 or email mary.cordes@haynerlibrary.org.

## *Inclement Weather Closing Information*

Winter is just around the corner, bringing the potential for snow and ice. To ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If bad wintery weather is in the forecast, please call the library, visit the Hayner Library website, or check our social media pages before visiting one of our locations. Drive carefully!

## FICTION—

**Armstrong, Kelley.** Cold as Hell: A Haven's Rock Novel

**Bailey, Tessa.** Dream Girl Drama

**Balogh, Mary.** Remember When Clarissa's Story (Ravenswood Novel)

**Beaton, M.C.** Death of a Smuggler (Hamish Macbeth)

**Benedict, Marie.** The Queens of Crime

**Berry, Steve.** The Medici Return (Cotton Malone)

**Black, Lisa.** Not Who We Expected

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Jackal's Mistress

**Bowen, Rhys.** Silent as the Grave (Molly Murphy)

**Box, C. J.** Battle Mountain (Joe Pickett)

**Brennan, Allison.** See How They Hide (Quinn & Costa)

**Brown, Sandra.** Blood Moon

**Burke, Alafair.** The Note

**Childs, Laura.** High Tea and Misdemeanors

**Coben, Harlan.** Nobody's Fool

**Cosimano, Elle.** Finlay Donovan Digs Her Own Grave

**Crais, Robert.** The Big Empty (Cole & Pike)

**Dailey, Janet.** Lie for a Million

**Davis, Fiona.** The Stolen Queen

**Deveraux, Jude.** Order of Swans

**Dodd, Christina.** Girl Anonymous

**Donoghue, Emma.** The Paris Express

**Eskens, Allen.** The Quiet Librarian

**Estleman, Loren D.** Smoke on the Water (Amos Walker)

**Farnsworth, Christopher.** Robert B. Parker's Buried Secrets (Jesse Stone)

**Feeney, Alice.** Beautiful Ugly

**Finder, Joseph.** The Oligarch's Daughter

**Freeman, Brian.** Robert Ludlum's the Bourne Vendetta

**French, Nicci.** The Last Days of Kira Mullan

**Genova, Lisa.** More or Less Maddy

**Gerritsen, Tess.** The Summer Guests (Martini Club)

**Greaney, Mark.** Midnight Black (Gray Man)

**Grippando, James.** Grave Danger: A Jack Swyteck Novel

**Hazelwood, Ali.** Deep End

**Hendrix, Grady.** Witchcraft for Wayward Girls

**Holmes, Linda.** Back After This

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Nemesis: An Orphan X Novel

**Jenoff, Pam.** Last Twilight in Paris

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Open Season: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** Shattering Dawn

**Lipman, Elinor.** Every Tom, Dick & Harry

**Maguire, Gregory.** Elphie: A Wicked Childhood

**Mallery, Susan.** Beach Vibes

**McAllister, Gillian.** Famous Last Words

**McConaghy, Charlotte.** Wild Dark Shore

**McFadden, Freida.** The Crash

**Meissner, Susan.** A Map to Paradise

**Michaels, Fern.** Fight or Flight

**Mosley, Walter.** Been Wrong So Long It Feels Like Right: A King Oliver Novel

**Moyes, Jojo.** We All Live Here

**Murray, Victoria Christopher.** Harlem Rhapsody

**Nesbø, Jo.** Blood Ties

**Patterson, James.** Holmes is Missing (Holmes, Margaret & Poe)

**Patterson, James.** Paranoia (Michael Bennett)

**Patterson, James.** The Texas Murders

**Patterson, James.** The Writer: A Thriller

**Peters, Amanda.** Waiting for the Long Night Moon: Stories

**Raybourn, Deanna.** Kills Well with Others

**Robb, J. D.** Bonded in Death

**Rollins, James.** A Dragon of Black Glass (Moonfall)

**Sandford, John.** Lethal Prey

**Shalvis, Jill.** Better Than Friends

**Sittenfeld, Curtis.** Show Don't Tell: Stories

**Steel, Danielle.** Far From Home

**Steel, Danielle.** Never Say Never

**Turow, Scott.** Presumed Guilty

**Tyler, Anne.** Three Days in June

**Unger, Lisa.** Close Your Eyes and Count to 10

**Willig, Lauren.** The Girl from Greenwich Street: A Novel of Hamilton, Burr, and America's First Murder Trial

**Yarros, Rebecca.** Onyx Storm (Empyrean)

## NONFICTION—

**Adlington, Lucy.** Four Red Sweaters. Powerful True Stories of Women and the Holocaust

**Alford, Henry.** I Dream of Joni: A Portrait of Joni Mitchell in 53 Snapshots

**Baker, Josephine.** Fearless and Free: A Memoir

**Beck, Martha.** Beyond Anxiety: Curiosity, Creativity, and Finding Your Life's Purpose

**Bloom, Sahil.** The 5 Types of Wealth: A Transformative Guide to Design Your Dream Life

**Brooks, Geraldine.** Memorial Days: A Memoir

**Brown, Alton.** Food for Thought: Essays and Ruminations

**Comer, James.** All the President's Money: Investigating the Secret Foreign Schemes That Made the Biden Family Rich

**Dawson, Kate Winkler.** The Sinners All Bow: Two Authors, One Murder, and the Real Hester Prynne

**Dezenhall, Eric.** Wiseguys and the White House: Gangsters, Presidents, and the Deals They Made

**Dowd, Maureen.** Notorious: Portraits of Stars from Hollywood, Culture, Fashion, and Tech

**Fisher, Jefferson.** The Next Conversation: Argue Less, Talk More

**Franke, Shari.** The House of My Mother: A Daughter's Quest for Freedom

**Gillon, Steven M.** Presidents at War: How World War II Shaped a Generation of Presidents, from Eisenhower and JFK Through Reagan and Bush

**Hayes, Chris.** The Sirens' Call: How Attention Became the World's Most Endangered Resource

**Knox, Amanda.** Free: My Search for Meaning

**Leith, Prue.** Life's Too Short to Stuff a Mushroom. Really Good Food Without the Fuss

**Levy, Buddy.** Realm of Ice and Sky: Triumph, Tragedy, and History's Greatest Arctic Rescue

**Lewkowicz, Josef.** The Survivor: How I Made It Through Six Concentration Camps and Became a Nazi Hunter

**Longo, Valter.** Fasting Cancer: How Fasting and Nutritechnology Are Creating a Revolution in Cancer Prevention and Treatment

**Meltzer, Brad.** The JFK Conspiracy: The Secret Plot to Kill Kennedy—And Why It Failed

**Miller, Donald.** Building a Storybrand 2.0: Clarify Your Message So Customers Will Listen

**Morrison, Susan.** Lorne: The Man Who Invented Saturday Night Live

**O'Connor, Mary-Frances.** The Grieving Body: How the Stress of Loss Can Be an Opportunity for Healing

**Oliver, Jamie.** Simply Jamie: Fast & Simple Food

**Orman, Suze.** The Ultimate Retirement Guide for 50+: Winning Strategies to Make Your Money Last a Lifetime (Updated for 2025)

**Pearl, Matthew.** Save Our Souls: The True Story of a Castaway Family, Treachery, and Murder

**Perry, Imani.** Black in Blues: How a Color Tells the Story of My People

**Shields, Brooke.** Brooke Shields Is Not Allowed to Get Old: Thoughts on Aging as a Woman

**Sielski, Mike.** Magic in the Air: The Myth, the Mystery, and the Soul of the Slam Dunk

**Steves, Rick.** On the Hippie Trail: Istanbul to Kathmandu and the Making of a Travel Writer

**Strobel, Lee.** Seeing the Supernatural: Investigating Angels, Demons, Mystical Dreams, Near Death Encounters, and Other Mysteries of the Unseen World

**Vuolo, Jinger Duggar.** People Pleaser: Breaking Free from the Burden of Imaginary Expectations

**Watts, Naomi.** Dare I Say It: Everything I Wish I'd Known about Menopause

**Wiking, Meik.** The Art of Danish Living: How the World's Happiest People Find Joy at Work

**Zusak, Markus.** Three Wild Dogs (and the Truth): A Memoir

# KidsSpace *Winter 2025 Activities*

**Stories with Panda Bear**
**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, and March 4, 11, 18, 25, at 10:00 a.m.**
Come join us for stories, songs, music, and a snack. This story time is for children ages 2–4.
To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Baby Lap-Sit Story Time**
**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Wednesdays, January 8, 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, and March 5, 19, 26, at 10:00 a.m.**
Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. This story time is for children ages birth–2.
To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

**Books and Busy Bees Story Time**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursdays, January 9, 16, 23, 30, February 6, 13, 20, 27, and March 6, 13, 20, 27, at 10:00 a.m.**
Come enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft. This story time is for children ages 3–5.
To register, call (618) 433-2881.

**Make-or-Take Crafts**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Mondays, January 6, February 3, and March 3**
Stop by the Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall and ask for your free Make-or-Take Craft. Crafts will be available on the first Monday of each month while supplies last.

**Bite-Size Science**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Fridays, January 10, February 7, and March 7**
This fun, monthly S.T.E.A.M.-themed program happens on the first Friday of each month. Staff will prepare interactive kits for children to take home that demonstrate different S.T.E.A.M. concepts such as surface tension, earth science, anatomy, and robotics! Each kit will include an item list and the ingredients needed to do the activity. Adult assistance will be required for some of the activities. This program is designed for children ages 7–10 years old. Kits may be picked up from the Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall. For more information or to reserve a kit, call (618) 433-2881.

**Lego Club**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Tuesdays, January 14, February 11, and March 11, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
Join us for an hour of building and creating Lego masterpieces! Hayner Library will supply the Legos. Lego Club will meet on the second Tuesday of each month. This program is for children ages 6–11. Limited space is available. To register, call (618) 433-2881.

**Yoga Time for Kids**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Saturdays, January 25, February 15, and March 22, at 10:00 a.m.**
Hayner Library KidsSpace would like to welcome back SonJoria Sydnor of Our Family's Doing Yoga! SonJoria will bring children's yoga to the library on the last Saturday of each month in January, February, and March. Come join us to learn new yoga poses and calming techniques that can help your child learn how to relax and deal with everyday stressful events. This class is for children ages 3–7 years of age.
Limited space is available! Registration is required to attend this program. Please call (618) 433-2881 to register.

**Valentine's Day Card Drop-In Station**
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
Children are invited to drop by KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall between Wednesday, February 5, through Friday, February 14, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to make a valentine for someone special. Adult supervision is required.

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### Stuffed Animal Workshops
### Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall
### Saturday, March 8, at 10:00 a.m.

During this fun, interactive workshop, children ages 3–7 will experience an instant connection with their new stuffed friend from Zoo Factory. Each stuffed animal kit comes with a birth certificate, an unstuffed animal, a wishing star, and stuffing instructions so they can bring their friend to life. Limited space is available! Registration is required to attend this program. Please call (618) 433-2881 to register.

### "Spring into Reading" Beanstack Challenge
### March 3–March 29
### Celebration: Saturday, March 29, at 2:00 p.m.
### Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall
### Performance Room

Join us this March as we "Spring into Reading". Children ages 2–11 are invited to bring in the spring season by reading books to help their brains grow! Check out books from the library and log them on the Beanstack app or at www.haynerlibrary.beanstack.org. Each week, children can earn a small prize for logging just one hour of reading! At the end of the challenge, a celebration for our readers will be held on Saturday, March 29, at 2:00 p.m. in the Performance Room, where Twist and Bounce will provide fun inflatable games! Registration opens on Beanstack on Monday, March 3.

### Treasures in the Library
### Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall

Come to the Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall and follow the clues to see what treasures you can find. Treasure hunts will change biweekly. Stop by the KidsSpace desk for your first clue!

### Dial-A-Story

Check out our new Dial-A-Story features! Children can now call and listen to an easy reader story (picture book) or a junior story (chapter book) read by one of our Hayner Library staff members. To listen, call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253). Dial-A-Story has been entertaining children for over twenty years. It is a safe, free, educational, and entertaining activity for children, available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, from the comfort of home. Stories will change at the beginning of each month. Call Dial-A-Story now!

### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Reading Challenge

Calling all parents of children ages 0–4 years old! Did you know the enjoyable act of sharing books helps your child learn pre-reading skills that help prepare them for kindergarten? All children who register for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten will have fun and receive prizes at each reading milestone. Visit www.haynerlibrary.beanstack.org and sign up today! For more information, call (618) 433-2881.

### Reading Dragons

Do you like dragons, griffins, and unicorns? Do you want a new game to play with your friends? Then this is the challenge for you! For every thirty minutes that you read and log with the library, you earn a new mystical creature card. Watch as your dragon, unicorn, or griffin grows from an egg to an adult. It's easy! Come to the library to get your starter pack and start collecting today. For more information, call (618) 433-2881.

## *Tumblebook Library: Free e-Books for Children*

Hayner Library offers e-book access for children through the Tumblebook Library. The collection is accessible with your Hayner Library card.

TumbleBook Library is an online collection of e-books for children. It is a great way to encourage tech-savvy kids to enjoy reading. Tumblebook Library contains thousands of animated talking picture books, Spanish and French books, read-along chapter books, nonfiction books, and exciting games and puzzles! Hayner Library subscribes to TumbleBook Library as a part of our digital collection. This free service is available for use from your home computer, smartphone, tablet, or other mobile devices. We hope that you will check out the collection with your child.

To access TumbleBook Library for Kids:

- Visit www.haynerlibrary.org
- Click on the "E-Books & Digital Collections" icon at the top of the page
- Select "E-Books & Digital Magazines" from the drop-down menu
- Click on the "TumbleBook Library" link

—or—

- Download the TumbleBooks app to your device
- Open the app and tap on the "Library" icon
- Enter your country
- Enter your state
- Tap "Next"
- Enter your library name (Hayner Public Library District)
- Enter your Hayner Library card number
- Tap "Log In"

# TeenSpace

## *Winter 2025 Activities*

For more information, to register for TeenSpace programs and events, or to learn more about these programs, please contact Megan at (618) 433-2872 or megan.dees@haynerlibrary.org.

### Teen Take-Home Kits
**Hayner Library TeenSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Mondays, January 6, February 3, and March 3**

Do you love science, art, or just like creating something with your hands? If so, stop by the Hayner Library TeenSpace at Alton Square Mall to pick up a Teen Take-Home Kit! Kits are available while supplies last.

**January 6:** Drinkable Potion
**February 3:** Macramé Cactus
**March 3:** Color-Changing Play-Doh

### Teen Crime Stoppers
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, January 8, February 5, and March 5, at 4:00 p.m.**

Calling all true crime and murder mystery fans! Put on your detective hat and join other sleuths to solve a mystery at the library. Participants will work together to examine clues, read case files, and figure out whodunnit. This event is designed for teens ages 13-18.

### The Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, January 15, February 12, and March 12, at 4:00 p.m.**

What types of programs do you want to see at your library? Come be a part of the Teen Advisory Board, which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library! This group will meet on the second Wednesday of each month.

### Graphic Novel Writers Guild
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, January 22, February 19, and March 19, at 4:00 p.m.**

If you love reading graphic novels and drawing, this program is for you! Meet us in Graphic Novel Writers Guild once per month.

### Lego Challenge
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Performance Room Teen Center**
**Wednesdays, January 29, February 26, and March 26, at 4:00 p.m.**

Do you love Legos? Bring a friend and come join other teens to create complex builds and win prizes!

### Draw to Impress
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Performance Room Teen Center**
**Saturday, January 11, at 1:00 p.m.**

Bring your drawing skills to this fun competition and win some great prizes while meeting other teens with similar interests.

### Family Crime Stoppers
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Performance Room Teen Center**
**Saturday, January 18, at 1:00 p.m.**

Calling all families! Join your teen and put your detective skills to work to solve a crime! All participants must be over the age of twelve.

### Teen Reading Challenge
**January 1 through December 31**

Love to read? Love to win prizes? Then this is the challenge for you! Each month, teens will be asked to read one book of a different genre and write a review to be entered into a drawing for a monthly gift card giveaway. At the end of the twelve months, if all twelve reading challenges have been completed, you will be entered into a grand prize drawing for some awesome prizes! This challenge begins January 1, 2025 and ends December 31, 2025. The prize winner will be notified by phone on January 6, 2026. Register for this reading challenge at www.haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or on the Beanstack app.

## *Grow Something Great! Free Seeds at Hayner Library*

In addition to traditional items such as books, DVDs, audiobooks, magazines, and music CDs, and non-traditional library items such as telescopes, baking kits, fishing poles, projectors, tools, and other fun items in our Library of Things, Hayner Library also offers a seed library to patrons who wish to grow vegetables, fruits, flowers, and herbs!

Our seed library is available at all three Hayner Library locations. Stop by the library and select up to six packets of seeds to take home and plant. Each seed packet is labeled with the seed variety, sowing information, and plant-specific notes.

The current seed library contains:

- Flower seeds (aster, coneflower, marigold, sunflower, zinnia, partridge pea, swamp milkweed, black-eyed Susan, and lanceleaf coreopsis)
- Fruit and vegetable seeds (acorn squash, butternut squash, cantaloupe, cucumber, pumpkin, and zucchini)
- Herb seeds (basil, dill, oregano, parsley, and sage)

Our seed library is not just a collection—it's a community effort! We warmly encourage donations from your garden, enriching our seed library and providing a wider variety of seeds for all. We accept all kinds of commercially packaged and saved seed donations. If you're donating saved seeds, we ask that you fill out a form providing information such as variety, collection date, contact information, and growing notes to ensure the best possible use of your contribution.

But that's not all! The Hayner Library collection is a treasure trove for gardening enthusiasts, with hundreds of books and DVDs covering gardening, farming, and other agriculture-related topics. We even have gardening kits available for checkout, complete with a sun calculator, pH analyzer, and soil thermometer, to support your gardening journey!

It's not too early to start thinking about sowing your seeds for the spring. Whether you're a master gardener or this is your first time planting, we hope you'll stop by Hayner Library and take a look at our latest offering!

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## *Three Photo Tips from the Genealogy & Local History Library*

**1. Do you have a photo of a place you can't identify?**

Google.com can help:

- Save the image of your photo in a folder on your computer.
- On the Google website, click on "Image Search."
- Drag or upload your image from your folder to the "Image Search" bar and click on "Search."

Matches in Google Lens will include other identified pictures taken in the same place from the same vantage point as your photo.

**2. Are you trying to date an old family photo?**

In *Dressed for the Photographer: Ordinary Americans and Fashion, 1840 – 1900* (IR 391.0097309034 SEV), author Joan Severa explains how analyzing clothing styles and other details in old family photos can help date them.

**3. Do you need to organize and preserve old family photos?**

Author Denise May Levenick shares digital strategies in her book *How to Archive Family Photos: A Step-by-Step Guide to Organize and Share Your Photos Digitally* (IR 929.1 MAY). Her photo storage worksheet helps determine what works best for your needs.

Our February and March Branching Out genealogy classes also give us guidelines for organizing and preserving family documents and photos (paper and digital). Join our genealogy classes, or contact us to schedule an appointment for individual help at genealogy@haynerlibrary.org or (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892.

—Beth Phillips
Genealogy & Local History Library

## *Celebrate Black History Month: February 1 – February 28*

In honor of Black History Month, check out a book and celebrate the creative spirit of the Black experience. You will find the books in this list to be inspiring, moving, and illuminating. They are just a part of the outstanding collection of diverse reading available through Hayner Library.

**Nonfiction—**

Alexander, Michelle. *The New Jim Crow*
Austin, Nefertiti. *Motherhood So White: A Memoir of Race, Gender, and Parenting in America*
Baldwin, James. *The Fire Next Time*
Bennett, Juda. *The Toni Morrison Book Club*
Berry, Daina. *A Black Women's History of the United States*
Coates, Ta-Nehisi. *The Message*
Cunningham, Michael. *Crowns: Portraits of Black Women in Church Hats*
Lawrence, Jacob. The Migration Series
Perry, Imani. *Breathe: A Letter to My Sons*
Rankine, Claudia. *Citizen: An American Lyric*
Smith, Clint. *How the Word is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America*
Wilkerson, Isabel. *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*
Willis, Deborah. *Envisioning Emancipation: Black Americans and the End of Slavery*

**Fiction—**

Adichie, Chimamanda Ngozi. *Americana*
Butler, Octavia. *Kindred*
Cole, Alyssa. *An Unconditional Freedom*
Ellison, Ralph. *Invisible Man*
Everett, Percival. *James: A Novel*
Gaines, Ernest J. *A Gathering of Old Men*
Hurston, Zora Neale. *Hitting a Straight Lick with a Crooked Stick: Stories from the Harlem Renaissance*
Locke, Attica. *Bluebird, Bluebird*
Mathis, Ayana. *The Twelve Tribes of Hattie*
McBride, James. *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store*
Morrison, Toni. *The Bluest Eye*
Walker, Margaret. *Jubilee*
Whitehead, Colson. *Crook Manifesto*

## *Puzzle Exchange — Swap Jigsaw Puzzles This Winter at Hayner Library*

Do you love jigsaw puzzles? Are you looking for entertainment during the cold winter days and dark winter nights? Then stop by Hayner Library and swap jigsaw puzzles with other puzzle-loving patrons! This winter, the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall will have an assortment of jigsaw puzzles available for patrons to swap. The puzzles do not have to be checked out. Simply bring your finished or unwanted puzzles to the library and leave with a new one! We will also accept puzzle donations for the puzzle exchange, even if you don't want to take a new one home. Please note: The number of puzzles available during the program's duration will vary depending upon the number of puzzles donated.

*The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library.*
*—Albert Einstein*

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

***Alton*** by Michael Barr Mossman (2024). IR 977.386 MOS

***The Celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church, Alton, Illinois*** (1955) IR 285.977386 TWE

***Child's Play in the Seasons*** by Jean King (2024). IR 808.84 KIN

***East Jr. High .... Alton, Illinois.*** IR 373.77386 EAS 1983, IR 373.77386 EAS 1984, IR 373.77386 EAS 1985

***Fathers Found: Revisited. Resolved. Reflections...: A Family History*** by Clyde P. Davis (2024). IR 929.2 DAVIS

***The First Battle: A Story of The Campaign of 1896*** by William J. Bryan (1896). IR 973.8 BRY

***For Who Was Jones Road Named?*** by Dave Douglas (2024). IR 709.977386 DOU

***Great Rivers, Great Routes, Great Memories*** by Great Rivers and Routes Tourism Bureau of Southwest Illinois. IR 977 386 GRE 2024-25/FALL-WINTER

***The Hayner Public Library*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library. IR 027.477386 HAY bk. 1 – 4

***Heartland Chautauqua: 2001, The Jazz Age.*** IR 374.973 HEA

***Heartland Chautauqua: 2004, Changed Lives --Lewis & Clark Meet the West.*** IR 374.973 HEA

***Irish Genealogy: A Guide to Geography, History and Records*** by the editors of Family Tree Magazine (2024). IR 941.5 IRI

***Knowing the Place...: Recollections Just for the Heck of It*** by Jean King (2024). IR F KIN

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***Mississippi River Panorama: The Henry Lewis Great National Work*** by William J. Petersen (1979). IR 759.13 PET

***Muddy Ground: Native Peoples, Chicago's Portage, and the Transformation of a Continent*** by John W Nelson (2023). IR 977 311 NEL

***[National Great Rivers Museum at Alton Lock and Dam 26 vertical file].*** IR VERTICAL FILE NATIONAL GREAT RIVERS MUSEUM AT ALTON LOCKS AND DAM 26

***North Junior High School, Godfrey, Illinois [yearbook].*** IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 NOR 1967-68

***Puerto Ricans in Illinois*** by Maura I. Toro-Morn and Ivis García (2024). IR 977.3004687295 TOR

***Scenes from the Life of Owen Lovejoy*** by William F. Moore, Jane Ann Moore (1997). IR B LOVEJOY

***Union Soldiers of Southwestern Illinois*** by John J. Dunphy (2024) R 974.7473 DUN

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## *Branching Out 2025: Genealogy Classes*

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.

Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

**January 9** - Plan Your Work and Work Your Plan

**January 16** - Discussion Group

**February 13** - Papers, Photos, and Heirlooms: Organize and Preserve Them

**February 20** - Discussion Group

**March 13** - Digital Family Trees and Files: Organize and Preserve Them

**March 20** - Discussion Group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2025 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next. Call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

# *Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series*

The Genealogy & Local History Library is partnering with Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA) this winter to bring back our three-part Saturday lecture series in January, February, and March. AALA is dedicated to educating, promoting, and saving the architectural heritage of the Alton area. Feel free to register for one talk or all three. Seating is limited. Please register at 1-800-613-3163.

***Part 1: Plotting a Future for Historic River Towns with Dean Klinkenberg***
**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Saturday, January 18, 10:00 a.m.**

In the Midwest, we built our earliest communities along big rivers. Many of these places, however, have been declining for decades, even though they still have "good bones." What can we do to help our river towns turn things around? In this presentation, Dean Klinkenberg offers a brief history of the economies of river towns along big Midwestern rivers. He'll overview some forces that have hurt them, specifically, the post-WWII suburban development pattern and agricultural consolidation. He'll highlight a few communities that have breathed new life into their towns, describe assets common to many river towns today, and offer thoughts on steps that anyone in a town of any size can take to improve the place where they live.

Dean Klinkenberg has been exploring the backwaters and back roads of the Mississippi River Valley since 2007, from the headwaters in northern Minnesota to the Gulf of Mexico. His *Mississippi Valley Traveler* guidebooks and other nonfiction books detail local and regional histories of the people and places along the river. In addition, he writes mysteries set along the Mississippi that feature hard-luck travel writer Frank Dodge. Klinkenberg has also written for publications including *Smithsonian Magazine, The National, St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, and the *Minnesota Star Tribune*. His newest book, *The Wild Mississippi: A State-by-State Guide to the River's Natural Wonders*, goes deep into the river's natural history and describes 166 places where we can experience the river's world directly.

***Part 2: Saving the Best of Southwest Illinois: HeartLands Conservancy***
**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Saturday, February 15, 10:00 a.m.**

Laura Lyon, Vice President of HeartLands Conservancy, has decades of experience in community planning, urban design, and conservation planning and design. As part of her role, Laura leads The Mounds – America's First Cities, the effort to elevate and create the Cahokia Mounds Mississippian Culture National Historical Park or National Monument. Laura has a Master of Architecture degree from Washington University in St. Louis. She and her husband also have an architecture firm, Studio Archaeos. They moved to Alton in 2012 to restore a house in Christian Hill.

As a steward of distinctive and dynamic places of ecological, cultural, and community value, HeartLands Conservancy is southern Illinois' largest conservation nonprofit. For over thirty years, the organization has advocated for protecting important places and solutions that balance conservation strategies with economic sustainability and human well-being. Laura and her team will update us on their ongoing watershed planning, conservation work, and projects, especially the Cahokia Mounds initiative.

***Part 3: Arches, Mounds, Domes, and Bucky Fuller with Benjamin Lowder***
**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Saturday, March 15, 10:00 a.m.**

World-renowned inventor Buckminster Fuller spent ten of his most productive years as a professor at Southern Illinois University. Benjamin Lowder will share the fascinating history of the miniature earth dome that Buckminster Fuller designed for the SIUE campus. He will also take us on a virtual architectural tour across Southern Illinois and St. Louis, sharing the region's rich architectural history. The triangle-faceted geometry of Fuller's geodesic domes, scattered across this region like precious gems, has also inspired Benjamin to create a series of artwork exhibited from New York to Los Angeles.

Benjamin Lowder is the Director of the Fuller Dome, Center for Spirituality and Sustainability on the Southern Illinois University campus in Edwardsville, IL. He also serves on the board of directors for the historic Buckminster Fuller Dome Home in Carbondale, IL.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Winter 2025 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! Most programs require registration. To register, please call our automated messaging system at 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *Writers Circle*

Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month. Refreshments will be provided for these adult writing events designed for both the novice and the experienced. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to ten people.

***Writers Circle: Random Prompt***
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, January 25, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

***Writers Circle: Love Poems***
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, February 15, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

***Writers Circle: Pantoum Poetry***
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, March 29, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

## *The Empowered Caregiver: Education Series by The Alzheimer's Association*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

This education series teaches caregivers how to navigate the responsibilities of caring for someone living with dementia, helping them feel more prepared to handle the challenges that come with it.

Seating is limited! Please register with the Alzheimer's Association using the link or phone number provided below for each individual event. NOTE: Each session in this series stands alone. Please feel free to register for one, two, or all three!

**January 16, 6:00 p.m. – Building Foundations of Caregiving and Supporting Independence**
Explore the role of caregiver, building a support team and managing caregiver stress. Plus, balancing safety and independence while managing expectations. Register at tinyurl.com/THPL12 or call 1-800-272-3900.

**February 20, 6:00 p.m. – Communicating Effectively and Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors**
Learn how dementia affects communication, common behavior changes, non-medical approaches to behaviors, and how to recognize when additional help is needed. Register at tinyurl.com/HPL34 or call 1-800-272-3900.

**March 13, 6:00 p.m. – Exploring Care and Support Services**
Discover how to prepare for future care decisions and changes, including respite care, residential care, and end-of life care. Register at tinyurl.com/THPL5 or call 1-800-272-3900.

## *Shelf Care: A Book Club That Happens Whenever, Wherever!*

Always wanted to join a book club and connect with other readers but haven't been able to make the time? We invite you to join Shelf Care, our new virtual book club!

Shelf Care is *asynchronous*: there are no meetings or dedicated discussion times! All discussion takes place online in our Shelf Care Facebook group, so participation is entirely on your time and in your space - whenever and wherever that may be.

We read one book every other month, and all selections can be checked out through the library. Here's what we're reading next:

**February** – *The Rachel Incident* by Caroline O'Donoghue

Use the QR Code to join us on Facebook:

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## *Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company*

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton**
**Thursday, January 9: *The Only One Left* by Riley Sager**
**Thursday, March 6: *The Devil in the White City* by Erik Larson**
**Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Book Discussion: 7:00 p.m.**

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our book selections *The Only One Left* by Riley Sager (January selection) and *The Devil in the White City* by Erik Larson (March selection). Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. The Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are also available through the Cloud Library and OverDrive Libby digital platforms. No registration is required.

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## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, January 7 and 21; February 4 and 18; March 4 and 18, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, warming up with a mug of hot tea, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crochet, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitch, jewelry making, origami, quilting, wood-carving, you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating. No registration is necessary.

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## *iCash: Discover What's Yours with the Illinois State Treasurer's Office*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursday, January 23, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Did you know that the Illinois State Treasurer holds $3.5 billion in unclaimed funds for some Illinoisans? The State holds these funds until the original owner or their heirs claim them. A representative from the Illinois State Treasurer's Office will be at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to assist you in checking if the State is holding any money owed to you through its iCash program. This is a free service. No registration required.

## *Haunted Hayner – History & Hauntings*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton**
**Wednesday, January 29, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Join us for an evening of history and hauntings with the gang from Alton Odyssey Tours and Sharyn Luedke, owner of the McPike Mansion, followed by ghost hunting in the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library!

Patrons aged eighteen and older are invited to join us as we discuss the history of Hayner Library, why Alton is so haunted, talk Ghost 101, and more. After, guests are welcome to stay and do some ghost hunting! The library will provide ghost-hunting equipment during the tour, but feel free to bring your own, as supplies are limited.

To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Registration is limited to forty people.

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## *Winter Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, January 31, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Grab a book and your favorite sweater and head to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for the one-year anniversary of our reading retreat!

While here, sip on hot cocoa, eat a snack, create your own winter scene in a jar, chat about books, and read too! You are welcome to bring your own drinks and treats as well.

Not sure what to read? Clear up your "to be read" list, check out a library book before you join us, use this time to finish a super-long book you've been intimidated by, read a few short stories, or cycle through a few books four or five chapters at a time. If you still don't know what to read, be sure to check out our winter-themed book display on your way in. This is an open house-style program, so please feel free to stay for a short while or the entire time. Registration is limited to twenty patrons. Please register by calling 1-800-613-3163.

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## *Hayner Cookbook Club*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, February 11, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
***January Cookbook Selection: 101 Greatest Soups on the Planet—Every Savory Soup, Stew, Chili and Chowder You Could Ever Crave* by Erin Renouf Mylroie**

Note: This cookbook will be on display at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall during the month of January.

Get prepared for the winter season and get cooking at Hayner Library! Join us for our January edition of the cookbook club: Soup's On! To participate, stop by the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, choose your favorite soup or bread recipe (or both!) from the cookbook on display, and register on the sign-up sheet. Hayner Library staff will mark your recipe and make a copy for you to take home. On February 11, bring your creation to share with other participants. Please bring a copy of your recipe to display next to your delicious creation. Coffee, tea, water, sampling bowls, plates, and utensils will be provided.

## *Compassionate Connections: Harp Music for the Soul*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, February 11, 6:30 p.m.**

Join Amy (Conrady) Camie in a heart-opening musical experience of inspired original melodies and beautiful familiar favorites that create bridges of compassionate connections within and around us. Amy Camie is a Godfrey native, professional harpist, certified therapeutic clinical musician, recording artist, speaker, and two-time breast cancer thriver. As a pioneer in the field of harp therapy, she has co-authored several pilot studies demonstrating the effects of her music on brainwave and immune system function, pain, and anxiety levels. Amy's music is used throughout the country in hospitals, cancer centers, and hospices and for general relaxation and stress reduction. Her inspired music relaxes the body, calms the mind, and gently soothes the soul. As one woman said, "You touch others in such a deep place with your music because it comes from such a deep place inside of you." Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Library Speed Dating – Find the Book of Your Dreams*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, February 12, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Do you want to fall in love with a new title, author, or book series? Find your perfect match at our first-ever Library Speed Dating program! The Hayner Library multipurpose room will be transformed into a restaurant, complete with tables displaying a sampling of fiction and nonfiction titles of various genres. Over the course of an hour, spend a few minutes with each title before trying a new one. Coffee, tea, and chocolates will also be served. Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register.

## *Forest Park Owls: Hiding in Plain Sight*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Saturday, February 22, 2:00 p.m.**

Mark H.X. Glenshaw is an award-winning naturalist who has closely observed and documented the lives of Great Horned Owls in Forest Park in St. Louis since December 2005. Mark's talk will cover how he found these owls and basic facts about the species. He also uses many of his photos and videos to illustrate the amazing behaviors of these beautiful birds.

All ages are welcome to join us for this exciting program. To reserve a spot for you or your family, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## *Jazz at the Library – An Evening with Will Schmalbeck and His Quartet*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.**

Join us for an evening of jazz at the library, performed by rising professional trumpet player Will Schmalbeck and his fabulous quartet. Schmalbeck's group will perform American Songbook jazz standards, showcasing the styles of influential trumpet players such as Miles Davis and Chet Baker. The quartet's performance is not to be missed!

Will Schmalbeck is a rising professional trumpet player based in Chicago. Born and raised in Alton, Will is an alumnus of Alton High School and the JazzU St. Louis program. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees in trumpet performance, studying with Tito Carrillo and Ronald Romm at the University of Illinois. During this time, he was a graduate teaching assistant and performed with jazz legends such as Doc Severinsen and Christian McBride. Will is currently a core member of The Afro-Caribbean Jazz Collective and lead trumpet player of the Shout Section Big Band. Will has also played professionally with the world-famous Glenn Miller Orchestra, the Tito Puente Jr. Orchestra, the Danville Symphony Orchestra, Ides of March Orchestra, Alan Gresik's Swing Orchestra, Bill O'Connell's Chicago Skyliners Big Band, The Hershey Park Band, The Iron Post Jazz Orchestra, and has subbed with many of Chicago's finest jazz ensembles. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register.

# *Non-Traditional Library Items Available for Checkout in the Library of Things*

The Hayner Public Library District's Library of Things collection is available for checkout! The Library of Things is a collection of non-traditional items: gadgets, tools, games, kits, electronics, and more—all available for free with a Hayner Library card. Need something for a one-time project or want to try before you buy? Explore the collection and discover your next new thing to borrow!

**Things to Know:**

- Library of Things collections are available at the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.
- Each location has unique items, with only a few duplicates of high-demand items such as projectors and screens.
- Only Hayner Library cardholders, age eighteen and older, with fines under $5.00, can check out items from the Library of Things.
- Patrons must have a Hayner Library card for at least two weeks before checking out items from the Library of Things.
- Overdue fines for Library of Things items are $1.00 per item per day.
- Holds may be placed on Library of Things items.
- Patrons may check out up to three items from the Library of Things at one time.
- Patrons must sign a waiver before checking out items from the Library of Things.
- More rules and policies apply. Library staff is always happy to answer patrons' questions regarding the Library of Things.

**What's in the Library of Things?**
**Downtown Library Collection:**

- Piano keyboard
- Tool kit
- Croquet set
- Digital tire pressure gauge
- Bosch self-leveling cross-line laser level and Craftsman stud sensor kit
- Video-to-digital converter
- Multipurpose speaker system with microphone
- Epson projector
- Toss and catch game set
- Foxwell CAN OBDII & EOBD automotive code reader
- Ghost hunting kit
- Globe
- KanJam outdoor game
- Knitting and crochet set
- Projector screen with tripod stand
- Handheld microphone
- Folding hand truck
- Sports ball bag (soccer ball, basketball, and football)
- TI-84 Plus calculator
- Training sports cones
- Bubble machine

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Collection:**

- Ring light with tall tripod stand and phone holder
- Lyre harp
- Cake cutters (numbers)
- Stand mixer
- Baking kit (hand mixer, measuring cups and spoons, sifter, and rolling pin)
- Microscope
- Bundt pan
- Chess and checkers set
- DeWalt drive tool accessory set
- DeWalt metric combination wrench set
- Green screen
- Epson projector
- Bocce set
- Cornhole game set
- Dough baking set (dough blender, pastry scraper, biscuit cutter set, and silicone mat)
- Kodak Scanza digital film scanner
- Portable fish finder
- Leaf scoops
- Pickleball set
- Metal detector
- Projector screen with tripod stand
- Victrola record player with Bluetooth speakers
- Springform cake pan set
- Monster outdoor speaker
- Podcast kit

## *A Brief History of Hayner Library*

The seeds of today's The Hayner Public Library District began with the Alton Library Association, which originated in 1852 and was supported through private funding. The Association was bought at auction in 1866 by a group of "concerned ladies" of Alton when the Association began to fall apart due to indebtedness. These ladies raised the funds to pay the library's $165 debt and purchase $300 worth of new books. A corner room of the City Hall building was secured for library use. Under the ladies' management, the library prospered from the start. The ladies believed it was the library's mission to provide intellectual culture via "high grade" literature and to contribute to the social life of the city. They sponsored a series of entertainments including lectures, dramas, concerts, suppers, fairs, and more. Many of the lecturers were of national reputation and included among others Horace Greeley, George Alfred Townsend, and Ralph Waldo Emerson.

In the winter of 1888, it became apparent that the Library was outgrowing its quarters and needed its own building. That same year saw the death of Jennie D. Hayner, a major director of the Library Association. It was her husband, John E. Hayner, who purchased the lot on 4th and State Streets, then funded and built the Library as a memorial to his wife. Construction of the Hayner Memorial Library, today the Genealogy & Local History Library, was completed in 1891. The architect for the building was none other than Theodore C. Link, designer of the Union Station Railroad Depot in St. Louis, Missouri. The total cost for the building, including an annex added in 1906 by Hayner's grandson, John A. Haskell, was $33,000.

In the spring of 1901, Andrew Carnegie offered to build a Carnegie Library for the City of Alton; the offer was respectfully refused on grounds that the new Carnegie library would charge a tax on all citizens and the Alton Library was meant to be free to all Altonians. Mr. Hayner's benefaction allowed Alton citizens to enjoy the only free library in the country, wholly under the management of the ladies of the Jennie D. Hayner Library Association, previously the Alton Library Association. (Carnegie did eventually contribute to the establishment of a library for Shurtleff College in Upper Alton).

As the years progressed, the library grew dramatically. Correspondingly, the costs to maintain and staff the library escalated. In 1952, the city council voted unanimously to acquire and operate the Hayner Memorial Library as a public library. In 1972 the voters approved a referendum that established The Hayner Public Library District. This meant that the library would be run by its own governing board. Today, the District includes the Downtown Library at 326 Belle Street, the Genealogy & Local History Library in the original building, and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

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## *Cool to Be Kind: Hayner Library's Fine Amnesty Program for January 2025*

Cool to Be Kind, Hayner Library's winter fine amnesty program, will take place from January 2 through January 31, 2025. During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fines with cold-weather clothing such as gloves, mittens, hats, scarves, etc. Library materials must be returned with clothing donations, at least one clothing item per overdue item, and only Hayner Library materials are eligible. Only new or very gently used (no stains or holes!) clothing items can be accepted. The library will donate the clothing items to the Crisis Food Center's Nearly New shop in Alton.

Of course, even if you don't have fines, please feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as Crisis Food Center—and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

The Hayner Public Library District

**401 State Street**
**Alton, Illinois 62002**

Downtown Library (618) 462-0677
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Downtown Library
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Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall
132 Alton Square Mall Dr., Alton
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
401 State Street, Alton
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

www.haynerlibrary.org

# *Memory Kits*

Designed for people with memory loss, along with their caregivers and loved ones, memory kits are tools to help stir memories and spark conversation. Using them can encourage connection and elicit positive emotional responses. Hayner Library currently has four ready-to-use memory kits available for check-out. Each kit has a unique theme with different items and activities to go along with it:

Gardening — Items include a DVD and activity cards set, a garden life wooden puzzle, an Audubon goldfinch plush, and more.

Tinkering — Items include a DVD and activity cards set, a tinker board, a wooden tic tac toe game, and more.

Entertainment — Items include a DVD and activity cards set, *Remember When?* picture puzzles, a *Wizard of Oz* flipbook, and more.

Pets & Paws - Items include a DVD and activity cards set, a plush cat and dog, *Playful Paws* EZ Grip puzzle, and more.

The games, activities, and items included in these kits can be used together or separately to inspire storytelling or simply promote fun, engaging quality time. Use each item as intended or in any way that works for you! You can find our Memory Kits at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or place a hold to pick one up at your preferred Hayner Library branch.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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**HOLIDAYS**
The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
April 20, Easter
May 25 & 26, Memorial Day
June 19, Juneteenth

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## *Little Free Art Libraries*

Hayner Library has partnered with Jacoby Arts Center and Lewis and Clark Community College's YouthBuild Program to install five Little Free Art Libraries throughout Alton! Each Little Free Art Library, carefully hand-built and weatherproofed by YouthBuild students and painted in collaboration with Jacoby Arts Center, will be stocked regularly with art books, art supplies, craft kits, and other artsy materials – all free to take and create with!

Keep an eye out for more information about this exciting project, including location and supply donation details.

## May is National Bike Month!

**May 1 – May 31**

Donate your bicycle and support the community this National Bike Month! Madison County Transit (MCT) is celebrating National Bike Month by partnering with St. Louis BWorks and local libraries to collect used bicycles for donation! Throughout the month of May, you can drop off bicycles of any condition at the Downtown Library (326 Belle Street, Alton, IL). MCT will promptly pick up donations and deliver them to BWorks, where they will be refurbished and given to those in need.

***What is BWorks?***
St. Louis BWorks is a nonprofit organization that empowers youth through hands-on educational programs. Their Earn-A-Bike program teaches kids bicycle maintenance and safety, rewarding them with a bike of their own upon completion. BWorks is working to expand its efforts into Madison County, offering similar opportunities to children on this side of the river.

By donating a bike, you're helping provide transportation, independence, and learning opportunities to young riders in our community. As Dr. Maria Montessori said, "*The greatest gifts we can give our children are the roots of responsibility and the wings of independence.*"

For more information, please contact MCT at (618) 797-4600 or email info@mct.org.

## Hayner Library Offers Weekly Email Newsletter

Sign up for Hayner Library's weekly email newsletter at www.haynerlibrary.org. Keep up to date with the week's coming events, direct to your inbox!

## FICTION

**Abercrombie, Joe.** The Devils

**Allende, Isabel.** My Name Is Emilia del Valle

**Backman, Fredrik.** My Friends

**Baldacci, David.** Strangers in Time: A World War II Novel

**Battles, Brett.** Stuart Woods' Finders Keepers (Stone Barrington)

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Sealed with a Hiss: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery

**Burke, James Lee.** Don't Forget Me, Little Bessie

**Carr, Jack.** Cry Havoc (Tom Reece)

**Castle, Jayne.** It Takes a Psychic

**Center, Katherine.** The Love Haters

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The World's Fair Quilt: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel

**Connelly, Michael.** Nightshade

**Connolly, John.** The Children of Eve: A Thriller (Charlie Parker)

**Constantine, Liv.** Don't Open Your Eyes

**Cosby, S. A.** King of Ashes

**Dallas, Sandra.** Tough Luck

**De Rosnay, Tatiana.** Blonde Dust

**Deaver, Jeffery.** South of Nowhere (Colter Shaw)

**Du Brul, Jack.** Clive Cussler The Iron Storm

**Graham, Heather.** The Murder Machine

**Haigh, Jennifer.** Rabbit Moon

**Harmel, Kristin.** The Stolen Life of Colette Marceau

**Hart, Emilia.** The Sirens

**Henry, Emily.** Great Big Beautiful Life

**Hiaasen, Carl.** Fever Beach

**Hillerman, Anne.** Shadow of the Solstice: A Leaphorn, Chee & Manuelito Novel

**Horowitz, Anthony.** Marble Hall Murders

**Jackson, Lisa.** It Happened on the Lake

**Jance, J. A.** Overkill (Ali Reynolds)

**Jewell, Lisa.** Don't Let Him In

**Jimenez, Abby.** Say You'll Remember Me

**Johansen, Iris.** The Death Mask (Eve Duncan)

**Johnson, Craig.** Return to Sender: A Longmire Mystery

**Kelly, Martha Hall.** The Martha's Vineyard Beach and Book Club

**King, Laurie R.** Knave of Diamonds (Mary Russell)

**King, Stephen.** Never Flinch

**Koontz, Dean.** Going Home in the Dark

**Lamb, Wally.** The River Is Waiting

**Lippman, Laura.** Murder Takes a Vacation

**Martin, Charles.** The Keeper

**McFadden, Freida.** The Tenant

**Monroe, Mary Alice.** Where the Rivers Merge

**Oates, Joyce Carol.** Fox

**Patterson, James.** 25 Alive (Women's Murder Club)

**Patterson, James.** 2 Sisters Murder Investigations

**Patterson, James.** The First Gentleman: A Thriller

**Perkins-Valdez, Dolen.** Happy Land

**Preston, Douglas.** Badlands (Nora Kelly)

**Prose, Nita.** The Maid's Secret: A Maid Novel

**Reid, Taylor Jenkins.** Atmosphere: A Love Story

**Roberts, Nora.** Hidden Nature

**Rose, Jeneva.** The Perfect Divorce

**Sager, Riley.** With a Vengeance

**Shalvis, Jill.** The Love Fix (Sunrise Cove)

**Smith, Martin Cruz.** Hotel Ukraine: An Arkady Renko Novel

**Steel, Danielle.** A Mother's Love

**Swanson, Peter.** Kill Your Darlings

**Taylor, Brad.** Into the Gray Zone (Pike Logan)

**Thayer, Nancy.** Summer Light on Nantucket

**Thayne, Raeanne.** The Lost Book of First Loves

**Walter, Jess.** So Far Gone

**Wayne White, Randy.** Tomlinson's Wake: A Doc Ford Novel

**Weiner, Jennifer.** The Griffin Sisters' Greatest Hits

**Wendig, Chuck.** The Staircase in the Woods

**Woodward, M. P.** Tom Clancy Line of Demarcation (Jack Ryan Jr.)

## NONFICTION–

**Atkinson, Rick.** The Fate of the Day: The War for America, Fort Ticonderoga to Charleston, 1777 1780

**Bailey, Jason.** Gandolfini: Jim, Tony, and the Life of a Legend

**Barry, Dave.** Class Clown: The Memoirs of a Professional Wiseass How I Went 77 Years Without Growing Up

**Belichick, Bill.** The Art of Winning: Lessons from My Life in Football

**Bezemek, Mike.** Mysteries of the National Parks: 35 Stories of Baffling Disappearances, Unexplained Phenomena, and More

**Brinkley, Christie.** Uptown Girl: A Memoir

**Chernow, Ron.** Mark Twain

**Dolan, Eamon.** The Power of Parting: Finding Peace and Freedom Through Family Estrangement

**Doyle, Glennon.** We Can Do Hard Things: Answers to Life's 20 Questions

**Edsel, Robert M.** Remember Us: American Sacrifice, Dutch Freedom, and a Forever Promise Forged in World War II

**Fraser, Caroline.** Murderland: Crime and Bloodlust in the Time of Serial Killers

**French Gates, Melinda.** The Next Day: Transitions, Change, and Moving Forward

**Friedman, Elias Weiss.** This Dog Will Change Your Life

**Grammer, Kelsey.** Karen: A Brother Remembers

**Greger, Michael.** The How Not to Age Cookbook: 100+ Recipes for Getting Healthier and Living Longer

**Gundry, Steven R., MD.** The Gut Brain Paradox: Improve Your Mood, Clear Brain Fog, and Reverse Disease by Healing Your Microbiome

**Helms, Ed.** Snafu: The Definitive Guide to History's Greatest Screwups

**Hollis, B. Dylan.** Baking Across America. A Vintage Recipe Road Trip

**Jaouad, Suleika.** The Book of Alchemy: A Creative Practice for an Inspired Life

**Jones, Sheinelle.** Through Mom's Eyes: Simple Wisdom from Mothers Who Raised Extraordinary Humans

**Kessler, David A.** Diet, Drugs, and Dopamine: The New Science of Achieving a Healthy Weight

**Knowles, Tina.** Matriarch. A Memoir

**Leslie, Ian.** John & Paul: A Love Story in Songs

**Lillien, Lisa.** Hungry Girl Sheet Pan Cookbook: One-Pan Wonders Under 400 Calories

**McRaven, William H.** Conquering Crisis. Ten Lessons to Learn Before You Need Them

**Moseley Braun, Carol.** Trailblazer. Perseverance in Life and Politics

**Moyer, Melinda Wenner.** Hello, Cruel World!: Science-Based Strategies for Raising Terrific Kids in Terrifying Times

**Pagels, Elaine.** Miracles and Wonder: The Historical Mystery of Jesus

**Patterson, James.** The #1 Dad Book: Be the Best Dad You Can Be

**Perricone, Nicholas.** The Beauty Molecule: Introducing Neuroceuticals, the Breakthrough for Ageless Beauty

**Rebanks, James.** The Place of Tides

**Shriver, Maria.** I Am Maria. My Reflections and Poems on Heartbreak, Healing, and Finding Your Way Home

**Smith, Maggie.** Dear Writer: Pep Talks & Practical Advice for the Creative Life

**Swenson, Kate.** Autism Out Loud: Life with a Child on the Spectrum, from Diagnosis to Young Adulthood

**Viorst, Judith.** Making the Best of What's Left: When We're Too Old to Get the Chairs Reupholstered

**Young, Michelle.** The Art Spy: The Extraordinary Untold Tale of WWII Resistance Hero Rose Valland

# KidsSpace *Spring 2025 Activities*

Unless otherwise noted, all programs will be held at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Due to the Summer Reading Program, there will be no programming Monday, May 19, through Saturday, May 31, 2025.

### Stories with Panda Bear: Ages 2-5
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
Tuesdays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; May 6, 13

### Baby Lap-Sit Story Time: Ages 0-2
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
Wednesdays, April 2, 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14

### Books and Busy Bees Story Time: Ages 3-6
10:00 a.m.
Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24; May 1, 8, 15

### Story Time at Lucy Haskell's Playhouse: Ages 2-6
*1211 Henry Street, Alton, IL*
10:00 a.m.
Fridays, April 11; May 9

### Bite Size Science: Ages 7-11
Fridays, April 4; May 2
Kits available for pick-up until gone.
Call (618) 433-2881 to reserve a kit.

### Make-or-Take Crafts: Ages 3-7
Mondays, April 7; May 5
Kits available for pick-up until gone.

### Lego Club: Ages 6-12
4:00 p.m.
Tuesdays, April 8; May 13

### KidsSpace Egg Hunt: Ages 2-12
Monday, April 14 – Saturday, April 19

### StoryWalk Opens at The Nature Institute
Tuesday, April 1

### KidsSpace Treasure Hunts: All Ages
Available every day in April and May

### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten: Ages 0-5
Visit haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack mobile app to participate!

### Reading Dragons: Ages 6-12
Visit haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack mobile app to participate!

## 2025 Kids Summer Reading Program
## "Level Up at Your Library"

Summer Reading registration and programming begin Monday, June 2, 2025. To register, go to haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack mobile app. Everyone who registers by the end of the day June 2, 2025, will be entered for a chance to win a Summer Reading Program-themed basket.

All Summer Reading Program activities will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall unless otherwise noted.

### Mondays
**Press Start for Art: Ages 2-6**
10:00 a.m.
June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; July 7

### Tuesdays
**Stories and Art: Ages 2-6**
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
June 3, 10, 17, 24; July 1, 8

### Wednesdays
Performer: All Ages
*Performance Room at Alton Square Mall*
10:00 a.m.
June 4: Science Heroes: Adventure of the Missing Color
June 11: Swords & Roses: Going for the Gold
June 18: Marko Polo Music
June 25: Circus Kaput: Mermaid Magic: A Colorful Tail
July 2: Enchanted Events: Island Princess visit
July 9: We Like to Party: Mario & Luigi visit

### Thursdays
**Making the Game Science Workshop: Ages 6-12**
10:00 a.m.
June 5, 12, 26; July 3

**Treasure Quest Treasure Hunt: All Ages**
All Day
June 5, 12, 26; July 3

**KidsSpace Side Quest: Ages 6-12**
All day, every day!

**Last Day to Record Reading in Beanstack**
Wednesday, July 9

**End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party: All Ages**
*Performance Room at Alton Square Mall*
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 10
Celia's Sing-Along Dance Party 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Treats by Mo'z Sweet Treats

# TeenSpace *Spring 2025 Activities*

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for ages 12-18 and will take place in the Hayner Library Teen Center at Alton Square Mall. Call (618) 433-2872 for more information.

**Teen Crime Stoppers**
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesdays, April 2; May 7

**Teen Lego Challenge**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 30

**Take-Home Kit Pick-Up**
All Day
Mondays, April 7; May 5

**Teen Advisory Board**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 9

**Draw to Impress**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesdays, April 16; May 14

**Teen Easter Egg Hunt**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, April 23

**YA Fridays**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Fridays, April 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16

## 2025 Teen Summer Reading Program
### "Level Up at Your Library"

This year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Level Up at Your Library," will get teens pumped up about reading and gaming! The theme gives participants the opportunity to read some fantastic books and participate in some exciting challenges to earn prizes. Participants can register at haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or on the Beanstack mobile app. All participants who continue over the four-week program will be entered into a drawing for themed prize baskets full of iREAD apparel, gift cards, and books.

All Summer Reading Program activities will take place in the Hayner Library Teen Center at Alton Square Mall, located in the Performance Room on the upper level, unless otherwise noted. Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

**Mondays - Crafts**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June 2: Dragon Egg
June 9: Tetris Magnet
June 16: DIY Board Game: Lazy Susan
June 23: Controller Button Coaster
June 30: Mario Diamond Art Stickers

**Wednesdays - Games**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June 4: Live Action Monopoly
June 11: Grannies Bingo
June 18: Giant Board Games
June 25: Five Nights at Freddy's Live Action Game
July 2: Giant Twister

**Teen Party**
2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday, July 7
Enjoy a free book, snacks, and a Murder Mystery presented by Happy Faces Entertainment!

## Food for Fido: April Fine Amnesty Program

Do you have some Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the back seat of your car? Food for Fido is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines.

Hayner Library's fine amnesty program, Food for Fido, will take place from April 1 through April 30, 2025. During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with pet food and care items. Library materials must be returned at the same time you donate the pet care items. We ask that you bring at least one non-expired pet food item or one new (unused) pet care item for each overdue library item. This program applies only to overdue Hayner Library materials. The library will donate the pet care items to the Alton Area Animal Aid Association (5As).

Food for Fido is a great way to support community organizations such as the 5As, and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

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## Puzzle Exchange — Swap Jigsaw Puzzles at Hayner Library

Do you love jigsaw puzzles? Then stop by Hayner Library and swap jigsaw puzzles with other puzzle-loving patrons! The Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall have an assortment of jigsaw puzzles available for patrons to swap. The puzzles do not have to be checked out. Simply bring your finished or unwanted puzzles to the library and leave with a new one! We will also accept puzzle donations for the puzzle exchange, even if you don't want to take a new one home. Please note: The number of puzzles available during the program's duration will vary depending upon the number of puzzles donated.

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## National Library Week 2025: Drawn to the Library

**April 6 – April 12**

People across the country visit their local library each week, from young families stopping in for story time to seniors searching for tech help or their next page-turning read. Plot your next library visit to Hayner Library and find adventure by browsing the stacks or joining one of our book clubs. Trace your family history with our library's genealogy resources. Make your mark and get involved with your library by volunteering or spreading the word. Whatever draws you in, the library has something for everyone!

To celebrate National Library Week, we will be hosting a drawing contest for three age groups: kids (ages 2-12), young adults (ages 13-17), and adults (ages 18+). Hayner Library patrons are invited to submit a drawing of their favorite book character for a chance to win an art-themed prize!

**How to Enter:**

- **In Person:** Drop off your drawing at any Hayner Library location (we'll make a copy, and you can keep your original).
- **Online:** Share your drawing in the comments of the National Library Week contest Facebook post.

**Rules:**

- Drawings must be appropriate for all ages. Any offensive or inappropriate content will be disqualified.
- Entries can be created in any medium.

**Deadline:** All entries must be submitted by April 13, 2025.

Hayner Library staff will select three finalists from each age group whose drawings will be displayed at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and the Downtown Library. Patrons can vote for the winner from the finalists in each group. Voting will take place April 18 – April 30. Winners will be announced May 1.

## June is Audiobook Appreciation Month!

Whether you fill your commute with fiction, get to know famous figures while you cook, or work out to the tune of a self-help bestseller, many of us love to read with our ears. But it's not just the convenience of reading hands-free that makes audiobooks so great! We also love audiobooks because they make reading accessible, improve literacy, engage emerging readers, and help us practice our listening skills.

Hayner Library provides a number of different platforms for listening to audiobooks, both physical and digital:

*Libby & CloudLibrary* – Libby and CloudLibrary are apps that allow you to borrow e-books and audiobooks with your library card! Libby is available for iOS, Android, and Amazon Fire tablets. CloudLibrary is available for iOS, Google, and Amazon Fire tablets. Just search your app store for "Libby" or "CloudLibrary" to get started.

*Audiobooks on CD & Playaways* – Playaways are media players that are pre-loaded with an audiobook. No internet required! Just plug in to headphones or any sound system with an AUX cable to start listening. You'll find audiobook CDs and Playaways at both the Downtown and Alton Square Mall locations of Hayner Library.

Each of these platforms and formats includes audiobooks for kids, teens, and adults, so the whole family can get in on the fun!

If you have questions about audiobooks or how to use any of the platforms listed above, please reach out to reference@haynerlibrary.org or call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2845.

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## Shelf Care: A Book Club That Happens Whenever, Wherever!

Always wanted to join a book club and connect with other readers but haven't been able to make the time? We invite you to join Shelf Care, our virtual book club!

Shelf Care is asynchronous: there are no meetings or dedicated discussion times! All discussion takes place online in our Shelf Care Facebook Group, so participation is entirely on your time and in your space – whenever and wherever that may be.

We read one book every other month, focusing on literary and contemporary fiction.

Use the QR Code to join us on Facebook:

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## Illinois Libraries Present

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present* to bring you exciting, high-profile virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally-recognized presenters. These events are 100% online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home – or wherever you'd like!

Coming Up:

**Saturday, May 3, at 2:00 p.m.** – Art and Adventures with Author/Illustrator Dan Santat (Youth Program)

**Tuesday, May 13, at 7:00 p.m.** – Poverty: A Discussion with Matthew Desmond

Registration is required to attend these virtual events. Find registration information and more for each event on our events calendar at haynerlibrary.org.

*These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. Illinois Libraries Present is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office for the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

## New in Our Illinois Room

***Alton Senior High School class of 1957: Class Reunion -- 25 years, July 31, 1982.*** IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 ALT

***Bethalto Elementary School District, Bethalto, Illinois.*** IR LOCKED CASES 372.77386 BET 1970-71

***City of Alton: Lincoln Interpretive Panels: Schematic Design*** (2007). IR 977.386 CIT

***Creative Flow*** by George Humbert (1994). IR 811.54 HUM

***Dear Ruby, Hear Our Hearts*** by Ruby Bridges (2024). IR j379.263 BRI

***The First Battle: A Story of the Campaign of 1896*** by William Jennings Bryan (1896). IR 973.8 BRY

***[Hartford vertical file].*** IR VERTICAL FILE HARTFORD

***A History of Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church. 1855-2006.*** IR 285 977386 TWE

***The History of Wood River Illinois*** published by the Wood River Diamond Jubilee Committee, (1985). IR 977.386 HIS

***Illinois Negro Historymakers*** by Carl G. Hodges (1969). IR 973.0469073 ILL

***[Illinois State Penitentiary Convict Register]. #1 to 319: August 28th, 1833 - December 31st, 1841.*** IR 365.977386 ILL

***[Illinois State Penitentiary Convict Register]. #320 to 648: January 1st, 1842 - May 5th, 1847.*** IR 365.977386 ILL

***Illinois State Penitentiary Convict Register. No. 3: May 15, 1847 - December 31, 1854, Register Nos. 649-1644*** prepared and edited by Center for American Archeology Press (1999). IR 365 977386 ILL

***[Long Family vertical file].*** IR VERTICAL FILE LONG FAMILY

***[Principia College vertical file].*** IR VERTICAL FILE PRINCIPIA COLLEGE

***[Roxana and South Roxana vertical file].*** IR VERTICAL FILE ROXANA AND SOUTH ROXANA

***Shantyboats and Roustabouts: The River Poor of St. Louis, 1875-1930*** by Gregg Andrews (2023). IR 977.8660086942 AND

***The Story of the Fosterburg Tornado, March 18, 1948*** [videorecording] (2023). IR DVD 551.5530973 STO

***Twelfth Street Presbyterian Church: Directory*** (2010). IR 285 977386 TWE 2010

## *Branching Out 2025: Genealogy Classes*

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL.

Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and everyone gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

**April 10** - Sharing and Learning on Social Media

**April 17** - Discussion Group

**May 8** - Ancestry.com: Research Records, Build Family Trees, DNA

**May 15** - Discussion Group

**June 12** - FamilySearch.org: Research, the WIKI, and FamilyTree

**June 26** - Discussion Group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2025 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next. Call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Spring 2025 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! Most programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## X's and Sews: A Crafting Program

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, April 1, 15, and 29; May 13 and 27; June 10 and 24, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable craft and join us for X's and Sews, our crafting program designed to encourage all crafters to come and work on their projects while listening to relaxing music, sipping on a glass of lemonade, and chatting with fellow crafters. All crafts are welcome—embroidery, knitting, crocheting, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitching, jewelry making, origami, quilting, woodcarving…you name it! If your craft can be transported with ease, come join us if you please! We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are creating. No registration is necessary.

## Yarn Bombers Workshop with the Riverbend Yarn Bombers

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, April 2: Granny Square Chickens**
**Wednesday, June 4: Plant Pockets**
**5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Join the Riverbend Yarn Bombers for a fiber arts workshop! Each workshop will begin with a brief demonstration, followed by time to work on your own creation while chatting and learning tips and techniques.

No materials and just a beginner? No problem! Supplies and support will be available to you. Attendees are also welcome to bring their own materials.

No registration is required, and all skill levels are welcome.

## Hayner Cookbook Club

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, April 22, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.: Cinco de Mayo—Early!**
**Cookbook Selection: *The Mexican Vegetarian Cookbook* by Margarita Carrillo Arronte**

**Tuesday, June 17, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.: Summer Food Season Kick-Off**
**Cookbook Selection: TBD**

Get ready to try something new! To participate, stop by the circulation desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, choose your favorite recipe from the cookbook on display, and register on the sign-up sheet. Hayner Library staff will mark your recipe and make a copy for you to take home. Create your masterpiece and bring it to share at the Cookbook Club event! Please bring a copy of your recipe to display next to your delicious creation. Coffee, tea, water, plates, and utensils will be provided. Bon appétit!

The cookbooks will be on display at the circulation desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall during the months of April and June.

## Compassionate Connections: Harp Music for the Soul

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, April 8, at 6:30 p.m.**

Join Amy (Conrady) Camie in a heart-opening musical experience of inspired original melodies and beautiful familiar favorites that create bridges of compassionate connections within and around us. Amy Camie is a Godfrey native, professional harpist, certified therapeutic clinical musician, recording artist, speaker, and two-time breast cancer thriver. As a pioneer in the field of harp therapy, she has coauthored several pilot studies demonstrating the effects of her music on brainwave and immune system function, pain, and anxiety levels. Amy's music is used throughout the country in hospitals, cancer centers, and hospices and for general relaxation and stress reduction. Her inspired music relaxes the body, calms the mind, and gently soothes the soul. As one woman said, "You touch others in such a deep place with your music because it comes from such a deep place inside of you."

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## Adventures with Audubon — Brian "Fox" Ellis

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Friday, April 11, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**

Spend an hour in the studio of one of America's greatest naturalists and wildlife artists. Listen to tales of his adventures as he finishes something no one has ever accomplished before: drawing every bird in North America. John James Audubon will enchant you with stories of his travels and travails in the wildest places on the planet. He will celebrate the natural history of North America as he saw it in the early 1800s. Audubon will bring to life bird behavior, focusing on the birds you are most likely to see as you go bird watching in this area. With lessons on field ecology, the scientific method, art history, and bird migration, the audience is invited to imitate birds and discuss the life histories of their favorite feathered friends.

Storyteller Brian "Fox" Ellis portrays Audubon in these entertaining and meticulously researched monologues drawing from Audubon's journals, essays, and letters to his friends and colleagues. This program was developed with a grant from the USFWS as part of their celebration of the 100th anniversary of the National Wildlife Refuge System. Fox has performed as Audubon in museums, nature centers, schools, and libraries across the United States, including Audubon's home in Henderson, Kentucky.

This event is made possible through The Hayner Public Library District's proud partnership with The Nature Institute (https://www.thenatureinstitute.org/).

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Writers Circle*

For the novice and the experienced: Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Registration is limited to ten people.

**In Response**
**Lewis and Clark Community College Hatheway Cultural Center Gallery**
**Saturday, April 19, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
Join us at the Lewis and Clark Community College Student Art Exhibition to get inspired by local artists!

**Story Garden**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, May 31, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Inside Out**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, June 28, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

## Lemp Mansion Legends and Ghost Stories

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, April 22, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Join us for an evening of legend or lore about one of St. Louis's most haunted landmarks, as told by local historian Betsy Burnett-Belanger. Betsy Burnett-Belanger has had a twenty-eight-year relationship with the historic Lemp Mansion, which remains one of the top haunted places in the United States. Betsy is well-versed in the haunted history of the famous mansion and is now the resident paranormal investigator and historian. Betsy has been featured in many paranormal television shows and books about ghosts and ghost-hunting.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL**
**Thursday, May 1: *The Lion Women of Tehran* by Marjan Kamali**
**Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Book Discussion: 7:00 p.m.**

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our May book selection, *The Lion Women of Tehran*, by Marjan Kamali. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. The Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are also available through the CloudLibrary and OverDrive Libby digital platforms. No registration is required.

## Spring Reading Retreat

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, May 9, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Grab a book and head to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for the Spring Reading Retreat! Sip on a refreshing fruity drink, enjoy a snack, and create your own spring wreath while chatting with others about your current read or one from the past. You are welcome to bring your own drinks and snacks as well.

Not sure what to read? Clear up your "to be read" list, check out a library book before you join us, use this time to finish a super long book you've been intimidated by, read a few short stories, or cycle through a few books four or five chapters at a time. If you still don't know what to read, be sure to check out one of our book displays on your way in. This is an open house-style program, so feel free to stay for a short while or the entire time. Registration is limited to twenty patrons.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## An Evening with Thomas Jefferson

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Friday, May 9, at 6:00 p.m.**

The library is honored to welcome back Kurt Smith, the official Thomas Jefferson of Colonial Williamsburg, for "An Evening with Thomas Jefferson." Smith will present a lecture as Jefferson and then answer questions in character.

Kurt Smith is one of two men in the world who make their living full-time by portraying Thomas Jefferson. He has portrayed Jefferson for U.S. Supreme Court justices, the U.S. Congress, state governors, state supreme court chief justices, federal cabinet members, presidential candidates, and royalty around the globe. He has been acclaimed in articles and media from *The Washington Post* to *The Ellen DeGeneres Show.*

This free event is made possible with funding from the Lewis & Clark Society of America.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Bob Dylan Tribute*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Wednesday, May 14, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Join us for an evening featuring renowned blues guitarist Steve Vogel and iconic singer-songwriter and storyteller Bob Case. Bob was influenced by Dylan in his early teens and saw Dylan as an example of what it meant to be an artist for his generation. Traveling through the South during the Folk Revival of the 60s, Bob learned directly from country blues artists Bukka White, Fury Lewis, Sleepy John Estes, and Mississippi Fred McDowell.

Growing up in St. Louis on weekends, bluegrass and country music were everywhere to be found. Bob blended all these styles together, creating an understanding of roots music to build a musical career.

Moving to Boston in the early 1970s, Bob hooked up with slide guitarist J.B. Hutto, playing bass, touring, and recording with J.B. on the 1980s W.C. Handy Blues award-winning album *Keeper of The Flame.*

What Bob Case knows he learned directly from the artist who created it. During this time, Dylan's music was a musical stew of traditional roots music, rock 'n' roll, country, gospel, and pop. Simultaneously, his song ideas addressed the perplexities of our time with questions and ideas that needed to be answered. Bob Dylan was a major influence on all of us!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Family Line Dancing*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Wednesdays, May 21 and June 11, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Join Michael Wooton from Effervescent Studios for a four-session variety line dancing class, suitable for ages ten and up. The one-hour class teaches the latest line dances, preparing participants for upcoming outings with family and friends.

Limited space is available. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Dueling Pianos*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, June 3, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Two pianists will alternately play and sing songs the audience requests during this performance. The players will joke around and offer humorous commentary. This performance will be energetic and lively for all ages! Remember to bring your list of songs.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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**Hours of Operation**

Downtown Library
326 Belle Street, Alton
Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall
132 Alton Square Mall Dr., Alton
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
401 State Street, Alton
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Wednesday, 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

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## Adult Spring Scavenger Hunt

Join us for our 2025 Adult Spring Scavenger Hunt! Hayner Library patrons ages eighteen and older can enter to win fun prizes by participating in a scavenger hunt around town and at Hayner Library locations! Patrons will receive a raffle ticket for each item found in the scavenger hunt and an additional five raffle tickets for completing the sheet.

This program will run through the month of April. The winners will be drawn on May 1. Prizes include a window bird feeder, a wicker indoor/outdoor swinging chair, and a raised planter.

Register at the circulation desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library starting April 1!

## Native Pollinator Garden at Hayner Library

**Downtown Library Parking Lot, Corner of Belle Street & W. 4th Street**
**Sunday, May 18, at 12:30 p.m.**

Want to learn about local native plants and how to attract pollinators to your garden? Join us as we plant a new native pollinator garden at Hayner Library! We're partnering with The Sierra Club to plant beds located in our Downtown Library parking lot, beautifying the space and making it welcoming for bees and butterflies. Together we'll prepare the soil and get hands-on with native plants, learning about their benefits and the types of pollinators they attract.

We'll meet in the Downtown Library parking lot at 12:30 p.m. Please bring any gardening tools you find useful. There will be tools available for beginners, but supplies are limited.

No registration is required. All skill levels and gardening experience are welcome.

# The Hayner Public Library District

Summer 2025

## Library Card Sign-Up Month

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month, and it's the perfect time to get your very own library card or remind family and friends to sign up! A library card opens the door to endless possibilities -accessing books, e-books, audiobooks, online resources, movies, music, and much more. At the library, we believe that everyone should have access to the tools that promote and inspire learning, creativity, and community, and your library card is your key to it all!

**Why sign up for a library card?**

- Free access to resources: Borrow books, magazines, movies, digital audiobooks, e-books, streaming movies and TV shows, and explore our Library of Things–all for free!
- Educational opportunities: From engaging book clubs and story times to workshops and lectures, we have educational programs and events for all ages.
- Online databases and learning: Use your library card to explore a large collection of research databases at no cost.
- Community: Be part of a community that values learning, exploration, and discovery through library programs, events, and resources.

### *How to Sign Up:*

Signing up for a library card is quick, easy, and free! Just stop by the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, fill out a simple registration form, and you will be ready to start using your card right away.

Adult patrons (18+) must reside at a permanent residence within The Hayner Public Library District. Residents are eligible for a three-year library card. To obtain a library card, patrons must present a current photo ID with the current address listed. If the address on your ID is not current, you must present formal documentation (such as a recent utility bill) with your current address in addition to a photo ID.

To obtain a juvenile resident library card for a patron aged 17 or younger, the patron's parent or legal guardian must meet the standards listed above for an adult resident library card and must sign an authorization statement on the registration form. The child must be present for the library card to be issued (but not renewed).

Patrons may not have fines or fees over $5.00 on their library card.

### *Celebrate with Us!*

To make this September even more exciting, we will have some fun giveaways to celebrate Library Card Sign-Up Month! Everyone who signs up or is up for a renewal will receive a fun sticker as a special thank-you gift. Plus, we will be hosting a giveaway with some fun prizes. Keep your eye on our social media pages for more information!

### *Already Have a Library Card?*

Share the love and encourage someone else to sign up! It's a wonderful way to spread the joy of reading and learning with others.

Things to Know...
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**HOLIDAYS**

The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
July 4, Independence Day
August 31 & September 1, Labor Day

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**Archer, Jeffrey.** End Game

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**Durst, Sarah Beth.** The Enchanted Greenhouse

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**Follett, Ken.** Circle of Days

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**Gardner, Lisa.** Kiss Her Goodbye (Frankie Elkin)

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**Kuang, R. F.** Katabasis

**Lapena, Shari.** She Didn't See It Coming

**Lewis, Beverly.** The Christmas House

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** In the Time of Five Pumpkins (#1 Ladies')

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Winds from Further West A Novel

**McEwan, Ian.** What We Can Know

**Meier, Leslie.** A Matter of Pedigree

**Michaels, Fern.** Santa's Holiday Spectacular

**Miranda, Megan.** You Belong Here

**Osman, Richard.** The Impossible Fortune (Thursday Murder Club)

**Patterson, James.** Billion Dollar Ransom A Thriller

**Patterson, James.** Emma On Fire: A Thriller

**Patterson, James.** The Hamptons Lawyer (Jane Smith)

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**Robb, J. D.** Framed in Death

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**Scottoline, Lisa.** The Unraveling of Julia

**Silva, Daniel.** An Inside Job

**Slaughter, Karin.** We Are All Guilty Here

**Smirnoff, Karin.** The Girl with Ice in Her Veins

**Smith, Martin Cruz.** Hotel Ukraine (Arkady Renko)

**Steel, Danielle.** For Richer For Poorer

**Steel, Danielle.** The Portrait

**Thor, Brad.** Edge of Honor (Scot Harvath)

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**Ware, Ruth.** The Woman in Suite 11

**White, Karen.** That Last Carolina Summer

**Wiggs, Susan.** Wayward Girls

**Willingham, Stacy.** Forget Me Not

**Winslow, Don.** The Final Score: Six Short Novels

**Woodward, M. P.** Tom Clancy Terminal Velocity (Jack Ryan Jr.)

## NONFICTION—

**Baron, David.** The Martians The True Story of an Alien Craze that Captured Turn of the Century America

**Bradshaw, Terry.** The Bradshaw Family Cookbook: Our Favorite Recipes for Game Days, Weekdays, and Any Day

**Brennan, Christine.** On Her Game: Caitlin Clark and the Revolution in Women's Sports

**Buettner, Dan.** The Blue Zones Kitchen One Pot Meals: 100 Recipes to Live to 100

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**Greenblatt, Stephen.** Dark Renaissance: The Dangerous Times and Fatal Genius of Shakespeare's Greatest Rival

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**Richie, Lionel.** Truly

**Roach, Mary.** Replaceable You. Adventures in Human Anatomy

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**Vittert, Leland.** Born Lucky A Dedicated Father, a Grateful Son, and My Journey with Autism

**Weiner, Tim.** The Mission: The CIA in the 21st Century

# KidsSpace

# 2025 Kids Summer Reading Program
## "Level Up at Your Library"

All Summer Reading Program activities will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall unless otherwise noted.

### Mondays
**Press Start for Art: Ages 2-6**
10:00 a.m.
July 7

### Tuesdays
**Stories and Art: Ages 2-6**
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
July 1, 8

### Wednesdays
**Performer: All Ages**
*Performance Room at Alton Square Mall*
10:00 a.m.
July 2: Enchanted Events: Island Princess visit
July 9: We Like to Party: Mario & Luigi visit

### Thursdays
**Making the Game Science Workshop: Ages 6-12**
10:00 a.m.
July 3

**Treasure Quest Treasure Hunt: All Ages**
All Day
July 3

### KidsSpace Side Quest: Ages 6-12
All day, every day!

### Last Day to Record Reading in Beanstack
Wednesday, July 9

### End-of-the-Summer-Reading-Program Party: All Ages
*Performance Room at Alton Square Mall*
5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, July 10
Celia's Sing-Along Dance Party 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Treats by Mo'z Sweet Treats

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## August & September Activities

Unless otherwise noted, all programs will be held at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

### Stories with Panda Bear: Ages 2-5
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
Tuesdays, August 12, 19, and 26; September 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30

### Baby Lap-Sit Story Time: Ages 0-2
*Downtown Library*
10:00 a.m.
Wednesdays, August 13, 20, and 27; September 3, 10, 17, and 24

### Books and Busy Bees Story Time: Ages 3-6
10:00 a.m.
Thursdays, August 14, 21, and 28; September 4, 11, 18, and 25

### Make-or-Take Crafts: Ages 3-7
Monday, September 8
Kits available for pick-up while supplies last.

### Lego Club: Ages 6-12
4:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 9

### KidsSpace Treasure Hunts: All Ages
Available all day, every day beginning
Monday, August 11

### StoryWalk at The Nature Institute
A new story is posted at the beginning of each month!

### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten: Ages 0-5
Visit haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack mobile app to participate!

### Dial-A-Story: Ages 0-10
New stories are added at the beginning of each month.
Call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253) to listen!

# TeenSpace

## 2025 Teen Summer Reading Program
"Level Up at Your Library"

All Summer Reading Program activities are for ages 12-18 and will take place in the Hayner Library Teen Center at Alton Square Mall, located in the Performance Room on the upper level, unless otherwise noted. Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

**Wednesday - Games**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
July 2: Giant Twister

**Teen Party**
2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Monday, July 7
Enjoy a free book, snacks, and a Murder Mystery presented by Happy Faces Entertainment!

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### August & September Activities

Unless otherwise noted, all programs will be held in the Hayner Library Teen Center at Alton Square Mall.

**Teen Crime Stoppers**
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 3

**Teen Lego Challenge**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 24

**Teen Make-and-Take Craft**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 27

**Teen Take-Home Kits**
Monday, September 8
Kits available for pick-up while supplies last.

**Teen Advisory Board**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, September 10

**Draw to Impress**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Wednesdays, August 20; September 17

**Expressive Art**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Fridays, August 29; September 26

**YA Fridays**
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Fridays, August 22; September 5, 12, and 19

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**Duck Costume Contest**
Decorate a duck for a chance to win fun prizes! Pick up your duck beginning Tuesday, September 2. Drop decorated ducks off no later than Friday, September 26. Voting takes place Wednesday, October 1, through Friday, October 31. Winners will be announced on Monday, November 3.

Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

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## *Supplies for Summer Fine Amnesty Program*

Do you have Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the back seat of your car? Supplies for Summer is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. Hayner Library's fine amnesty program, Supplies for Summer, will take place from July 1 through July 31. During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with personal hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes, hand lotion, etc. Library materials must be returned at the same time you donate the personal hygiene products. We ask that you bring at least one unopened and unexpired product for each overdue library item. This program applies only to overdue Hayner Library materials. The library will donate the personal hygiene products to the Crisis Food Center and the Alton School District. Supplies for Summer is a great way to support community organizations, and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

## National Book Lovers Day

National Book Lovers Day, celebrated annually on August 9, is a special occasion to honor the joy of reading and the powerful connection between people and books. For Hayner Library, this day is the perfect opportunity to celebrate our shared love for reading!

Join us throughout the month of August as we invite patrons to visit all three of our Hayner Library locations. To celebrate, simply share a book you absolutely LOVE with our staff at the circulation desk, and you will receive a small prize!

While you are here, take the time to explore our collection. Don't miss our local author display, highlighting works by talented writers in our community. Plus, make sure to browse our shelves and check out a new book—you might just discover your next great read!

Whether you are a lifelong book lover or just getting started, National Book Lovers Day is the perfect time to explore, share, and find books that you can truly fall in love with. We can't wait to see you at the library!

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In addition, elementary and middle school educators will find a variety of supplementary instructional resources aligned to math, reading, writing, and social studies curricula.

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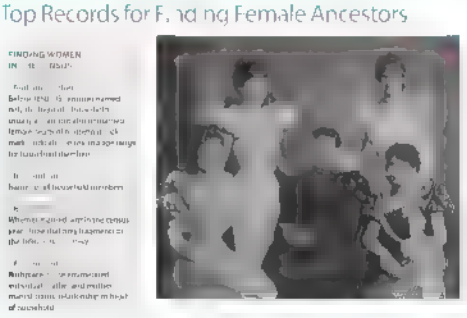
## Check Out the Genealogy Cheat Sheets in the Illinois Room

Each guide relates to a specific genealogy research topic. The guides are packed with essential information, research tips, strategies, and resources!

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Copy or take pictures of the information you need for your research. Keep your eye out for more to come!

## New in Our Illinois Room

***American Breweriana Journal: Official Publication of the American Breweriana Association, Inc.*** IR 663.31 AME 1998/07-08

***Chicago, the Great Central Market: A Collection of Editorials and Illustrations from the "Field Quality News"*** by Marshall Field & Company (1921). IR LOCKED CASES 977.311 MAR

***College Avenue Presbyterian Church. Advent 1997.*** IR 285.977386 COL

***Geological Science Field Trip, Guide Leaflet, Grafton Area, Jersey County: Jerseyville, Hardin, St. Charles, and Brussels Quadrangles*** by the Illinois State Geological Survey (1960). IR 557.73 GEO

***The Grafton Gallinipper.*** IR 977.3885 GRA 1992/FALL

***The Growth of a City: Alton, Illinois Streets, Annexations, and Subdivisions -- Includes Information on Upper Alton, North Alton, and Godfrey*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2025). IR 917.738 HAY

***The Kids' Medical Care Handbook*** by Kathie R. Wuellner (2025). IR 618.92 WUE

***The Ku Klux Klan in the Alton Area*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2025). IR 322.4209773 KUK

***A Long Way to Find a Home: George Edwin Taylor as a Child*** by Darrell Ferguson (2024). IR jB TAYLOR

***Mississippi River Mayhem: Disasters, Tragedy, and Murder on Ol' Man River*** by Dean Klinkenberg (2022). IR 976 KLI

***New Alton Community Center: Alton, Illinois*** (1995). IR 711.5520977386 BOO

***Qualifications to Provide Architectural/Engineering Services for the Alton Community Center*** (1995). IR 711.5520977386 AAI

***River Bend 1996-97 Relocation Guide*** created by the River Bend Growth Association (1996). IR 917.738 RIV

***St. Patrick's Cemetery, Godfrey, Illinois: Burial Book*** (1974). IR 977.3865 STP BK.1, BK.2, BK.3

***Time and Time Again: A Brief History of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America*** by Robert Tabscott (1997). IR LOCKED CASES 285 TAB

***A Touch of Innocence*** by Katherine Dunham (1959). IR B DUNHAM

***Tracing Your Irish Ancestors*** by John Grenham (2019). IR 941.5 GRE

***West Jr. High Falcons yearbooks.*** IR LOCKED CASES 373.7386 WES 1980 and IR LOCKED CASES 373.7386 WES 1981

***YWCA Women of Distinction program book*** (2025). IR 977.386 YWC 2025

## Branching Out 2025: Genealogy Classes

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL. Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and everyone gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

**July 10** - Vital Records: From the Church to the Courthouse

**July 17** - Discussion Group

**August 14** - Where They Lived: Property Research

**August 21** - Discussion Group

**September 11** - A New Home: Immigration and Naturalization

**September 18** - Discussion Group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2025 on the second and third Thursdays of each month. Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next. Call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Summer 2025 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! Most programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *Murder Mystery Improv: A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to a Murder*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Monday, July 7, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

When the cast and crew of a Broadway revue discover a murder most foul, suspicions and old grudges loom large in the footlights! In this interactive, Broadway-themed improv mystery, audience members play the suspects and share the stage with our professional team, who will guide them through the highs and lows of a hilarious, one-of-a-kind whodunit.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, July 8 and 22; August 5 and 19; September 2, 16, and 30, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable projects and join us for X's and Sews—a laid-back crafting program where your creativity meets community. Bring whatever you're working on, whether it's embroidery, knitting, crocheting, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitching, jewelry making, origami, quilting, woodcarving…you name it! Enjoy relaxing music, conversation, and the company of fellow crafters. If your craft can be transported with ease, we'd love for you to bring it along and create with us. We cannot wait to meet everyone and see what you are working on! No registration is necessary.

## *Family Line Dancing*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Wednesdays, July 9 and August 13, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Join Michael Wooten from Effervescent Studios for a variety line dancing class, suitable for ages ten and up. The one-hour class teaches the latest line dances, preparing participants for upcoming outings with family and friends.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. If you previously registered for either of these dates, please call to re-register.

## *Sacred Spaces of CARE & Metro-East Recovery Council: Conversations on Substance Use & Recovery*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursdays, July 10, September 11, and November 13, at 6:00 p.m.**

We invite you to join us as we host Alton-based nonprofit group Sacred Spaces of CARE and the Metro-East Recovery Council for conversations on substance use and recovery. These sessions are judgement-free and open to anyone.

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## *Alzheimer's Association Education Workshops*

Learn more about memory loss, dementia, and Alzheimer's disease in these workshops provided by the Greater Missouri Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

Seating is limited! Please register with the Alzheimer's Association using the link or phone number provided below for each workshop.

**Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, July 17, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Learn about the impact of Alzheimer's, the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, Alzheimer's disease stages and risk factors, current research, treatments available to address some symptoms, and Alzheimer's Association resources.

Register at tinyurl.com/UAD-Hayner-Library-7-17 or call 1-800-272-3900.

**Managing Money: A Caregiver's Guide to Finances**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, September 18, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

If you or someone you know is facing Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or another chronic illness, it's never too early to put financial plans in place. Join us to learn tips for managing someone else's finances, how to prepare for future care costs, and the benefits of early planning.

Register at tinyurl.com/MM-Hayner-Library-9-18-25 or call 1-800-272-3900.

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## *Writers Circle*

For the novice and the experienced: Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Registration is limited to ten people.

**Beyond the Sea**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, July 26, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Short Story – Sci Fi**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, August 30, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Flash Fiction – Scandal**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, September 20, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

## *Summer Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, July 18, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Grab a book and head to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for our Summer Reading Retreat! While here, sip on lemonade, enjoy various fruits and chips, and practice the art of origami. Chat with fellow readers about what you are currently reading or share your favorite books from the past.

Not sure what to read? Clear up your "to be read" list, pick out a new book, dive into that long read you have been putting off, or explore a few short stories. If you need inspiration, look at the library displays as you enter. This open house-style event allows you to come and go as you please, whether for a short visit or the entire time.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *August is National Crayon Donation Month!*

Donate new or used crayons to Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library during the month of August.

At the end of the month, crayons will be collected and taken to Riverbend Head Start for their next adventure!

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## *An Afternoon with Switchback*

**Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL**
**Sunday, August 3, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

They're back! Don't miss another chance to see Switchback, the award-winning duo of Brian Fitzgerald and Martin McCormack. A perennial patron favorite, this concert is full of harmonies, guitars, mandolins, and a blend of Celtic and American roots music.

*American Songwriter Magazine* (who placed them alongside Americana icon Steve Earle) praised Switchback as one of the seminal groups to blend American roots and traditional Celtic styles. Switchback's hybrid has an energy and joyous abandon that Matt Malloy of The Chieftains proclaimed "powerful!"

With three PBS specials, music on NBC, and appearances with the Moody Blues, Jethro Burns, Clifton Chenier, John Hartford, Leon Russell, Dale Watson, The Chieftains, Liz Carol, Martin Hayes, and many others, Switchback has earned a place among musical legends.

Truly a concert for the whole family! Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

This program is jointly presented by The Hayner Public Library District and the Music Department of Lewis & Clark Community College.

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## *Yarn Bombers Workshop: Chicken Stitch!*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, August 6, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Join the Riverbend Yarn Bombers for a stitch-and-chat session! Make a granny square chicken or bring your own portable fiber arts project to work on while discussing upcoming Riverbend Yarn Bombers projects. All skill levels welcome!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *The Do's and Don'ts of Travel with Judy Rynders*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, August 12, 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.**

Come join travel agent Judy Rynders for an informational talk about the do's and don'ts of travel. With over forty years of travel experience working with local travel agencies and numerous trips to Europe and the Caribbean, Judy will share valuable insights on topics including required documents, travel discounts, car rentals, international travel, and navigating non-refundable specials vs. regular fares. If you are planning a future trip or just dreaming of one, bring your questions and come and join us for this informational evening of expert advice and travel inspiration.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Ghosts Next Door – Franklin Masonic Lodge, Alton, IL*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursday, August 14, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Join us for our first chapter of "Ghosts Next Door," where we will discuss the history and hauntings of the Franklin Masonic Lodge in Alton! The Witch's Familiar Paranormal Research team (affiliated with the Midwest Paranormal Investigators Consortium) will share historical facts and their paranormal experiences in this location, as well as demonstrate ghost hunting equipment and practices such as rem pods, spirit boxes, and the Estes Method.

Each "Ghosts Next Door" program will focus on a different location, so be sure to keep your eye out for future events!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Hayner Cookbook Club*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, August 26, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**Cookbook Selections: *The Cookbook for Kids, BHG New Junior Cook Book*, and *Rachel Ray Yum-O!: The Family Cookbook***

Parents and kids of all ages: cook up some fun in the kitchen! As the school year kicks off, it's the perfect time to bring families together around the table—and what better way than with a little culinary creativity?

Join us for our Cookbook Club, where mealtime becomes family time. Flip through a fun and flavorful selection of cookbooks, pick out recipes as a team, and discover just how tasty collaboration can be. Whether it's a simple snack or a whole dinner, there's something for every age and skill level—because sometimes, kids really do know best! Get cooking, connecting, and creating memories, one recipe at a time.

To participate, stop by the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, choose your favorite recipe from the cookbook on display, and register on the sign-up sheet. Hayner Library staff will mark your recipe and make a copy for you to take home. Create your masterpiece and bring it to share at the Cookbook Club event! Please bring a copy of your recipe to display next to your delicious creation. Coffee, tea, water, plates, and utensils will be provided.

## *McVicar the Trickster*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, September 9, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Josh McVicar began performing locally in the St. Louis area before honing his skills as a stage performer. He worked his way through the Midwest at locations such as Red Robin, Six Flags Mid-America, St. Louis College of Pharmacy, Diamond Pet Foods, and Lake Forest University. He soon gained national prominence, having performed in nearly all fifty states, in universities from coast to coast, and in businesses throughout the region.

McVicar is a comedian who performs new routines using modern magic techniques. Josh is one of the few "comedy" performers who can provide a show that is not only entertaining and funny, but also polite and family-friendly. In all his performances, he promotes audience engagement and participation, and his years of working with a wide range of audiences have equipped him for almost any situation.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Family Album and Trilogy: Two Films by Jean King and Ann Morrissey Davidson*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Wednesday, September 10, 6:00 p.m.**

*Family Album* is the story of Altonian Jean King's family put to music. Through song and dance, it tells their story in four parts: *Our Ancestors, Our Immediate Family, Our Generation,* and *Our Next Generation.*

*Trilogy* features music inspired by three works of art: sculptures *The Whistler* and *The Bather*, and an oil and acrylic painting, *Thicket No. 43*, by Jeffrey Vaughn.

Jean King composed the music for both the eighty-minute feature length film and the fifteen-minute short film and wrote the lyrics for *Family Album*. Ann Morrissey Davidson is the cinematographer. Both films are a community effort by vocalists, dancers, and actors. Filming took place on location in the greater Alton area.

The video includes dance by Altonian Bruce Alexander and performing arts students from Principia College. Solo vocalists are Alison Neace, Doug Burns, Ron Abraham, and area chorus members. The music genre ranges from pop to neo-classical.

The presentation is free, and DVDs will be available for purchase for $10.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Cook Around the World with AtoZ World Food*

Get a taste of international cuisine from the comfort of your own kitchen! With more than 7,000 traditional recipes from 174 countries, plus articles on ingredients and food culture, AtoZ World Food is an un-beet-able resource for anyone interested in food and cooking.

Besides recipes and ingredient information, you'll also find cooking videos, food histories, articles on inventions in food technology, cooking conversations, information on dietary philosophies, and more.

Visit www.haynerlibrary.org/digital-resources-collections/subscription-databases and look for AtoZ World Food. Log in with your Hayner Library card to get started!

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## *Calling All Crafters: Access Free Art and Craft Classes with Creativebug*

With Creativebug, you'll enjoy unlimited access to thousands of online art and craft classes that you can watch anytime, anywhere. Classes never expire, so you can start and stop projects at your own pace. No pressure, just possibilities!

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# The Hayner Public Library District

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## *Fourth Annual Hayner Library Local Author Book Fair: Saturday, December 6, 2025*

Just in time for the holiday season, The Hayner Public Library District will host our fourth annual Local Author Book Fair on Saturday, December 6, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at Alton Square Mall.

Meet local authors, buy their books, and have them autographed! The event will also feature library card registration, a showcase of our Library of Things collection, prizes, and other library highlights.

There will also be activities and story times for the kids. You can browse and make purchases—and be sure to leave some time to explore Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall.

Authors, this will be an excellent opportunity to introduce your books to friends and neighbors. Patrons, find a new favorite author and stock up on books to keep you entertained during the cold winter nights. There will undoubtedly be titles for everyone on your holiday shopping list—and even a stocking stuffer or two!

If you're an author with books to sell, don't miss this opportunity. Author registration begins Wednesday, October 1, 2025. Reserve your table now by calling Mary Cordes at (618) 433-2877 or emailing mary.cordes@haynerlibrary.org.

The library will provide tables and tablecloths for authors. Authors can bring promotional materials and books to sell. Authors are responsible for bringing their own banking supplies. Authors should plan to arrive at 10:00 a.m. to set up their tables. There is a limit of twenty-five tables, so act fast!

Last year's event was great fun. Please join us—bring your family and friends and support local writers!

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## *Updated Hours for the Downtown Library and Genealogy & Local History Library*

Beginning October 1, 2025, the Downtown Library and Genealogy & Local History Library hours of operation will change to match one another. The Downtown Library and Genealogy & Local History Library hours are now as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall hours of operation will remain the same.

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**HOLIDAYS**

The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
November 11, Veterans Day
November 27 & 28, Thanksgiving
December 24, 25, & 26, Christmas
December 31, New Year's Eve

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**Lupica, Mike.** Robert B. Parker's Showdown

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**Macomber, Debbie.** A Ferry Merry Christmas

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**Mallery, Susan.** Otherwise Engaged

**Margolin, Phillip.** False Witness

**McDermid, Val.** Silent Bones

**McFadden, Freida.** The Intruder

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**Miller, Linda Lael.** The Silver Hills Boarding House

**Mitchard, Jacquelyn.** The Birdwatcher

**Newman, Catherine.** Wreck

**Parker, T. Jefferson.** Wild Instinct

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**Patterson, James.** The Last Days of Marilyn Monroe: A True Crime Thriller

**Scorsese, Martin.** Conversations on Faith

**Sheen, Charlie.** The Book of Sheen: A Memoir

**Smith, Sam.** Masters of the Game: A Conversational History of the NBA in 75 Legendary Players

**Smith, Zadie.** Dead and Alive: Essays

**Sorkin, Andrew Ross.** 1929: Inside the Greatest Crash in Wall Street History — And How It Shattered a Nation

**Tapper, Jake.** Race Against Terror. Chasing an Al Qaeda Killer at the Dawn of the Forever War

**TerKeurst, Lysa.** Surviving an Unwanted Divorce: A Biblical, Practical Guide to Letting Go While Holding Yourself Together

**Van Dyke, Dick.** 100 Rules for Living to 100: An Optimist's Guide to a Happy Life

**Weir, Alison.** Queens at War England's Medieval Queens

**Winchester, Simon.** The Breath of the Gods. The History and Future of the Wind

# KidsSpace

# *Fall 2025 Activities*

### *Stories with Panda Bear*
**Downtown Library**
**Tuesdays, October 7, 14, 21, and 28; November 4 and 18; December 2, 9 and 16, at 10:00 a.m.**
Come join us for stories, songs, music, and a snack. This story time is for children ages 2–4. To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### *Baby Lap-Sit Story Time*
**Downtown Library**
**Wednesdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; November 5, 12, and 19; December 3, 10, and 17, at 10:00 a.m.**
Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. This story time is for children ages birth to two. To register, call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### *Books and Busy Bees Story Time*
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30; November 6, 13, and 20; December 4, 11, and 18, at 10:00 a.m.**
Come enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft! This story time is for children ages 3–5. To register, call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *Story Time at Lucy's Playhouse*
**Lucy Haskell's Playhouse, 1211 Henry Street, Alton, IL**
**Fridays, September 12, October 10, and November 7, at 10:00 a.m.**
Join Ms. Mary Kay and Panda Bear for a fun, interactive story time at Lucy Haskell's Playhouse. Bring your little ones and enjoy stories, songs, and smiles in a charming historic setting!

### *Trick-or-Treating Story Time*
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursday, October 30, at 10:00 a.m.**
Join us (if you dare) for an extra-spooky story time on October 30! Stories will be read, crafts will be made, and best of all, we will go trick-or-treating in the library! To register your little ghoul or goblin for this sweet event, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2881!

### *Special Story Time Alert!*
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursday, October 9, at 10:00 a.m.**
The Alton Fire Department will be making a special visit during our story time on **October 9**! They'll read a story and talk about fire safety in honor of **Fire Safety Month.** We're so thankful for all the important work they do and are excited to welcome them! Limited space is available, so registration for this story time is required. Please call (618) 433-2881 to register.

### *A RUFF Story Time*
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, November 20, at 10:00 a.m.**
Hello! My name is Koda, and I'm a very special therapy dog who loves meeting new friends! If your child loves dogs, you won't want to miss this *pawsome* story hour. My best friend, Ginger, will tell you all about the important work I do. While she reads a story, I'll be there to say hello, get some pets, and maybe even show off a few tricks! I can't wait to see all you nice boys and girls there!

### *Make-or-Take Crafts*
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Mondays, October 6, November 3, and December 1**
Stop by and ask for your free Make-or-Take Craft. Crafts will be available on the first Monday of each month while supplies last.

### *LEGO Club: Ages 6–12*
**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**October 14 and 29; November 4 and 19; December 9 and 17, at 4:00 p.m.**
Join us for an hour of building and creating LEGO masterpieces. The library will supply the LEGOs, or feel free to bring your own. Space is limited. Please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your spot.

### *Art Club: Ages 6–12*
**Jacoby Arts Center, 208 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Fridays, October 24, November 21, and December 19, 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**
Beginner or advanced, express your creativity and have fun making art at Jacoby Arts Center! Supplies will be provided. Wear clothes that can get messy! Space is limited, so please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your spot.

### *"Read More Boooooks" Challenge: Ages 3-12*
**October 1 – October 31**
Haunt the library and scare up some good *boooooks* for this year's fall reading challenge. Children can complete tasks on their spooky-themed Bingo card in order to win up to five small prizes and twelve tickets to enter into our drawing for a "big prize!" Patrons have the option to register and complete the challenge digitally, through Beanstack, or they can take home a physical

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version of the Bingo card and bring it to the KidsSpace desk for prizes and ticket entry.

This challenge will run through the month of October. Bingo cards can be picked up and dropped off at Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall.
"Big prize" winners will be drawn on November 1 and contacted by a staff member. Please call (618) 433-2881 for more information.

### *Family Movie Matinee: Wicked: Part One*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, November 15, 2:00 p.m. – 4:40 p.m.**
Before flying off to the theaters to see *Wicked: For Good*, get caught up on what happened in *Wicked: Part One*. For one short day, we will be showing one of 2024's most popular films! Parents are encouraged to view the film beforehand to ensure it's suitable for your children. Please register in advance; Elphaba's future might be unlimited, but our seating isn't! Please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2822 to register.

### *A Gift of Peace*

**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**December 15 – December 21**
This holiday season, give the gift of peace to your fellow man. But don't worry, sometimes spreading goodwill doesn't cost a thing. During the week of December 15, Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall will have one suggestion per day on how you can spread cheer, laughter, and joy around the community.

### *Holiday Ornament Drop-In Station*

**Downtown Library**
**Saturday, December 6, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**
Get creative and make your very own holiday ornament! Craft supplies are available while they last—fun for the whole family!

### *Holiday Card Station*

**Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**December 8 – December 13, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**
Make a holiday card to share with someone special! This drop-in station is for children of all ages.

### *Kids Holiday Celebration*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Saturday, December 13, at 10:00 a.m.**
You're invited to a festive family celebration at the library! Join us for a fun-filled day with Santa, cookies, music, dancing, games, and holiday activities the whole family will enjoy. Come make joyful memories and share in the holiday cheer with your community!

### *1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Drawing*

As promised, we will hold a drawing for a special 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten participation basket on Monday, December 29. The lucky winner will be notified later that day. Though there will only be one winner of this basket, we'd like to congratulate all the children who participated in this program throughout the year!

If you're new to the challenge, it's open to parents of children from birth through age four. Join us on Beanstack to get started! Have questions? Call us at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2822, or stop by Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall.

### *KidsSpace Treasure Hunts*

Come to Hayner Library KidsSpace at Alton Square Mall and follow the clues to see what treasures you can find! Treasure hunts will change biweekly.

### *Dial-A-Story*

New stories are added at the beginning of each month. Call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253) to listen!

### *Summer Reading Program 2025 Recap*
### "Level Up at Your Library"

This summer, young patrons of The Hayner Public Library District leveled up their reading skills during our exciting 2025 Summer Reading Program, *"Level Up at Your Library."*

Children registered through Beanstack, our online reading platform, which helped them log and track their progress throughout the summer. Our KidsSpace staff worked hard to create engaging reading challenges and activities that brought the event to life! Participants enjoyed weekly story times, crafts, games, and live performances from entertainers including Swords & Roses, the Island Princess, Science Heroes, and Marko Polo Music. Weekly prizes and "big prize" tickets rewarded kids for their efforts and kept the motivation strong all summer long.

To wrap up the program, children were invited to a special celebration featuring Celia's Sing-Along Dance Party, free books, and a sweet treat from Mo'z Sweet Treats. Ten lucky participants took home "big prizes," and one received a special door prize!

This year's Traveling Trophy was awarded to Evangelical School in Godfrey for their outstanding participation.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for a summer filled with reading and fun. We can't wait to see you next year for the 2026 Summer Reading Program. Congratulations to all our readers on a fantastic summer!

# TeenSpace

# *Fall 2025 Activities*

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for ages 12-18 and will take place in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center on the upper level. Call (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *Duck Costume Contest*

Decorate a duck for a chance to win fun prizes! Pick up your duck beginning Tuesday, September 2. Drop decorated ducks off no later than Friday, September 26. Voting takes place Wednesday, October 1, through Friday, October 31. Winners will be announced on Monday, November 3. Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *Teen Crime Stoppers*

**October 1, November 5, and December 5, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Calling all true crime and murder mystery fans! Put on your detective hat and join other sleuths to solve a mystery at the library. Participants will work together to examine clues, read case files, and figure out whodunnit. This event is designed for teens ages 13-18.

### *Comic Chaos*

**Mondays, October 6, November 3, and December 1, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for our first-ever Comic Book Club! Visit our *Comics Plus* database to read the monthly comic book. We will discuss the plot, characters, arc, and overall enjoyment of the comic. At the end of each meeting, we will vote on which comic we would like to read and discuss next! For the title of the first comic book, call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

### *YA Fridays*

**Fridays, October 3, 10, and 24; November 7 and 14; December 12, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Come hang out with other teens in the TeenCenter! We will have crafts, video games, and other fun activities.

### *Draw to Impress*

**Wednesdays, October 22 and November 12, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for a fun drawing challenge where you randomly pick two words and creatively combine them into a unique piece of art!

### *Teen LEGO Challenge*

**Wednesdays, October 29, November 19, and December 10, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Do you love LEGOs? Bring a friend and come join other teens to create complex builds and win prizes!

### *Expressive Art*

**Fridays, October 31, November 21, and December 19, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

In Expressive Art, you will be given a canvas to paint something meaningful to you! Once dry, the canvases will be hung up in our TeenCenter. Before Summer Reading starts next year, we will hold a special art gallery to show and celebrate your expressive art pieces.

### *TeenTober*

**October 3, 10, 15, and 24, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

TeenTober is a nationwide celebration hosted by libraries every October. TeenTober aims to celebrate teens, promote year-round teen services, and highlight the innovative ways teen services help teens learn new skills and fuel their passions in and outside the library.

### *Teen Advisory Board (TAB)*

**Wednesday, October 8, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

What types of programs do you want to see at your library? Come be a part of the Teen Advisory Board, which makes decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library!

### *Teen Take-Home Crafts*

**Hayner Library TeenSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**Mondays, October 6, November 3, and December 1**

Do you love making crafts? If so, stop by TeenSpace to pick up a teen take-home craft! Craft kits will be available while supplies last.

### *Halloween Party*

**Friday, October 17, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Spooky season has arrived! If you love all things spooky, join us for our Halloween party! Dress up in your Halloween best for a chance to win our costume contest prize! Along with a costume contest there will be games, pizza, music, and a fun time with friends. Costumes should keep it fun for everyone–nothing too gory, no weapons, and keep it respectful. Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *Five Nights at Freddy's 2 Movie at NCG Cinema*

**NCG Cinema, 160 Alton Square, Alton, IL**
**Sunday, December 7, Time TBD**

Do you love scary movies? Did you enjoy *Five Nights at Freddy's?* Well *Five Nights at Freddy's 2* is coming to NCG Cinema! We will have a limited number of tickets available, so be sure to call and register. Each ticket comes with popcorn and a drink. Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 to reserve your ticket or for more information. Please note, *Five Nights at Freddy's 2* has a rating of PG-13.

### *Ugly Sweater Party*

**Saturday, December 13, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Calling all teens! Put on your favorite ugly sweater or make your own, and join us for music, games, prizes, crafts, cookies, and good company. We will also have a holiday gift exchange! Gifts are encouraged but not required. Gifts are to cost no more than $10. This event is all about spreading holiday cheer and having fun. Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *Holiday Wrapping Extravaganza*

**Wednesday, December 17, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Tired of boring and pricey holiday wrapping? Join us for our first-ever Holiday Wrapping Extravaganza! Just bring your gifts and your hands–we'll provide the rest! We've got wrapping paper, gift bags, tissue paper, tags, and gift boxes ready for you. Enjoy a cozy holiday movie and great company while you wrap your presents. Want to bring your own wrapping supplies? That's totally fine–come wrap, chat, and make new friends! Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *Holiday Card Station*

**Hayner Library TeenSpace at Alton Square Mall**
**December 1 – December 31**

Make a holiday card to share with someone special by visiting Hayner Library TeenSpace at Alton Square Mall any time during the month of December.

### *Teen Summer Reading Program 2025 Recap*

**"Level Up at Your Library"**

This summer, teens across the community stepped up to the challenge of "Level Up at Your Library," our 2025 Teen Summer Reading Program!

Using Beanstack, our online reading platform, participants registered, logged their reading, and completed challenges throughout the summer. We had a record-breaking forty-five teen participants this year—surpassing last year's total! Together, they earned 365 badges, submitted twenty book reviews, and read an impressive 357 books.

Throughout the program, teens engaged in creative activities, connected with peers, and discovered new books and genres. Our teen services staff worked hard to create a welcoming, inclusive space where everyone could find something to enjoy.

Participants took part in interactive games, hands-on crafts, weekly Beanstack challenges, and a celebratory end-of-summer party! Craft highlights include:

- Dragon eggs
- Tetris magnets
- DIY board game lazy susans
- Controller button coasters (voted teen favorite)
- Mario diamond art stickers

Game nights were equally popular, featuring:

- Grannies Bingo
- Live-Action Monopoly
- *Five Nights at Freddy's* Live-Action (voted teen favorite)
- Giant Board Game Night
- Giant Twister

We wrapped up the summer with a lively party featuring a live-action murder mystery event with Happy Faces Entertainment, along with snacks, prizes, free books, and time to share favorite reads.

Congratulations to all our amazing teen participants for making this year's program such a success! We can't wait to see you next year for the 2026 Teen Summer Reading Program.

## New in Our Illinois Room

***75th Anniversary of the Federated Unity Club, Alton, Illinois*** (1996). IR 367.977386 FED

***Annual Report of the Board of Education of Alton, Illinois*** (1903). IR LOCKED CASES 371.01 ALT 1903

***Beautiful Riverbend Region*** by Jim Barzee. IR 977.386 BAR

***Catalogue No. 300: Shovels, Spades, Scoops and Post Hole Diggers.*** Beall Brothers (Alton, Ill.) IR LOCKED CASES 670 BEA

***Circular: Wyman Institute, Upper Alton, Illinois.*** IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WYM 1879

***City of Alton, Illinois, Mississippi River Bridge Preliminary Engineering Report: Location Studies, Preliminary Design, Cost Estimates, Traffic and Revenue Projections*** (1967). IR 624.37 HOW

***Corridor Location Report: U.S. Route 67 Extension Through Alton*** (1969). IR 350.875 COR

***"Engaging with Elijah"*** by Dave Douglas (2024). IR 709.977386 DOU

***Interments in Alton National Cemetery: Burials Through December 2024.*** IR 977.3865 ALT

***Land Atlas and Plat Book, Macoupin County, Illinois*** (1987). IR 977.383 ATL 1987

***North Junior High School, Godfrey, Illinois*** (1975 yearbook). IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 NOR 1975

***Piasa Country: Shoppers and Service Directory*** (1985). IR 977.386 PIA

***Responses to EMC's Questionnaire, September 14, 1994*** by the Environmental Management Corporation. IR 363.7 ENV.

***Rufus Easton: Attorney, Public Servant and First Postmaster of St. Louis*** by Dennis Hahn (2000). IR B EASTON

***The Schuetz Family: The Story of Three Families—Schuetz, Lowe, and Olden—Put Together for David L. Manley and Dedicated to the Oldest Living Schuetz Sibling, Mary M. Storey*** by Hilda Fry (2025). IR 929.2 SCHUETZ

***Souvenir Album, Sentinel Democrat, 1895 Alton, Illinois: Index*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2025). IR 977.386 SOU

***The Spectator: Civic Memorial High School, Bethalto, Illinois*** (1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1986). IR 373.77386 SPE

***Sugar Camp Cemetery: Moores Prairie Township, Jefferson County, Illinois*** by Shirley Payne (2002). IR 977.3793 PAY

***This Georgia Rising: Education, Civil Rights, and the Politics of Change in Georgia in the 1940s*** by Patrick Novotny (2007). IR 324.9758 NOV

## Branching Out 2025: Genealogy Classes

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL. Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic.

On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and everyone gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

**October 9** - Uncover Family with Cemetery Records

**October 16** - Discussion Group

**November 13** - Heroes in Our History: Military Records

**November 20** - Discussion Group

**December 11** - All That's Fit to Print: Newspaper Research

**December 18** - Discussion Group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2025. Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy and Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next. Call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

# Vintage Voices 2025

Vintage Voices, now in its twenty-fourth year, will continue its tradition of guided walking tours in the Alton Cemetery on the first two weekends in October: 4, 5, 11, and 12, from noon until 2:30 p.m. Tours will leave from the main gate of the cemetery (at Vine & 5th Streets) every fifteen to twenty minutes. A non-walking tour presentation will be held at St. Mary's Middle School, 1015 Milton Road, Alton, IL, on Sunday, October 5, at 5:00 pm.

Gail Drillinger will portray Jane Watson Bassett (1881 – 1968). Bassett was the head librarian of Hayner Memorial Library from 1925 to 1952. Born in Arkansas, she attended Alton public schools as a child and graduated from Miss Bristow's Boarding and Day School in Covington, Kentucky, and from the St. Louis Library School. She began working at Hayner Library several months after finishing library school and retired due to ill health twenty-seven years later.

Wendy Adams will portray Harriet Isadore Robinson (1884 – 1972). Robinson served as Director of Music and Choir Director at Union Baptist for sixty years. She also directed the Uganda Chorus. Robinson was elected to the board of the National Association of Negro Musicians and reestablished the Alton branch of that organization. For many years, she operated a beauty shop in the Commercial Building on East Third Street.

Reinhold Gossrau (1845 – 1916) will be portrayed by John Kirkpatrick. Gossrau was a prominent Alton musician and businessman. He was born in Germany and came to Alton in the 1860s, where he immediately joined the Maennerchor singing group. He later was the leader of both the Maennerchor and the White Hussar Band. He was also one of the founders of the Alton Germania Building and Loan Association.

Debbie Maneke will portray Bertha A. Neermann Yoxall (1878 – 1964), who was in charge of the ready-to-wear department of the Gates-Clark Dry Goods Co. Later in life, she married William Yoxall, Superintendent of Western Cartridge Co. Both Bertha and William set up charitable trusts that have benefitted the Alton area for the last sixty years.

Latasha LeFlore-Porter will portray Dorothy H. Scott (1914 – 2002). First Lieutenant Scott was a member of the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, nicknamed the "Six Triple Eight," the first and only all-Black female unit to be deployed overseas during World War II. Scott graduated from Alton High School in 1940 and went on to Illinois State Normal University before enlisting in 1942. After the war, she taught elementary school in Alton. Scott is buried at Jefferson Barracks, but her parents, Daniel Holiday Scott and Elizabeth Julia Jenkins Scott, as well as seven siblings, are buried at Alton Cemetery.

Cary Langley Waples (1895 – 1918) will be portrayed by Caleb Kelehan. Lieutenant Waples was killed in a military aviation accident in San Antonio when he was twenty-three years old. His body is interred in the Mausoleum. Waples will talk about World War I and war horses on the Bowman and Job Farms in East Alton. More than 250,000 horses were brought in from the midwestern and western United States and shipped out of the East Alton stockyards to Europe during World War I.

Sean Williams will portray Joseph Henry Price (1854 – 1922). Price worked for library benefactor John E. Hayner, was a janitor at City Hall, and was a fireman for the lead works. Price was a Mason and was a member of the G. T. Watson Lodge No. 2 in Alton. He was a member of the Hunter Republican League Club – a local African American Hadley Club – and involved in the Alton School Case. He and his family lived for many years at 1901 Alby Street.

Virginia C. Quigley (1860 – 1944) and Alice E. Quigley (1860 – 1944) will be portrayed by Diana Kay and Jean Heil. They were twins who were never apart until Virginia died in April 1944. Alice missed her desperately and died that September. They were descendants of Cyrus Edwards, were members of St. Paul's Episcopal, travelled all over the world, and in later years lived in Loretto home on Prospect.

Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students ages 6-18. Tickets for the cemetery tour can be purchased online at https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/vintagevoicestours/tours, at Picture This and More at 17 East Broadway, Alton, IL, or at the main gate of the Alton Cemetery at least thirty minutes before the tours begin.

Tickets for the non-walking tour can be purchased online at https://www.ticketleap.events/tickets/vintagevoicestours/vintage-voices-non-walking-performance or at Picture This and More at 17 East Broadway, Alton, IL.

The characters and themes of this year's tours were carefully selected by the Vintage Voices steering

committee. Hayner Genealogy & Local History staff members provide research packets to the actors on the decedent they will portray. Actors write their own scripts and really do a fantastic job. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library also serves as a repository for Vintage Voices ephemera, such as a complete set of the program booklets and many of the scripts written by actors over the years. All of these items are available to see in the library.

Proceeds from the Vintage Voices performances support the continuation of the event, upkeep of the Alton Cemetery, and various community organizations, including Hayner Library. Please come out to see our history come alive!

## *State Senator Erica Harriss to Host Summer Traveling Office Hours at Hayner Library*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Wednesday, November 5, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

State Senator Erica Harriss will hold traveling office hours at Hayner Library in November. Traveling office hours are a way for Senator Harriss and her staff to assist residents with a wide variety of services, including navigating state agencies and connecting residents with available resources on state government-related issues.

## *DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Open House*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Saturday, November 8, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to our annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to guide you through the DAR application process. Don't think you have a soldier in your family? There's also the more general category of "Patriotic Service," which includes things like members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity. Admission is free, and registration is not necessary. For any updates, please check the Ninian Edwards DAR Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/NinianEdwardsAltonILNSDAR

## *Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Saturday, December 6, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Please join us for the 2025 Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House! Genealogy & Local History Library employee Reneé Johnson creates an absolutely beautiful Victorian-inspired holiday wonderland, and we will have cookies, lemonade, and a brand-new Genealogy & Local History Library puzzle to put together in front of the fireplace. Enjoy the decorations, create family history crafts to take home, and purchase your copy of the rhyming picture book *Alton ABC*! Staff members will also be available to help you think about ways to connect with your family history during holiday gatherings.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Fall 2025 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! Most programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *Broadway Show Tunes with Jared Hennings*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, October 7, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Come join one of our area's favorite performers, Jared Hennings, as he presents a captivating musical cross-section that features a variety of Broadway shows, including *Brigadoon, Ain't Misbehavin', Fiddler on the Roof, Showboat,* and more. This fun-filled evening will be a toe-tapping good time!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, October 14 and 28; November 25; December 9 and 23, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable projects and join us for X's and Sews—a laid-back crafting program where your creativity meets community. Bring whatever you're working on—whether it's embroidery, knitting, crocheting, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitching, jewelry making, origami, quilting, woodcarving…you name it! Enjoy relaxing music, conversation, and the company of fellow crafters. If your craft can be transported with ease, we'd love for you to bring it along and create with us. We cannot wait to meet everyone and see what you are working on!

No registration is necessary.

## *Haunted Hayner: History & Hauntings*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Tuesday, October 14, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

The Hayner Public Library District

Patrons ages eighteen and older are invited to join us as we discuss the history of Hayner Library, why Alton is so haunted, and talk Ghosts 101 with the gang from Alton Odyssey Tours. After, guests are welcome to stay and do some ghost hunting! The event will start in the Genealogy & Local History Library and end in the Downtown Library on Belle Street.

Ghost hunting equipment, courtesy of Alton Odyssey Tours, will be provided to use during the tour, but feel free to bring your own, as supplies are limited.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Registration will be limited to forty people.

## *Fall Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, October 17, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Get cozy at our Spooky Reading Retreat—a perfect autumn evening to curl up with eerie tales and immerse yourself in fall vibes. Whether you're a horror lover, mystery fan, or ghost story seeker—or none of those things—there's something for every reader! Feel free to browse our shelves ahead of time to pick out your next read before you arrive.

While you're here, enjoy fall-themed treats and warm drinks, craft your very own ghost garland to take home, and settle in for some quiet, relaxing reading time. You're welcome to chat with fellow readers about what you're currently reading or share your favorite spooky stories from the past.

Not sure what to read? Clear up your "to be read" list, pick out a new book, dive into that long read you've been putting off, or explore a few short stories. If you need inspiration, take a look at the library displays as you enter. This open house-style event allows you to come and go as you please—whether for a short visit or the entire time.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Historic Building Tour – Alton Area Landmarks Association*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Saturday, October 18, 10:00 a.m.**

For fifty-three years, the Alton Area Landmarks Association has invited the public to view some of the most historically and architecturally significant homes and buildings in Alton at their annual Historic Building Tour. This year, Hayner Library is hosting the AALA as they present highlights from the 2025 building tour from the comfort of the Genealogy & Local History Library. Learn about the fascinating and varied histories of the homes and buildings featured on the 2025 tour.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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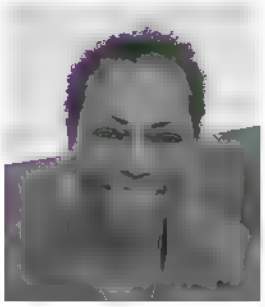
## *Connie Martin: Hidden Messages in Negro Spirituals on the Underground Railroad*



**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, October 21, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Join historian, retired teacher, and Illinois Humanities Road Scholar Connie Martin as she explains the meanings, interpretations, and connections of plantation songs, or Negro Spirituals, used in regions of the American South that signaled signs and tips that aided freedom seekers as they headed to Canada. These powerful, sacred songs, derived from the heart of the enslaved Africans, were a melodic outflowing of religious expression, passion, and the hope to be free. Negro spirituals, as originated in America, tell of sorrow, trials and tribulations, secrecy and hiding, and hope for a sense of community.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Hayner Cookbook Club*

### Kick Off the Cozy Cooking Season with Fan Favorites

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, October 21, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
**Cookbook Selections: *Eat Like a Gilmore* and *The Official Harry Potter Cookbook***

Calling all foodies, book lovers, and pop culture fans! Join us for a magical and heartwarming gathering where the kitchen meets Stars Hollow and Hogwarts. We'll dive into charming recipes inspired by *Gilmore Girls* and *Harry Potter*, share bites, and swap stories over coffee and Butterbeer.

Whether you're Team Lorelai or Team Hermione, there's something delicious for everyone. Browse themed cookbooks, pick your favorite recipe to make at home, then bring your dish (and recipe!) to share with fellow fans. Cozy vibes, fun chats, and even a little trivia await!

Costumes or cozy sweaters welcome—but not required!

To participate, stop by the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, choose your favorite recipe from the cookbooks on display, and register on the sign-up sheet.

### Holiday Cookie Exchange at the Library

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, December 10, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
**Cookbook Selections: A sweet variety of cookie cookbooks**

Join us for some sweet holiday fun! You're invited to the Holiday Cookie Exchange at the library! Whether you're a seasoned baker or just a cookie enthusiast, this is a great chance to share holiday cheer through baking.

Everyone will have a chance to sample, swap, and take home a delicious variety of holiday treats. We'll provide festive packaging supplies, music, and plenty of warm holiday cheer.

Let's make the season a little sweeter—together!

To participate, stop by the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall during the month of November, choose your cookie recipe from the cookbooks on display, and register on the sign-up sheet. Plan to bake two to three dozen cookies to share. Don't forget to bring a copy of your recipe!

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## *Poe and Irving – An Evening of Recitations with Anne Williams*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Wednesday, October 22, 6:30 p.m.**

With the lights turned down and the Gothic-style architecture of the Genealogy & Local History Library adding to the ambiance, patrons are in for an atmospheric treat as Anne Williams, historic interpreter and performer, will recite dramatically, from memory, several works by the author Edgar Allan Poe as well as an excerpt from another October favorite, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, by Washington Irving. Poe's stories will include *The Tell-Tale Heart, The Black Cat, The Raven,* and others. Anne has shared the authors' stories and poems with audiences at historic sites in New York, Philadelphia, Richmond, and regionally in Missouri and Illinois. She has worked with the National Park Service, St. Louis Public Radio, and many historic sites on various projects, including dramatic recitation of literature and historic speeches, creating and performing in short plays, reconstructing historic events, film narration, and a complete audio production of Dickens' *A Christmas Carol.* Anne has collaborated with Ballet 314 and Opera Theater Saint Louis.

**Please note – Because this program is presented entirely from memory, concentration by the performer is critical. In order to assist with this, this program is limited to patrons aged thirteen and older.**

Seating is limited. Please register for this program by calling 1-800-613-3163.

## *Yarn Bombers Workshop: Fall Pumpkins*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, October 22, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Grab your lattes, pull on your Uggs, and join the Riverbend Yarn Bombers for a fall pumpkin workshop! No materials or experience? No problem – the Yarn Bombers will bring extra supplies and the skills to help you learn new techniques and add new projects to your repertoire.

All skill levels welcome, and space is limited! Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Writers Circle*

For the novice and the experienced: Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion.

The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Registration is limited to ten people.

**Eerie Edition**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, October 25, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**NaNoWriMo Open Writing Session**
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, November 29, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

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## *Adult Fall Scavenger Hunt*

**October 1 – October 31**

Join us for our 2025 Adult Fall Scavenger Hunt! Hayner Library patrons ages eighteen and older can enter to win fun prizes by participating in a scavenger hunt around town and playing themed word games! Patrons will receive a raffle ticket for each item found in the scavenger hunt and an additional five raffle tickets for each of the word games completed.

This program will run through the month of October. The winners will be drawn on November 1. Prizes include a fire pit, a ghost hunting kit, and a fall gift basket.

Register at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library starting October 1!

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## *Ed Wheatley: From St. Louis to Cooperstown: Baseball Legends Born and Made in the Gateway City*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, November 4, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Come enjoy an evening with award-winning author and film producer Ed Wheatley as he discusses his newly released book, *From St. Louis to Cooperstown: Baseball Legends Born and Made in the Gateway City.* This book explores St. Louis baseball players within the Hall of Fame, including legends such as Hornsby, Dean, Musial, Gibson, Brock, and many more.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Here Lies Lovejoy – A History of Elijah P. Lovejoy's Life, Death, and Memorial*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Wednesday, November 5, 6:00 p.m.**

Journalist, newspaper editor, Presbyterian minister, and abolitionist, Elijah P. Lovejoy left his mark on Alton and American history in both life and in death. For nearly 188 years, since Lovejoy's murder at the hands of an angry mob, his gravesite and memory have been entrusted to a group of individuals dedicated to ensuring his legacy remains relevant today. This presentation will discuss the life of Elijah P. Lovejoy, the trustees of his grave, the story of the Lovejoy Monument, and the fascinating history and evolution of the group now known as the Elijah P. Lovejoy Memorial Board.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Adult Murder Mystery Game Night*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, November 13, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Have you ever wanted to solve a cold case? If so, this program might be for you! Join us at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, where you and other crime-fighting enthusiasts will collaborate to analyze distinct clues to solve a cold case. Participants will examine crime scene photos, newspaper articles, witness statements, and more. Please note that this program has a registration limit of twenty participants, so don't delay—call today!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company*

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL**
**Thursday, November 13**
**Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Book Discussion: 7:00 p.m.**
**Title: *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks**

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and discussion of our November book selection, *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. The Taps & Tomes book selection can be checked out at Hayner Library and is also available through the Libby digital platforms. No registration is required.

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## *John Lynn: Main Street, Illinois*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Thursday, November 20, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

John Lynn, referred to as "the walking encyclopedia of Illinois" by WGN Radio, has photographed every one of the 2,400 cities and towns in the state. Additionally, he has hiked, biked, and paddled enough historic and scenic trails, roads, and rivers in both America and Britain to circle the globe. Main Street, Illinois, is a memorable and fun-filled tour of the charms, traditions, and personalities of our Illinois towns.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Gift-Wrapping Open House*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, November 21, and Thursday, December 11, 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Need a cozy spot to wrap your holiday gifts? Join us for a Gift-Wrapping Open House at the library! We'll have a relaxed space set up where you can wrap in peace—no peeking eyes, no tape disasters, and no stress.

We'll provide a selection of wrapping supplies, including paper, ribbons, scissors, and tape (while supplies last). Feel free to bring your own materials or extra supplies to share with others.

Have extra supplies at home but can't make it to the event? We will gladly accept donations ahead of time! Just drop them off at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall before the event to help someone else wrap in style.

Bring your gifts, your wrapping skills, and your holiday spirit—we'll provide the festive atmosphere!

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## *An Afternoon with The Riverbend Community Orchestra*

**Alton Square Mall, JC Penney Court**
**Sunday, November 23, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Come enjoy a musical afternoon with The Riverbend Community Orchestra. The Riverbend Community Orchestra is formed through the combined efforts of the Alton Youth Symphony and the Alton Symphony Orchestra, ensuring a welcoming space for musicians of all skill levels. These musicians perform free concerts at various venues throughout the Riverbend area.

The Riverbend Community Orchestra will bring a full symphonic concert highlighting the many connections between literature and music.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *The McAtees: A Holiday Musical Performance*

**Benjamin Godfrey Chapel, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey, IL**
**Sunday, December 7, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Come spend the afternoon with Alivia and Jason McAtee as they sing some of your favorite holiday hits at the historic Benjamin Godfrey Chapel.

Alivia Levi-McAtee is a proud graduate of Lewis and Clark Community College's music department, where she now serves as adjunct voice faculty. Deeply passionate about helping others discover the power and beauty of their own unique voice, Alivia believes that "music is the language my soul speaks." She has performed with numerous ensembles, including the acclaimed Lewis and Clark Concert Choir, and in 2020, she founded the Porch Café Band, an energetic and soulful cover group born during the pandemic that performs regularly throughout the region, spreading joy through music.

Jason McAtee is a seasoned vocalist and multi-talented musician. He has toured nationally as the lead tenor for the gospel group Soul'd Out and has since made a name for himself as a professional sound engineer and producer through his company, McAtee Productions. Jason initially joined Porch Café as the band's sound engineer but quickly found his place on the stage, playing bass and sharing lead vocals alongside Alivia.

Now married and living in Godfrey with their two children, Jason and Alivia share a deep love for music and for each other. Their passion for creating and performing is woven into their everyday life, making every performance a genuine reflection of their connection and artistry.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Eugene Jones Baldwin: A Long Night's Journey into Day*

**Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Wednesday, December 10, 6:00 p.m.**

Please join us for Eugene Jones Baldwin's lecture on his newly published book, *A Long Night's Journey into Day*. Eugene Jones Baldwin is a journalist, poet, playwright, and musician. Recent publications include *A Black Soldier's Letters Home: WWII* (with James Killion III), and *The Genehouse Chronicles*, stories of nature and people of his native Alton. His plays have been produced in New York, Chicago, and regional theaters around the country. *Water Brought Us and Water's Gonna Take Us Away,* commissioned by the National Park Service about the Underground Railroad in Illinois, was produced in 2002. A writer/producer for the 1990 National Tuskegee Airmen Oral History Project, Gene recently published a story in *The Telegraph* of Jerseyville's Tuskegee Airmen, George and Arnold Cisco.

From the author: My book was born at the funeral of civil rights pioneer Josephine Beckwith, whom I had interviewed for *The Telegraph*. Judge Duane Bailey approached me and told me I was going to write about the history of Alton in the fifties, a subject about which I knew nothing. I told Judge Bailey I was the wrong color. He replied, "There is no color in justice." In that same year, my great-great grandfather, William Holman Jones, a conductor on the Michigan Underground Railroad and friend of John Brown, spoke to me in a dream: "I have a story to tell." James Baldwin, whose collected works are on my nightstand, speaks to me every night. Five years and countless interviews with families of civil rights leaders later, *There is No Color in Justice,* a personal journey, really is finished. This is that story.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Illinois Libraries Present*

Hayner Library has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present* to bring you exciting, high-profile virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally recognized presenters. These events are 100% online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home – or wherever you'd like!

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

**Tuesday, October 21, 7:00 p.m. – Beyond the Screen: A "Wicked" Conversation with Marissa Bode**
As the highly anticipated sequel *Wicked: For Good* approaches, we'll reflect on what makes the story so meaningful to Bode and audiences around the world. Bode will also share personal stories and insights from her time on stage, the challenges and rewards of being part of an iconic production, and what the future holds for her career.

**Tuesday, November 18, 7:00 p.m. – Kenji López-Alt: A Journey Through Food and Science**
Join award-winning cookbook author, *New York Times* food columnist, and Serious Eats director J. Kenji López-Alt for an evening of cooking insights, techniques, and foodie exploration.

Registration is required to attend these virtual events. Find registration information and more for each event on our Events Calendar at www.haynerlibrary.org.

*These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. Illinois Libraries Present is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office for the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

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## *Cold Weather Crafts*

As the weather cools down, we tend to spend more time indoors. Combat cabin fever with Cold Weather Crafts! Available this fall and winter, October through February, Cold Weather Crafts are take-home craft kits for adults. A different craft will be available every month during this time. These kits are limited and are first-come, first-served. Stop by the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall at the beginning of each month to get yours!

## *Banned Books Week*

**October 5 – October 11**

For the last forty-three years, Banned Books Week has brought attention to the rising number of challenged books in schools, libraries, and bookstores. Each year, the ALA (American Library Association) and the Banned Books Week Coalition tracks the number of challenged books, releasing a list of the most challenged books of the year to increase awareness about censorship.

This year's Banned Books Week theme is Censorship Is So 1984. Read for Your Rights. Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library during Banned Books Week, pick up a banned/challenged book from one of our displays, and read for your rights!

Visit ala.org/bbooks to view current banned books and censorship data, look through the Top 10 lists, and more.

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## *Little Art Show: An All-Ages Community Art Show*

Join Hayner Library and Jacoby Arts Center in celebrating community and the joy of little things with a showcase of little artworks created by you!

Starting in October, you can pick up a little canvas at any Hayner Library location or Jacoby Arts Center (while supplies last). If you'd like to supply your own canvas, please feel free to do so as long as it meets the size requirement. Create an artwork on your little canvas in any medium, whether it's paint, collage, mixed-media, markers, found objects, or something else. Then, when your little art is complete, drop it off at Jacoby Arts Center no later than November 30.

No art supplies? Stop by one of our Little Free Art Libraries and take what you can use! They are located at Alton City Hall, Milton Schoolhouse, Jacoby Arts Center, Olin Park, and the Boys and Girls Club of Alton.

The exhibition will be showcased at Jacoby Arts Center from December through February, then at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall through March. Jacoby Arts Center will host a closing reception with live music and light refreshments. The exhibition and reception are free to attend and open to all.

*Requirements:*

- All art must be on a canvas no bigger than 4 inches x 4 inches
- All art must be family-friendly (no nudity, weapons, swear words, etc.)
- Completed artworks must be dropped off at Jacoby Arts Center no later than November 30

*Exhibition:*
December through February: Jacoby Arts Center
March: Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

*Closing Reception:*
Friday, February 6, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., Jacoby Arts Center

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## *Food for Fines: October Fine Amnesty Program*

Do you have some Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the trunk of your car? Food for Fines is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. From October 1 through October 31, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with a canned food item. The library will donate the food items to Crisis Food Center in Alton.

Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per overdue item. Only Hayner Library materials are eligible. Only non-expired, non-perishable food items are eligible for Food for Fines.

Of course, even if you don't have fines, please feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as Crisis Food Center and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

## *The 2025 Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl*

**October 1 – October 31**

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce our participation in the Illinois Heartland Library System's seventh annual Library Crawl. There are nearly 200 libraries in this year's crawl! Participating in the Library Crawl is easy. Pick up an IHLS Library Crawl passport from any Hayner Library location, have your passport stamped by at least five participating libraries, and then return your passport to any Hayner Library location for a chance to win our grand prize drawing.

All participating patrons who visit a Hayner Library location will receive a small prize (while supplies last). To show off where you have traveled, use #IHLSLibraryCrawl2025 on social media!

The IHLS Library Crawl is a fun way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit other libraries and experience the vast array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state.

Please note: Hayner Library cardholders can pick up and drop off their passports at any Hayner Library location. All other IHLS member library cardholders should pick up and drop off their passports at their home libraries. Only Hayner Library patrons are eligible to win our grand prize drawings of $50 gift cards to The Old Bakery Beer Company, Post Commons, and Bakers & Hale.

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## *November is National Novel Writing Month!*

During the month of November, writers are encouraged to focus on the *length* of a work rather than *quality*, attempting to write a complete rough draft. Nearly 400 novels written during National Novel Writing Month have been published by traditional publishing houses, including *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen, *The Darwin Elevator* by Jason M. Hough, and *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern.

Each Sunday in November, Hayner Library will host a Writers Open House for those who want to participate in the challenge. Feel free to come and go as you please. We will provide a quiet space to write, writing tools, and refreshments; just bring along your ideas!

**Sunday, November 2, 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
**Sunday, November 9, 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
**Sunday, November 16, 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
**Sunday, November 23, 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**
**Saturday, November 29, 10:00 am – 1:00 p.m.**
**Sunday, November 30, 12:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

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## *Recycle Your Outdoor Decorative Lights at Hayner Library*

**January 2 – January 31**

Is your basement, garage, or attic filled with tangled ropes of non-working holiday or outdoor string lights? If you've been hanging on to string lights with missing bulbs, burned-out sockets, or frayed wires because you don't want them to end up in a landfill, but you're not sure what to do with them—bring them to the library!

During the month of January, drop off your old holiday or outdoor string lights at the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and we'll make sure they get recycled. Stop by the library, toss your lights in the recycling bin, and you're all set (maybe check out a book on your way out the door!).

This program is a great way to ensure that the copper, plastic, and glass in your old lights are given a second life and don't end up in a landfill. Patrons who recycle their lights will receive an eco-friendly bookmark (while supplies last)!

## *Wreaths Across America 2025*

Wreaths Across America is a grassroots movement that began in 1992 by Morrill Worcester, a Maine businessman. The organization's mission, "Remember, Honor, and Teach," is carried out by wreath-laying ceremonies in cemeteries in all fifty states and beyond. The organization spreads its message about the importance of *remembering* the fallen, *honoring* those who serve, and *teaching* our children the value of freedom and sacrifices made by veterans and their families through wreath-laying ceremonies and other coordinated events.

Thanks to local volunteers, this organization and its mission have been active in Alton since 2007. On Saturday, December 13, 2025, our community will participate in this year's national WAA event. The ceremony will begin at 11:00 a.m. at the Alton National Cemetery, 600 Pearl Street, Alton, IL.

In 2024, through generous community donations, 560 wreaths were placed on the gravesites at our local national cemetery. Every dollar donated helps ensure that each veteran is remembered. You can help continue this tradition by donating to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 3081, Alton, IL 62002. The cost of each wreath is $17.00.

Once again, our local WAA effort hopes to offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their veteran loved one at other local cemeteries. These wreath reservations may be made starting Tuesday, November 11, 2025, through Monday, December 1, 2025, by calling Sue Fitzgerald at (618) 530-1430.

Please consider supporting our community in carrying forward this mission, and join our nation in honoring our veterans, many of whom forfeited their own holiday celebrations for all of us.

For more information, call or email Margaret Hopkins at (618) 570-8804, or hopkins1014@sbcglobal.net.

To learn more, visit the WAA website at www.wreathsacrossamerica.org or follow their Facebook page, Wreaths Across America-Alton.

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## *Mango Languages*

Want to learn a new language? Hayner Library now offers Mango Languages, an online resource for self-paced language learning with over seventy world languages, including ESL (English as a Second Language) and ASL (American Sign Language).

Available as an app or from your desktop, Mango adapts to your unique learning style, so you can pick up on new vocabulary, intuit unfamiliar grammatical structure, and train your pronunciation, all while boosting your cultural IQ. Lessons include a mix of reading and listening activities – with native speaker audio – as well as interactive pronunciation practice that allows you to record yourself speaking and compare it with the target language audio. Similarly, the ASL course allows you to record video of yourself to practice and compare your signing and facial expressions.

For young children, try Little Pim, Mango's video-based language courses featuring Little Pim, the cartoon panda.

To get started, use the QR Code or search for Mango Languages in your app store. All you need is a Hayner Library card!

If you are using the app, create an account, then select "Search for Free Mango" when it asks you to select your subscription. Search by location, select "Hayner Public Library District," then log in with your library card barcode number.

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Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall
132 Alton Square Mall Dr., Alton
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Genealogy & Local History Library
401 State Street, Alton
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

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## *Paint the Town with Little Free Art Libraries!*

Hayner Library has partnered with Jacoby Arts Center and Lewis and Clark Community College's YouthBuild program to install five Little Free Art Libraries throughout Alton! Each Little Free Art Library, carefully hand-built and weatherproofed by YouthBuild students and painted in collaboration with Jacoby Arts Center, will be stocked regularly with art books, art supplies, craft kits, and other artsy materials – all free to take and create with! The Little Free Art Libraries will be installed at Jacoby Arts Center (208 State Street), Olin Park (State Street near the intersection of State Street and West 9th Street), Boys and Girls Club of Alton (2512 Amelia Street), Milton Schoolhouse (1320 Milton Road), and Alton City Hall (101 East 3rd Street).

## *Wowbrary — A Digital "New Book" Shelf in Your Inbox Each Week*

Keep track of every new item added to the Hayner Library collection every week with Wowbrary, a free email newsletter. Published weekly, Wowbrary highlights top new books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, and even online magazines added to the Hayner Library collection during the week. Browsing categories include "Top 20 Choices," along with other fiction and nonfiction lists for adults, teens, and children. What makes Wowbrary different from generic lists? It only highlights new materials added to the Hayner Library collection. Wowbrary makes new items easy to browse and allows you to immediately reserve any item that strikes your fancy. It is free, published weekly, and can be received as an email or RSS feed. Visit www.wowbrary.org and sign up today!

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township — Winter 2026

## *The Hayner Public Library District Considering New Building*

The Hayner Public Library District, which serves the approximately 46,000 residents of Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township, recently completed a building program developed to assist the Board of Trustees as they determine the best course of action for the District's facilities.

In April 2024, the District hired Fred Schlipf to assist in writing the building program, a comprehensive plan outlining the District's goals, requirements, and functional needs of a potential new facility. Schlipf has been a library school faculty member for over fifty years, currently serving as an Adjunct Professor at the Graduate School of Information Science at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. He is the author of the book *The Practical Handbook of Library Architecture: Creating Building Spaces That Work*, the definitive resource for library architecture.

For nearly eighteen months, Mr. Schlipf, the Board of Trustees, and the Library's Executive Director Mary Cordes, reviewed the District's current building facilities; analyzed the District's current collections, services, and programs; interviewed library employees to ascertain the needs of each department within the Library; and reviewed the Library's mission, values, and service roles within the community.

The District's long-term lease with Alton Square Mall will end in 2028, and the Library must give Hull Property Group, the owners of the Alton Square Mall, a year's notice of the District's intention to remain at the mall or leave. Hayner Library first moved to the Alton Square Mall in 1985. The District pays over $20,000 per month, plus utilities, to rent the Alton Square Mall location. The Library is also responsible for all maintenance and repairs within the Library's mall facility.

The District's Downtown Library, located at 326 Belle Street, is no longer conducive to the ever-changing needs of a public library. The Genealogy & Local History Library, housed in the District's original library building at 401 State Street, has outgrown its space, with more room needed to house, maintain, and preserve the history of Alton, Godfrey, Foster Township, and surrounding areas. The Genealogy & Local History Library's basement also houses the Library's administrative offices, IT department, and Technical Services department; all three of these departments have outgrown their spaces.

All of these issues, combined with the Board of Trustees concern regarding the long-term viability and future of the Alton Square Mall, led the Board to perform their due diligence in considering all facility options, including the possibility of a new library building, which would combine the collections and staff of the Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall into one facility, and utilize both levels of the Genealogy & Local History Library for genealogical and local history purposes.

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**HOLIDAYS**

The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
January 1- New Year's Day
January 19 - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 16 - Presidents' Day

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Mary Cordes

"The Library is such a tremendous asset to the community," says Executive Director Mary Cordes. "We provide so many wonderful programs, services, and materials for patrons of all ages and interests. Having the ability to offer them all under one roof would be a game changer," says Cordes. "We have a great staff who work tirelessly to provide the best library services possible to our patrons. But right now we spend a lot of our time going back and forth amongst locations, duplicating materials, supplies, utilities, and services, and generally trying to make the buildings work when they're overcrowded and no longer fit the needs required by our patrons," says Cordes. "As great as our services currently are, I can't imagine the positive impact we could have on our community if we had one large facility."

The Board of Trustees stresses that the completion of a building program in no way guarantees that a new library building is imminent. The Board will not make such a decision until it is confident that it is in the best interest of the taxpayers of the District. "We're excited to begin work on this project," says Board of Trustees President Kevin Botterbush. "The Trustees are committed to performing our due diligence to ensure we've gathered all of the information needed to make the best possible decision for the taxpayers of our District. We want to give the residents of the District the best library possible."

The Board of Trustees voted to hire an architectural or design-build firm to assist in identifying potential building sites, creating architectural renderings, determining the cost of a new facility, facilitating public engagement, and investigating avenues of funding.

Transparency is also paramount to the Board as it moves forward with reviewing the District's facilities and the viability of possibly building a new library for the residents of the District. Every step of this process, including the hiring of Mr. Schlipf and architectural or design-build services, has been posted on the District's Board meeting agendas. The Board will also begin to seek input from community stakeholders in the future.

Hayner Library's current collection houses nearly 210,000 physical items among the three library facilities. During Hayner Library's last fiscal year, the Library circulated almost 249,000 items. As a member of the Illinois Heartland Library System, Hayner loaned nearly 60,000 items to other libraries through interlibrary loan services and received over 25,000 items through interlibrary loan. The Library answered over 6,400 reference questions, and patrons accessed the Library's computers over 22,000 times. The Library also provides a Library of Things (nontraditional library items such as outdoor games, instruments, projectors, sewing machines, telescopes, fishing rods, and much more), one-on-one tech help, programming and story times for children, adults, and teens, community resource guides, voter registration, printing, copying, faxing, and scanning services, delivery services to patrons who are unable to visit the Library due to temporary or long-term disability, several e-book and audiobook platforms, streaming television and movies, databases-including digital archives of *The Telegraph*, yearbooks, city directories, historical photographs of the Riverbend, genealogy and local history services, and much more.

## *Inclement Weather Closing Information*

Winter is just around the corner, bringing the potential for snow and ice. To ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If bad winter weather is in the forecast, please call the library, visit the Hayner Library website, or check our social media pages before visiting one of our locations. Drive carefully!

## *January is National Hot Tea Month*

As the cold winter winds begin to blow, nothing is quite as comforting as a warm cup of tea. Whether you prefer black, green, or herbal, the soothing warmth of hot tea can bring peace, relaxation, and joy.

Did you know that January is the official month to celebrate this beloved beverage? Welcome to National Hot Tea Month—a time to honor the rich history and cultural significance of tea in our daily lives.

Starting January 5, come in, select a new read, and you will receive a "Get Cozy" bookmark with a tea bag attached. This program will be available at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and the Downtown Library while supplies last.

## *Recycle Your Outdoor Decorative Lights at Hayner Library*

**Friday, January 2 - Saturday, January 31**

Is your basement, garage, or attic filled with tangled ropes of non-working holiday or outdoor string lights? If you've been hanging on to string lights with missing bulbs, burned-out sockets, or frayed wires because you don't want them to end up in a landfill, bring them to the library! During the month of January, drop off your old holiday or outdoor string lights at the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and we'll make sure they get recycled. Stop by the library, toss your lights in the recycling bin, and you're all set (maybe check out a book on your way out the door!). This program is a great way to ensure that the copper, plastic, and glass in your old lights are given a second life and don't end up in a landfill. Patrons who recycle their lights will receive an eco-friendly bookmark (while supplies last)! Please note: We cannot accept any other types of lighting except string lights.

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## *Cool to Be Kind — Hayner Library's January Fine Amnesty Program*

Cool to Be Kind, Hayner Library's winter fine amnesty program, will take place from January 2 through January 31, 2026. During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fines with cold-weather clothing such as gloves, mittens, hats, scarves, etc. Library materials must be returned with clothing donations, at least one clothing item per overdue item, and only Hayner Library materials are eligible. Only new or very gently used clothing items can be accepted (no stains or holes). The library will donate the clothing items to the Crisis Food Center's Nearly New shop in Alton. Of course, even if you don't have fines, please feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations, such as the Crisis Food Center, and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

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## *Cold Weather Crafts*

Baby, it's cold outside, so combat cabin fever with Cold Weather Crafts! Available in January and February, Cold Weather Crafts are take-home craft kits for adults. A different craft will be available each month. These kits are limited and are first-come, first-served. Stop by the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall at the beginning of each month to get yours!

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## *Little Art Show: Exhibition and Closing Reception*

Hayner Library and Jacoby Arts Center are celebrating community and the joy of little things with a showcase of little artworks created by you!

In October and November of 2025, we distributed tiny canvases and community members (you!) created little artworks of all kinds. Now, we are excited to show them off in a special exhibition.

The exhibition will be showcased at Jacoby Arts Center through February, then at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall through March. Jacoby Arts Center will host a closing reception on February 6, with live music and light refreshments. The exhibition and reception are free to attend and open to all.

**Exhibition –**
December through February – Jacoby Arts Center
March – Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall

**Closing Reception –**
Jacoby Arts Center
Friday, February 6, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

## FICTION—

**Bailey, Tessa.** Catch Her If You Can

**Balogh, Mary.** Remember That Day (Ravenswood)

**Beaton, M.C.** Death of a Groom

**Benedict, Marie.** Daughter of Egypt

**Berg, Elizabeth.** Love: A Life Story

**Berry, Steve.** The Devil's Bible A Cotton Malone Novel

**Bowen, Rhys.** Vanished in the Crowd: A Molly Murphy Mystery

**Box, C.J.** The Crossroads (Joe Pickett)

**Brennan, Allison.** Make It Out Alive (Quinn & Costa)

**Brown, Sandra.** Bloodlust

**Burke, James Lee.** The Hadacol Boogie: A Dave Robicheaux Novel

**Butcher, Jim.** Twelve Months (Dresden Files)

**Childs, Laura.** Death at a Firefly Tea

**Cosimano, Elle.** Finlay Donovan Crosses the Line

**Coulter, Catherine.** The Heir of Whitestone

**Dallas, Sandra.** The Hired Man

**Dave, Laura.** The First Time I Saw Him

**de la Cruz, Melissa.** Rings of Fate

**Deveraux, Jude.** Order of Royals: A Novel (Blue Swan)

**Dugoni, Robert.** Her Cold Justice

**Elston, Ashley.** Anatomy of an Alibi

**Erdrich, Louise.** Python's Kiss: Stories

**Farnsworth, Christopher.** Robert B. Parker's Big Shot

**Feehan, Christine.** Dark Joy

**Feeney, Alice.** My Husband's Wife

**Freeman, Brian.** Robert Ludlum's The Bourne Revenge

**French, Nicci.** Tyler Green Will Never Be Free (Maud O'Connor)

**French, Tana.** The Keeper

**Graham, Heather.** The Witching Hours (Crows)

**Greaney, Mark.** The Hard Line (Gray Man)

**Grippando, James.** The Right to Remain: A Jack Swyteck Novel

**Hannah, Sophie.** No One Would Do What the Lamberts Have Done: A Novel

**Hawkins, Rachel.** The Storm

**Hoover, Colleen.** Woman Down

**Hurwitz, Gregg.** Antihero: An Orphan X Novel

**Jackson, Joshilyn.** Missing Sister

**Jimenez, Abby.** The Night We Met

**Kellerman, Jonathan.** Jigsaw: An Alex Delaware Novel

**Koontz, Dean.** The Friend of the Family

**Krentz, Jayne Ann.** The Shop on Hidden Lane

**Kubica, Mary.** It's Not Her

**Mallery, Susan.** The Bookstore Diaries

**McFadden, Freida.** Dear Debbie

**McFadden, Freida.** Want to Know a Secret?

**McKinlay, Jenn.** Booking for Trouble

**McLain, Paula.** Skylark

**Meltzer, Brad.** The Viper: A Zig & Nola Novel

**Michaels, Fern.** The Final Storm

**Nesbø, Jo.** Wolf Hour

**Paris, B. A.** When I Kill You

**Pataki, Allison.** It Girl

**Patterson, James.** Cross and Sampson: An Alex Cross and John Sampson Thriller

**Patterson, James.** The Invisible Woman: A Thriller

**Patterson, James & Viola Davis.** Judge Stone

**Patterson, James.** Private Rome A Private Novel

**Phillips, Susan Elizabeth.** And the Crowd Went Wild (Chicago Stars)

**Preston, Douglas.** Pendergast: The Beginning

**Quindlen, Anna.** More Than Enough

**Quinn, Kate.** The Astral Library

**Quirk, Matthew.** The Method. A Thriller

**Robb, J.D.** Stolen in Death

**Rollins, James.** Trust No One· A Thriller

**Saunders, George.** Vigil

**Score, Lucy.** Mistakes Were Made

**Singh, Nalini.** Such a Perfect Family

**Stabenow, Dana.** The Harvey Girl

**Steel, Danielle.** The Devil's Daughter

**Steel, Danielle.** Felicia's Favorites

**Stevenson, Benjamin.** Everyone in This Bank Is a Thief

**Thor, Brad.** Cold Zero

**Todd, Charles.** A Day of Judgment (Inspector Rutledge)

**Unger, Lisa.** Served Him Right

**White, Kate.** I Came Back for You: A Novel

**Winslow, Don.** The Final Score: Six Short Novels

## NONFICTION—

**Alford, Allison M., PhD.** Good Daughtering

**Alker, Ashley.** 99 Ways to Die· And How to Avoid Them

**Applegate, Christina.** You with the Sad Eyes: A Memoir

**Bertinelli, Valerie.** Getting Naked. The Quiet Work of Becoming Perfectly Imperfect

**Chang, Jung.** Fly, Wild Swans: My Mother, Myself and China

**Chapman, Gary.** The Love Language That Matters Most. How to Personalize Love So They Really Feel It

**Chiasson, Dan.** Bernie for Burlington: The Rise of the People's Politician

**Coelho, Paulo.** The Supreme Gift: Love Is the Greatest Thing in the World

**Cooke, Julia.** Starry and Restless Three Women Who Changed Work, Writing, and the World

**Ellsberg, Daniel.** Truth and Consequence: Reflections on Catastrophe, Civil Resistance, and Hope

**Klosterman, Chuck.** Football

**Lucci, Susan.** La Lucci

**Meacham, Jon.** American Struggle: Democracy, Dissent, and the Pursuit of a More Perfect Union: An Anthology

**Minnelli, Liza.** Kids, Wait Till You Hear This!

**O'Donnell, Norah.** We the Women: The Hidden Heroes Who Shaped America

**Oliver, Jamie.** Eat Yourself Healthy: Food to Change Your Life

**Oppenheimer, Mark.** Judy Blume A Life

**Osborn, Cate.** The ADHD Field Guide for Adults

**Pollan, Michael.** A World Appears· A Journey into Consciousness

**Puhak, Shelley.** The Blood Countess· Murder, Betrayal, and the Making of a Monster

**Sancton, Julian.** Neptune's Fortune· The Billion Dollar Shipwreck and the Ghosts of the Spanish Empire

**Sekhon, Lucky, MD.** The Lucky Egg: Understanding Your Fertility and How to Get Pregnant Now

**Streitfeld, David.** Western Star. The Life and Legends of Larry McMurtry

**Tu, Vivian.** Well Endowed: The Secrets to Strategic Spending, Building a Financial Foundation for You and Your Family, and Creating Lasting Generational Wealth

**Turley, Jonathan.** Rage and the Republic: The Unfinished Story of the American Revolution

# *Reimagining Places of the Past: Historic Preservation Lecture Series*

The Genealogy & Local History Library is partnering with Alton Area Landmarks Association (AALA) this winter to bring back our three-part Saturday lecture series in January, February, and March. AALA is dedicated to educating, promoting, and saving the architectural heritage of the Alton area. Feel free to register for one lecture or all three. This year's Winter Lecture Series is dedicated to long-time Alton Area Landmarks Association member Joan Albers.

### Part 1: Armenian Immigration to Granite City in the Early Twentieth Century with Norma Asadorian
### Genealogy & Local History Library
### Saturday, January 17, at 10:00 a.m.

Armenians and other immigrants who settled in Granite City's Lincoln Place neighborhood played an important role in the development of the planned community. At the beginning of the twentieth century, the immigrant industrialist brothers Fredrick and William Niedringhaus established Granite City across the Mississippi River from St. Louis. Granite City began as an industrial town producing graniteware household items and industrial steel. The need for large amounts of cheap factory labor attracted thousands of immigrants, including Hungarians, Macedonians, Mexicans, and Armenians, among many others.

The Armenian Genocide is a significant event in modern Armenian history and prompted the immigration of many early Granite City Armenians. It continues to influence foreign relations with the Republic of Armenia and the lives and shared memories of Armenians and their descendants around the globe.

Norma Asadorian descended from Armenian immigrant ancestors who settled in the historic Lincoln Place neighborhood in Granite City. Before her retirement in 2012, Asadorian was an award-winning secondary school teacher for thirty-seven years. In the classroom, she taught a wide variety of social studies courses. She has continued her lifelong interest in history, languages, and archaeology as the founder and President of the Lincoln Place Heritage Association (LPHA). She is also a long-time Madison County Historical Society board member and works part-time for SIUE's Historical Studies Department, where she observes and evaluates student teachers.

### Part 2: The Chatillon-DeMenil House with Bill Stanard
### Genealogy & Local History Library
### Saturday, February 21, at 10:00 a.m.

Constructed between 1851 and 1876, the Chatillon-DeMenil House illustrates the story of Franco-American, Creole culture during the Civil War, turn-of-the-century, and Roaring 20s eras in St. Louis. De Lor, Chatillon, Chouteau, and DeMenil, all names familiar to historians of the Louisiana Province of New France, figure prominently in the cultural life of the Gateway to the West.

Veteran, teacher, craftsman, sailor, and writer, Bill Stanard dedicated his career to teaching English and computer science, as well as spending countless hours building boats, enjoying the camaraderie of fellow artisans. He lives and works in St. Louis, and is the Executive Director of the Chatillon-DeMenil House.

### Part 3: Immigration from German-Speaking Europe to Southwestern Illinois in the Nineteenth Century with William P. Shannon IV
### Genealogy & Local History Library
### Saturday, March 21, at 10:00 a.m.

Immigration from German-speaking Europe changed southwestern Illinois in the nineteenth century. Join us for an exploration of German immigration to our area. St. Clair County Historical Society Executive Director William Shannon will be your guide on this journey into history, tracing the impact of German immigrants in every facet of life in our region.

William P. Shannon IV is the Executive Director of the St. Clair County Historical Society. He also serves as the President of the Illinois State Historical Society. A native of south suburban Chicago, he now lives in Belleville.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for these programs. Each program requires individual registration.

## *New in Our Illinois Room*

***Adventures in Wildlife Rehabilitation: Treehouse Wildlife Center—Selections from Treehouse Wildlife Center's Newsletter, "Treehouse Droppings" Including Treehouse History*** compiled by Adele T. Moore, cofounder, director, & newsletter editor (2025). IR 636.0832 ADV

***Alton Cemetery: Alton, Illinois—Alphabetical Listing*** compiled by Bette J. Flactiff, Sue Williams (2000). IR 977.3865 ALT Book 1, IR 977.3865 ALT Book 2

***Alton Police Department, Alton, Illinois: Protecting Our Community Since 1837*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2025). IR 363.20977386 ALT BK. 1, IR 363.20977386 ALT BK. 2, IR 363.20977386 ALT BK. 3

***The Beall Mansion and the Families of 407 East Twelfth Street, Alton, Illinois*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2025). IR 728.0977386 BEA

***Bethalto East School: Bethalto, Illinois*** (yearbook). IR 372.77386 BET 1970 71, IR 372.77386 BET 1971 72, IR 372.77386 BET 1973-74

***A Bibliography of African American Family History at the Newberry Library*** by Jack Simpson (2005). IR 929.108996073 SIM

***Bond County Naturalization Intent Copied from the Records of Bond County Circuit Clerk, John King*** (1998). IR 977.38739 BON

***Cemeteries: Bond County, Illinois*** compiled by Nelda N. Anthony and Sarah M. Neer; indexed by Beutonne McKean (1988). IR 977.3873 ANT BK. 1

***City Farm & Pest House: Alton, Illinois*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2025). IR 977.386 CIT

***His Story of Bethalto: Dedicated to the Boys of Bethalto, Heroes of the World War*** by Henry W. Zimmermann (1921). IR 977.386 ZIM Also available in full text digitally: https://archive.org/details/hisstoryofbethal00zimm

***Honey Island: A Broadcaster's Search for His Mississippi Roots*** by Julius K. Hunter (1999). IR 929.2 ROUNDS

***Memorial Park Cemetery, Staunton, Illinois*** compiled by members of the Staunton Area Genealogical Society (1983). IR 977.3835 MEM

***The Spectator: Civic Memorial High School, Bethalto, Illinois*** (yearbook). IR 373.77386 SPE 1954, IR 373.77386 SPE 1955, IR 373.77386 SPE 1956, IR 373.77386 SPE 1957

***Staunton City Cemetery Inscriptions*** compiled by Staunton Area Genealogical Society (1981). IR 977.3835 STA

***Trolleys to River City: The Alton, Jacksonville & Peoria Railway—The Piasa Route*** by Lawrence N. Thomas; featuring maps from George Fehl (2024). IR 388.46 THO

***Warpath*** (Mississippi Valley Christian School yearbook). IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WAR 1979, IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WAR 1980, IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WAR 1981, IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WAR 1982, IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WAR 1983, IR LOCKED CASES 373.77386 WAR 1985

***Who's Who in the Central States*** (1929). IR 920.073 WHO

***Wood River, IL*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2025). IR 977.386 WOO

## *Branching Out 2026: Genealogy Classes*

The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library offers Branching Out classes at the Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, Illinois. Branching Out classes take place on the second and third Thursdays of each month from 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and everyone gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

**January 8** - Plan Your Work and Work Your Plan

**January 15** - Discussion Group

**February 12** - Papers, Photos, Heirlooms: Organize and Preserve Them

**February 19** - Discussion Group

**March 12** - Digital Family Trees and Files: Organize and Preserve Them

**March 19** - Discussion Group

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2026. Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next. Call 618-462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

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## *New Newspaper and Obituary Databases Available Through August 2026*

Thanks to a free trial through NewsBank's partnership program, two new databases are available at all Hayner Library locations or remotely with your Hayner Library card through August 2026.

***America's News***

Explore and stay informed on local and national topics, people, and events in areas such as business, health, education, jobs and careers, political and social issues, and more. This database features a wide variety of credible, vetted news sources spanning the United States. Newspapers of particular local interest are the *Belleville News-Democrat, Chicago Sun-Times, Edwardsville Intelligencer, Herald & Review* (Decatur, Illinois), *Peoria Journal Star, St. Louis Post-Dispatch,* and *State Journal-Register* (Springfield, Illinois). *USA TODAY* is also available. Date coverage varies with the individual newspaper. Access is available 24/7.

***Heritage Hub***

Explore your family history with the premier collection of U.S. obituaries and death notices for in-depth genealogical research from 1704 to today. *Heritage Hub* helps you easily identify relatives, uncover new information, and discover potentially unknown family members. Includes deep coverage from all fifty states, hard-to-find content from the mid-1900s, and original obituary images. Access is available 24/7.

Visit the Genealogy & Local History Online Resources page on the Hayner Library website (www.haynerlibrary.org) to view the new databases added to the "Available Remotely with a Hayner Library Card" section. Log in with your last name and Hayner Library card barcode. We hope you take advantage of these databases during the free trial.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Winter 2026 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! Most programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *Taps & Tomes Book Club*

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton, IL**
**Thursday, January 8 — *The Underworld: Journeys to the Depths of the Ocean* by Susan Casey**
**Thursday, March 5 — Title TBD**
**Social Hour — 6:00 p.m. Book Discussion — 7:00 p.m.**

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and a book discussion. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., and the book discussion begins at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. The Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library.

No registration necessary.

## *X's and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, January 13 and 27; February 10 and 24; March 10 and 24, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable projects and join us for X's and Sews — a laid-back crafting program where your creativity meets community. Bring whatever you're working on—whether it's embroidery, knitting, crocheting, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitching, jewelry making, origami, quilting, woodcarving…you name it! Enjoy relaxing music, conversation, and the company of fellow crafters. If your craft can be transported with ease, we'd love for you to bring it along and create with us. We cannot wait to meet everyone and see what you are working on!

No registration necessary.

## *The Nature Institute: A Journey Through Time*

**Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Tuesday, January 13, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

The Nature Institute sprawls across a whopping 500 acres, protected since 1980. It's mission? To turn the land into a vibrant, bustling biodiversity hotspot.

But what was it before it became a nature enthusiast's paradise? Join Ramona, the Director of Outreach at The Nature Institute, as she winds back the clock to unveil the land's past life. Get ready to meet some of Alton's VIPs and take a delightful stroll down memory lane!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Self-Care with Eileen*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**
**Wednesday, January 14: Laughter Yoga**
**Wednesday, February 11: Singing Bowls Sound Bath**
**Wednesday, March 11: Intro to Qigong**

Join Eileen Wolfington, a self-care facilitator, as she introduces three separate sixty-minute self-care classes. These classes focus on stress relief, enhanced brain function, breathing techniques, and relaxation methods, all designed to leave you feeling rejuvenated and energized.

The classes are tailored for adults, accommodating those with or without physical restrictions. Please bring a yoga mat or towel if you can comfortably lie on the floor; if not, chairs will be provided.

Please register for each session separately by calling 1-800-613-3163.

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## *Winter Reading Retreat with Love*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, January 16, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Take a break from the winter chill and treat yourself to a cozy evening just for you. Enjoy a warm drink and a Valentine's treat while you make your own felt heart coasters or Valentine's cards, chat with fellow book lovers, and carve out a little quiet time to read. Feel free to bring your favorite drink or treat to enjoy. This is an open-house-style event, so you're welcome to drop in briefly or stay the entire time.

Space is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *The Buckhannon Brothers: Old-Time Music*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, January 20, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

The Buckhannon Brothers, Curtis, a printing company worker, and Dennis, a retired union painter, have been a staple in the old-time music scene in and around St. Louis for decades.

They are known for their impeccable rhyme and tasteful chordings, playing many traditional tunes from fiddle origins. Their performances are supported by Vince Corkery on bass and Emily Buckhannon on organ and banjo mandolin. They have been recognized for their first-rate old-time music, showcasing their talent and dedication to the genre.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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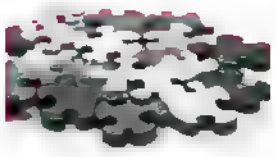
## *Adult Puzzle Race Challenge*



**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, January 29, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Are you a puzzle enthusiast, nineteen years or older? If so, register your team of four for Hayner Library's Puzzle Race Challenge. Each team of four adults will be given a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle and ninety minutes to complete it. The first team to finish is our winner! If no team finishes within ninety minutes, the winner will be the team with the fewest pieces left. All teams will receive a participation prize, but only one team will leave with the title of Puzzle Team Champions!

This program has a seven-team limit with a total participation of twenty-eight people.

Please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2855, to register your team.

## *Ghosts Next Door – Milton School House*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursday, January 29, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Join us for our next installment of "Ghosts Next Door," as we discuss the history and hauntings of the old Milton School House in Alton. Marlene Lewis with Alton Odessey Tours will share paranormal experiences and photos, and the history of this location. Each "Ghosts Next Door" program focuses on the history of various local locations.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Writers Circle*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
**Saturday, January 31 – Acrostic Poetry**
**Saturday, February 28 – Elegies**
**Saturday, March 28 – Weirdly Specific Prompts**

For the novice and the experienced: Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion. The focus genre of our Writers Circle changes every month, so be sure to check in!

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Blind Date with a Book*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Sunday, February 1 through Saturday, February 14**

Go on a blind date…with a book this February!

Looking forward to your next great read? Let fate decide! Visit our "Blind Date with a Book" display and check out a book without judging it by its cover. Each mystery book is wrapped and labeled with a few intriguing hints about its plot, genre, or characters—but no titles or authors' names.

Will your blind date be a thrilling adventure, a heartfelt romance, a spine-tingling mystery, or something totally unexpected? Take a chance, check one out, and discover something new. Who knows? You might just fall in love… with a book!

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## *A Jest Murder Mystery: Murder in Mayberry*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, February 10, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

A murder at a garden party brings together your favorite characters from Mayberry in this Andy Griffith-inspired murder mystery.

Aunt Bee is hosting a garden party to raise money for the Flower and Garden Club. Unfortunately, someone is intent on sabotaging the garden! Earnest D. Sass arrives to stir up trouble, but someone manages to stop him in his tracks. Who could it be? Aunt Bee? Otis? Andy? Or another character that the audience is expected to portray? Whoever committed the crime, expect plenty of mayhem at Murder in Mayberry!

Space is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *The Vintage Voices Players Present — The Lovejoy Legacy*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Thursday, February 12, 2026, 6:00 p.m.**

The Vintage Voices Players — Latasha LaFlore-Porter, Jared Hennings, Debbie Maneke, Sean Williams, and Ron Abraham.

This powerful program brings history to life through first-person portrayals of individuals connected to the legacy of Elijah P. Lovejoy. Celia Lovejoy, his devoted widow; William "Scotch" Johnston, a free Black man, who secretly buried Lovejoy's body; Amanda Kitchell Chavers, whose freedom was secured when Alton's citizens united to purchase it; Thomas Dimmock, who led the effort to build the Lovejoy Monument; and Isaac H. Kelly, the first official Lovejoy Grave Trustee.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Palentine's Day Game Night*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, February 13, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Join us for a night of friendship and fun at our Palentine's Day Game Night! Whether you're coming with your best pals or flying solo, this is the perfect chance to enjoy a night full of laughter and great company. We will have tasty treats, fun games to choose from, and Valentine's vibes!

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Hayner Cookbook Club: Celebrate Tried and True "Loved" Recipes!*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, February 19, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
**Cookbook Selection: Cook's Choice**

Cook's Choice–choose any cookbook at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or use your Hayner Library card to access our new database: *A to Z World Food.*

Adults and kids of all ages: Join us in February as we celebrate Tried and True "Loved" Recipes Month! Kick the winter doldrums by cooking and sharing your favorite beloved recipe with fellow library foodies at our Cookbook Club event.

How to Participate —

1. Browse Cookbooks In-Person
   Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and explore our cookbook collection located in the adult and children's nonfiction sections (641.5–641.8659).
   - Choose your favorite recipe.
   - Sign-up on the registration sheet.
   - Library staff will record the book's barcode and make a copy of your selected recipe for you to take home.
2. Use Our Online Resource
   Prefer to search from home? Use your Hayner Library card to access our new online database, *A to Z World Food.*
   - Browse international cuisines or select "North America - United States" for local favorites.
   - Send your chosen recipe to the printer.
   - Staff will print it for you.
3. Cook and Share
   - Make your favorite "loved" recipe and bring it to share with others at the event!

Please bring a copy of your recipe to display next to your dish. We'll provide tea, water, plates, and utensils for everyone. We can't wait to see (and taste) what you create!

## *George Provenzano, PhD: The Deaths and Funerals of Abraham and Mary Lincolns' Two Sons Eddy and Willie*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Wednesday, February 25, 6:00 p.m.**

February is the month we remember Abraham Lincoln's birthday (February 12, 1809). But February is also the month in which two of Abraham and Mary Lincoln's four sons died: Edward (Eddy) Baker Lincoln died on February 1, 1850, and William (Willie) Wallace Lincoln died on February 20, 1862. Both boys lived short lives and died after suffering extended episodes of infectious diseases that few children experience today. This presentation will discuss how Abraham and Mary Lincoln mourned the loss of Eddy and Willie during their funerals and for several years thereafter.

George Provenzano is an historian and retired economist. He has published several articles on General James Semple, Abraham Lincoln, and Illinois before the Civil War.

Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Discover Washington D.C.: A Monumental Journey*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, March 10, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Have you wished to explore Washington, D.C., but haven't had the chance? Join LaCreatia Huff, a licensed tour guide, for an engaging one-hour presentation tailored to adults who have yet to experience our nation's capital but are eager to learn about its iconic monuments. This session will showcase must-see museums, provide stunning visuals of renowned landmarks, share fascinating stories behind the memorials, highlight the world-class Smithsonian museums, and delve into the rich history of the area.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Classical Guitarist Peter Fletcher*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, March 24, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Please join us for an unforgettable evening with classical guitarist Peter Fletcher, who delights in sharing his music with audiences nationwide. Peter holds a master's degree from the prestigious Eastman School of Music and has been performing full-time for over twenty years. His concerts have graced iconic venues such as Carnegie Hall, the Performing Arts Center in Rapid City, South Dakota, and the Interchurch Center in New York City. Peter has showcased significant works, including Bach's *Lute Suite No. 3*, Paganini's *Caprice No. 24*, and the *Five Bagatelles* by British composer William Walton, as well as the beloved *Leyenda* and *Córdoba* by Spanish composer Isaac Albéniz.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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# *Illinois Libraries Present*

Hayner Library has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present* to bring you exciting, high-profile, virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally recognized presenters. These events are 100% online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home – or wherever you'd like!

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

**Bringing History to Life with Jonathan Eig**
**Tuesday, January 13, 7:00 p.m.**
Jonathan Eig is the bestselling author of six books, including his most recent, Pulitzer Prize-winning *King: A Life.* Vividly written and exhaustively researched, it is the first major biography in decades of Civil Rights icon Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and the first to include recently declassified FBI files.

**Still Afraid of the Dark: An Evening with R.L. Stine**
**Tuesday, February 24, 7:00 p.m.**
Join us with *The Guinness Book of World Records*' "most prolific author of children's horror novels," R.L. Stine, to discuss his illustrious and still-expanding body of work. Witty, creepy, and compulsively readable, this bestselling author defined horror for a generation of young readers.

**Beyond the Page with Percival Everett**
**Thursday, March 19, 7:00 p.m.**
Industrious, irreverent, humble – though he may deny the accusation – Percival Everett, like his fiction, defies categorization. His most recent novel, *James,* earned both the Pulitzer Prize for fiction and the National Book Award, and his 2001 novel *Erasure* inspired the film *American Fiction,* which received the Academy Award for Best Adapted Screenplay in 2024.

Registration is required to attend these virtual events. Find registration information and more for each event on our Events Calendar at www.haynerlibrary.org. Please note that registration for each event now closes at 5:00 p.m. on the day of the event.

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# *Tech Help Appointments*

Did you know you can book our Reference Librarian for one-on-one technology help appointments?

These appointments cover basic questions about a number of tech topics, including:

- E-books, e-audiobooks, and e-readers
- Using library databases and online learning resources
- Using apps
- AI; using LLMs (like ChatGPT)
- Scams
- Computer skills or programs (Microsoft Office, using the internet, email, etc.)
- Mobile devices (tablet, cell phone, laptop, etc.)
- Basic device troubleshooting

To request an appointment, please call (618) 466-0677, ext. 2845, or fill out our online form: haynerlibrary.org/how-do-i/library-services/tech-help-appointments.

Each appointment is booked for thirty minutes. To make the most of your time, the appointment may be limited to one issue and/or one device, depending on the nature of your request. Please be aware that there are some topics we are not equipped to help with, but we will do our best to answer your questions and provide resources to meet your needs.

# KidsSpace Winter 2026 Activities

### *Make-or-Take Crafts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Mondays, January 5, February 9, and March 2**
Stop by and ask for your free Make-or-Take Craft. Crafts will be available on the first Monday of each month while supplies last.

### *Stories with Panda Bear*

**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, January 6, 13, 20, and 27; February 3, 10, 17, and 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31, at 10:00 a.m.**
Join us for stories, songs, music, and a snack. This story time is for children ages 2–4. To register, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### *Baby Lap-Sit Story Time*

**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Wednesdays, January 7, 14, 21, and 28; February 4, 11, 18, and 25; March 4, 11, 18, 25, at 10:00 a.m.**
Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. This story time is for children ages birth to 2. To register, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2836.

### *Books and Busy Bees Story Time*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursdays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29; February 5, 12, 19, and 26; March 5, 12, 19, and 26, at 10:00 a.m.**
Enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft! This story time is for children ages 3–5. To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *Coffee & Chaos*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Mondays, January 12, February 9, and March 16, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**
Explore, play, and have fun! No registration required — just drop in and join the fun. This program is perfect for young children, ages birth to 4, and their caregivers. Adult supervision is required. Toys, games, and activities will be provided! Enjoy a cup of coffee and connect with other caregivers while your child plays. We kindly ask that you help your child clean up when they're finished. Please note: This program is not fully staffed. Library staff will check in periodically and are available at the desk if you need assistance.

### *Art Club: Ages 6–12*

**Jacoby Arts Center, 208 State Street, Alton, IL**
**Fridays, January 23, February 20, and March 20, 3:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.**
Beginner or advanced, express your creativity and have fun making art at Jacoby Arts Center! Supplies will be provided. Wear clothes that can get messy! Space is limited, so please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your spot.

### *LEGO Club: Ages 6–12*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, January 13, February 10, and March 10, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
**Wednesdays, January 28, February 25, and March 25, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
Join us for an hour of building and creating LEGO masterpieces. The library will supply the LEGOs, or feel free to bring your own. Space is limited. Please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your spot.

### *Step into a Winter Wonderland with the Ice Queen and Snow Princess*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Saturday, January 24, at 10:00 a.m.**
Get ready for a magical winter adventure! Join us for a winter wonderland celebration where fairy tales come to life with Enchanted Events. Bring the whole family and meet your favorite royal sisters as they welcome you into a snowy world full of wonder, music, and warm hugs (even in the cold!). Gather 'round for an enchanting story time with our royal guests, enjoy singing fit for a queen (or a snowman who loves summer!), pick up a winter-themed take-home activity, take home an Olaf-themed snack bag, and pose for photo-ops with our special guests.

Dress in your favorite winter costume (crowns and capes encouraged) and let your imagination sparkle! Don't miss this enchanted celebration, where the magic of winter comes alive!

### *Special Story Time with Baker Ben from Duke Bakery*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, January 29, at 10:00 a.m.**
Join us for a sweet story time featuring Baker Ben from Duke Bakery! Ben will read a fun story, talk about what it's like to work at the bakery, and answer questions from our little learners. This story time is for children ages 3–5. To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

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### *National Puzzle Day*

**Thursday, January 29**

Celebrate National Puzzle Day by stopping by any Hayner Library location to take a break and help complete our picture — one puzzle piece at a time. Everyone's welcome to join in the fun! We will have a community puzzle available for patrons to help put together at each Hayner Library location.

### *Family Puzzle Day Competition*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Thursday, January 29, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Think your family has what it takes to finish first? Join us for a fun and friendly challenge where family teams compete to complete a 100-piece jigsaw puzzle. The first team to finish will win a grand prize, but don't worry, every team will go home with a small prize! This program is recommended for families with children ages six and older. Teams may include up to five people, and an adult must participate with each team.

Space is limited. Please call (618) 433-2881 to register for this program.

### *Valentine's Day Card Station*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**

**February 9 - 14, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Love is in the air, and so is creativity! Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace and visit our Valentine's Day Card Station, where kids ages 3–11 can craft heartfelt cards for friends, family, teachers, or anyone special. We'll provide everything you need. Whether your card is sweet, silly, or sentimental, it's sure to brighten someone's day! Adult supervision is required.

No registration required—just bring your creativity!

### *A Valentine Celebration at the Library*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**

**Friday, February 13, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

Celebrate friendship, kindness, and the joy of reading at our special Valentine-themed event. Join us for a heartwarming story time, make sweet crafts, play easy games, eat a quick snack, and spread love through handmade cards. Young readers and their families can move through different activity stations and enjoy a mini Valentine's party together. The program begins with a special Ms. Mary Kay story time—don't miss it! Adult supervision required.

Registration required. Please call (618) 433-2881 to register for this program.

### *Yoga & Story Time*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturdays, February 28 and March 28, at 10:00 a.m.**

Join us in welcoming back SonJoria Sydnor, author of *Our Family's Doing Yoga*! SonJoria will lead a special story time and yoga session for children ages 3–5 and their parents. This fun and engaging program includes a read-aloud, movement activities, and games designed to introduce yoga poses and calming techniques to help manage everyday stress.

Limited space available! Registration is required to attend this program. Please call (618) 433-2881.

### *Sensory Bins*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**

**Mondays and Fridays, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Looking for a fun, hands-on activity for your little one? Stop by the KidsSpace desk to see if a sensory bin is available. Each bin is filled with textures, scoops, and surprises designed to engage curious minds and busy fingers. We currently have two sensory bins available; the first bin is for children ages birth to 3, and the second bin is for children four and older.

A few friendly notes: Adult supervision is required at all times. Please wash your hands before using the bin, and keep all sensory bin items out of children's mouths. One bin per family at a time. Each bin has a thirty-minute time limit. Please help your child clean up when finished. Please return the bin to library staff when finished. In-library use only.

No registration required.

### *KidsSpace Treasure Hunts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**

Visit the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace and follow the clues to see what treasures you can find! Treasure hunts will change biweekly.

### *Dial-A-Story*

**Call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253)**

Enjoy safe, free, educational, and entertaining activities for your children – available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, from the comfort of your own home. Library staff adds new stories at the beginning of each month. Call Dial-A-Story now!

### *The 1,000 Books Club —A Story Time Adventure for Little Readers*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Mondays, January 26, February 23, and March 30, at 10:00 a.m.**

Join our 1,000 Books Club, a fun and family-friendly way to help your child build a lifelong love of reading before kindergarten! Designed as part of the national 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative, this special story time celebrates every milestone on your child's reading journey.

Once a month, we'll enjoy songs, rhymes, and stories together, helping little ones develop early literacy skills in a joyful and supportive environment. Families can track their progress toward the big goal of reading 1,000 books—and earn small rewards and recognition along the way!

### *1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Sign-Up Day*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Friday, March 13, 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Join us for our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Sign-Up Day! This fun and rewarding early literacy program encourages families to read together and helps young children build a lifelong love of books.

Staff will be on hand to help you sign up, explain how the program works, and answer any questions you may have. We'll also have recommended book lists to help your young reader get started on their reading journey.

Whether you're brand new to the program or continuing your progress, this is the perfect opportunity to learn more, get inspired, and celebrate reading together.

### *KidsSpace Egg Hunt*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Monday, March 30 – Saturday, April 4**

Children ages 3-11 can join us in KidsSpace for our annual egg hunt! Each child may find the number of eggs equal to their age and return them to the staff at the KidsSpace desk for a small prize!

### *1,000 Books Before Kindergarten*

Start your child's reading adventure today with 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten! This fun, free program helps families share the joy of reading while building early literacy skills that last a lifetime.

The goal is simple: Read 1,000 books with your child before they start kindergarten. That may sound like a lot—but if you read just one book each night, you'll reach 1,000 books in less than three years!

How it works —

1. Register at the library or on Beanstack. Babies birth to 2 will receive a special Beginner Bag.
2. Read together! Any book counts—including repeats, story times at the library, and Dial-A-Story.
3. Track your progress on Beanstack, or pick up a log at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace.
4. Celebrate milestones! Earn a brag tag for every 100 books read.

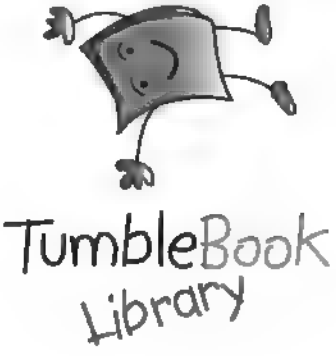
Every book you read together brings your child closer to kindergarten readiness, while creating precious family memories.

## *TumbleBook Library: Free e-Books for Children*

*TumbleBook Library* is a curated database of children's e-books, available for free with your Hayner Library card. Perfect for children ages kindergarten through sixth grade, *TumbleBook Library* has over 1,100 titles and includes animated talking picture books, read-along chapter books, nonfiction books and videos, graphic novels, and curated playlists.

*TumbleBook Library* even has books in Spanish and French. *TumbleBook Library* is free to use and can be accessed from your home computer, phone, tablet, or mobile device.

You can find a link to the *TumbleBook Library* on the "e-Books & Digital Magazines" page of the Hayner Library website, or download the *TumbleBook Library* app from your device's app store. Explore literacy in a fun and interactive way!



# TeenSpace

# *Winter 2026 Activities*

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for ages 12–18 and will take place in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center (upper level). Please call (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *Comic Chaos*

**Mondays, January 5, February 2, and March 2, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for our new Comic Chaos book club! The comic books that we discuss are available on our new *Comics Plus* database. During the meeting, we will discuss the book and choose our next title. You may also call TeenSpace at (618) 433-2872 for the title of each month's comic book selection.

### *Teen Take-Home Crafts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace**
**Mondays, January 5, February 2, and March 2**

Do you like science, art, or creating something with your hands? Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace on the first Monday of every month and pick up a Teen Take-Home Craft. Crafts are available while supplies last.

### *Teen Crime Stoppers*

**Wednesdays, January 7, February 4, and March 4, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Calling all true crime and murder mystery fans! Participants will work together to examine clues, read case files, and figure out whodunnit.

### *YA Fridays*

**Fridays, January 9, 16, 23, and 30; February 6, 13, 20, and 27; March 6, 13, 20, and 27, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Fun activities including crafts, video games, and of course, hanging out with other teens!

### *Teen Advisory Board (TAB)*

**Wednesdays, January 14, February 11, and March 11, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

What types of programs do you want to see at the library? Be a part of the Teen Advisory Board, a group that helps make decisions about new programs and events for teens at Hayner Library!

### *Family Crime Stoppers*

**Saturday, January 17, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 pm**

For one thrilling afternoon, the family members of our Teen Crime Stoppers can join the team to tackle one of our most challenging cases!

### *Crafting Creations*

**Wednesdays, January 21, February 18, and March 18, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Do you love being crafty? Join us for our new monthly craft program, designed for teens. Each month, teens meet up and create a craft.

### *Teen LEGO Challenge*

**Wednesdays, January 28, February 25, and March 25, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Do you love LEGOs? Bring a friend and join other teens to create complex builds and win a prize!

### *Expressive Art*

**Fridays, January 30, February 27, and March 27, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

During our Expressive Art program, we will give teens a canvas on which to paint something meaningful. Once dry, the library will display the canvases in our Teen Center. Before the 2026 Teen Summer Reading Program begins, we will hold a special art gallery viewing to show and celebrate these expressive art pieces.

### *National Puzzle Day*

**Thursday, January 29, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Think you've got what it takes to solve it first? Celebrate National Puzzle Day with our teen puzzle competition! Team up, race against the clock, and see if your squad can be the first to finish and win a prize!

### *Teen Valentine's Day Card Station*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace**
**Monday, February 2 – Friday, February 13**

During the first two weeks of February, be sure to stop by our TeenSpace card station at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. The card station will include everything you need to make the perfect card for a loved one on Valentine's Day. While supplies last.

### *National Oreo Day*

Friday, March 6, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Join us for a delicious celebration of National Oreo Day! Sample up to five Oreo varieties and discover your ultimate favorite.

## *Mango Languages App*

Want to learn a new language? Hayner Library now offers *Mango Languages*, an online resource for self-paced language learning with over seventy world languages, including ESL (English as a Second Language) and ASL (American Sign Language). Available as an app or from your desktop, *Mango* adapts to your unique learning style, so you can pick up on new vocabulary, intuit unfamiliar grammatical structure, and train your pronunciation, all while boosting your cultural IQ. Lessons include a mix of reading and listening activities - with native speaker audio – as well as interactive pronunciation practice that allows you to record yourself speaking and compare it with the target language audio. Similarly, the ASL course allows you to record video of yourself to practice and compare your signing and facial expressions. For young children, try *Little Pim*, *Mango's* video-based language courses featuring Little Pim, the cartoon panda. To get started, use the QR Code or search for *Mango Languages* in your app store. All you need is a Hayner Library card! If you are using the app, create an account, then select "Search for Free Mango" when it asks you to select your subscription. Search by location, select "Hayner Public Library District," then log in with your library card barcode number.

## *Wowbrary — A Digital "New Book" Shelf in Your Inbox*

Keep track of every new item added to the Hayner Library collection every week with Wowbrary, a free email newsletter. Published weekly, Wowbrary highlights top new books, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, and even online magazines added to the Hayner Library collection during the week. Browsing categories include "Top 20 Choices," along with other fiction and nonfiction lists for adults, teens, and children. What makes Wowbrary different from generic lists? It only highlights new materials added to the Hayner Library collection. Wowbrary makes new items easy to browse and allows you to immediately reserve any item that strikes your fancy. It is free, published weekly, and can be received as an email or RSS feed. Visit www.wowbrary.org and sign up today!

## *Achieve Your Goals with Learning Express*

Whether you're looking to improve your core skills, prepare for college admissions tests, obtain your high school equivalency, or join the workforce, *Learning Express* has everything you need. You'll find practice tests, quizzes, tutorials, microlessons, e-books, articles, and flashcards to help you achieve your goals.

Using *Learning Express*, you can:

- Prepare for the ACT, SAT, and AP college admissions exams
- Study for the GED (resources also available in Spanish)
- Explore potential careers (including military service), build workplace skills, and prepare for the ASVAB and career licensure exams
- Build basic computer, internet, and Microsoft Office skills
- Study for graduate school admissions exams (DAT, GMAT, GRE, LSAT, MCAT, and PCAT)
- Prepare for the U.S. citizenship exam (resources also available in Spanish)

In addition, elementary and middle school educators will find a variety of supplementary instructional resources aligned to math, reading, writing, and social studies curricula. To get started, visit www.haynerlibrary.org/digital-resources-collections/subscription-databases and look for *Learning Express*. If you're using *Learning Express* at home, make sure to have your Hayner Library card handy so you can log in.

## *Access Free Art, Cooking, Crafting, and Decorating Classes (and More!) with Creativebug*

With *Creativebug*, you'll enjoy unlimited access to thousands of online art and craft classes that you can watch anytime, anywhere. Classes never expire, so you can start and stop projects at your own pace. No pressure, just possibilities!

*Creativebug* classes include (but are not limited to):

- Yarn crafts
- Sewing
- Quilting
- Needlework
- Art + Design
- Paper
- Holiday + Party
- Jewelry
- Food + Home
- Kids + Teens

In addition to standalone classes, *Creativebug* offers Learning Journeys, a series of classes and techniques that build upon each other to help you master the basics of creative skills like garment sewing, knitting, bookmaking, mending, and Cricut crafts. Or, if you're looking to flex your creative muscles and get into new artistic practices, you can check out the Daily Practice Series. With over 100 different projects in a variety of mediums, each Daily Practice guides you through a creative project one day at a time so you can build your skills while exploring tools and materials. Can't wait to begin your next project? Visit www.haynerlibrary.org/digital-resources-collections/subscription-databases and look for *Creativebug*. Simply log in with your Hayner Library card to get started!

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## *Paint the Town with Little Free Art Libraries!*

Hayner Library has partnered with Jacoby Arts Center and Lewis and Clark Community College's YouthBuild program to install five Little Free Art Libraries throughout Alton! Each Little Free Art Library, carefully hand-built and weatherproofed by YouthBuild students and painted in collaboration with Jacoby Arts Center, will be stocked regularly with art books, art supplies, craft kits, and other artsy materials – all free to take and create with! The Little Free Art Libraries will be installed at Jacoby Arts Center (208 State Street), Olin Park (State Street near the intersection of State Street and West 9th Street), Boys and Girls Club of Alton (2512 Amelia Street), Milton Schoolhouse (1320 Milton Road), and Alton City Hall (101 East 3rd Street).

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Alton, Illinois 62002

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Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m
Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall
132 Alton Square Mall Dr., Alton
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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## *Hayner Library Offers Weekly Email Newsletter*

Sign up for Hayner Library's weekly email newsletter and keep up to date with the week's upcoming library events, direct to your inbox. Visit www.haynerlibrary.org and look for "Sign Up for Our Email Newsletter." Enter your email address and you're all set!

## *Hayner Library Available for Community Outreach Presentations*

Hayner Library is more than just books –and we'd love the opportunity to tell you more about the services and programs that we offer. If you belong to an organization in Alton, Godfrey, or Foster Township and you're looking for a guest speaker, please call Hayner Library Executive Director Mary Cordes at (618) 433-2877 or email mary.cordes@haynerlibrary.org.

# The Hayner Public Library District

, Godfrey & Foster Township Spring 2026

## Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Comes to Madison County – Free Books for Children Mailed Directly to Your Home

In January, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library was launched in Madison County, and Hayner Library is proud to be one of the local agencies that has partnered in the worthwhile cause to bring free books to young children in our county.

In 1995, Dolly Parton launched her Imagination Library to benefit the children of Sevier County, her home county in East Tennessee. The program was established as a tribute to her father, Robert Lee Parton, who never learned to read or write. Dolly's vision was to foster a love of reading among her county's preschool children and their families. Over the years, the program has expanded to all fifty states, the United Kingdom, Canada, and Australia. In February 2025, the Imagination Library celebrated gifting over 270 million books since its inception!

Reading is essential for children; it boosts cognitive development, fosters language acquisition, and strengthens emotional intelligence. Regular reading habits improve academic performance, enhance creativity, and build vocabulary. It acts as a foundation for school success, critical thinking, and empathy.

All children in Madison County, ages birth to five years old, are eligible to enroll in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Once enrolled, children will receive a free book in the mail every month until their fifth birthday.

Enrollment in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is easy! To enroll, visit www.imaginationlibrary.com, click on the "Check Availability" icon at the bottom of the screen, and follow the prompts. Please be aware that the turnaround for receiving the first book is approximately six to eight weeks from registration. Each child in a family can be enrolled in the Imagination Library.

Share the joy of reading with the children in your life—register them for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library today!

## Celebrate Illinois and Prepare Cutouts for America 250

**All Hayner Library Locations**
**Monday, June 1 – Sunday, June 14**

Stop by any Hayner Library location between Monday, June 1, and Sunday, June 14, and decorate a red, white, or blue paper cutout in the shape of Illinois. The cutouts will be used to decorate all three Hayner Library locations for our America 250 celebration.

Things to Know...
About The Hayner
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**HOLIDAYS**
The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
April 3 - Staff Development Day
April 5 - Easter
May 24 & 25 - Memorial Day
June 19 - Juneteenth

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## Learn and Explore with Online Resources

Did you know that you have free, unlimited access to over fifty online resources and databases with your Hayner Library card? Whether you are working on a research project, interested in learning a new language, or just want to read the newspaper (yes, today's newspaper!), our digital collection covers a wide array of topics to meet your needs and interests.

Hayner Library's online resources include:

***A to Z World Food:*** More than 7,000 traditional recipes from 174 countries, along with thousands of ingredient, food culture, and reference articles.

***Auto Repair Source:*** Repair information and schedules, diagrams, parts and labor estimates, service alerts, and recalls for thousands of vehicles.

***Britannica Library:*** Online encyclopedia with customized experiences for children, young adults, and adults.

***CreativeBug:*** Award-winning, high-quality HD instructional videos for on-trend arts and crafts.

***Explora:*** A trustworthy database search engine for finding articles and facts for research papers, class projects, or homework.

***LearningExpress:*** Practice tests, tutorials, e-books, and flashcards for GED and college prep, job certification tests, U.S. citizenship, and more.

***Mango Languages:*** Self-paced language learning courses for over seventy world languages, plus ASL and other specialty courses.

***NewsBank:*** A comprehensive collection of newspapers and news sources, including *The Telegraph.*

***Small Business Source:*** Tools and instructions, including a start-up kit and sample business plans, that address a wide range of small business topics.

***Teen Health & Wellness:*** A self-help resource for teens on topics such as health, drugs and alcohol, mental health, bullying, and more.

Hayner Library cardholders have 24/7 access to these resources and more for at-home use. They are also available to non-Hayner Library cardholders at all three Hayner Library locations during normal library hours.

To find them, visit **tinyurl.com/hayneronline**

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## Mental Health Awareness Month

Mental Health Awareness Month is observed each May to help destigmatize conversations around mental health, educate the public, and show support for those who suffer with mental illness.

According to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), more than one in five U.S. adults experience mental illness each year, and more than one in seven U.S. youth ages six to seventeen have a mental health disorder.

During the month of May, visit Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library and pick up a Mental Health Awareness pin (while supplies last) and a copy of Hayner Library's *Directory of Community Mental Health Resources.*

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## *Illinois Libraries Present*

Hayner Library has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present* to bring you exciting, high-profile virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally recognized presenters. These events are completely online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home – or wherever you'd like!

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

**Cristina Henríquez: Voice, Culture, and Human Connection**
**Thursday, April 16, 7:00 p.m.**

Join critically acclaimed, bestselling author Cristina Henríquez for a compelling conversation about her work. Henríquez's newest book, *The Great Divide*, is a moving exploration of the people who lived, loved, and labored during the construction of the Panama Canal.

**Babel On with R.F. Kuang**
**Tuesday, May 19, 7:00 p.m.**

R.F. Kuang's genre-bending fiction broaches ordinarily serious topics from a satirical and fantastical perspective. Academic yet approachable, Kuang's work combines history, magic, and classical literary tradition to render powerful critiques of academia, the publishing industry, and even contemporary popular culture.

Registration is required to attend these virtual events. Find registration information and more for each event on our Events Calendar at www.haynerlibrary.org. Please note that registration for each event now closes at 5:00 p.m. on the day of the event.

*These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. Illinois Libraries Present is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office for the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

## Adult Spring Scavenger Hunt

Join us for our 2026 Adult Spring Scavenger Hunt! Hayner Library patrons ages eighteen and older can enter to win fun prizes by participating in a scavanger hunt around town and within Hayner Library locations! Patrons will receive a raffle ticket for each item found in the scavenger hunt and an additional five raffle tickets for completing the sheet.

This program will run through the month of April, with the winning tickets being pulled on Friday, May 1. Prizes include a hiking kit, an Amazon Fire HD 10 tablet, and a book binding and book edge stencil kit!

Register at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library starting April 1!

## FICTION

**Andrews, Mary Kay.** Road Trip

**Armstrong, Kelley.** An Ordinary Sort of Evil (Rip Through Time)

**Baldacci, David.** Hope Rises

**Battles, Brett.** Stuart Woods' Deep Water (Stone Barrington)

**Benedict, Marie.** A Pair of Aces

**Benjamin, Melanie.** The Windsor Affair

**Brennan, Allison.** Whisper Creek: A Thriller

**Brown, Graham.** Clive Cussler Cold Fire (NUMA Files)

**Brown, Rita Mae.** Clawed and Dangerous: A Mrs. Murphy Mystery

**Carr, Jack.** The Fourth Option

**Castle, Jayne.** Enter the Nightmare

**Center, Katherine.** The Shippers

**Charles, Janet Skeslien.** The Parisian Chapter

**Chiaverini, Jennifer.** The Patchwork Players: An Elm Creek Quilts Novel

**Clarke, Evelyn.** The Ending Writes Itself

**Connelly, Michael.** Ironwood: A Catalina Novel

**Connolly, John.** A River Red with Blood (Charlie Parker)

**Courage, Rachel Ekstrom.** Death on the Lanai: A Golden Girls Cozy Mystery

**Dailey, Janet.** Kill for a Million

**Dodd, Christina.** Teach the Torches to Burn (Daughter of Montague)

**Finlay, Alex.** The Anniversary: A Thriller

**Fortune, Carley.** Our Perfect Storm

**Frost, Mark.** The Yankee Sphinx: An FDR Novel

**Gaylin, Alison.** Robert B. Parker's Booked (Sunny Randall)

**Gilmore, Laurie.** The Daisy Chain Flower Shop (Dream Harbor)

**Gonzalez, Xochitl.** Last Night in Brooklyn

**Graham, Heather.** A Cruise to Die For

**Haig, Matt.** The Midnight Train

**Haines, Carolyn.** Ode to the Bones (Sarah Booth Delaney)

**Harper, Jane.** Last One Out

**Hepworth, Sally.** Mad Mabel

**Horowitz, Anthony.** A Deadly Episode

**Jackson, Jenny.** The Shampoo Effect

**Jackson, Lisa.** Not What It Seems

**Jewell, Lisa.** It Could Have Been Her

**Johansen, Iris.** Wait and See (Kendra Michaels)

**Johnson, Craig.** The Brothers McKay: A Longmire Mystery

**Kline, Christina Baker.** The Foursome

**Larsen, Ward.** Tom Clancy Rules of Engagement (Jack Ryan)

**Macomber, Debbie.** Chasing the Clouds Away

**McAllister, Gillian.** Caller Unknown

**McFadden, Freida.** The Divorce

**McKinlay, Jenn.** The Summer Share

**Mosley, Walter.** Ghalen: A Romance in Black

**O'Farrell, Maggie.** Land

**Palmer, Diana.** Blaze of Glory (Long, Tall Texans)

**Patchett, Ann.** Whistler

**Patterson, James.** 26 Beauties (Women's Murder Club)

**Patterson, James.** Rocket's Red Glare: A Thriller

**Patterson, Susan.** The Mother Daughter Book Club

**Penny, Louise.** The Last Mandarin

**Perry, Anne.** Death Times Seven: A Daniel Pitt Novel

**Preston, Douglas.** Paradox (Cash & Colcord)

**Prose, Francine.** Five Weeks in the Country

**Richardson, Kim Michele.** The Mountains We Call Home: The Book Woman's Legacy

**Roberts, Nora.** The Final Target

**Sandford, John.** Revenge Prey

**See, Lisa.** Daughters of the Sun and Moon

**Sepetys, Ruta.** A Fortune of Sand

**Smiley, Jane.** Lidie: The Further Travels and Adventures of Lidie Newton

**Steel, Danielle.** Weddings

**Steel, Danielle.** A Woman's Place

**Stockett, Kathryn.** The Calamity Club

**Straub, Emma.** American Fantasy

**Strout, Elizabeth.** The Things We Never Say

**Taylor, Brad.** Shadow Strike (Pike Logan)

**Thor, Brad.** Choke Point: A Thriller (Scot Harvath)

**Walsh, Rosie.** The One Day You Were My Husband

**Weir, Alison.** The Boleyn Secret

**Williams, Beatriz.** When You Loved Me

## NONFICTION

**Black, Clint.** Killin' Time: My Life and Music

**Bounds, Matthew.** Keep It Simple Y'All: Every Day Foolproof Recipes to Make Your Life Delicious: A Cookbook

**Bowler, Kate.** Joyful, Anyway

**Brands, H. W.** American Patriarch: The Life of George Washington

**Brooks, Arthur C.** The Meaning of Your Life: Finding Purpose in an Age of Emptiness

**Clavin, Tom.** Vengeance: The Last Stands of Custer, Crazy Horse, and Sitting Bull

**Collins, Jim.** What to Make of a Life: Cliffs, Fog, Fire and the Self Knowledge Imperative

**Cornwell, Patricia.** True Crime: A Memoir

**Crane, Kate.** What Ever Happened to Eddy Crane? A Memoir and a Murder Investigation

**Darling, Brenna.** Small Towns U.S.A.: 100 Must See Getaways Across the United States

**Davis, Scott.** The Last of the Old Breed. An Oral History of the Final Marines from World War II

**Dugard, Martin.** The Long Run, Steve Prefontaine, Frank Shorter, Joan Benoit, Grete Waitz, and the Decade That Made the Marathon Cool

**Enders, Giulia.** Organ Speak: What It Really Means to Listen to Our Bodies

**Fehrman, Craig.** This Vast Enterprise: A New History of Lewis & Clark

**Hall, Arsenio.** Arsenio: A Memoir

**Hamilton, Jen.** Birth Vibes: Stories and Strategies for an Empowered Birth

**Haver, Mary Claire, MD.** The New Perimenopause: An Evidence-Based Guide to Surviving the Zone of Chaos and Feeling Like Yourself Again

**Hemingway, Mollie.** Alito: The Justice Who Reshaped the Supreme Court and Restored the Constitution

**Jones, Sheinelle.** Through Mom's Eyes: Simple Wisdom from Mothers Who Raised Extraordinary Humans

**Keefe, Patrick Radden.** London Falling: A Mysterious Death in a Gilded City and a Family's Search for Truth

**King Arthur Baking Company.** King Arthur Baking Company's Book of Pizza: Recipes for Every Pizza Baker

**Klee, Isabel.** Dogs, Boys, and other Things I've Cried About

**Mayyasi, Alex.** Planet Money: A Guide to the Economic Forces That Shape Your Life

**McDermott, Dylan.** White Pines and Stone: The Hunt for the Springfield Three

**Mezrich, Ben.** Checkmate: Genius, Lies, Ambition, and the Biggest Scandal in Chess

**Moskowitz, Eric.** The Hardest, Longest Race: Henry Ford and the Cross-Country Contest That Changed America

**Norman, Philip.** Mr. Moonlight: Brian Epstein and the Making of the Beatles

**Pacino, Al.** Sonny Boy: A Memoir

**Patterson, James.** Thank You, Teachers: True Stories from America's Teachers, Our Last Line of Defense and Our First Line of Hope

**Ryan, Brad.** Grandma Joy and Me: A Journey of Healing, One National Park at a Time

**Schur, Michael & Joe Posnanski.** Big Fan: Two Friends, 82,490 Miles, and the Wild, Wonderful Sports We Love

**Sedaris, David.** The Land and Its People: Essays

**Shipnuck, Alan.** Rory: The Heartache and Triumph of Golf's Most Human Superstar

**Spencer, Octavia.** Give Them Their Flowers: Reflections on Women, Film, and Friendship

**Spitz, Bob.** The Rolling Stones: The Biography

**Stone, Daniel.** Stealing George Washington

**Young, Jennie, PhD.** Burn the Haystack: Decode Dating, Torch the Duds, and Make Room for Men Who Matter

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***Miscellaneous Birth & Marriage Records of Early Macoupin & Madison County, Illinois Residents*** by Cynthia Leonard (1993). IR 977.3837 LEO

***Obituaries and Register of Deaths: Copied from Greenville Advocate, 1858-1899*** IR 977.3873 ANT

***The Past Speaks to You: The Story of Geology in Illinois*** by Elizabeth Ann Livesay. IR 550 LIV

***The Photographs of Abraham Lincoln*** edited by Peter W. Kunhardt, Jr.; with contributions by Harold Holzer and Philip B. Kunhardt III (2015). IR 973.7092 PHO

***A Report on Local Government in the Alton, Illinois Area (1959).*** IR 353.9773 REP

***Road to Fort Clark. Volume 1, The Intriguing Origin of Middletown, Illinois*** by Gregory Laun (2024). IR 977.357 LAU

***Robinson Cemetery, Bond County, Illinois*** compiled by Sally Leidner (1993). IR 977.3873 LEI

***Temple Israel: Alton, Illinois, Godfrey, Illinois --1924-2020*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2025). IR 296.0977386 TEM

***There is No Color in Justice: A Son of The Pale Tribe*** Memoir and Essay by Eugene Jones Baldwin (2025). IR 323.1196073 BAL

***What Mrs. Fisher Knows About Old Southern Cooking: Soups, Pickles, Preserves, Etc.: In Facsimile*** by Abby Fisher IR 641.5975 FIS

## Branching Out With Genealogy Classes

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursdays, April 9 and 16; May 14 and 21; June 11 and 18, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic.

On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too! Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2026 on the second and third Thursdays of each month. Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you?

Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next. Call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

**April 9** - Social Media and AI in our Genealogy Research
**April 16** - Discussion Group

**May 14** - *Ancestry.com:* Research, Build Family Trees, DNA
**May 21** - Discussion Group

**June 11** - *FamilySearch.org:* Research Options and Family Tree
**June 18** - Discussion Group

## Hayner Library on the Go — The SHARE Mobile Library App

The SHARE Mobile Library app makes it easy to manage your library account and access helpful library information directly from your phone, tablet, or other mobile device. The SHARE Mobile Library app allows you to keep track of checkouts and due dates, renew items, and view your fines. You can also search the catalog and place and manage holds easily. The app allows you to quickly access the Hayner Library Events Calendar and our social media pages. Accessing our online databases, such as *CreativeBug, Auto Repair Source, NoveList, Consumer Reports,* and more, has also never been easier! The app features an ISBN scanning tool that allows you to scan the ISBN barcode from any book to determine if Hayner Library or another SHARE library owns the title. If so, simply place a hold with one easy click, and we will contact you when the item is ready for pick up! This app is free and available to all Hayner Library cardholders. Search for "SHARE Mobile Library" in your device's app store, or scan the QR code above. This app is brought to you by The Hayner Public Library District and the SHARE library consortium, a division of Illinois Heartland Library System.

## Sign Up for Text and Email Notifications

Hayner Library offers text message and email notifications for requests and overdue notices. Please ask for assistance at the Circulation Desk if you would like to receive a text message or email message when your requested items are ready for pick-up or when you have overdue items. Our staff will be happy to assist you in making this change to your library account. Text message and email notifications are automated. You will receive a separate text message for each item that is ready to be picked up or is overdue. If you sign up for text or email notifications, you will no longer receive a phone call from a staff member regarding on-hold or overdue materials. Please note: All email and text notifications will be sent by SHARE Notifications and not from Hayner Library. SHARE is the automated network of libraries within the Illinois Heartland Library System. As always, you can view your library account online at www.haynerlibrary.org or on the Share Mobile Library app.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

*Join us for our Spring 2026 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! Most programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.*

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## St. Louis Zoo: Past, Present, and Future

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, April 7, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Founded in 1910, the St. Louis Zoo originated with animals left in the city from the 1904 World's Fair, including bears, wolves, and deer. Today, the zoo is home to more than 17,000 animals representing over 600 species, including numerous rare and endangered species from around the globe. The 1904 World's Fair, held in Forest Park, played a significant role in establishing St. Louis as a prominent city. Discover intriguing facts about the origins of the St. Louis Zoo, recent developments, and future aspirations. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Limited seating is available.

## Visit OSF OnCall — Connect On the Go at Your Library

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Tuesday, April 7, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to check out the OSF information table. Here, you can ask for assistance in navigating your health care plan, receive help with program enrollment, get technological support, or finally take care of that health screening you've been postponing. No registration necessary. Stop by and an OSF staff member will be ready to help!

## X's and Sews: A Crafting Program

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, April 7 and 21; May 5 and 19; June 2, 16, 30, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable projects and join us for X's and Sews—a laid-back crafting program where your creativity meets community. Bring whatever you're working on—whether it's embroidery, knitting, crocheting, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitching, jewelry making, origami, quilting, woodcarving…you name it! Enjoy relaxing music, conversation, and the company of fellow crafters. If your craft can be transported with ease, we'd love you to bring it along and create it with us. We cannot wait to meet everyone and see what you are working on! No registration necessary.

## Dr. Ian Hunt: Grant and Lee, Their Appomattox to Memorialization

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Wednesday, April 8, 6:00 p.m.**

In the final days of the American Civil War, two military commanders from opposing sides would meet at the Wilmer McLean House in Appomattox Court House, Virginia, to negotiate the surrender of the Army of Northern Virginia. What would happen that day would not only impact the ending of the conflict but would also have a dramatic effect in the months after on how the nation would reconcile with those who had chosen to make war on the United States. This is the story of how Ulysses S. Grant both ended the war and spared his former foe, Robert E. Lee, from facing trial for treason.

Dr. Ian Patrick Hunt serves as the Chief of Acquisitions and Special Projects at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, a position he has held since 2016. He began his career at the ALPLM in January 2006 as an intern conducting research on the Museum's 2006 temporary exhibit on the lives of the First Ladies entitled "Mrs. President: From Martha to Laura." Over the last two decades, Ian has held different positions as a historian with both the Library and Museum as well as its Foundation, researching the collections and their relationships to the Lincoln family and Illinois history in general.

Dr. Hunt has written frequently on the Civil War, slavery, Lincoln, and the Secession crisis and has appeared in numerous publications, including *The New York Times, The Washington Post*, the *Chicago Tribune*, and the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, as well as giving television and radio interviews both locally and nationally. He coauthored *Lincoln: The Life and Legacy that Defined a Nation in 100 Objects*, which was released in September 2025 and was awarded the 2025 Book of the Year prize by both the Lincoln Group of New York and the New York Civil War Roundtable. His upcoming book on the Secession crisis, tentatively titled *Sectional Larceny*, is being published by the University of Illinois Press and is expected to be released in 2026. He received his PhD from Southern Illinois University and, in addition, holds a master's certificate in Museum Science from the University of Missouri -St. Louis. He has consulted on numerous television, movie, and book projects, which places him in a unique position to understand the ever-changing landscape in the world of Lincolniana. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Limited seating is available.

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## AgeSmart Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, April 9, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Join program specialist Lauren Reis from AgeSmart as she offers vital support and resources for older adults aged fifty-five and older who have taken on the responsibility of raising their grandchildren or other young relatives. The AgeSmart program provides services such as legal assistance, counseling, and emergency financial help for essential items such as school supplies and clothing. These services are designed to help grandparents overcome the obstacles associated with raising children later in life while ensuring that both generations receive the support they need. No registration necessary.

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## Hayner Cookbook Club

***Spring into Appetizers!***

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, April 14, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**April Cookbook Selections —**
***Brilliant Bites: 75 Amazing Small Bites for Any Occasion***
***Tiny Food Party: Bite-Size Recipes for Miniature Meals***

Spring has arrived, bringing the perfect opportunity to enjoy dishes that highlight the season's vibrant, fresh ingredients. Cooking with seasonal produce often results in lighter, healthier flavors that complement the essence of spring. Join us for an evening filled with good company and flavorful appetizers inspired by the season and crafted to be both delicious and visually appealing. Let's come together to celebrate by indulging in appetizers that embody the spirit of spring!

***Look What You Made Me Cook***

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, June 9, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

**June Cookbook Selections —**
***You Belong with Bree: 60 Recipes Inspired by Taylor Swift***
***Bake It Off: An Unofficial Taylor Swift-Inspired Cookbook for Every Era, From Breakfast to Midnights***
***Bake It Off: Tasty Taylor Swift-Inspired Bakes***

Make the season sparkle and join us in June to kick off our summer era with this month's Cookbook Club. Look What You Made Me Cook is a night of food, fun, and shimmer. Settle in for delicious food and stimulating conversation. Come in your concert best, official merch, or a cozy cardigan. Whether you're a longtime fan or just here for the food, expect creative recipes, great conversation, and plenty of fun along the way.

To participate in the Cookbook Club, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, choose your favorite recipe from one of the cookbooks on display, and register on the sign-up sheet. Please bring a copy of your recipe to display next to your dish. We'll provide tea, water, plates, and utensils for everyone. We can't wait to see (and taste) what you create!

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## Terrarium Building Workshop

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, April 18, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Join the GreenLens Plant Shop staff for a hands-on workshop where you'll learn to create your own layered terrarium using two or three plants. As you work with their team one-on-one, they will answer your questions and demonstrate how to properly layer soil, position plants, and provide essential care. Each participant will leave with a completed terrarium and helpful care tips to keep it thriving! To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Limited seating is available.

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## Family Roots Pilot Program with Dr. LaKisha T. David

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Saturday, April 18, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

This presentation introduces the Family Roots Pilot Program, which supports individuals as they engage with family history and kinship through genetic genealogy. It explains why people turn to DNA and what it can mean to bring genetic information into questions about family history, identity, and connection.

People come to DNA testing with different experiences. Some have family stories and written records, while others face gaps, silences, or missing information about their families. When records are incomplete or unavailable, it can limit what people can learn through documents alone and shape the reasons they seek DNA testing and what they expect from it. The presentation uses African Americans as a clear example to illustrate how missing records, motivations for testing, and the interpretation of DNA results often intersect in real life, helping explain why DNA often becomes part of family history conversations.

The presentation also discusses what it means to receive and use genetic results, including how those results can influence decisions, relationships, and expectations within families. It addresses privacy and consent, and why understanding the limits of DNA matters before sharing or acting on genetic information. Emphasis is placed on clear communication, responsibility, and careful use of DNA, especially given how deeply it can affect how people see themselves and their families. The session concludes by describing how this work connects to the ongoing and future efforts of the Family Roots Pilot Program. Information will be provided for interested individuals on how to request a kit online afterward.

Dr. LaKisha T. David is an Assistant Professor of Anthropology at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Her work focuses on family history, identity, and kinship, with particular attention to how people engage with genetic genealogy alongside historical and social information. She is the founder of The African Kinship Reunion Repository (TAKiR) and the Principal Investigator of the Family Roots Pilot Program, which is housed within TAKiR. Through her research and public-facing work, Dr. David is committed to thoughtful and ethical engagement with genetic information and to helping individuals better understand how DNA fits into broader family stories and connections. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Limited seating is available.

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## The Music of Michael Marciano

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, April 21, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Guitarist, composer, and recording artist Michael Marciano is a native of New York. Growing up on Long Island, just outside of New York City, he studied classical guitar, music theory, and composition at the Crane School of Music. After graduating, he relocated to St. Lucia, where he became the director of guitar studies at the St. Lucia School of Music. He was also commissioned to compose music for the St. Lucia School of Ballet and asked to transcribe local folk music for the national archives. Currently residing in the St. Louis area, Michael regularly performs live shows at various venues throughout St. Louis and the surrounding metro area. His shows feature both acoustic and electric guitar, along with vocals, live looping, and drum beats that are controlled and programmed in real time. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

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## Unclaimed Property: What's Yours with the Illinois State Treasurer's Office

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursday, April 23, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**
**Monday, May 11, 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Organized by State Senator Erica Harriss' Office)**

Did you know that the Illinois State Treasurer holds billions in unclaimed funds for some Illinoisans? The State holds these funds until the original owner or their heirs claim them. A representative from the Illinois State Treasurer's Office will be at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to assist you in checking if the State is holding any money owed to you through its iCash program. This is a free service. No registration necessary.

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## Writers Circle

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

For the novice and the experienced: Join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion. The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month! To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

**Saturday, April 25, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – *Limericks***
**Saturday, May 30, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – *Villanelle***
**Saturday, June 20, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – *Exquisite Corpse* (Jacoby Arts Center)**

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## AARP's Everyday Tech for Everyday Life

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

Hayner Library has partnered with AARP to provide monthly tech classes throughout 2026! These classes cover an array of tech topics, from AI and smartphones to estate planning and online shopping.

Join us for these upcoming dates to learn more about technology and how to make it work for you:

**Wednesday, April 29, 12:00 p.m. – *AI Disinformation***
**Wednesday, May 27, 12:00 p.m. – *Digital Coupon Tools***
**Wednesday, June 24, 12:00 p.m. – *Intro to Smartphone Photography***

Each class is a live webinar provided by AARP, hosted in-person in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Registration is required and light snacks will be provided. To register, please call 1-877-926-8300 (registration is collected by AARP).

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## The Empowered Caregiver: An Education Series by the Alzheimer's Association

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

This education series teaches caregivers how to navigate the responsibilities of caring for someone living with dementia, helping them feel more prepared to handle the challenges that come with it. Each session in this series stands alone. Please feel free to register for one, two, or all three!

***Supporting Independence***

**Thursday, April 30, 6:00 p.m.**

Explore ways to balance safety and independence while managing expectations.

Register at tinyurl.com/EMPCSUP4-30-26 or call 1-800-272-3900.

***Responding to Dementia-Related Behaviors***

**Thursday, May 21, 6:00 p.m.**

Learn about common behavior changes, non-medical approaches to behaviors, and how to recognize when additional help is needed.

Register at tinyurl.com/EMPCRSDEM-5-21-26 or call 1-800-272-3900.

***Exploring Care and Support Services***

**Thursday, June 11, 6:00 p.m.**

Discover how to prepare for future care decisions and changes, including respite care, residential care, and end-of-life care.

Register at tinyurl.com/EMPCCSER-6-11-26 or call 1-800-272-3900.

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## The Louis Pettinelli Jazz Duo

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, May 5, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Louis Pettinelli is an emerging bassist in the Philadelphia tri-state area, born into a family of professional musicians and music educators. He began his musical journey at the age of nine, initially playing the trumpet before transitioning to the upright bass. Louis has performed at various venues, including Chris's Jazz Café and South Jazz Parlor, and he continues to excel across multiple genres and styles, such as jazz, classical, and musical theater. He maintains an active performance schedule throughout the Philadelphia tri-state area, as well as in Washington, D.C., Maryland, northern Virginia, and St. Louis. In addition, Louis operates a private studio where he teaches upright bass, electric bass, and cello, emphasizing jazz, classical, and jazz improvisation for students of all instruments. Louis will be performing pieces including *Fly Me to the Moon, Come Fly with Me, I Get a Kick Out of You,* and *The Way You Look Tonight.* To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

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## Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton**
**Thursday, May 7, Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Book Discussion: 7:00 p.m.**
**Title: TBD**

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and a discussion of our May book selection. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library and are also available through the Libby and Cloud Library digital platforms. The May book selection will be announced after the March Taps & Tomes meeting on Thursday, March 5. Please check the Events Calendar on the library's website for the book title. No registration necessary.

## Spring Reading Retreat

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, May 8, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Unwind with us at our Spring Reading Retreat—a calm evening filled with creativity and quiet reading time. We'll begin with painting tote bags, perfect for your next shopping trip or a stroll through the farmers' market (or library!). All supplies will be provided. After you've finished your masterpiece, settle in with your favorite book for some dedicated reading time. Don't forget to bring your book with you, or grab one from the library before joining us! Light snacks and drinks will be available throughout the evening. Join us for a relaxing night of craft, community, and good books. We can't wait to see you there! This is an open house-style program, so please feel free to stay for a short while or the entire time. Registration is limited to twenty patrons. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## Illinois State Historical Society Marker Dedication and Cookie Party

**Jennie D. Hayner Pocket Park, 410 State Street**
**Saturday, May 9, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

The Hayner Public Library District recently received an Illinois State Historical Society marker and we invite you to join us in the Jennie D. Hayner Pocket Park for lemonade and cookies to celebrate.

The historical marker text reads:

The Hayner Public Library District

The Hayner Public Library District (then known as the Alton Library Association) began in 1852 as a subscription library. "The association is designed to be ... a permanent institution of our city, which will every year increase in means and usefulness." During the Civil War, many of the library's books were borrowed by soldiers and never returned. The Association fell into massive debt, but the women of Alton banded together to save the library. In 1866, at a public meeting, officers and directors were elected for a reconstituted Alton Library Society housed at City Hall. In 1869, a revolutionary resolution was passed requiring the board of directors to be exclusively comprised of women. Donations, parties, and lectures augmented library membership fees. Famous writers and thinkers, including Frederick Douglass, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Ralph Waldo Emerson, gave talks to benefit the library. In the late 1880s, John E. Hayner funded a library building as a memorial to his wife, Jennie. The directors hired architect Theodore Link to design the building. In 1891, the Jennie D. Hayner Memorial Library opened. An annex, funded by the Hayner family, was added in 1907. In 1901, thanks to an endowment by John E. Hayner, the library became a truly free library for Alton's citizens. In 1952, the Alton City Council voted unanimously to acquire and operate the Hayner Memorial Library as a public library. In 1972, voters approved a referendum that established The Hayner Public Library District, and in 1986, Godfrey and Foster Townships joined the district.

Sponsored By: The Hayner Public Library District and the Illinois State Historical Society

## Chris Angel: Mental Mayhem

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, May 12, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Mind reading, stunts, comedy, audience participation, and more! With total audience involvement, Mental Mayhem captivates the mind and prompts you to question what is real versus what is not. You don't just watch this show, you truly experience it! Join the extraordinary entertainer Joshua Routh for an unforgettable evening filled with breathtaking stunts, mind-bending mentalism, and uproarious humor! To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## Elizabeth Cady Stanton: Portrayed by Laura Keyes

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursday, May 14, 6:30 p.m.**

Elizabeth Cady Stanton fought for equal rights for women for over fifty years, and upon her death in 1902, she left behind a legacy of her crusade for female equality and myriad writings that would inspire feminists for over a century to come. Hear from Mrs. Stanton in 1866, when the Civil War was over, but the battle for Women's Suffrage was just beginning. Join Laura Keyes as Elizabeth Cady Stanton for this informative and inspiring presentation at the Genealogy & Local History Library.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton has a connection to our library's early history. She came to Alton to give a lecture benefiting the Alton Public Library Association on December 6, 1871. The topic was "The True Republic," and a very large audience assembled at Kirkland Hall to hear her speak.

Laura Keyes graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a Master's Degree in Library Studies and is a lifetime member of the Association of Lincoln Presenters. Laura recently won the Excellence in Performing Award from that Association. She has been portraying historic women and lecturing on historic topics since 2008. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Limited seating is available.

## *The Gibson Girls*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, May 19, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Sisters Alisha, Kabryn, and Kathryn Gibson began their musical journey by singing in church at a young age. It has always been their heartfelt desire to travel and share music that touches the soul. Their mission is to bring fresh, uplifting music to a world often filled with hurt and negativity. In 2018, they had the honor of participating in the Greater Peoria Honor Flight. They aim to encourage and inspire everyone who hears them, believing that each song brings hope, and showcases their passion for music. Join the Gibson Girls as they perform songs that pay tribute to our veterans and military. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## Violinmaking: Tradition and Art – An Evening with Chris Jacoby

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursday, May 21, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Artistry and craftsmanship combine for an evening of learning and entertainment when Chris Jacoby of Jacoby Fine Violins joins us to discuss the fine art of violinmaking. Chris will explain how and where the violin family emerged from the tradition of lutemakers in Italy at the beginning of the sixteenth century, and how it has morphed into the world's favorite instrument over the following 475 years. Chris will bring wood, tools, and plaster casts of famous instruments for the audience to look at, as well as instrument parts and instruments in the process of being built. In an age when our email tries to write responses for us using AI, Chris will discuss why it is important to build things and follow traditions that are largely unchanged over centuries of human and societal development.

Chris Jacoby is a former board member of the Violin Society of America. As Chair of Publications, he launched their membership magazine *The Scroll* and served as editor for four years. He has lectured and presented at international conventions on the subjects of instrument construction and social media presence for luthiers. Chris is a longtime contributor to industry publications such as the London-based *The Strad and Strings Magazine* (Oakland, California), where he was the "Ask the Expert" columnist for years. After working in the United States and Europe building copies of the great Italian masters, and managing high-end restoration and repair workshops, he is happily running his own violin shop in Alton, at 11 E. Broadway, in the historic "Maker's District." His instruments are played by professionals around the world. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163. Limited seating is available.

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## State Senator Erica Harriss – Spring Traveling Office Hours at Hayner Library

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Wednesday, May 27, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

State Senator Erica Harriss will hold traveling office hours at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall on Wednesday, May 27, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Traveling office hours are a way for Senator Harriss and her staff to assist residents with a wide variety of services, including navigating state agencies and connecting residents with available resources on state government-related issues. No registration necessary.

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## Mike Anderson: The Soldiers' Music of the Civil War

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, June 9, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Folk singer, storyteller, musician, and music historian Mike Anderson brings the music of the American Civil War to life using instruments from that era and played by the men who fought in the war. Artfully interwoven into the music are stories from the formative years of the young man who became the sixteenth President of the United States, creating an event that is educational, entertaining, and memorable. While band instruments are commonly associated with Civil War music, the multi-instrumentalist Mike will utilize the banjo, mountain dulcimer, jawharp, bones, and various handmade instruments to bring the songs to life and invite the audience to sing along with the classics. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

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## Lee Murdock: Ballads and Waterways

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, June 16, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Broadly acknowledged as "the premier interpreter of songs and tales about the Great Lakes," Lee Murdock has uncovered a boundless body of music and stories in his home region. There is a wonderful timelessness to this music. Great Lakes songs are made of hard work, difficult living, ships that go down, and ships that come in. The music is grounded in the work sound traditions from the rugged days of loggers and wooden sailing schooners. Noted as a fluent instrumentalist on the six- and twelve-string guitars, Lee Murdock's musical influences span fifteen generations, from seventeenth-century Irish harp music to Scott Joplin guitar rags, embracing the blues, freshwater shanties, original songs, and ballads. Bringing a more profound understanding of the folk process, Lee's repertoire combines historical research with contemporary insights. Making folk music for the modern era, Lee Murdock's work is an anthem to the people who live, work, learn, and play along the freshwater highways of North America and beyond. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## Movie Under the Stars at The Nature Institute

**The Nature Institute, 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey**
**Saturday, June 20, 9:00 p.m.**

Hayner Library and The Nature Institute are partnering to host a one-night movie event under the stars on the front lawn at The Nature Institute. Bring blankets or lawn chairs and your favorite snacks for a fun evening watching *The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring*. For more information about movies being shown this summer at The Nature Institute, visit www.thenatureinstitute.org. No registration necessary.

## Illinois Department of Human Services Information Table

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Tuesday, June 23, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Whether you're just starting your career or looking to make a change, this is a great opportunity to connect, learn, or take the next step by visiting the IDHS information table at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. The Illinois Department of Human Services staff will be present and ready to answer questions or get you started in a career in health care. No registration necessary.

## Ghosts Next Door – Cheney Mansion, Jerseyville

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursday, June 25, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Join us for our next installment of "Ghosts Next Door," where we will discuss the history and hauntings of the Cheney Mansion in Jerseyville, Illinois. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

## America 250 – Hayner Library Celebrates America's Birthday

**Downtown Library (Outdoors)**
**Friday, July 3, Time TBD**

On Friday, July 3, the Downtown Library's parking lot will be decked out in red, white, and blue as we celebrate the 250th anniversary of our nation's founding. Join us for a public reading of the nation's founding documents (the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights)—read by library staff and patrons! In addition to the public reading, we'll have crafts, games, and face painting for the kids, and musical entertainment for the whole family. Details for the celebration are still being finalized, but keep your eyes on the library's website, our social media accounts, the summer newsletter (which should arrive in homes near the end of June), and local media outlets for more information, including how you can participate in the public reading of our nation's most important documents.

# KidsSpace Spring 2026 Activities

Please note: To allow staff time to prepare for the Summer Reading Program, there will be no programming Monday, May 18, through Sunday, May 31.

### *April Adventures Bingo Challenge*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Wednesday, April 1 – Thursday, April 30**

Hop into spring with April Adventures Bingo at the library! Children can complete fun, spring-themed activities and reading challenges on their Bingo card to earn up to five small prizes and tickets for a chance to win our Big Prize! Participants may register and complete the challenge digitally through Beanstack, or pick up a physical Bingo card to take home and return when completed. The Big Prize winners will be drawn on Friday, May 1, and contacted by a staff member. For more information, please call (618) 433-2881. Please email any pictures of completed Bingo tasks to child.programming@haynerlibrary.org! We'd love to share your hard work on our social media!

### *Baby Lap-Sit Story Time*

**Downtown Library**
**Wednesdays, April 1, 15, 22, 29; May 6 and 13, 10:00 a.m.**

Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. This story time is for children ages birth to 2.

### *Books and Busy Bees Story Time*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; May 7 and 14, 10:00 a.m.**

Enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft! This story time is for children ages 3-5.

### *Make-or-Take Crafts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Mondays, April 6; May 4**

Stop by and ask for your free Make-or-Take craft. Crafts are available on the first Monday of each month while supplies last.

### *KidsSpace Treasure Hunts: Search, Explore, Discover!*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**April 6 – 19: NASA theme**
**April 20 – May 3: Nursery Rhyme theme**
**May 4 – 17: Patriotic theme**

### *Stories with Panda Bear*

**Downtown Library**
**Tuesdays, April 14, 21, 28; May 5 and 12, 10:00 a.m.**

Join us for stories, songs, music, and a snack. This story time is for children ages 2-4.

### *Special Story Time: The Nature Institute*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursday, April 9, 10:00 a.m.**

Join us for a special story time with Lauren from The Nature Institute. This story time will feature a fun-filled nature story, an interactive discovery station, and a creative craft your little explorers will love! To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *Story Time at Lucy's Playhouse*

**Lucy Haskell's Playhouse, 1211 Henry Street, Alton**
**Fridays, April 10; May 8, 10:00 a.m.**

Join Ms. Mary Kay and Panda Bear for a fun, interactive story time at Lucy Haskell's Playhouse. Bring your little ones and enjoy stories, songs, and smiles in a charming historic setting!

### *Coffee & Chaos*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Monday, April 13, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**
**Wednesday, May 6, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

Explore, play, and have fun! This program is perfect for young children, ages birth to 4, and their caregivers. Toys, games, and activities will be provided. Enjoy a cup of coffee and connect with other caregivers while your child plays. Adult supervision is required. We kindly ask that you help your child clean up when they're finished. No registration required. Please note: This program is not fully staffed. Library staff will check in periodically and are available at the desk if you need assistance.

### *Beanstack Help Day*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Monday, April 13; Wednesday, April 15; Friday, April 17, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
**Tuesday, May 5; Thursday, May 7, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**
Staff in KidsSpace will be available to help you learn how to use Beanstack. Get ready for the Summer Reading Program by learning how to use the Beanstack website and app.

### *LEGO Club: Ages 6–11*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, April 14; May 12; June 9; July 7, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
**Wednesday, April 29, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
Join us for an hour of building and creating LEGO masterpieces. The library will supply the LEGOs. To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *Special Story Time: Nine PBS*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursday, April 16, 10:00 a.m.**
Rain or shine, enjoy a special weather-themed story time with Nine PBS! We'll read a weather-filled story, explore a quick and exciting mini-lesson, and create a fun themed craft! To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *Young Artists Club: Ages 7-11*

**Jacoby Arts Center, 208 State Street, Alton**
**Fridays, April 17; May 15, 3:45 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.**
Beginner or advanced, express your creativity and have fun making art at Jacoby Arts Center. Supplies will be provided. Wear clothes that can get messy! To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *Family Movie Forecast: Fun with a Chance of Meatballs!*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, April 24, 4:30 p.m.**
Join us for a movie afternoon featuring the film *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs!* Wear your favorite pajamas, bring a blanket and/or stuffed animal, and settle in for a deliciously fun afternoon. Enjoy pizza, popcorn, and drinks on us–no spaghetti storms expected (we hope)! We're decorating the multipurpose room to match the theme of the movie. Each child will receive a science lab coat to wear during the event (while supplies last, registration required), and families can have fun taking photos in our specially-decorated photo station. It's the perfect way to relax, snack, and let your imagination soar! Registration is required to reserve your family's spot and your child's lab coat. To register, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2822.

### *The 1,000 Books Club: A Story Time Adventure for Little Readers*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Monday, April 27, 10:00 a.m.**
Join our 1,000 Books Club, a fun, family-friendly way to help your child build a lifelong love of reading before kindergarten! Designed as part of the national 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative, this special story time celebrates every milestone on your child's reading journey. Once a month, we'll enjoy songs, rhymes, and stories together, helping little ones develop early literacy skills in a joyful and supportive environment. Families can track their progress toward the big goal of reading 1,000 books—and earn small rewards and recognition along the way!

### *Bubble May, The Enchanting Fairy*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Thursday, April 30, 4:00 p.m.**
Step into a whimsical wonderland with Bubble May, the Enchanting Fairy, and be prepared for a magical adventure. In this delightful, interactive show, Bubble May amazes audiences with captivating magic tricks, sparkling illusions, and a touch of fairy dust. With a flick of her bubble wand, she fills the air with shimmering bubbles of every size, from gigantic bubbles that float high up into the sky, to tiny bubbles that twirl and dance around your fingertips. The wonder doesn't stop there! Bubble May is joined by her lovable dragon puppet, whose playful personality and charming antics are sure to spark laughter and smiles. Join us for an unforgettable journey into a whimsical world where imagination soars, magic shimmers, and bubbles fill the sky. This enchanting performance promises a truly magical experience you won't want to miss!

### *May the 4th Be with You*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Monday, May 4, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
Do you have what it takes to become an honorary Jedi? Two iconic figures from a galaxy far, far away are visiting the library on Monday, May 4! A fearless rebel princess known for her courage and leadership, along with a dark-cloaked master who commands the power of the dark side, will guide young recruits through exciting training games to test their skills and discover whether they have what it takes to become an honorary Jedi. Costumes are encouraged. Your destiny awaits!

### *Special Story Time Performance: Dinosaurs Wild*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Thursday, May 7, 10:00 a.m.**
Join Dinosaur Ranger Brooke in her mobile field lab for an exciting training day packed with dinosaur fossils, facts, and fun. Along the way, you'll meet three live baby dinosaurs with larger-than-life personalities, and you'll discover what makes each one wildly unique. To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *Special Story Time: The Sunken Garden at Riverview Park*

**Sunken Garden at Riverview Park, Belleview Avenue, Alton**
**Thursday, May 14, 10:00 a.m.**
Spring is in the air, and we're taking story time outside! Join us in the garden for a special spring-themed story time filled with seasonal stories, songs, and plenty of fun. It's the perfect way to celebrate the beauty of the season while enjoying a unique outdoor library experience. Crafts will be provided in convenient take-home bags for each child. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to enjoy story time surrounded by fresh air and blooming flowers. We can't wait to see you in the garden!

### *Spirit Week – A Countdown to Summer Reading*

**All Hayner Library Locations (or Your Home!)**
**Tuesday, May 26 – Sunday, May 31**
Adventure awaits at the library! Celebrate Spirit Week, the week leading up to our Summer Reading Program kickoff. We'd love to see your participation! Please email your Spirit Week photos to child.programming@haynerlibrary.org, and we'll share them on our social media.

Tuesday, May 26: *Explorer Day* – Dress in your best explorer gear: hats, backpacks, binoculars, etc.

Wednesday, May 27: *Puzzle Day* – Stop by and add a piece to our community puzzle (all ages).

Thursday, May 28: *Dino Day* – Wear your favorite dino clothes or bring your favorite dino stuffed toy.

Friday, May 29: *Cartographer Day* – Draw a map, a prehistoric creature, or an imaginary world.

Saturday, May 30: *Historian Day* – Dress as a character from history or your favorite book.

Sunday, May 31: *Fact Finder Day* – Discover facts about dinosaurs, archaeology, and ancient worlds!

### *Dial-A-Story*

**Call (618) 462-TALE (618) 462-8253**
Enjoy safe, free, educational, and entertaining activities for your children, available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, from the comfort of your own home. New stories are added at the beginning of each month.

### *StoryWalk at The Nature Institute*

**The Nature Institute, 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey**
Get ready for an outdoor adventure that brings books to life! Beginning Wednesday, April 1, families are invited to enjoy StoryWalk at The Nature Institute. Take a stroll along the scenic trail while reading the pages of a children's picture book displayed along the path. It's a wonderful way to combine the joy of reading with the beauty of nature. Perfect for all ages! Bring your family, stretch your legs, and discover a new story. Be sure to scan our QR code along the trail and fill out a short form for a chance to win a fun nature-themed prize! Check our Facebook page for more details and updates.

### *Sensory Bins*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Fridays, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**
Looking for a fun, hands-on activity for your little one? Stop by the KidsSpace desk to see if a sensory bin is available! Each bin is filled with textures, scoops, and surprises designed to engage curious minds and busy fingers. Two age-appropriate bins are available. A few friendly notes: Adult supervision is required at all times. Please wash your hands before using the bin. Keep all items out of childrens' mouths. Families may use one bin at a time. There is a thirty-minute time limit for each bin. Bins are for in-library use only (they may not be checked out). Please help your children clean up when they are finished. Please return the bin to the staff when finished.

## 2026 Summer Reading Program
### "UNEARTH A STORY"

Get ready to dig into summer fun! Summer Reading registration and programming begin Monday, June 1, 2026, and this year's theme invites young explorers to dig, discover, and unearth amazing stories—just like real archaeologists and paleontologists!

To register, visit haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or download the Beanstack mobile app. Everyone who registers by the end of the day on June 1 will be entered into a chance to win a Summer Reading Program-themed basket filled with treasures a junior dinosaur hunter will love.

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All Summer Reading Program activities will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, unless otherwise noted. So grab your shovel (and your library card!), dust off your imagination, and get ready for a summer full of fossils, fun, and fantastic books!

## Mondays
### *Excavated Art: Ages 2–6*
**June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 10:00 a.m.**

Creativity is waiting to be uncovered! Join us every Monday morning this summer for exciting art projects that encourage imagination, exploration, and fun. Miss a Monday? Make-or-Take Crafts will be available June 5 and July 3, while supplies last.

## Tuesdays
### *Unearth a Good Story — Stories & Art Story Time: Ages 2–6*
**Hayner Library Downtown**

**June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; July 7, 10:00 a.m.**

This story time takes place at the Downtown Library and invites children to unearth a story through art and imagination. Each Tuesday, artist Jennifer Dunnegan will join Ms. Mary Kay to help bring stories to life. Each week, children who attend will have their names entered for a chance to unearth a one-of-a-kind art piece created by Jennifer during the program. Winners for the art pieces will be drawn during the last week of the program.

## Wednesdays
### *Performers & Special Events: All Ages*
**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**

**All performances begin at 10:00 a.m.**

**June 3: Dinosaurs Rock!**

Join a Dinosaurs Rock! expert for a live, virtual Jurassic journey filled with life-size and genuine dinosaur fossil museum exhibits as the backdrop. Fascinating visual demos and screen shares make this a super fun, educational, and engaging event. Best of all, take home real fossils from a hands-on dig! For more information, visit www.dinosaursrock.com.

**June 10: Steph Plant**

Steph Plant is a Montessori-trained singer-songwriter and children's book author-illustrator based in Alton. Her published book, based on her song *Slithering Snake*, has become a favorite in schools, libraries, and homes around the world since its completion in 2017. In 2019, she recorded her first children's album, *Moth Wings & Other Things,* which features twelve enchanting original songs inspired by the natural world.

**June 17: Archaeology Adventures with Miss Isabel from the Center for American Archeology**

Go on an archaeological adventure with Miss Isabel! Children will be introduced to archaeology through a story time and performance by Miss Isabel. Afterward, children will get to be archaeologists and dig for clues. If time permits, they will be able to draw an archaeologist. In addition to Miss Isabel's performance, event highlights also include a show and tell of an archaeologist's toolkit and trash bin archaeology.

**June 24: Science Heroes**

Unearth your curiosity as we dig into the incredible science that's all around us! Harness the power of pressure and energy with the Toilet Tornado™, experiment with physical vs. chemical changes with Disappearing Polymer™, observe the effects of physical explosions, angles, and trajectory with the Hydro-Cannon™, and more. If you don't already love science, you'll really "dig it" after experiencing Science Heroes!

**July 1: T. rex Tea Party**

Tea Parties are fun, but do you know what would make them even more exciting? DINOSAURS! Join us for an hour of fun and become the fanciest dinosaur in town! This event includes fun dinosaur-themed activities, crafts, snacks, and the presence of our very own dinosaur! We encourage you to dress up in your finest tea party or dinosaur-themed outfit!

**July 8: Maestro and His Dazzling Dino Circus**

Step right up and travel back in time, because the circus has gone prehistoric! Join Maestro, the eccentric ringmaster, as he presents a laugh-out-loud adventure where dinosaurs take center stage with dazzling magic, juggling, and puppetry. Watch as dinosaur eggs vanish, creatures defy gravity, and prehistoric stars perform unbelievable stunts, all while sharing fun, fascinating facts about the ancient world. This interactive show celebrates curiosity, creativity, and the thrill of learning through spectacle and fun.

## Thursdays
### *Do You Dig It? Children's Science: Ages 7–11*
**June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Paleontologists and archaeologists everywhere have one thing in common—they have to dig deep for the answers they seek. Join us on Thursdays for science projects that revolve around digging up and learning about dinosaurs, fossils, geodes, and gems. Be sure to wear clothes that can get messy! To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *Take Home Science Kits*

**Saturday, June 20; Friday, July 3**

Are you busy during our in-person programs? Here's your chance to have fun on your own schedule. Science kits will be available for pick-up in KidsSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

June 20: Geode Growing Kit
July 3: Amber Bug Slime Kit

### *Dig Deep Treasure Hunt: All Ages*

**Thursdays, June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2**

Each week, young explorers are invited to join the Dig Deep Treasure Hunt. Start your adventure at the KidsSpace desk and follow the clues to uncover five hidden items throughout the library. No reservations and no time limits, just a thrilling adventure available all day each Thursday! Every participant who completes the hunt will earn a special prize from our treasure chest (one prize per treasure hunter each week).

### *Special Saturday: Stuffed Animal Workshop*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**

**Saturday, June 27, 10:00 a.m.**

Join in some creativity at our stuffed animal T. rex workshop! Young dinosaur fans are invited to join us for a prehistoric good time as we build our very own cuddly T. rex stuffed animals. Participants will stuff their dinosaurs, give them a special wish, and even fill out an official birth certificate before taking their new prehistoric pal home. This hands-on workshop is perfect for kids who love dinosaurs, crafting, and imaginative play. Don't miss the chance to bring a little Jurassic to life! To register, please call (618) 433-2881. Space is limited!

### *End of Summer Reading Party*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**

**Thursday, July 9, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Celebrate the end of summer at our End of Summer Reading Party. It's going to be dino-mite! We'll have Iggy, a gigantic T. rex, and Baby the Stegosaurus for the kids to play with. St. Louis Dinosaur will also join us. Attendees can snack on treats from Mo'z Sweet Treats and pick up a free book of their choice. There will be plenty of fun for all ages. Summer Reading Program prize winners will also be announced at the party. Don't miss this exciting way to wrap up the summer. This party is a way for us to thank everyone who participated in our summer activities and reading programs.

## Check Out a Fort-Building Kit at Hayner Library

Hayner Library has fort-building kits for our young patrons! The 120-piece kits contain plastic tubes and connectors, as well as instructions to create a variety of different shapes and structures. These building kits are an exciting way for children to utilize hands-on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) skills while designing and building their ultimate fort. The kits provide an opportunity for children to share new and creative structures with friends and family. The kits are available for checkout in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace.

## TumbleBook Library: Free e-Books for Children

TumbleBook Library is a curated database of children's e-books, available for free with your Hayner Library card. Perfect for children ages kindergarten through sixth grade, TumbleBook Library has over 1,000 titles and includes animated talking picture books, read-along chapter books, nonfiction books and videos, graphic novels, and curated playlists. TumbleBook Library even has books in Spanish and French. TumbleBook Library is free to use and can be accessed from your home computer, phone, tablet, or mobile device. Visit the e-Books & Digital Magazines page on the Hayner Library website or download the TumbleBook Library app from your device's app store. Explore literacy in a fun and interactive way!

# TeenSpace Spring 2026 Activities

### *Spring into Reading Teen Bingo Challenge*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace**
**Wednesday, April 1 – Thursday, April 30**

Hey, teens! Join our Reading Bingo Challenge on Beanstack and have a blast earning badges for reading, completing cool activities, writing book reviews, and scoring Bingo! Prefer a paper copy? No problem! Pick up a printed Bingo sheet at the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace desk. Every activity you complete earns you a ticket for a chance to win one of three awesome prizes! Winners will be announced on Friday, May 1, so read on, rack up those tickets, and let the fun begin!

### *Teen Crime Stoppers*

**Wednesdays, April 1; May 6, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

If you love true crime and murder mysteries, this is your night! Team up with other teens to examine clues, dive into case files, and solve the mystery. Can you figure out whodunnit before anyone else?

### *YA Fridays*

**Fridays, April 10, 17; May 8, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for a Friday full of awesome activities: crafts, video games, and plenty of time to chill and hang out with other teens. Relax, create, and connect!

### *Comic Chaos*

**Monday, April 6; Tuesday, May 5, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Dive into the world of comics with other teens! Each month, we'll read a comic (available on our Comics Plus database) and geek out together, sharing favorite moments, characters, and twists. Plus, you'll get to help pick the next comic for the club! Call TeenSpace at (618) 433-2872 to learn each month's title and join the chaos.

### *Teen Take-Home Crafts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace**
**Mondays, April 6; May 4**

Love science, art, or just making cool stuff with your hands? Stop by TeenSpace on the first Monday of each month at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to pick up a kit and get creating! Supplies are limited, so grab yours while they last.

### *Teen Advisory Board (TAB)*

**Wednesday, April 8, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Want to help shape the programs and events at Hayner Library? Now's your chance! The Teen Advisory Board is looking for creative, fun, and motivated teens to share their ideas and help plan programs that teens want to see. Whether it's gaming nights, book clubs, crafting, or something totally new, your voice matters! Join us and be a part of the team that brings awesome teen events to life.

### *Crafting Creations*

**Wednesdays, April 15; May 13, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Do you love trying new projects and getting creative? Join our monthly teen craft program! Each month, we'll explore a new, exciting craft that's all about having fun, expressing yourself, and showing off your skills. Come hang out, make something awesome, and meet other creative teens!

### *Expressive Art*

**Friday, April 24, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Teens, create a painting that's meaningful to you! Once your masterpiece is dry, it will be displayed in our Teen Center for everyone to enjoy. Before Summer Reading kicks off, we'll host a special art gallery showing to celebrate all of your unique and creative works.

### *Teen LEGO Challenge*

**Wednesday, April 29, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

LEGO builders unite! Bring a friend and join other teens for an afternoon of creative LEGO fun. Build incredible designs, show off your skills, and compete for a chance to win a prize!

### *Expressive Art Gallery*

**Friday, May 15, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Throughout the year, teens have created beautiful works of art, which are now on display in our Teen Center. Each painting and drawing holds special meaning for its artist. Parents, friends, and art-loving patrons are invited to join us for a small open-house gathering to celebrate their creativity.

# 2026 Teen Summer Reading Program
# "UNEARTH A STORY"

This year's Teen Summer Reading Program, "Unearth a Story," is ready to take teens on a roaring adventure back in time! Readers will dig into fantastic books, excavate new ideas, and tackle exciting challenges to uncover prizes worthy of any ambitious archeologist or paleontologist.

Teens can register at haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or through the Beanstack mobile app. Everyone who completes the full program will be entered into a drawing for themed prize baskets packed with all sorts of treasures.

All Summer Reading Program activities will take place in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center (upper level), unless otherwise noted. Grab your gear, dust off your curiosity, and get ready to dig deep. There's a whole world of stories waiting to be unearthed! For more information about the Teen Summer Reading Program, please call Megan at (618) 433-2872.

## Mondays
### *ARTifacts*
**June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
Dig into your imagination and create your very own ARTifacts! Paint, build, and craft your own one-of-a-kind creations. Your masterpiece awaits!

June 1: *Dino Terrariums* – Build your own succulent terrarium and bring it to life with mini dinosaurs.

June 8: *Pottery Part 1* – Discover the beautiful pottery of the Aztecs, then make your very own.

June 15: *Pottery Part 2* – Time to add color! We will paint our Aztec creations from the previous week.

June 22: *Basket Weaving* – Learn the art of basket weaving and make one with your own hands!

June 29: *Cave Painting* –We're covering the Teen Center walls with brown paper so you can create art like ancient cave people!

July 6: *Dinosaur Eye Magnets* – Create unique dinosaur eye magnets!

## Wednesdays
### *Wednesday Wonders*
**June 3, 10, 17, 24; July 1 and 8, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
Explore the wonders of archaeology every Wednesday in the Teen Center. From excavations to museum mysteries, each week brings a new hands-on activity to uncover and enjoy.

June 3: *Dino Olympics* – Get ready for fun, friendly competition with Minute to Win It challenges.

June 10: *Excavation Dig* – Using brushes and small tools, we'll excavate dinosaur fossils.

June 17: *Piasa Bird* – We'll learn about the Piasa Bird from Hayner Library's Lacy McDonald.

June 24: *Experiment Lab* – Science Heroes are joining us for an exciting Experiment Lab.

July 1: *Escape the Museum Escape Room* –The mission: Escape the museum. This once-in-a-lifetime escape room is packed with unique puzzles. Do you have what it takes to escape?

July 8: *Geode Discovery* – Rocks, hammers, and teens—oh my! Join us as we safely break open stunning geodes!

## Fridays
### *Jurassic-Movie-a-Thon*
**June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 3 and 10, 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**
Travel back in time with us as we watch every *Jurassic* movie, from the original *Jurassic Park* all the way to the latest adventure!

### *End of Summer Teen Reading Party*
**Saturday, July 11, 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**
Dinosaurs will invade the End of Summer Teen Reading Party! Join us for a screening of *Jurassic World Rebirth* while enjoying a movie-style snack table. We will also announce the Summer Reading Program prize winners, and most importantly, every attendee will receive a free book!

The Hayner Public Library District

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Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall
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## Food for Fido — April Fine Amnesty Program

**Wednesday, April 1 – Thursday, April 30**

Do you have Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the back seat of your car? Food for Fido is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. Hayner Library's fine amnesty program, Food for Fido, will take place from Wednesday, April 1, through Thursday, April 30. During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fines with pet food and care items. Library materials must be returned at the same time you donate the pet care items. We ask that you bring at least one non-expired pet food item or one new (unused) pet care item for each overdue library item. This program applies only to overdue Hayner Library materials. The library will donate the pet care items to the Alton Area Animal Aid Association (5As). Food for Fido is a great way to support community organizations such as the 5As, and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

# The Hayner Public Library District

Serving Alton, Godfrey & Foster Township Summer 2026

## *September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month!*

September is National Library Card Sign Up Month, and it is the perfect time to get your very own library card or remind family and friends to sign up! A library card opens the door to endless possibilities—accessing books, e books, audiobooks, online resources, movies, music, and much more.

At Hayner Library, we believe that everyone should have access to the tools that promote and inspire learning, creativity, and community, and your library card is your key to all of this!

Why Sign Up for a Library Card?

• Free access to resources: borrow books, magazines, movies, audiobooks, digital resources (e books, digital magazines, streaming movies, and audiobooks), and explore our Library of Things, all for free!

• Educational opportunities: from engaging book clubs and story times, to learning new skills, our educational programs and events are designed for all ages.

• Online databases and learning: use your library card to explore a wide range of research databases at no cost.

• Community: be part of a community that values learning, exploration, and discovery through library programs, events, and resources.

How to Sign Up

Signing up for a library card is quick, easy, and free! Just stop by any Hayner Library location, fill out a simple registration form, and you will be ready to start using your card right away.

• Adult patrons must be residents of The Hayner Public Library District and must reside at a permanent residence within the District. Patrons are eligible for a three year library card.

• To obtain a library card, patrons must present a current photo ID with a current address listed. If the address on the ID is not current, patrons must also present a second form of documentation with the current address (example: a recent utility bill). Age eighteen and older.

• Juvenile resident library cards require a parent or legal guardian to meet the standards listed above for an adult resident library card and must sign an authorization statement on their child's registration form. The child must be present for the library card to be issued (but not renewed).

• Patrons with outstanding fines from other Illinois Heartland Library System libraries who are now eligible for Hayner Library cards must pay their fines and fees from other libraries before obtaining a Hayner Library card.

• Patrons who wish to renew their Hayner Library cards may do so as long as their Hayner Library fines and fees are less than $5.00.

Celebrate with Us

To make this September even more exciting, everyone who signs up for or renews their library card in September will receive a free library card holder!

Things to Know..
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**HOLIDAYS**

The Library will be closed for the following holidays:
July 4 – Independence Day
September 6 & 7 – Labor Day

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## *Get Outside! A Survey of Alton Area Parks Past and Present*

*Get Outside! A Survey of Alton Area Parks Past and Present* is an eighty-eight-page hardcover book offering one, two, and four-page photographic spreads with basic information and a brief history of the parks in active use in 2026, located in Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township, Illinois. We celebrated the book's publication with a signing on May 23, 2026, in the Jennie D. Hayner Park.

*Get Outside!* is a collaborative project of the Alton High School Graphic Design Club, Reneé B. Johnson, and The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library. The Alton High School Graphic Design Club students made up the creative team, graphic communications teacher Lexa Browning-Needham served as project supervisor, and Reneé B. Johnson researched and wrote the book. This is the third such project, following *Alton ABC*, a rhyming picture book published in 2019, and *Color Me Alton: Seasons*, a multigenerational coloring book published in 2022.

All three publications are available at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton. Check out the Hayner website for more details!

## *Supplies for Summer Fine Amnesty Program*

**July 1 – July 31**

Do you have Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the back seat of your car? Supplies for Summer is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. Hayner Library's fine amnesty program, Supplies for Summer, will take place from July 1 through July 31. During this period, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with personal hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes, hand lotion, etc. Library materials must be returned at the same time you donate the personal hygiene products. We ask that you bring at least one unopened and unexpired product for each overdue library item. This program applies only to overdue Hayner Library materials. The library will donate the personal hygiene products to the Crisis Food Center and the Alton School District. Supplies for Summer is a great way to support community organizations, and it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

## *Art for All with Little Free Art Libraries*

Last summer, Hayner Library partnered with Jacoby Arts Center and Lewis & Clark Community College's YouthBuild to install five Little Free Art Libraries throughout Alton! Each Little Free Art Library was carefully hand-built and weatherproofed by YouthBuild students and painted by community members in collaboration with Jacoby Arts Center. They are stocked regularly with art books, art supplies, craft kits, and other artsy materials, all free to take and create with.

To provide free access to art, we need support from you! If your art supply stash is overflowing, you have an abundance of art books and craft magazines, or you'd just like to share your art with the community, please consider donating to a Little Free Art Library. The best way to donate is to drop your materials directly in a Little Free Art Library, but you may also drop off materials at Jacoby Arts Center during regular business hours. If you are donating art supplies that will melt or degrade in hot weather (glue, paint, etc.), we ask that you donate to one of our indoor Little Free Art Libraries.

You can find a Little Free Art Library at the following locations:

**The Boys and Girls Club of Alton (2512 Amelia Street, Alton, IL – outdoors)**

**Milton Schoolhouse (1320 Milton Road, Alton, IL – indoors)**

**Jacoby Arts Center (208 State Street, Alton, IL – outdoors)**

**Alton City Hall (101 E. 3rd Street, Alton, IL – indoors)**

**Olin Park (at the corner of State Street and Grand Avenue, Alton, IL – outdoors)**

## *Illinois Libraries Present*

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present to bring you exciting, high-profile, virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally-recognized presenters. These events are completely online, so you can attend from the comfort of your own home – or wherever you'd like!

**Here's a sneak peak of this season's lineup:**

**Thursday, September 17, 2026 – Karen Hao**

**Tuesday, October 20, 2026 – Geoffrey Baer**

**Thursday, November 12, 2026 – Dr. Eve L. Ewing**

**Tuesday, January 19, 2027 – Sasheer Zamata**

**Thursday, February 18, 2027 – David Grann**

**Tuesday, March 16, 2027 – Megha Majumdar**

**Tuesday, April 13, 2027 – Ocean Vuong**

**Tuesday, May 11, 2027 – Angela Davis**

Note: Event times, full program titles, and registration information will be added to our website's Events Calendar as soon as this information is announced to us. Information may be subject to change. Registration is required to attend these virtual events.

These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. Illinois Libraries Present is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office for the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

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## *Branching Out 2026 Genealogy Classes*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**

**Thursdays, July 9 and 16; August 13 and 20; September 10 and 17, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff presents a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too!

Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2026 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy and Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next. Call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

**Thursday, July 9, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Vital Records: From the Church to the Courthouse**
**Thursday, July 16, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Discussion Group**

**Thursday, August 13, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Where They Lived: Property Research**
**Thursday, August 20, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Discussion Group**

**Thursday, September 10, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – A New Home: Immigration and Naturalization**
**Thursday, September 17, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. – Discussion Group**

# *New at the Genealogy & Local History Library*

***An Address Delivered by Frank H. Jones Before the Chicago Historical Society at the Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Birth of General Ulysses S. Grant*** (1922). IR 973.82092 JON

***Africa in Egypt: The History of Locust Grove, Illinois*** by Kimberly France (2024). IR 305.8960730773 FRA

***African American Genealogy: Tips for Studying Black Ancestors and History*** compiled by Sunny Jane Morton and Diane Haddad (2026). IR 929.108996073 AFR

***The Art Collection of Robert Hovey*** compiled by Vance Stutz. IR 759.13 HOV

***Born of Perseverance: The Remarkable True Story of Philip Meisenheimer*** by Vance Stutz (2026). IR 929.2 MEISENHEIMER

***Calhoun County, Illinois, est. 1825: Pictorial History*** edited by Charles A. Francis (2012). IR LOCKED CASES 977.3853 CAL

***Cultivating Growth: The Alton Food Innovation Hub*** by AltonWorks (2025). IR 353.770977386 ALT

***Duck Lake: A Riverfront Settlement Located Outside the Alton City Limits, Southeast of Illinois Glass Company*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2026). IR 977.386 DUC

***Every Family Has a Story...Welcome to Ours*** by Hilda Fry (2026). IR 929.2 MANLEY bk. 1 and bk. 2

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## Fiction —

**Andrews, Donna.** Probable Caws: A Meg Langslow Mystery

**Barclay, Linwood.** Not a Word

**Bardugo, Leigh.** Dead Beat (Ninth House)

**Bohjalian, Chris.** The Amateur

**Brennan, Allison.** I'll Be Watching You (Angelhart Investigations)

**Cameron, Marc.** Backtrack

**Castillo, Linda.** A Dark Path And Other Kate Burkholder Short Stories

**Cleeves, Ann.** The Dying Light (Matthew Venn)

**Coble, Colleen.** Conspiracy

**Constantine, Liv.** Promise Me Never

**Deaver, Jeffery.** Deceptions

**Durst, Sarah Beth.** Sea of Charms: A Spellshop Novel

**Feehan, Christine.** Frost and Venom

**Feehan, Christine.** Twisted Road (Torpedo Ink)

**Flynn, Vince.** Double Tap: A Mitch Rapp Novel by Don Bentley

**Foley, Lucy.** Murder at the Grand Alpine Hotel: The New Miss Marple

**Gardner, Lisa.** You'll Be Sorry

**Gerritsen, Tess.** The Shadow Friends: A Thriller (Martini Club)

**Giffin, Emily.** Love You More: A Novel

**Graham, Heather.** These Ancient Bones

**Green, John.** Hollywood, Ending

**Grisham, John.** The French Illusion

**Harmel, Kristin.** Meet Me in Paris

**Hilderbrand, Elin.** The Thoroughbreds (Academy #2)

**Hoffman, Alice.** The Witches of Cambridge

**King, Laurie R.** Those Who Are Gone (Raquel Laing)

**Koryta, Michael.** Die Famous

**Krueger, William Kent.** God's Country (Cork O'Connor)

**Lapena, Shari.** Getting Away with Murder

**Lauren, Christina.** The Romance Revival

**Lawhon, Ariel.** The Pirate Queen: A Novel

**Lee, Min Jin.** American Hagwon

**Mackintosh, Clare.** It's Not What You Think

**Maehrer, Hannah Nicole.** Adversary to the Villain (Assistant and the Villain)

**Maguire, Gregory.** Galinda

**Mandel, Emily St. John.** Exit Party

**Mason, Daniel.** Country People: A Novel

**McAllister, Gillian.** That Night

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Big Cats Dance Party (No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency)

**McCall Smith, Alexander.** The Subtle Pleasures of Indiscretion (Isabel Dalhousie)

**McFadden, Freida.** Brain Damage

**Michaels, Fern.** The Boat House

**Michaels, Fern.** A Season of Secrets

**Moriarty, Liane.** Big Little Truths

**Osman, Richard.** We Chase Shadows: A We Solve Murders Mystery

**Patterson, James.** The Country Road Murders

**Patterson, James.** Delusional: A Michael Bennett Thriller

**Patterson, James.** The Munich Affair

**Pekkanen, Sarah.** The Women in White

**Peterson, Tracie.** A Life So True

**Picoult, Jodi.** Hollow Bones

**Pinborough, Sarah.** They Say a Girl Died Here

**Robb, J. D.** Fury in Death

**Rose, Jeneva.** Sometimes I Scare Myself: A Collection of Horror

**Rose, Karen.** The One Who Walked Away

**Rosenfelt, David.** Dead Men Don't Play Fetch

**Russo, Richard.** Under the Falls

**Sager, Riley.** The Unknown

**Scottoline, Lisa.** This Changes Everything

**Shalvis, Jill.** Falling Into You

**Silva, Daniel.** Ransom

**Simon, Nina.** My Sister Is Going to Kill Me

**Slaughter, Karin.** The Secrets We Hide

**Steel, Danielle.** Ruthless

**Steel, Danielle.** The True Meaning of Love

**Stewart, Jack.** Tom Clancy Pressure Depth (Jack Ryan Jr.)

**Thayer, Nancy.** Nantucket Christmas Stroll

**Whitehead, Colson.** Cool Machine (Harlem Trilogy)

## Nonfiction —

**Allende, Isabel.** Story Telling: A Writing Life

**Anderson, Lars.** Brady: An American Story and the Price of Greatness

**Benefield, Eva.** Ghost Girl: Surviving the Black Swan Murder: A Memoir

**Big Cat and PFT Commenter.** Pardon My Book: Ten Years of the Best (and Worst) in Sports from Pardon My Take

**Bodrug, Carleigh.** Plantyou Quickies: 140+ Nourishing Plant Based Recipes for Busy People

**Bruni, Amy.** Cuisine to Kill for: Recipes and True Crime Stories from the World's Most Haunted Places

**Campbell, Tisha.** The A Word: A Mother's Journey Through Autism and Love

**Chambers, Caroline.** What to Cook When You Don't Feel Like Cooking: Make It Fast

**Coben, Harlan.** Plot Twist: Life, Craft, and the Messy First Draft: A Memoir on Writing

**Cohen, Siggie.** You Are the Parent: Move from Overparenting to Balanced Parenting and Become the Leader Your Child Needs

**Cunningham, Michael.** Unsayable: A Life in Writing

**Diamond, Jared.** Profits, Prophets, Coaches, and Kings: (When) Do Leaders Matter?

**Gladwell, Malcolm.** The American Way of Killing

**Goodrich, Jaime.** Unleashed: How to Bring Out the Best in Your Dog

**Hansman, Heather.** Fierce Country: The Untold Story of Three Women Who Ignited America's Love for the Wild

**Huberman, Andrew D.** Protocols: An Operating Manual for the Human Body

**Idle, Eric.** Idle in Provence: A Brief History of Thyme

**Jinich, Pati.** Pati Jinich Foods of La Frontera: Recipes and New Taste Frontiers from Both Sides of the Border

**Klosterman, Chuck.** Rock*: A Mainstream Alternative History of Alternative Mainstream Music

**Lepore, Jill.** The Rise and Fall of the Artificial State

**Lordi, Emily.** Holding Lightning: The Life, Loves, and Art of Whitney Houston

**O'Reilly, Bill.** Confronting America: What Has to Change

**Parker, Priya.** The Art of Fighting: The Transformative Power of Conflict

**Quick, Matthew.** Dad, Love, Me: A Memoir

**Santenello, Peter.** Your Fellow Americans: Dispatches from Across the Country We Call Home

**Scott, James M.** Empire of Ashes: Truman, Hirohito, and the Descent into Total War

**Snodgrass, Alex.** Everyday Eats: 100 Simple and Healthy Recipes for Real Life (Defined Dish)

**Stallone, Sylvester.** The Steps

**Steinem, Gloria.** An Unexpected Life: A Memoir

**Summers, Julie.** The Everest Mystery: Sandy Irvine, George Mallory, and the Truth Still Buried on Everest

**Tebow, Tim.** 40 Days to Look Again: A Devotional to Embrace Your Worth, Reclaim Your Hope, and Run with Confidence

**TerKeurst, Lysa.** Making Peace with What I Can't Control: Find Relief from the Exhaustion of Overthinking, Trying to Fix Others, and Wanting to Figure It All Out

**Theroux, Paul.** True North: On the Road in Canada

**Woodward, Bob.** Secrets: A Reporter's Memoir

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

Join us for our Summer 2026 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! Most programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

## *America 250 Concert and Family Day – Hayner Library Celebrates America's Birthday*

**Downtown Library Parking Lot**
**Friday, July 3, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Note – This is an outdoor event with no seating; patrons should bring lawn chairs**

On Friday, July 3, the Downtown Library's parking lot will be decked out in red, white, and blue as we celebrate the 250th anniversary of our nation's founding.

**3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.** – Crafts, outdoor games, popsicles, and face painting for the kids, plus a public reading of the Declaration of Independence—read by patrons and library staff.

**4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** – A patriotic concert by the Alton Municipal Band brass quartet.

Bring your lawn chairs and be ready to celebrate America's 250th birthday at the library! No registration required.

## *John Lynn: Rise of Main Street, Illinois*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, July 7, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

John Lynn, named "the walking encyclopedia of Illinois" by WGN Radio, has photographed all 2,400 cities and towns in the state. He has also hiked, biked, and paddled historic and scenic trails, roads, and rivers in both America and Britain. His "Rise of Main Street, Illinois" program serves as a prequel to his "Main Street, Illinois" program. This program will highlight the changes that have taken place over the last decade in Illinois' small towns and Main Streets. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Yarn Bombers Workshop: Wish for a Fish*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, July 8, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Let's go fishing! Drop a line, grab your hooks, and dive into summer with the Riverbend Yarn Bombers as they show you how to make your very own little fish. No materials or experience? No problem. The Riverbend Yarn Bombers will bring extra supplies and the skills to help you learn new techniques and add new projects to your repertoire. Attendees are welcome to bring their own supplies, too. All skill levels welcome, and space is limited! Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company*

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Boulevard, Alton**
**Thursdays, July 9; September 3, Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Book Discussion: 7:00 p.m.**

Book Club Selections –
July: *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman

September –*The Bright Years* by Sarah Damoff

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and a discussion of our book club selections. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library, and are also usually available through the Libby and Cloud Library digital platforms. No registration required.

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## *Xs and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesdays, July 14 and 28; August 11 and 25; September 8 and 22, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable projects and join us for Xs and Sews, a laid-back crafting program where creativity meets community. Bring whatever you're working on, whether it's embroidery, knitting, crocheting, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitching, jewelry making, origami, quilting, woodcarving, or anything else you're inspired to create. Enjoy relaxing music, conversation, and the company of fellow crafters. If your craft can be transported with ease, we'd love you to bring it along and create it with us. We can't wait to meet everyone and see what you are working on! No registration required.

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## *Switchback: A Celebration of American Roots and Celtic Soul*

**Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey**
**Sunday, July 19, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

There comes a time in the careers of certain musicians when their music is acknowledged for its influence on others. At this juncture, they transition from being part of the crowd to becoming a standard that others aspire to emulate. Switchback has reached this level of recognition, earning acclaim for their contributions to Celtic and Americana music, as well as for their prowess as exceptional entertainers. We invite you to join us for an afternoon with Switchback. Attendees can choose to sing along or simply relax and enjoy the performance. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Author Cheryl Eichar Jett – Aprons Away: Women's Work on Route 66*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Thursday, July 23, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Join us in the Hayner Library performance room to hear author Cheryl Eichar Jett discuss her latest book, *Aprons Away: Women's Work on Route 66*. Cheryl will explore the various roles women played along Route 66, coinciding with the iconic road's 100th anniversary!

Cheryl Eichar Jett is an American author, playwright, journalist, and speaker known for her seven previous books, including *Route 66 in Illinois*, as well as hundreds of published articles. She holds a graduate degree in history from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Over the past decade, Jett has investigated the intersections of women's history along Route 66 and has directed two productions of her stage play inspired by this research. Her upcoming book, *Aprons Away: Women's Work on Route 66*, was published by Reedy Press of St. Louis in April 2026. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Writers Circle*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturdays, July 25; August 29; and September 26, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

From the novice to the experienced, join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion. The focus genre of our Writers Circle changes every month.

**Saturday, July 25, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. — Summer Camp Short Stories**

**Saturday, August 29, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. — Blackout Poetry**

**Saturday, September 26, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. — In Response**

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Please note: the July and August Writers Circle will take place at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, and the September event will take place at Jacoby Arts Center, 208 State Street, Alton.

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## *Interactive Movie Night – Twister*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Saturday, July 25, 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

The 1996 hit movie *Twister* turns thirty this year, and Hayner Library is celebrating with an interactive movie night! We will provide refreshments and props for audience participation, and a staff member will be present to guide you through this fun experience. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *AARP's Everyday Tech for Everyday Life*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesdays, July 29; August 26; and September 30, 12:00 p.m.**

Hayner Library has partnered with AARP to provide monthly tech classes throughout 2026. These classes cover an array of tech topics, from AI and smartphones to estate planning and online shopping.

Join us for these upcoming dates to learn more about technology and how to make it work for you:

**Wednesday, July 29, 12:00 p.m. – Smartphone Camera Uses Beyond Photography**

**Wednesday, August 26, 12:00 p.m. – Saving Money with Tech**

**Wednesday, September 30, 12:00 p.m. – Navigating Medicare Resources Online**

Each class is a live webinar provided by AARP, hosted in-person in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Registration is required, and refreshments will be provided. Please call 1-877-926-8300 to register for this program (registration is collected by AARP).

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## *National Crayon Collection Month*

August is National Crayon Collection Month! We will be accepting donations of new or used crayons at both Hayner Library Downtown and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall locations throughout the month. At the end of August, donations will be taken to Riverbend Head Start, where they will begin their next adventure with kids eager to create!

## *All the News That's Fit to Print: Write Your Own Obituary with Reneé B. Johnson*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Mondays, August 3 and August 17, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. (Two-Session Workshop)**

A good obituary tells us a bit about the deceased; more than just when they were born and died, but how they lived. An exceptional obituary reveals their personality and priorities; it draws us into their world for just a moment. It leaves us feeling like we know them that much more. This important document may celebrate their achievements, identify their family, and share their legacy.

So why leave the writing of such an intimate, lasting statement to someone else? Write your own obituary. Have the last word and get the dates right. Alleviate the stress for your loved ones. You are the expert on you and your life. This two-part workshop will help you consider what you want to include in your obituary, how best to convey your thoughts, and provide feedback on your draft.

Both sessions will be led by Reneé B. Johnson at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library. A pre-session questionnaire and other materials will be sent to registered participants prior to the first session. Participants will be expected to do most of their writing between sessions.

**Session 1 – Monday, August 3, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

- Review of the pre-session questionnaire
- What is an obituary, and what is a legacy letter?
- How to craft the document you want

**Session 2 – Monday, August 17, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

- Considerations of placement and distribution
- Sharing and feedback

This workshop is limited to ten participants. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Self-Care with Eileen Wolfington*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Wednesdays, August 5; September 30, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

**Wednesday, August 5, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Walking the Labyrinth**
Take time to quiet your mind, self-reflect, reduce stress, and focus thoughtfully through this active form of walking meditation. Unlike a maze, which has dead ends, a labyrinth features a single winding path that leads from the outer edge to the center. Participants can choose to walk indoors on a fabric labyrinth while wearing foot covers, or they can use their finger to trace a PDF of a handheld finger labyrinth while listening to soft meditation music.

**Wednesday, September 30, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Introduction to Healing Touch**
Gain insights into a soothing heart-centered practice that promotes balance in physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual well-being. Participants will learn the Self-Chakra Connection technique, which helps to open, connect, and balance energy centers, enhancing the flow of energy throughout the body. This non-invasive, straightforward guided practice is conducted while seated and can be performed individually or with a partner.

Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for these programs. Please register for each program separately.

## *Jay Daniels: Here, There, Everywhere – A Tribute to the Beatles*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Thursday, August 6, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Music is Jay Daniels' full-time profession; he presents solo piano and vocal concerts at libraries, senior communities, and various venues in the area, performing nearly thirty concerts each month. Join Jay on a musical journey through three iconic Beatles albums from 1966 and 1967: *Revolver, Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band,* and *Magical Mystery Tour.*

For nearly thirty years, pianist and vocalist Jay Daniels has been sharing the gift of timeless music with audiences throughout the Mid-Atlantic region. A native of Louisa County, Virginia, Jay currently resides in Collingswood, New Jersey, just outside of Philadelphia. Before moving to the Northeast, he received musical training at Shenandoah University under the mentorship of Michael Forest, an acclaimed tenor who spent nearly three decades at the Metropolitan Opera House. Previously, Jay hosted the nationally syndicated jazz radio program *Simply Timeless*, which aired on nearly twenty stations across the country until 2022. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Summer Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Friday, August 7, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Catch some sunlight at our Summer Reading Retreat. Spend a relaxing evening with us, filled with creativity, conversation, and quiet reading time. We'll start by making your very own prism suncatcher, a beautiful way to bring a little sparkle into your home. All supplies will be provided!

After crafting your suncatcher, settle in with a favorite book and enjoy some dedicated reading time. Light snacks and refreshments will be available throughout the evening, and you're welcome to bring your own drink or treat, too.

This is an open-house-style event, so feel free to drop in for a short visit or stay the entire time. Space is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *National Book Lovers Day*

**Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Monday, August 10 – Sunday, August 16**

National Book Lovers Day, celebrated annually on August 9, is a wonderful occasion to honor the joy of reading and the strong connection between people and books.

Join us Monday, August 10, through Sunday, August 16, as we invite patrons to visit the Downtown Library or Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall for a chance to win a DIY book nook kit. To participate, simply stop by either location, pick up a book review form from the Circulation Desk, and write a review of the last book you truly loved. Once you've completed your review, place your form in the designated box for a chance to win. The winner will be announced on Monday, August 17.

Whether you are a lifelong book lover or just starting your reading journey, National Book Lovers Day is the ideal time to explore, share, and discover books that you can genuinely fall in love with. We look forward to seeing you at the library!

## *Ghosts Next Door – The Lemp Mansion*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursday, August 13, 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Join us for the next installment of our ever-popular Ghosts Next Door program, where we will discuss the history and hauntings of the Lemp Mansion in St. Louis, Missouri. Each Ghosts Next Door program will focus on a different location, so be sure to check the fall newsletter for the next interesting location! Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Nicolas Brown: Uilleann Irish Bagpipes*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, August 18, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Nicolas Brown is a Uilleann pipes musician who was born in Illinois and grew up in Ontario, Canada. He began exploring Irish music during his late teens. Over the years, Nicolas has developed into a skilled musician and a respected music teacher. He has also gained a profound understanding of the history of Irish music, including its notable musicians, the origins of various tunes, and the influence of Irish music in America. Join Nicolas as he plays the Uilleann pipes and discusses the history and distinctions between his pipes and the more widely recognized Highland pipes. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Hayner Cookbook Club- Quick Meals for Busy Lifestyles (Plus Bonus Kids' Activity)*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Tuesday, August 18, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Cookbook Selections –

***Fix-It and Forget-It, Slow Cooker Champion Recipes***

***Fix-It and Forget-It, Big Cookbook 1400 Best Recipes***

Join us for a fun and practical Cookbook Club gathering as we explore easy, time-saving recipes from the beloved *Fix-It and Forget-It* cookbook series. This event is perfect for busy families, students, and anyone looking to simplify mealtimes. The recipes focus on slow cookers and minimal prep—just set it and go. We will share favorite dishes, swap tips for making quick meals with everyday ingredients, and discuss how these cookbooks can help reduce the stress of cooking while still delivering delicious results. Whether you're a seasoned slow cooker pro or just getting started, there's something for everyone to learn and enjoy!

Special Cookbook Club Activity for Kids –

Hey, kids! Bring your favorite boxed cereal to share. We'll have a cereal taste test and vote to crown the ultimate favorite. It's a delightful way to discover new breakfast options! Come hungry for ideas—and maybe a little cereal too! The cereal taste test will take place at the Cookbook Club.

To participate in the Cookbook Club, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, choose your favorite recipe from one of the cookbooks on display, and register on the sign-up sheet. Please bring a copy of your recipe to display next to your dish. We will provide tea, water, plates, and silverware.

## *Silent Disco @ Your Library*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**
**Thursday, August 20, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all music and library lovers! Bring a friend or family member and join us for a unique and engaging evening filled with music and dancing as we search for clues around the library. This program invites adults of all ages to explore their public library in a fun and interactive way.

Participants will wear wireless headphones to listen to music or clues, allowing them to move quietly through the library without disturbing others. This interactive event encourages exploration of different sections, promotes teamwork, and adds an exciting twist to the traditional scavenger hunt. It also provides a wonderful opportunity for attendees to meet new friends and connect with others who share similar interests. This innovative approach respects the library's peaceful environment while creating a memorable experience.

After participants move through the library to find clues, they will be invited to join us in our Multipurpose Room for more music, dancing, and mocktails. Space is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Bridgerton Summer Soiree*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Friday, August 21, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Dearest Gentle Reader,

It has come to this author's attention that a most thrilling affair shall soon take place in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room. The residents of The Hayner Public Library District will not wish to miss this delightful evening!

Guests may expect games, prizes, scrumptious fare, refreshing mocktails, and, of course, a touch of gossip. This author dares to hope you will make an appearance, for it would be a most delightful sight indeed. While your finest gowns and suits are not required, they are most certainly encouraged.

Yours truly,

Hayner Library

P.S. · Sadly, space is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this most enjoyable of evenings.

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## *Visions of the Alton Piasa – Dr. Mark J. Wagner, Emeritus Professor of Anthropology, SIU Carbondale*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Thursday, September 10, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

The "Alton Piasa," or "Piasa Bird," was a very large Native American painting located on the Mississippi River bluffs near Alton, Illinois. First described by Father Jacques Marquette in 1673, the painting fascinated visitors for almost 200 years, until it was quarried away in the mid-nineteenth century. Because of this, we have numerous first-hand descriptions of the Piasa Bird created by early 1800s sightseers, but they vary so widely from each other that it is hard to believe they are all describing the same images. Dr. Wagner believes that people with different visual abilities and beliefs (even Father Marquette!) were seeing what they wanted to see on the rock face rather than what was actually there. Wagner concludes that the Alton Piasa was a prehistoric Mississippian-era (1000-1500 AD) painting based on the presence of similar images dating to that time period carved on stone rock surfaces throughout southern Illinois.

Dr. Mark Wagner was the Director of the Center for Archaeological Investigations at Southern Illinois University Carbondale for many years before retiring in 2025. His major research interests include Native American rock art, the Cherokee Trail of Tears, and the historical archaeology of Illinois. From 2017-2024, he directed the SIU Archaeology Field School at the Fort Kaskaskia Historic Site in Randolph County, which discovered the remains of a previously unknown early 1800s U.S. Army fort. He is currently engaged in writing books and articles on the various discoveries he made throughout his career, including the prehistoric rock art of the state. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Art in the Afternoon: Mary Frances Judge*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Monday, September 14, 2:00 p.m.**

A native of Minneapolis, Minnesota, Mary Frances Judge now calls Alton home. Judge is an artist with a timeless perspective, piercing vision, and a compassionate spirit. Her paintings fascinate with their rich textures and color, and grab viewers' imaginations with the narrative each one offers. Judge, whose work has been featured in *The New York Times*, has exhibited widely throughout the United States, Italy, and Brazil. Her works can be found in numerous prestigious public and private collections in the U.S. and abroad. At this program, Judge will discuss the influences and inspiration behind her work as well as her creative process. Space is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *UKE 66 in Words & Song*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room**
**Tuesday, September 15, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Join the carefree sounds of summer with UKE 66! Rick and Karen Maxson form the core of this ukulele band which has performed for audiences across the Midwest, West Coast, Japan, Mexico, and Hawaii. In Hawaii, they earned first place in both group (2019-2020) and solo categories, as well as Best Original Music (2019) at the International Ukulele Contest. UKE 66 plays a mix of original songs and covers, ranging from Hawaiian nostalgia to jazz, swing, blues, and pop.

This year, in honor of the Route 66 Centennial, the Maxtons are presenting "Route 66 in Word and Song," a one-hour program featuring songs and stories that span the Depression era, WWII, and the post-war "Golden Era." Like the highway that inspired their name, they believe that all people can come together, regardless of age, and get their kicks with UKE 66! Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *A.R.C. Angels Foundation – Before It's Too Late*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Wednesday, September 16, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

September is National Suicide Awareness Month, and Hayner Library will welcome a representative from the A.R.C. Angels Foundation to present their program "Before It's Too Late," recommended for parents, guardians, and caretakers. This program focuses on how adults can recognize warning signs, generational barriers, how to be trusted individuals whom teens can go to for help, and how to approach these situations with a non-judgmental lens. No registration required.

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## *Adult Puzzle Race Challenge*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**
**Thursday, September 17, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

If you are at least nineteen years old and enjoy solving puzzles, gather a group of four people and sign up for the Hayner Library Adult Puzzle Race Challenge! Each team will receive a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle and will have ninety minutes to complete it. The winning team is the first one to finish the puzzle. If no team completes their puzzle in the allotted time, the team with the fewest pieces remaining will be declared the winner. All participating teams will receive a prize; however, only one team will earn the prestigious title of Puzzle Team Champions! Space is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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# KidsSpace Summer 2026 Activities

### *StoryWalk at The Nature Institute*

**April – October/November**

Get ready for an outdoor adventure that brings books to life! Take a scenic walk along the Frog Trail at The Nature Institute while reading the pages of a children's picture book displayed along the path. It's a wonderful way to combine the joy of reading with the beauty of nature. Perfect for all ages! Bring your family, stretch your legs, and discover a new story.

Be sure to scan our QR code along the trail and fill out a short form for a chance to win a fun nature-themed prize!

Check our Facebook page for more details and updates. The Nature Institute is located at 2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey.

### *Starting Now: A Program About Emotions (1st - 5th Grade)*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Wednesday, August 5, 4:00 p.m.**

In this live learning experience, children begin building the foundation of healthy coping skills and normalizing that it is okay to experience all emotions, even the ones that make them uncomfortable. In this program, Lauren from A.R.C. Angels will help young ones build their "feeling vocabulary," meaning she will help them to better understand and describe their emotions. Please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your spot.

### *Eye Thrive 2026 Summer Tour*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall**

**Thursday, August 6, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Free eye exams for children ages 4–18! Arrive early. Appointments are first-come, first-served. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and closes at 11:00 a.m. All services are provided at no cost, and include a comprehensive eye exam and, if needed, prescription glasses. Most glasses are made and dispensed on-site. Please note: Capacity on the mobile clinic is limited, and only patients are allowed on board. Individuals waiting for their appointment will be waiting in the Hayner Library Performance Room (upper level).

### *A Scary Good Movie*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, August 8, 2:00 p.m.**

Get ready for a monstrously fun back-to-school celebration for children and families! Join us at the library for a screening of *Monsters University*, a laugh-out-loud movie about friendship, teamwork, and surviving school. Bring the whole family, enjoy popcorn and other snacks, and kick off the school year with a scream (of laughter)! Please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2822 to register.

### *Coffee & Chaos*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room**

**Saturday, August 8, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

**Monday, September 14, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

Come explore, play, and have fun! This program is perfect for young children, birth to 4, and their caregivers. Toys, games, and activities will be provided. Enjoy a cup of coffee and connect with other caregivers while your child plays. We kindly ask that you help your child clean up when they're finished.

Please note: This program is not fully staffed. Library staff will check in periodically and are available at the desk if you need assistance.

### *Costume Swap (All Ages)*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**

Costumes can be expensive! Let's help each other out, reduce waste, and have some fun with a community swap! We can't wait to see the spooky and creative costumes you bring.

*How to Donate*

Bring any size or style of new or gently-used costumes and accessories to the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace during the month of September. Donors will receive an early admission voucher to shop on Friday, October 2, from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

*How to Shop*

Browse a collection of free, gently-used costumes during select October dates. Find something fun to take home!

- Open to all ages
- Limit: One costume per household member

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### *Swap and Shopping Dates –*

**Friday, October 2, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.:** Donations and Voucher Shopping Only

**Saturday, October 3, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.:** Donations and Shopping

**Friday, October 23, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.:** Shopping Only

**Saturday, October 24, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.:** Shopping Only

### *Stress-Free Story Hour*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursday, September 17, 10:00 a.m.**

What should we do when we are feeling a little anxious? Licensed Clinical Psychologist Dr. Shannon Walker will be joining us to discuss ways to calm down when worries pile up in your head. We will also read a story about a little boy who stands up to the "What-If Monster" who's been hanging around a little too long!

### *Story Time at Lucy's Playhouse*

**Lucy Haskell's Playhouse, 1211 Henry Street, Alton**
**Fridays, September 11; October 9, 10:00 a.m.**

Join us for a fun, interactive story time at Lucy Haskell's Playhouse. Bring your little ones and enjoy stories, songs, and smiles in a charming historic setting!

### *Stories with Panda Bear*

**Downtown Library**
**Tuesdays, August 18 and 25; September 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 10:00 a.m.**

Come join us for stories, songs, music, and a snack. This story time is for children ages 2–4.

### *Baby Lap-Sit Story Time*

**Downtown Library**
**Wednesdays, August 19, and 26; September 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 10:00 a.m.**

Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. This story time is for children ages birth to 2.

### *Special Story Time at The Nature Institute*

**2213 S. Levis Lane, Godfrey**
**Fridays, September 11; October 2, 10:00 a.m.**

Come enjoy story time at The Nature Institute with Ms. Mary Kay on September 11, and with Sam on October 2! Take a walk through our StoryWalk and experience a story in the fresh air, surrounded by nature. We'll gather at the start of the trail and look forward to sharing this special time with you.

### *Books and Busy Bees Story Time*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursdays, August 13, 20, and 27; September 3, 10, 17, and 24, 10:00 a.m.**

Come enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft! This story time is for children ages 3–5.

### *Make-or-Take Crafts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Monday, August 10, and Tuesday, September 8**

Stop by and ask for your free Make-or-Take Craft. Crafts will be available while supplies last.

### *Young Artists Club: Ages 7-11*

**Jacoby Arts Center, 208 State Street, Alton**
**Fridays, August 21; September 18, 4:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.**

Beginner or advanced, express your creativity and have fun making art at Jacoby Arts Center. Supplies will be provided. Wear clothes that can get messy! Space is limited, so please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your spot.

### *LEGO Club: Ages 6–11*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, July 7; September 8, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
**Wednesday, August 26; September 23, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for an hour of building and creating LEGO masterpieces. The library will supply the LEGOs. Space is limited. Please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your spot.

### *KidsSpace Treasure Hunts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Mondays, August 3, 17, 31; Friday, September 4 and Monday, September 21; Monday, October 5**

Search high and low around the KidsSpace library to find hidden clues. It's a great way to explore the library, practice observation skills, and have fun along the way. Drop in and start your hunt!

### *The 1,000 Books Club: A Story Time Adventure for Little Readers*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Mondays, August 31; September 28, 10:00 a.m.**

Our 1,000 Books Club is a fun, family-friendly way to help your child build a lifelong love of reading before kindergarten! Designed as part of the national 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative, this special story time celebrates every milestone on your child's reading journey. Once a month, we'll enjoy songs, rhymes, and stories together, helping little ones develop early literacy skills in a joyful and supportive environment. Families can track their progress toward the big goal of reading 1,000 books, and earn small rewards and recognition along the way!

### *Dial-A-Story*

**Call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253)**

Enjoy safe, free, educational, and entertaining activities for your children, available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, from the comfort of your own home. New stories are added at the beginning of each month.

# 2026 Summer Reading Program "UNEARTH A STORY"

This year's Summer Reading Program, "Unearth a Story," kicked off on June 1, and we still have a few more programs in July! The Summer Reading Program takes children on a roaring adventure back in time! Dig into fantastic books, excavate new ideas, and tackle exciting challenges to uncover prizes worthy of any ambitious archeologist or paleontologist.

### *Excavated Art (Ages 2-6)*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Monday, July 6, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Creativity is just waiting to be uncovered! Join us every Monday morning this summer for exciting art projects that encourage imagination, exploration, and fun. Miss a Monday? Make-or-Take Crafts will be available on June 5 and July 3 while supplies last!

### *Unearth a Good Story Time with Stories & Art Downtown (Ages 2-6)*

**Downtown Library**
**Tuesday, July 7, 10:00 a.m.**

Children are invited to unearth a story through art and imagination. Each Tuesday, artist Jennifer Dunnegan will join Ms. Mary Kay to help bring stories to life. Each week, children who attend will have their names entered for a chance to unearth a one-of-a-kind art piece created by Jennifer during the program.

### *Performers & Special Events (All Ages)*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Wednesdays, July 1 and 8, 10:00 a.m.**

***July 1 – T. rex Tea Party***

Tea Parties are fun, but do you know what makes them even more exciting? Dinosaurs! Join us for an hour of fun and become the fanciest dinosaur in town. This event includes fun dinosaur-themed activities, crafts, snacks, and the presence of our very own dinosaur! We encourage you to dress up in your finest tea party or dinosaur-themed outfit.

***July 8 – Maestro and His Dazzling Dino Circus***

Step right up and travel back in time—because the circus has gone prehistoric! Join Maestro, the eccentric ringmaster, as he presents a laugh-out-loud adventure where dinosaurs take center stage with dazzling magic, juggling, and puppetry. Watch as dinosaur eggs vanish, creatures defy gravity, and prehistoric stars perform unbelievable stunts, all while sharing fun and fascinating facts about the ancient world. This interactive show celebrates curiosity, creativity, and the thrill of learning through spectacle and fun.

### *Do You Dig It? Kids Science Program (Ages 7-11)*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursday, July 2, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Paleontologists and archaeologists everywhere have one thing in common: they have to dig deep for the answers they seek. Join us for a science project that revolves around digging up and learning about dinosaurs, fossils, geodes, and gems. Make sure to wear clothes that can get messy! Space is limited. Please call (618) 433-2881 to reserve your spot.

### *Take-Home Science Kit – Amber Bug Slime*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursday, July 3**

Are you busy during our in-person programs? Here's your chance to have fun on your own schedule! Science kits will be available for pick-up in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Kidspace. Kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis, while supplies last.

### *End of Summer Reading Party*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Thursday, July 9, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Celebrate the end of summer at our End of Summer Reading Party. It's going to be dino-mite! We'll have Iggy, a gigantic T. rex, and Baby, a Stegosaurus, for the kids to play with, plus so much more with St. Louis Dinosaur! Indulge in some tasty snacks and pick up a free book of your choice. There will be plenty of fun for all ages. Don't miss this exciting way to wrap up the summer.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our summer activities and reading programs. Prize winners will be announced at the party, so be sure to join us. Congratulations, and great job to all our readers! Visit the Hayner Library website and www.stlouisdinosaur.com for more details.

# TeenSpace Summer 2026 Activities

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for teens ages 12-18, and will take place in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center (upper level). Call (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *Comic Chaos*

**Mondays, August 10; September 14, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

Dive into the world of comics with other teens! Each month, we'll read a comic (available on our *Comics Plus* database) and geek out together, sharing favorite moments, characters, and twists. Plus, you get to help pick the next comic for the club! Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 to find out this month's title and join the chaos.

### *Teen Take-Home Crafts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace**
**Monday, August 10; Tuesday, September 8**

Do you love science, art, or just making cool stuff with your hands? Stop by the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace to pick up a kit and get creative! Supplies are limited, so grab yours while they last.

### *Teen Crime Stoppers*

**Wednesdays, August 12; September 2, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

If you love true crime and murder mysteries, this is your night! Team up with other teens to examine clues, dive into case files, and solve the mystery. Can you figure out whodunnit before anyone else?

### *YA Fridays*

**Fridays, August 14, and 21; September 4, 11, and 18, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for a Friday full of awesome activities: crafts, snacks, video games, and plenty of time to chill and hang out with other teens. Come relax, create, and connect!

### *Teen Advisory Board*

**Wednesday, September 9, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Want to help shape the programs and events at Hayner Library? Now's your chance! The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) is looking for creative, fun, and motivated teens to share their ideas and help plan programs that teens want to attend.

Whether it's gaming nights, book clubs, crafting, or something totally new, your voice matters! Join the TAB and be part of the team that brings awesome teen events to life.

### *Crafting Creations*

**Wednesdays, August 19; September 23, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Do you love trying new projects and getting creative? Join our monthly teen craft program! Each month, we'll explore a new, exciting craft that's all about having fun, expressing yourself, and showing off your skills. Come hang out, make something awesome, and meet other creative teens!

### *Teen LEGO Challenge*

**Wednesdays, August 26; September 30, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

LEGO builders unite! Bring a friend and join other teens for an afternoon of creative LEGO fun. Build incredible designs, show off your skills, and compete for a chance to win a prize!

### *Teen Movie Night*

**Fridays, August 28; September 25, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Join us once a month for a fun movie on the big screen. We'll have snacks available, but feel free to bring your favorites. After the movie, we'll hang out and chat about what we watched: what you liked, what you didn't, and what you'd change (or keep the same).

### *Overcooked Marathon*

**Wednesday, September 16, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for an *Overcooked* adventure on the Nintendo Switch. Work together to beat challenging levels while preparing dishes like soup, burgers, pizza, and more. Teamwork is key. Can your crew handle the heat?

### *TeenTober Bingo Challenge*

**October 1 – 31**

TeenTober is a nationwide, month-long celebration of reading, creativity, skill-building, and all things teen! To celebrate, we're hosting a TeenTober Bingo Challenge packed with fun activities throughout the entire month. Complete reading challenges and activities to earn Bingo prizes. Participants can earn up to five Bingo prizes, plus a chance to win one of three grand prizes. Sign up on Beanstack, or pick up a paper Bingo board from the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace. Get ready for a month full of fun, creativity, and prizes!

# 2026 Teen Summer Reading Program
# "UNEARTH A STORY"

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Participants can register at haynerlibrary.beanstack.org or through the Beanstack mobile app. Everyone who completes the full program will be entered into a drawing for themed prize baskets packed with all sorts of treasures.

All Teen Summer Reading Program activities take place in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center (upper level), unless otherwise noted. Grab your gear, dust off your curiosity, and get ready to dig deep. There's a whole world of stories waiting to be unearthed! Questions? Call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *ARTifacts*

**Monday, July 6, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Dig deep into your imagination and create your very own ARTifacts! Paint, build, and craft your own one-of-a-kind creation. Your masterpiece awaits!

### *Wednesday Wonders*

**Wednesdays, July 1 and 8, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

From excavations to museum mysteries, explore the wonders of archaeology in the Teen Center.

### *Jurassic-movie-a-thon*

**Friday, July 3, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Travel back in time with us as we complete our *Jurassic Park* movie marathon and watch the final adventure in this exhilarating series!

### *Teen End of Summer Reading Party*

**Saturday, July 11, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

The Teen End of the Summer Reading Party will include a dinosaur invasion! Join us for a screening of *Jurassic World Rebirth* while enjoying a movie-style snack table. We will also announce the prize winners and, most importantly, every attendee will receive a free book!

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# *DIY Automotive Repair? Hayner Has You Covered!*

When you think of summer, you think of car maintenance. At least, some people do! If you'll be spending the hot summer months in the garage – working on a project car, doing routine maintenance on your daily ride, or finally getting around to fixing that issue you noticed over winter – *Auto Repair Source* is a great addition to your toolbox.

*Auto Repair Source* provides accurate, up-to-date service and repair information for thousands of domestic and imported vehicles as far back as 1974. This includes step-by-step repair information for all of your car's components, diagrams, maintenance schedules, labor estimates, service bulletins, and recalls – all from the Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM).

Using your Hayner Library card, you can access Auto Repair Source 24/7 from anywhere! Find it by visiting www.tinyurl.com/hayneronline.

# The Hayner Public Library District

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## "Journey to Freedom: Illinois' Underground Railroad" Exhibit Comes to Hayner Library

The Hayner Public Library District is thrilled to partner with Alton City Hall to co-host the large-scale traveling exhibit, "Journey to Freedom: Illinois' Underground Railroad." The Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area, also known as Looking for Lincoln, produced the exhibit, which has spent the last several years on display throughout the state of Illinois. It will be at Alton City Hall from Thursday, October 1, 2026, to Thursday, December 31, 2026. Previous exhibit locations include the Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site, Bloomington Public Library, Urbana Free Library, Jacksonville Area Museum, and the Shawnee Hills Arts Council.

"Journey to Freedom: Illinois' Underground Railroad" shares the stories of freedom seekers like John and Eliza Little, who traveled barefoot from Tennessee through Illinois to Canada to gain their freedom, and conductors like Henry and Mary Ann King Brown, who helped enslaved individuals to freedom in the Springfield, Quincy, and Galena areas. Several Altonians, including Isaac Kelly, who was a deacon at Union Baptist Church and served as a conductor on the North Star Line of the Underground Railroad, are also highlighted. His route began from his home in Alton on George Street, along the Illinois River, and on to Springfield, Illinois. Visitors to the exhibit will learn more about Underground Railroad stops and routes through Cairo, Springfield, Quincy, and Chicago. Other featured communities are Brooklyn/Freedom Village, Miller Grove, Galesburg, Mount Hope, Jacksonville, New Philadelphia, and Rocky Fork.

To complement the "Journey to Freedom" exhibit, The Hayner Public Library District will offer several programs related to the Underground Railroad. Please join us on Thursday, October 1, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., for an exhibit opening and reception at Alton City Hall. On Tuesday, October 6, 2026, Connie Martin will present "Pre-Civil War Quilts: Secret Codes to Freedom on the Underground Railroad." On Tuesday, October 13, 2026, Chris Vallillo will share his musical performance "Songs of the Illinois Freedom Road." Both of these events will take place in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (upper level). On Saturday, October 24, 2026, historian Charlotte E. Johnson will give the lecture "The Underground Railroad in the Alton Area" at the Genealogy & Local History Library. For more details about these events, please refer to the Special Events section of this newsletter and the Hayner Library website. We look forward to seeing you!

"Journey to Freedom: Illinois' Underground Railroad" contributors Charlotte E. Johnson and Reneé B. Johnson authored the following piece about Rocky Fork, which you may recognize from the Hayner Library Summer 2021 newsletter and the Great Rivers & Routes website. Since Rocky Fork is featured in the exhibit, we would like to share this background information with you again:

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Things to Know...

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**HOLIDAYS**

The Library will be closed for the following holidays:

November 11, Veterans Day

November 26 & 27, Thanksgiving

December 24, 25, & 26, Christmas

December 31, New Year's Eve

January 1, New Year's Day

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The Rocky Fork area, a National Network to Freedom Underground Railroad site in Godfrey, Madison County, covers an area that now includes residential, private recreational lands and the grounds of New Bethel AME Church. As early as 1816, the area is believed to have been a passageway for freedom seekers. Just a year later, six slaves were registered as indentured servants by the owner of a newly established tavern/distillery at the junction of Piasa and Sugar/Rocky Fork creeks. By 1830, the area was well within the Underground Railroad route of Priscilla Baltimore. Known as "The Moses of the West," Mother Baltimore brought many through Rocky Fork and was instrumental in founding its community.

While the land was wild and a bit forbidding, it was valuable. Landowners Don Alonzo Spaulding and Andrew T. Hawley were the types of men who put their beliefs into action. They and their families were active abolitionists believed to be Underground Railroad agents. The lands they owned needed to be cleared. Their farms required workers. Both men offered freedom seekers work and the potential to acquire land.

In 1839, Mother Baltimore brought circuit-riding AME Minister William Paul Quinn to meet with the people at Rocky Fork. Rev. Quinn gathered the people together as a formal AME Church group before continuing in his westward mission. Through Rev. Quinn's efforts, a call was made for a resident spiritual leader. Rev. Erasmus Green and Mrs. Eliza Jane Green answered that call in 1857. In the meantime, more people came to the area by boat, long swim, and overland routes. They purchased land through outright cash sales and work-for-purchase arrangements. These include the Parks and Wilkenson families. By 1869, Reverend Green had helped raise the first building to house the Bethel AME Rocky Fork Church and school, the center of a community.

## *Wreaths Across America 2026*

The National Wreaths Across America event, which began in 1992 by Morrill Worcester, will once again continue to remember the fallen, honor those who serve, and teach our children the value of freedom by placing twenty-inch live balsam wreaths on the graves of veterans.

This year marks the twentieth anniversary of this ceremony at the Alton National Cemetery. Thanks to local volunteers, this group will once again participate in the national Wreaths Across America event on Saturday, December 19, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at the Alton National Cemetery, 600 Pearl Street, Alton, Illinois.

In 2025, through generous community donations, 560 wreaths were placed on every grave at our local national cemetery. Every dollar donated helps ensure that each veteran is remembered. You can help this tradition by donating to Wreaths Across America, P.O. Box 3081, Alton, IL 62002. The cost of each wreath is $17.00.

Once again, the local Wreaths Across America effort will offer a limited number of wreaths for families or friends to honor their veteran loved ones who are buried at other local cemeteries. These wreath reservations will begin on Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2026, and conclude on Wednesday, December 2, 2026. All of these reservations must be made by calling Sue Fitzgerald at (618) 530-1430.

The local Wreaths Across America group hopes to make the twentieth anniversary event bigger and better through your support, donations, and attendance. For more information, please call or email Margaret Hopkins at (618) 570-8804 or hopkins1014@sbcglobal.net. You can also find information on the Wreaths Across America-Alton Facebook page.

For more information about the Alton National Cemetery, the Alton City Cemetery, and many other cemeteries in Alton, Godfrey, and the surrounding areas, including cemetery maps, please visit the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton, Illinois. You can also find Madison County cemetery maps and other cemetery-related information in the Genealogy & Local History Library section of the Hayner Library website at www.haynerlibrary.org.

## *Food for Fines Fine Amnesty Program*

**Thursday, October 1 – Saturday, October 31, 2026**

Do you have Hayner Library materials that got lost under the couch or in the trunk of your car? Food for Fines is an excellent opportunity to return those items to the library and avoid the accrued fines. From Thursday, October 1, 2026, through Saturday, October 31, 2026, patrons with overdue Hayner Library items can pay their fine with a canned food item. The library will donate the food items to Crisis Food Center in Alton. Library materials must be returned with food donations, at least one food item per overdue item. Only Hayner Library materials are eligible. Only non-expired, non-perishable food items are eligible for Food for Fines. Of course, even if you don't have fines, please feel free to donate items to help others in our community. Fine amnesty is a great way to support critically important community organizations such as Crisis Food Center; it is also an excellent opportunity to return "lost" materials to the library so that other patrons can check them out. Thank you for your support!

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## *The 2026 Illinois Heartland Library System Library Crawl*

**Thursday, October 1 – Saturday, October 31, 2026**

The Hayner Public Library District is happy to announce our participation in the Illinois Heartland Library System's eighth annual Library Crawl. There are nearly 200 libraries in this year's crawl! Participating in the Library Crawl is easy. Pick up an IHLS Library Crawl passport from any Hayner Library location, have your passport stamped by at least five participating libraries, and then return your passport to any Hayner Library location for a chance to win our grand prize drawing. All participating patrons who visit a Hayner Library location will receive a small prize (while supplies last). To show off where you have traveled, use #IHLSLibraryCrawl2026 on social media! The IHLS Library Crawl is a fun way for patrons within the Illinois Heartland Library System to visit other libraries and experience the vast array of library programming, collections, and services available in our state. Please note: Hayner Library cardholders can pick up and drop off their passports at any Hayner Library location. All other IHLS member library cardholders should pick up and drop off their passports at their home libraries. Only Hayner Library patrons are eligible to enter our grand prize drawings.

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## *Adult Fall Scavenger Hunt*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and Downtown Library**

**Thursday, October 1 – Saturday, October 31, 2026**

Join us for our 2026 Adult Fall Scavenger Hunt! Hayner Library patrons ages eighteen and older can enter to win fun prizes by participating in a scavenger hunt around town and by playing themed word games! Patrons will receive a raffle ticket for each item found in the scavenger hunt and an additional five raffle tickets for each of the word games completed.

This program will run through the month of October, with the winners being drawn on Monday, November 2, 2026. Prizes include a heavy-duty portable folding chair with side table, an Aucma stand mixer, and a Kodak full-color instant print digital camera!

Register at the Circulation Desk at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall or the Downtown Library starting Thursday, October 1, 2026.

## Getting Started with Reliable Research Tools

Finding information online can be overwhelming, and finding trustworthy information even more so. Hayner Library offers over fifty educational online resources—available at home or in the library—to help students, teachers, and curious people learn and explore without all the uncertainty.

Not sure where to start? We recommend two of these resources, *Explora* and *Britannica Library*, as learning launchpads.

*Explora* lets you search through thirty academic databases, separately or all at once, in one user-friendly interface. If you've used any common search engine, you'll find that *Explora* looks and feels familiar, with the added certainty that the information you find is trustworthy. For broader searches, *Explora* will provide a "Topic Overview" in addition to the search results to help you get started. You can also browse popular topics, save individual articles or entire searches, and organize your research into project folders to help you stay on track.

*Britannica Library* is an online encyclopedia containing comprehensive information for all ages. With four separate experiences–Young Children, Children, Young Adults, and Reference Center–anyone can find easy-to-use, trusted information at their fingertips. Because it's online, articles can be updated at any time to keep pace with our fast-moving world. You'll also find features that aren't possible with a print encyclopedia, such as instantly translating an article to another language, listening to an article, watching videos, viewing related articles and links, and playing interactive games. To help you with your research projects, *Britannica Library* offers a "Ready for Research" step-by-step research guide and "How-Tos" for different kinds of projects.

For more information or a one-on-one tutorial for using either of these resources, please contact our Reference Librarian at reference@haynerlibrary.org or (618) 462-0677, ext. 2845.

To view our full list of online resources, use the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/hayneronline. All of our subscription databases are available from home with a Hayner Library card or from a computer at any Hayner Library location.

## Achieve Your Goals with LearningExpress

Whether you're looking to improve your core skills, prepare for college admissions tests, obtain your high school equivalency, or join the workforce, *LearningExpress* has everything you need. You'll find practice tests, quizzes, tutorials, microlessons, e-books, articles, and flashcards to help you achieve your goals.

Using L*earningExpress*, you can:

- Prepare for the ACT, SAT, and AP college admissions exams
- Study for the GED (resources also available in Spanish)
- Explore potential careers (including military service), build workplace skills, and prepare for the ASVAB and career licensure exams
- Build basic computer, internet, and Microsoft Office skills
- Study for graduate school admissions exams (DAT, GMAT, GRE, LSAT, MCAT, and PCAT)
- Prepare for the U.S. citizenship exam (resources also available in Spanish)

In addition, elementary and middle school educators will find a variety of supplementary instructional resources aligned to math, reading, writing, and social studies curricula.

To get started, visit tinyurl.com/hayneronline and look for *LearningExpress*. All of our subscription databases are available from home with a Hayner Library card or from a computer at any Hayner Library location.

## *Illinois Libraries Present*

**Virtual Program**

**Tuesday, October 20; Thursday, November 12, 2026; Tuesday, January 19, 2027,**
**Program Times Available at Registration**

The Hayner Public Library District has partnered with Illinois Libraries Present to bring you exciting, high-profile virtual events featuring bestselling authors and nationally recognized presenters. These events are completely online, so that you can attend from the comfort of your own home—or wherever you'd like! Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

**Tuesday, October 20, 2026– Preserving History with Geoffrey Baer**
Tag along for a special conversation with Geoffrey Baer, beloved Chicago historian, storyteller, and host of numerous PBS programs exploring the architecture, history, and hidden stories of Chicago and its surrounding region. Whether you're passionate about local history or simply curious about the stories hidden in your own community, you'll leave with a renewed appreciation for the power of preserving and sharing the past.

**Thursday, November 12, 2026 – Words, Power, and Community: Dr. Eve L. Ewing**
Engage in an important and thoughtful conversation with Dr. Eve L. Ewing, acclaimed author, educator, poet, and cultural organizer whose work explores race, education, identity, and community. Explore the power of language and storytelling as Dr. Ewing reflects on how words shape public memory, challenge systems of inequality, and help communities imagine new futures.

**Tuesday, January 19, 2027 – Funny on Purpose with Sasheer Zamata**
Known for her four seasons on *Saturday Night Live*, Sasheer Zamata has built a career defined by sharp humor, thoughtful storytelling, and memorable performances across television, film, and stand-up comedy. In this engaging conversation, Zamata will discuss her creative journey, the evolving landscape of comedy, and how humor can create space for connection and conversation.

Registration is required to attend these virtual events. Find registration and program information for each event on our Events Calendar at www.haynerlibrary.org. Please note that registration for each event closes at 5:00 p.m. on the day of the event.

**Note:** These events are made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. Illinois Libraries Present is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office of the Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

## *Inclement Weather Closing Information*

Winter is just around the corner, bringing the potential for snow and ice. To ensure the safety of our patrons and staff, the library may close should road conditions become too hazardous. If bad winter weather is in the forecast, please call the library, visit the Hayner Library website, or check our social media pages before visiting one of our locations. Drive carefully!

## Fiction

**Andrews, Donna.** Jay to the World (Meg Langslow)

**Archer, Jeffrey.** Adam and Eve

**Bailey, Tessa.** Broken Rival

**Baldacci, David.** All In (6 20 Man)

**Balogh, Mary.** A Waltz to Remember: Stephanie's Story (Ravenswood)

**Battles, Brett.** Stuart Woods' Hostile Intent

**Beaton, M. C.** Dead Before Tea Time (Agatha Raisin)

**Bowen, Rhys.** To Crown It All

**Bradley, Alan.** Numb Were the Beadsman's Fingers (Flavia de Luce)

**Child, Lee.** Chain Reaction: A Reacher Novel

**Coble, Colleen.** She Will End This

**Connelly, Michael.** The Hollow: A Harry Bosch Novel

**Cook, Robin.** Bleed (Jack Stapleton and Laurie Montgomery)

**Cussler, Dirk.** Clive Cussler Obsidian Sky (Dirk Pitt)

**Davis, Fiona.** Samantha: The Next Chapter

**Deaver, Jeffery.** The Collateral Heart (Lincoln Rhyme)

**Deaver, Jeffery.** Face Last Seen (Sanchez & Heron)

**Evanovich, Janet.** Split Second Thirty Two Switcheroo

**Evans, Richard Paul.** Mercy's Child

**Fforde, Jasper.** Dark Reading Matter: The Last Thursday Next Novel

**Finch, Charles.** Midnight in the House of Commons (Charles Lenox)

**Garmus, Bonnie.** Peck & Peck

**Graham, Heather.** Destiny Rising

**Gregory, Philippa.** Royal Witch

**Griffiths, Elly.** The Killing Time (Ali Dawson)

**Hamilton, Laurell K.** A Glimmer of Death (Merry Gentry)

**Harkaway, Nick.** The Taper Man: A Novel of John le Carré's Circus

**Harrow, Alix E.** The Slantwise Histories: Collected Stories

**Jance, J. A.** The Taken Ones (J. P Beaumont)

**Jimenez, Abby.** A Married Little Christmas

**Johnson, Craig.** Have Courage: Longmire Stories

**Jones, Stephen Graham.** Off the Reservation

**King, Stephen.** Other Worlds Than These: A Talisman Novel

**Kingsolver, Barbara.** Partita

**Kleypas, Lisa.** Queen of Lombard Street

**Koryta, Michael.** Die Famous

**Kostova, Elizabeth.** Mystery Play

**Lansdale, Joe R.** Petrified Dreams: A Hap and Leonard Novel

**Lupica, Mike.** Robert B. Parker's Framed

**Macomber, Debbie.** A Date with Santa

**Margolin, Phillip.** Conspiracy Theory: A Thriller

**McFadden, Freida.** The Gift: A Short Story

**McFadden, Freida.** The Witch

**Meier, Leslie.** Top Dog Murder (A Carole and Poopsie Mystery)

**Michaels, Fern.** Blood Money

**Morris, Heather.** The Piano Teacher of Montparnasse

**Mosley, Walter.** Hanging and Burning: A King Oliver Novel

**Paretsky, Sara.** Bad Company: A Thriller

**Patterson, James.** The Family Cross (Alex Cross)

**Patterson, James.** The Girl in the Lake (Holmes, Margaret & Poe)

**Patterson, James.** The Murder Trial: A Thriller

**Patterson, James.** Private Monaco: A Private Novel

**Penny, Louise.** Miss Wolcott's Ghost (Chief Inspector Gamache)

**Rankin, Ian.** The Heights

**Roberts, Nora.** Birth of the Witch

**Rollins, James.** A Fist of Molten Fire (Moonfall)

**Rose, Jeneva.** Sometimes I Scare Myself: A Collection of Horror

**Rosenfelt, David.** Bark Humbug (Andy Carpenter)

**Sanderson, Brian.** The Fires of December (Hoid's Travails)

**Scalzi, John.** Monsters of Ohio

**Shaara, Jeff.** The Unfinished Work: A Novel of Abraham Lincoln

**Steel, Danielle.** Celebration

**Woodward, M. P.** Tom Clancy: The Coldest War

**Young, Wm. Paul.** Return to the Shack: A Journey Into Redemption

## Nonfiction

**Alito, Samuel A., Jr.** So Ordered: An Originalist's View of the Constitution, the Court, and Our Country

**Atlas Obscura.** America Obscura. An Explorer's Guide to the Hidden Wonders of the United States

**Biden, Joe.** Promise Me, America

**Burton, Levar.** Take My Word for It: A Memoir

**Cher.** Cher: Part Two: The Memoir

**Cooper, Alice.** Devil on My Shoulder: A Memoir

**Dane, Eric.** My Book of Days: A Memoir in Moments

**Dawidziak, Mark.** The Lightning Bug and the Lightning: Debunking the Myths of Mark Twain, in His Own Words

**Dench, Judi.** Is It Too Late to Make a Run for It?

**Douglas, Michael.** One Helluva Ride

**Garten, Ina.** Simply Ina: A Barefoot Contessa Cookbook

**Gleick, James.** The Telephone: A New History

**Grant, Adam.** Vibe: The Secrets of Strong Connections in a Lonely World

**Greger, Michael.** How Not to Hurt: Discover the Foods Scientifically Proven to Fight Pain

**Hansen, Janes R.** Solo and Together: Charles and Anne Morrow Lindbergh, an Enigmatic Life and Marriage

**Hoffman, Dustin.** Look at Me

**King, Peter.** The Game

**Lewis, Michael.** Blockers: Rebels in the Deep State

**Lloyd, Christopher.** In My Own Time: A Memoir

**Maddow, Rachel.** Department of Fate. The Promise, the Power, and the Collapse of America's Most Consequential Institution

**McDonough, James Lee.** Grant: The Making of a Legendary Military Leader

**Nelson, Willie.** The Last Leaf: Reflections on Late Life Creativity And My Longest Love Affair

**Philbrick, Nathaniel.** The Rush, California Gold, the Civil War, and the Making of the Modern World

**Richter, Andy.** Elf Unwrapped: Behind the Scenes of a Modern Christmas Classic

**Robinson, Kim Stanley.** The Best Journey in the World: An Antarctic Story

**Sanders, Sarah Huckabee.** Unapologetic: Clarity and Conviction in a World Gone Crazy

**Shalhoub, Tony.** We Thought They'd Never Leave

**Sinise, Gary.** Graceful Warrior: The True Story of a Son, a Father, and a Family Who Carried Each Other Through

**Spungen, Susan.** Cookie Queen: 80+ Irresistible, Doable, Giftable Recipes

**Thomas, Evan.** The Hour Strikes: Churchill, Roosevelt, and Hitler at the Hinge of History, 1941

**Thompson, Laura.** Eleven Days: The Fascinating True Account of Agatha Christie's Mysterious Disappearance

**Wallace, Chris.** Countdown Battle of the Bulge: The 40 Days of World War II That Crushed Hitler's Last Hope

**Woodward, Bob.** Secrets: A Reporter's Memoir

# New at the Genealogy & Local History Library

***An Address Delivered by Frank H. Jones Before the Chicago Historical Society at the Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Birth of General Ulysses S. Grant (1922).*** IR 973.82092 JON

***Alton National Cemetery: Alton, Illinois*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2026). IR 977.3865 ALT

***Alton / Public Schools*** by Judi Mottaz (1986). IR 371.01 MOT

***American Women of the Twenties: An Exhibition of Paintings*** by Agnes M. Richmond, 1870-1964, November 5-December 5, 1981. IR LOCKED CASES 709.973 RIC

***Chautauqua: An American Utopia*** by Jeffrey Simpson (1999). IR 378.74795 SIM

***Civil War Genealogy: Find Military Records and Study the History*** by Diane Haddad (2025). IR 929.1072073 HAD

***First Baptist Sampler: The Colonial Church, First Baptist Church of Alton*** compiled by Bruce R. Pullen (1987). IR 286.77386 FIR

***Get Outside!: A Survey of Alton Area Parks Past and Present*** by Reneé B. Johnson, illustrated by the Alton High School Graphic Design Club (2026). IR 363.7 JOH

***History of Grafton Schools*** by The Calhoun News. IR 977.3855 HIS

***Mansion House: 506 State Street, Alton, Illinois*** compiled by The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library (2026). IR 728.0977386 MAN

***Merchants, Tradesmen and Manufacturers Financial Condition for Jersey County, Illinois 1914.*** IR 977.3855 MER

***Monticello College 1838 - 1946: Only Those Things Survive Which Justify Their Existence (1946).*** IR LOCKED CASES 378.19822 MON

***More than Companions: Relationships Between Women Faculty at Monticello Female Seminary*** by Mary Z. Rose (2025). IR 378.12086643 ROS

***Old Cathedral Cookbook: A Collection of Recipes*** by SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church (2000). IR 641.5 OLD

***Principia College, an Expression of Vision (1981).*** IR LOCKED CASES 378.77386 PRI

***Shirley Portwood, Professor of History: Transcript of Interview for the History SIUE Oral History Project (2006).*** IR 378.77386 POR

***Souvenir Dedication of Marquette Monument at Grafton, Illinois: Sunday, September 1st, 1929.*** IR 977.3855 SOU

***U.S. Census Records: Tips for Finding, Analyzing & Using Censuses*** by Diane Haddad (2024). IR 929.1 HAD

***Who's Who in Owens-Illinois Glass Container Division: General Manufacturing: Plants: General Engineering: Central Shops (1955).*** IR 666.1 OWE

***Writers Circle: Poems & Stories, 2025*** compiled by Johanna Warner and Morgan Berry for The Hayner Public Library District (2026). IR 818.609 WRI

## *Branching Out 2026 Genealogy Classes*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**

**Thursdays, October 8 and 15; November 12 and 19; December 10 and 17, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

On the second Thursday of each month, library staff present a discussion of a genealogy research topic. On the third Thursday of the month, we gather around the fireplace, and each of us gets a chance to share family stories, photos, and projects. We learn from each other and have some laughs too! Branching Out classes and discussion group meetings will continue throughout 2026 on the second and third Thursdays of each month.

Just getting started with genealogy and not sure if these classes are right for you? Call or email the Genealogy & Local History Library to schedule an individual appointment. We will review your information and help you determine what to do next. Call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2892, or email genealogy@haynerlibrary.org.

**Thursday, October 8, 2026 – Uncover Family with Cemetery Records**
**Thursday, October 15, 2026 – Discussion group**

**Thursday, November 12, 2026 – Heroes in our History: Military Records**
**Thursday, November 19, 2026 – Discussion group**

**Thursday, December 10, 2026 – All That's Fit to Print: Newspaper Research**
**Thursday, December 17, 2026 – Discussion group**

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## *Local History Puzzles at the Genealogy & Local History Library*

Hayner patrons! Did you know that a new bespoke wooden puzzle depicting a moment in the history of the area debuts on the first Wednesday of each month at the Genealogy & Local History Library? Begun in December 2023, the Puzzle of the Month program continues!

Images for the puzzles come from the Robert K. Graul Photograph Collection from the *Alton Telegraph* newspaper, vintage postcards, Alton High School Graphics Club creations, and local snapshots. Typically, the 250-piece puzzles, crafted by Wentworth Wooden Puzzles with special-cut whimsies, may be completed by an adult in an hour or two. Displayed with each puzzle is a short history of the image. These one-of-a-kind puzzles are not available for checkout or purchase; however, patrons are welcome to work the puzzle for just a few minutes or until completed.

Working a jigsaw puzzle requires focus that quiets the mind, increases spatial awareness, short-term memory, and problem-solving skills, and many other healthy brain activities.

Stop by the Genealogy & Local History Library for a little brain exercise, and learn a bit more about Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township.

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## *Banned Books Week*

**Sunday, October 4 – Saturday, October 10, 2026**

In 1982, schools, libraries, and bookstores experienced a surge in the number of challenges to books they carried. In response, the American Library Association (ALA) launched its first Banned Books Week, highlighting the harms of censorship and celebrating the freedom to read.

The ALA and the Banned Books Week Coalition continue to observe Banned Books Week each October. Book challenges across the country are tracked, and a list of the most challenged books from the previous year is released.

Want to learn more? Visit ALA's Banned Books Week resources to explore current censorship data, see the" Top 10 Most Challenged Books" list, and discover more about the books and stories being challenged across the country.

# Special Events at Hayner

All library special events are funded by grants and/or private endowment. Photos may be taken during library programs. Your enrollment in our programs will be assumed as your consent to allow the library the right to use these photos in promotional material.

Join us for our Fall 2026 special events. These events are great for all ages, and they're all free of charge! Most programs require registration. To register, please call 1-800-613-3163.

**REMINDER:** Program registration often fills up and rolls over to a waiting list. If you are not going to attend a program for which you are registered, please call 1-800-613-3163 and let us know. We will fill your reservation with a name from the waiting list.

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## *Journey to Freedom: Illinois' Underground Railroad Exhibit Opening and Reception*

**Alton City Hall, 101 East 3rd St., Alton**
**Thursday, October 1, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Join us for the special opening event of the "Journey to Freedom: Illinois' Underground Railroad" exhibit at Alton City Hall. Heather Feezor from Looking for Lincoln will share some background on the individuals highlighted in the exhibit and how the exhibit came to be. Light refreshments will be served. No registration required.

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## *All the News That's Fit to Print: Write Your Own Obituary with Reneé B. Johnson*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Saturdays, October 3 and October 17, 2026, 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Two session workshop)**

A good obituary tells us a bit about the deceased—more than just when they were born and died, but how they lived. An exceptional obituary reveals their personality and priorities; it draws us into their world for just a moment. It leaves us feeling like we know them that much more. This important document may celebrate their achievements, identify their family, and share their legacy.

So why leave the writing of such an intimate, lasting statement to someone else? Write your own obituary. Have the last word and get the dates right. Alleviate the stress for your loved ones. You are the expert on you and your life. This two-part workshop will help you consider what you want to include in your obituary, how best to convey your thoughts, and provide feedback on your draft.

A pre-session questionnaire and other materials will be sent to registered participants prior to the first session. Participants will be expected to do most of their writing between sessions.

**Session 1 – Saturday, October 3, 2026, 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

- Review of Pre-session questionnaire
- What is an obituary and what is a legacy letter?
- How to craft the document you want

**Session 2 – Saturday, October 17, 2026, 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

- Considerations of placement and distribution
- Sharing and feedback

This workshop is limited to ten participants. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Medicare 101: Understanding Your Medicare Options*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room (Lower Level)**
**October 5, 19; November 2, 16; December 7, 21, 2026, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

Confused by Medicare? Join us for a free Medicare 101 educational seminar, designed to help you better understand your Medicare options. We'll cover the basics of Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D, enrollment timelines, common coverage choices, and important information to help you make informed decisions about your healthcare coverage. Whether you're approaching Medicare eligibility or simply want to learn more, this presentation offers a clear, easy-to-understand overview with time for questions and discussions. This program is presented by Garrett Sherfy, Licensed Health & Medicare Advisor. No registration required.

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## *Xs and Sews: A Crafting Program*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room (Lower Level)**
**Tuesdays, October 6, 20; November 3, 17; December 1, 15, and 29, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Calling all crafters! Pack up your portable projects and join us for Xs and Sews—a laid-back crafting program where your creativity meets community. Bring whatever you're working on—whether it's embroidery, knitting, crocheting, drawing, scrapbooking, cross-stitching, jewelry making, origami, quilting, woodcarving…you name it! Enjoy relaxing music, conversation, and the company of fellow crafters. If your craft can be transported with ease, we'd love you to bring it along and create it with us. We cannot wait to meet everyone and see what you are working on! No registration required.

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## *Connie Martin Presents: Pre-Civil War Quilts: Secret Codes to Freedom on the Underground Railroad*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, October 6, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Join Connie Martin as she tells the stories passed down to her great-grandmother, Lizzie, of how her family survived the antebellum period through trials and tribulations, and how they used quilts that contained hidden codes and secret messages to assist abolitionists, white and Black, in guiding enslaved people to freedom through the Underground Railroad to Canada.

During this presentation, Martin shares eighteen different quilt patterns in replica quilts and refers to a book her mother, Dr. Clarice Boswell, wrote about their family called *Lizzie's Story: A Slave Family's Journey to Freedom*. Martin tells the history of the Underground Railroad, safe routes, and shares the history of key abolitionists that have been passed down to her, a sixth-generation descendant of captured enslaved Africans forced into slavery in America.

Connie Martin earned a Bachelor of Arts from Illinois State University and a Master of Arts degree from Aurora University. A retired middle school language arts teacher of thirty-two years, she honored Black History every February by teaching African American famous firsts and honoring those individuals who contributed to improving life for all people. Martin has been on the roster of the Illinois Humanities Road Scholar Speakers Council since 2021. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Self-Care with Eileen Wolfington: An Introduction to Aztec Culture, Music, and Dance*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Wednesdays, October 7 and November 4, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

**Wednesday, October 7, 2026 – Music and Dance**
Immerse yourself in the ancestral sounds of handmade indigenous instruments. Engage in basic Aztec dance steps and move to the rhythms of rattles, drums, and rain sticks. This hands-on presentation is designed for everyone to enjoy. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

**Wednesday, November 4, 2026 – Drum Circle**
Forge new friendships while experiencing a sense of calm and relaxation. Playing drums and other percussion instruments can help alleviate feelings of anxiety, depression, and stress. Participants will enjoy the rhythm, find relaxation, and respond by playing along. No musical experience is necessary; drums and percussion instruments will be provided. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Behind the Glass: An Old Bakery Beer Company Brewery Tour*

**Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Blvd., Alton**
**Thursday, October 8, 2026, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Join us for an afternoon with one of the expert Old Bakery Beer Company tour guides for a look behind the glass, where you'll learn all about the company's history, the historic building that houses the brewery, and the beer brewing process! This tour has a limited capacity. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Haunted Hayner – History & Hauntings*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Thursday, October 8, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Patrons ages eighteen and older are invited to join us as we discuss the history of Hayner Library, Alton's hauntings, and talk "Ghosts 101" with the gang from Alton Odyssey Tours. After the presentation, guests are welcome to stay and do some ghost hunting! The event will start in the Genealogy & Local History Library and end in the Downtown Library on Belle Street.

Ghost hunting equipment courtesy of Alton Odyssey Tours and Hayner Library will be provided to use during the tour. Feel free to bring your own as well, as supplies are limited. You're also welcome to check out Hayner's Library of Things for additional ghost-hunting gear. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program. Registration is limited to forty people.

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## *American Mah Jongg: How to Play*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Monday, October 12, 2026, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Do you enjoy playing games? If so, join Mah Jongg instructor Marsha Jones for a two-hour instructional class on how to play American Mah Jongg. American Mah Jongg was introduced in the 1920s by Joseph Park Babcock, who imported Mah Jongg sets to the United States and published new rules to spark interest in the game.

Since then, it has evolved further, with the National Mah Jongg League (NMJL) publishing official American rules in 1935, establishing a unique style that differs from traditional Chinese Mahjong. Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Songs of the Illinois Freedom Road with Chris Vallillo*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, October 13, 2026, 6:00 p.m.**

*Songs of the Illinois Freedom Road* is a powerful new musical performance featuring the songs, stories, and struggles of the Illinois Underground Railroad. The program was developed by Looking for Lincoln to be performed in conjunction with communities hosting the exhibit.

The show features rare first-person accounts of freedom seekers who passed through Illinois. Highlighted stories include John and Mary Little, who traveled on foot 140 miles to Chicago, and George Burroughs, a Black Canadian who worked on the Illinois Central Railroad, where he helped smuggle escapees to freedom.

Vallillo extensively researched the subject using primary source documents such as the 1857 slave narratives of Canada and the WPA Slave Narratives, as well as the most recent scholarship on the subject. Vallillo combines these powerful stories with eleven historic songs that were sung by the enslaved to inspire and share knowledge among themselves.

Always a project-oriented artist, in the early 2000s Vallillo began creating one-person shows using music as the vehicle to explore a subject or theme. His 2008 project, *Abraham Lincoln in Song*, received the endorsement of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and the CD reached number ten on Billboard's Bluegrass Album Chart. In 2016, his recording, *Oh Freedom! Songs of the Civil Rights Movement*, charted at number six on the folk charts, and the show was staged with a band and full choir at Western Illinois University. That show was videotaped and syndicated on Illinois Public Television. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Alton Area Landmarks Association Building Tour with Eric Shultis*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Saturday, October 17, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

For fifty-four years, the Alton Area Landmarks Association has invited the public to view some of the most historically and architecturally significant homes and buildings in Alton at their annual Historic Building Tour. This year, Hayner Library is hosting the AALA as they present highlights from the 2026 building tour from the comfort of the Genealogy & Local History Library. Learn about the fascinating and varied histories of the homes and buildings featured on the 2026 tour. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Alice's Ordinary People: A Film Screening with Filmmaker Craig Dudnick*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, October 20, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Please join us for a film screening of *Alice's Ordinary People*. This powerful documentary highlights how everyday citizens can affect lasting change. It focuses on Chicago-area activist Alice Tregay and her extensive work in civil rights and community service. After the screening, filmmaker Craig Dudnick will be available to answer questions about this amazing film! Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Hayner Senior Social Club: The Planning Process*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Wednesday, October 21, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

The Hayner Senior Social Club is designed to be a welcoming place where seniors can foster connections with others and form friendships. The club will offer a variety of activities that will ensure there's something for everyone. We want to extend an invitation to the seniors in our community to join us for a meeting to start the planning process. Please call Sharon at (618) 462-0677, ext. 2855 to register for this program.

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## *Jest Murder Mystery: The Haunted Hunter*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Thursday, October 22, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Join the Jest Murder Mystery crew for a Ghostbuster-themed murder mystery featuring an eclectic group of detectives. You could step into the shoes of Sherlock Holmes, Miss Garble, or even one of the Hardly Boys! This evening promises to be filled with fun and intrigue. Let's collaborate to solve this mystery! Light refreshments will be available during this show. Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *The Underground Railroad in the Alton Area with Charlotte E. Johnson*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Saturday, October 24, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

Charlotte E. Johnson is an award-winning Illinois historian who has spent more than fifty years collecting, researching, and documenting local history. She will discuss the Underground Railroad in the Alton area. Mrs. Johnson is credited as both a project advisor and memory keeper in the "Journey to Freedom: Illinois' Underground Railroad" exhibit. Her work has been featured at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, Madison County Historical Society, Alton City Hall, Lewis & Clark Community College, in the Mythic Mississippi Project at the University of Illinois system, and in displays and research collections around the state.

Mrs. Johnson, who grew up in Springfield, Illinois, taught choral music in Chicago and Minneapolis before moving to Alton. She became involved with the Black Pioneers of the Alton Museum, and later with the "20th Century African American Leaders of Alton" exhibit. These contributions led to her work with the Springfield Bicentennial Commission's exhibit "If the Truth Be Told," and with the National Park Service and its Underground Railroad Freedom Project. Other projects include "Let the Church Say Amen: Rocky Fork Church in Voice and Vision," the Illinois State Library's *Illinois African American Resource Guide,* and the history exhibit for the Fosterburg Sesquicentennial Celebration. In recognition of her work, Mrs. Johnson received the 2021 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Illinois State Historical Society, which recognizes individuals for sustained and varied contributions to state and local history. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Poe and Irving – An Evening of Recitations with Anne Williams*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Tuesday, October 27, 2026, 6:30 p.m.**

With the lights turned down and the Gothic-style architecture of the Genealogy & Local History Library adding to the ambiance, patrons are in for an atmospheric treat as Anne Williams, historic interpreter and performer, will recite dramatically, from memory, several works by the author Edgar Allan Poe, as well as scenes from another October favorite, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, by Washington Irving. Poe's stories will include *The Tell-Tale Heart, The Black Cat, The Raven*, and others. This is Anne's second time performing at Hayner Library. Her performance last year was so well-received that we have invited her back for an encore presentation—one you won't want to miss!

Anne has shared the authors' stories and poems with audiences at historic sites in New York, Philadelphia, and Richmond, and regionally in Missouri and Illinois. She has worked with the National Park Service, St. Louis Public Radio, and many historic sites on various projects, including dramatic recitation of literature and historic speeches, creating and performing in short plays, reconstructing historic events, film narration, and a complete audio production of Dickens' *A Christmas Carol.* Anne has collaborated with Ballet 314 and Opera Theater Saint Louis. Seating is limited. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

*Please note – Because this program is presented entirely from memory, concentration by the performer is critical. In order to assist with this, this program is limited to patrons aged thirteen and older.*

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## *Cookbook Club: Halloween Creations and Holiday Creations*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room (Lower Level)**
**Tuesdays, October 27 and December 8, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

To participate in the Cookbook Club, stop by Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall and choose your favorite recipe from one of the cookbooks on display (or share your own favorite recipe), and register on the sign-up sheet available at the Circulation Desk.

Please bring a copy of your recipe to display next to your dish. We'll provide tea, water, plates, and utensils for everyone. We can't wait to see (and taste) what you create!

**Tuesday, October 27, 2026 – Halloween Creations**
Cookbook Selections – *Spooky Food: Fun Halloween Recipes for Ghosts, Ghouls, Vampires, Jack-O-Lanterns, Witches, Zombies, and More* by Cayla Gallagher and *Ghoulish Goodies* by Sharon Bowers

Celebrate the Halloween season by joining us for a fun night with spooky treats and hauntingly delicious bites. Costumes are welcome, so feel free to come dressed in your Halloween best!

**Tuesday, December 8, 2026 – Holiday Creations**
Cookbook Selections - *Baking Yesteryear: The Best Recipes from the 1900s to the 1980s* by B. Dylan Hollis and *Baking for the Holidays: 50+ Treats for a Festive Season* by Sarah Kieffer

Every cherished recipe tells a story. Join us in December for a cozy gathering where food, family memories, and a little nostalgia come together. We will share treasured family recipes and the stories behind them. Come ready to reminisce and enjoy meaningful conversation.

## AARP's Everyday Tech for Everyday Life

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room (Lower Level)**
**Wednesdays, October 28; November 25; December 9, 2026, 12:00 p.m.**

Hayner Library has partnered with the AARP to provide monthly tech classes throughout 2026! These classes cover an array of tech topics, from AI and smartphones to estate planning and online shopping. Each class is a live webinar provided by AARP, hosted in person in the Multipurpose Room at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Registration is required. Please call 1-877-926-8300 to register for this program (registration is collected by AARP).

Join us for these upcoming dates to learn more about technology and how to make it work for you:

**Wednesday, October 28, 2026 – Intro to Estate Planning Tools & Resources** In this lecture, you'll get an overview of some common documents found in an estate plan. We'll also cover some free or low-cost resources and digital tools to help you get started with a simple estate plan.

**Wednesday, November 25, 2026 – Tech Basics for Caregiving** In this lecture, we'll explore ways to integrate technology into your daily routine: from scheduling reminders with your phone or home assistant, to accessing self-care resources and making the most of telehealth appointments. We'll also explore options for ordering and receiving essential items like groceries and prescription drugs from the comfort of your home.

**Wednesday, December 9, 2026 – Online Shopping** This lecture will provide a general introduction to shopping online using the popular website Amazon.com. You'll learn how to search for products, make comparisons, and add items to an online shopping cart.

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## Writers Circle

**Saturdays, October 31 and November 21, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

For the novice and the experienced: join us for a writing prompt to get creativity flowing and receive constructive feedback from your peers in a guided group discussion. This program is for patrons ages eighteen and older. The focus genre of our Writers Circle will change every month, so be sure to check in! Please note that the November 21 Writers Circle will take place at Jacoby Arts Center, 208 State St., Alton. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

**Saturday, October 31, 2026 – Eerie Edition: It Came from the Swamp (Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room, Lower Level)**

**Saturday, November 21, 2026 – Scandal (Jacoby Arts Center)**

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## Taps & Tomes: Hayner Library's Book Club at The Old Bakery Beer Company

**The Old Bakery Beer Company, 400 Landmarks Blvd., Alton**
**Tuesday, November 3, 2026, Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. Book Discussion: 7:00 p.m.**

**Book Club Selection TBD**

We'd love for you to join us for a drink and a discussion of our book club selections. Our social hour starts at 6:00 p.m., with the book discussion beginning at 7:00 p.m. Participants are welcome to join us for both the social hour and the book discussion or just the discussion. Taps & Tomes book selections can be checked out at Hayner Library, and are also usually available through the Libby and Cloud Library digital platforms. No registration required.

## *Fall Reading Retreat*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room (Lower Level)**
**Friday, November 6, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

Celebrate the cozy spirit of autumn with a fall reading retreat and craft night at the library! Enjoy a relaxing evening of books, conversation, and creativity as we make beautiful fall banners featuring book-page leaves inspired by rustic seasonal décor. Using recycled book pages, twine, and autumn accents, participants will create a charming handmade decoration perfect for mantels, bookshelves, or reading nooks. Snacks and supplies will be provided. Bring your love of reading and fall vibes! Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *DAR "FRIEND-RAISER" Open House*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Saturday, November 7, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

The Ninian Edwards Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Genealogy & Local History Library invite you to the annual DAR Open House. We will have experienced researchers available to guide you through the DAR application process. Don't think you have a soldier in your family? There's also the more general category of "Patriotic Service," which includes things such as members of the Boston Tea Party, doctors and nurses rendering aid to the wounded, and even ministers who gave patriotic sermons and encouraged patriotic activity. Admission is free, and registration is not necessary. For program updates, please check the Ninian Edwards DAR Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/NinianEdwardsAltonILNSDAR.

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## *Barry Cloud: Common Threads – A Showcase of the Best Songs from 1970s Songwriters*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, November 10, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Singer-songwriter Barry Cloud will showcase beloved songs and their backstories from the iconic musical decade of the 1970s. This show will highlight some of the decade's finest songwriting, featuring artists such as David Crosby, Cat Stevens, Joni Mitchell, Paul Simon, Jim Croce, Stephen Stills, and the Eagles. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Upon a Midnight Dreary: A Night with Edgar Allan Poe*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Friday, November 13, 2026, 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Join us as we welcome Howie Hirshfield in his long-running role as Edgar Allan Poe for a night of history and literature. Poe will recount his life and final days and share selections from some of his most well-known pieces, closing with a reading from *The Raven*. We will end the night with a question-and-answer session and photo opportunities. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Forest Park Owls: Hunting and Feeding*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Saturday, November 14, 2026, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Mark H.X. Glenshaw is an award-winning naturalist who has closely observed and documented the lives of Great Horned Owls in Forest Park. Mark has learned many of the owls' hunting perches and has observed and documented many predatory attempts, as well as the owls feeding themselves and their many owlets. His engaging and educational talk will cover these hunting and feeding behaviors, and he will use many of his photos and videos to illustrate the amazing behaviors of these beautiful birds. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Armchair Adventures with Dr. Ken Wadland*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, November 17, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Dr. Ken Wadland is a lifelong traveler, storyteller, and explorer of world cultures. He has visited all fifty U.S. states, all ten Canadian provinces, and countries across six continents. From major world capitals to remote villages lacking electricity or plumbing, he seeks out places where daily life unfolds in ways that most visitors never experience.

Our first presentation will focus on Italy. Dr. Wadland will highlight key locations, including the streets of Rome, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Cinque Terre, and the grand canals of Venice. He will also explore Pompeii and Sicily to view the Greek temples. Finally, Dr. Wadland will provide an overview of daily life in Italy.

Dr. Wadland will host an online, one-hour presentation via Zoom to share his adventures through stories and slides, concluding with a question-and-answer session for the audience. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *An Afternoon with The Riverbend Community Orchestra*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall, J.C. Penney Courtyard**
**Sunday, November 22, 2026, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Join us for an afternoon concert highlighting the ways that music helps us explore history. The Riverbend Community Orchestra is an intergenerational ensemble that brings a full orchestra experience to an intergenerational audience. This concert will feature an hour of music that bridges history, music, and literary works. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *The Jared Henning Trio Presents Frank Sinatra*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Tuesday, November 24, 2026, 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

Frank Sinatra was an actor, producer, and big band singer. From jazz standards and ballads to show tunes, Ol' Blue Eyes could sing anything. The Jared Henning Trio will dive into some of Sinatra's beloved favorites, including *Fly Me to the Moon, My Way, New York, New York, and The Best Is Yet to Come*, just to name a few. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

## *Genealogy & Local History Library Holiday Open House*

**Genealogy & Local History Library**
**Saturday, December 5, 2026 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Please join us for the Genealogy & Local History Library's annual Holiday Open House. Genealogy & Local History employee Reneé B. Johnson will create an absolutely beautiful Victorian-inspired holiday wonderland, and we will have cookies and lemonade and a brand-new Genealogy & Local History Library puzzle to put together in front of the fireplace. Enjoy the decorations, create family history crafts to take home, and get your copy of *Get Outside! A Survey of Alton Area Parks Past and Present.* Staff members will be available to help you think about ways to connect with your family history during holiday gatherings.

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## *Celebrating the Holidays with Steve Shininger*

**Benjamin Godfrey Memorial Chapel, 5800 Godfrey Road, Godfrey**
**Sunday, December 6, 2026, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Originally from Ohio, Steve Shininger has been entertaining audiences since 2001. Known for his spot-on vocals, Steve covers a wide range of artists and styles. From great swing standards to beautiful ballads, people appreciate the variety and marvel at the professionalism and talent he brings to each performance. Join us for an afternoon of classic pop and traditional holiday music.

This show is a partnership between The Hayner Public Library District and the Lewis & Clark Community College Music Department. Please call 1-800-613-3163 to register for this program.

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## *Get Outside! A Survey of Alton Area Parks Past and Present*

*Get Outside! A Survey of Alton Area Parks Past and Present* is an eighty-eight-page hardcover book offering one, two, and four-page photographic spreads with basic information and a brief history of the parks in active use in 2026, located in Alton, Godfrey, and Foster Township, Illinois. *Get Outside!* is a collaborative project of the Alton High School Graphic Design Club, Reneé B. Johnson, and The Hayner Public Library District Genealogy & Local History Library. The Alton High School Graphic Design Club students made up the creative team, graphic communications teacher Lexa Browning-Needham served as project supervisor, and Reneé B. Johnson researched and wrote the book. This is the third such project, following *Alton ABC*, a rhyming picture book published in 2019, and *Color Me Alton: Seasons*, a multigenerational coloring book published in 2022. All three publications are available at the Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library, 401 State Street, Alton. Check out the Hayner website for more details!

Vintage Voices, now in its twenty-fifth anniversary year, will continue the tradition of guided walking tours in the Alton Cemetery on the first two weekends in October (October 3, 4, 10, and 11, 2026), from noon until 2:30 p.m. Tours will leave from the main gate of the cemetery (at Vine & 5th Streets) every fifteen to twenty minutes. A non-walking tour presentation and anniversary celebration will be held at St. Mary's Middle School, 1015 Milton Rd., Alton, Illinois, on Sunday, October 4, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

In celebration of twenty-five years of Vintage Voices, attendees are invited to share their favorite Vintage Voices memory in the "25th Anniversary Memory Lane Contest." Entry forms will be available at all performances. After the last performance, three prizes will be awarded, including a framed commemorative print, a Vintage Voices gift basket, and four tickets to the 2027 Vintage Voices performances. Winners will be announced in the after-event press release. Whether it's a favorite character, memorable performance, or special moment, we invite fans to take a walk down memory lane with us!

Jared Hennings will portray Dr. George Samuels (1884–1970). Dr. Samuels was the first Black doctor to practice medicine in Alton, Illinois. After graduating from medical school, Samuels started a practice in Oklahoma. During World War I, he served as a first lieutenant in the medical corps before moving to Alton. He delivered legendary jazz trumpeter Miles Davis one hundred years ago, on May 26, 1926, and will share the story of Davis's life.

July 4, 2026, marked the 250th anniversary of the United States Declaration of Independence. Declaration of Independence signer Josiah Bartlett has several relatives buried in the Alton Cemetery. Gail Drillinger will portray his granddaughter, Hannah Bartlett Blaisdell (1805–1897), and Debbie Maneke will portray Hannah's daughter, Ariana Blaisdell (1842–1925). Ariana Blaisdell was a public school teacher for many years before she resigned to care for her mother. Both Blaisdells were members of the Congregational church.

Sean Williams will portray Cyrus C. Richardson (1815–882). Richardson was one of the Madison County members of the State Convention of Colored Citizens of the State of Illinois that was held in Alton in November 1856. Richardson was also one of the founding members of the African Baptist Church and Friends to Humanity (now Union Baptist Church) in 1837. Richardson's sister and brother-in-law were well-known Chicago abolitionists Mary Jane Richardson Jones and John Jones.

Jeff Pruett will portray James Smith (1846–1927). Smith will tell the history of the Parrott rifle (cannon) monument installed by the Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.) in 1890. Smith was a mail carrier in Alton and participated in three patriotic societies founded on service in the Union Army. He was a member of the G.A.R. when the monument was installed.

The Alton Railway and Illuminating Company purchased the land to create Rock Spring Park in 1896. Ron Abraham will portray the company's president, Joseph Franklin Porter (1863–1942), and John Kirkpatrick will portray Charles A. Caldwell (1863–1947), of the Board of Directors. Porter and Caldwell will share the history of the park.

This year marks the one hundredth anniversary of Black History Month, originally Negro History Week. Mackenzie Bridgewater will portray Lovejoy School student Ruth H. Davis (1924–1943) and Velva Parker will portray Lovejoy School teacher Dorothy Mann Jackson (1912–2001). Lovejoy School hosted numerous Negro History Week events, and Davis gave readings at several of these events while she was a student in the 1930s. Jackson taught at Lovejoy during this time, and later at Central and Horace Mann. She was the first secretary of the Alton NAACP and an active member of the Alton YWCA.

This year, for the very first time, the inside of the Grandview Mausoleum is part of the Vintage Voices tour, and guests will get to meet four of the mausoleum's residents. Helen Cora Walter (1897–1913) and Marietta Myers (1913–1921), portrayed by Talia McDonald and Reese Yates, will greet guests as they come into the mausoleum. Diana Kay as Emily M. Scharf Johnson (1887–1976) and Karen Wilson as Rose Dougherty Gray (1885–1963) will share highlights from the last twenty-five years of Vintage Voices.

Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for students ages 6-18. Tickets for the cemetery tour can be purchased online at https://events.ticketleap.com/tickets/vintagevoicestours/walking2026, at Picture This and More at 17 East Broadway, Alton, Illinois, or at the main gate of the Alton Cemetery at least thirty minutes before the tours begin.

This year's non-walking performance will be a special event to celebrate twenty-five years of Vintage Voices, with

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refreshments and a reception where attendees can talk to the actors. Tickets for the non-walking tour are $25 and can be purchased online at https://events.ticketleap.com/tickets/vintagevoicestours/non-walking or at Picture This and More at 17 East Broadway, Alton, Illinois.

The characters and themes of this year's tours were carefully selected by the Vintage Voices steering committee. Hayner Genealogy & Local History staff members provide research packets to the actors on the decedent they will portray. Actors write their own scripts and really do a fantastic job. The Hayner Genealogy & Local History Library also serves as a repository for Vintage Voices ephemera such as a complete set of the program booklets and many of the scripts written by actors over the years. All of these items are available to see in the library.

Proceeds from the Vintage Voices performances support the continuation of the event, upkeep of the Alton Cemetery, and various community organizations, including Hayner Library. Please come out to see our history come alive!

## Sign Up for Text and Email Notifications

Hayner Library offers text message and email notifications for requests and overdue notices. Please ask for assistance at the Circulation Desk if you would like to receive a text message or email message when your requested items are ready for pick-up or when you have overdue items. Our staff will be happy to assist you in making this change to your library account. Text message and email notifications are automated. You will receive a separate text message for each item that is ready to be picked up or is overdue. If you sign up for text or email notifications, you will no longer receive a phone call from a staff member regarding on-hold or overdue materials. Please note: All email and text notifications will be sent by SHARE Notifications and not from Hayner Library. SHARE is the automated network of libraries within the Illinois Heartland Library System. As always, you can view your library account online at www.haynerlibrary.org or on the Share Mobile Library app.

## Art for All with Little Free Art Libraries

Last summer, Hayner Library partnered with Jacoby Arts Center and Lewis & Clark Community College's YouthBuild to install Little Free Art Libraries throughout Alton! Each Little Free Art Library was carefully hand-built and weatherproofed by YouthBuild students and painted by community members in collaboration with Jacoby Arts Center. They are stocked regularly with art books, art supplies, craft kits, and other artsy materials, all free to take and create with. To provide free access to art, we need support from you! If your art supply stash is overflowing, you have an abundance of art books and craft magazines, or you'd just like to share your art with the community, please consider donating to a Little Free Art Library. The best way to donate is to drop your materials directly in a Little Free Art Library, but you may also drop off materials at Jacoby Arts Center during regular business hours. If you are donating art supplies that will melt or degrade in hot weather (glue, paint, etc.), we ask that you donate to one of our indoor Little Free Art Libraries.

You can find a Little Free Art Library at the following locations:

- The Boys and Girls Club of Alton (2512 Amelia St., Alton – outdoors)
- Milton Schoolhouse (1320 Milton Rd., Alton – indoors)
- Jacoby Arts Center (208 State St., Alton – outdoors)
- Alton City Hall (101 E. 3rd St., Alton – indoors)

## *Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Comes to Madison County — Free Books for Children Mailed Directly to Your Home*

In January, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library was launched in Madison County, and Hayner Library is proud to be one of the local agencies that has partnered in the worthwhile cause to bring free books to young children in our county. In 1995, Dolly Parton launched her Imagination Library to benefit the children of Sevier County, her home county in East Tennessee. The program was established as a tribute to her father, Robert Lee Parton, who never learned to read or write. Dolly's vision was to foster a love of reading among her county's preschool children and their families. Over the years, the program has expanded to all fifty states, the United Kingdom, Canada, and Australia. In February 2025, the Imagination Library celebrated gifting over 270 million books since its inception! Reading is essential for children; it boosts cognitive development, fosters language acquisition, and strengthens emotional intelligence. Regular reading habits improve academic performance, enhance creativity, and build vocabulary. It acts as a foundation for school success, critical thinking, and empathy. All children in Madison County, ages birth to five years old, are eligible to enroll in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Once enrolled, children will receive a free book in the mail every month until their fifth birthday. Enrollment in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library is easy! To enroll, visit www.imaginationlibrary.com, click on the "Check Availability" icon at the bottom of the screen, and follow the prompts. Please be aware that the turnaround for receiving the first book is approximately six to eight weeks from registration. Each child in a family can be enrolled in the Imagination Library. Share the joy of reading with the children in your life—register them for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library today!

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## *Puzzle Exchange — Swap Jigsaw Puzzles at Hayner Library*

Do you love jigsaw puzzles? Then stop by Hayner Library and swap jigsaw puzzles with other puzzle-loving patrons! The Downtown Library and Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall have an assortment of jigsaw puzzles available for patrons to swap. The puzzles do not have to be checked out. Bring your completed or unwanted puzzles to the library and leave with a new one! We will also accept puzzle donations for the puzzle exchange, even if you don't want to take a new one home. Please note: The number of puzzles available during the program's duration will vary depending on the number of puzzles donated.

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## *Hayner Library on the Go — The SHARE Mobile Library App*

The SHARE Mobile Library app makes it easy to manage your library account and access helpful library information directly from your phone, tablet, or other mobile device. The SHARE Mobile Library app allows you to keep track of checkouts and due dates, renew items, and view your fines. You can also search the catalog and place and manage holds easily. The app allows you to quickly access the Hayner Library Events Calendar and our social media pages. Accessing our online databases, such as *CreativeBug, Auto Repair Source, NoveList, Consumer Reports*, and more, has also never been easier! The app features an ISBN scanning tool that allows you to scan the ISBN barcode from any book to determine if Hayner Library or another SHARE library owns the title. If so, simply place a hold with one easy click, and we will contact you when the item is ready for pick up! This app is free and available to all Hayner Library cardholders. Search for "SHARE Mobile Library" in your device's app store. This app is brought to you by The Hayner Public Library District and the SHARE library consortium, a division of the Illinois Heartland Library System.

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KidsSpace

# Fall 2026 Activities

## *StoryWalk at The Nature Institute*

**The Nature Institute, 2213 S. Levis Ln., Godfrey**
**October and November 2026 (Weather Permitting)**

Get ready for an outdoor adventure that brings books to life! Take a stroll along the scenic StoryWalk trail while reading the pages of a children's picture book displayed along the path. It's a wonderful way to combine the joy of reading with the beauty of nature. Perfect for all ages! Bring your family, stretch your legs, and discover a new story. Be sure to scan our QR code along the trail and fill out a short form for a chance to win a fun nature-themed prize! Check our Facebook page for more details and updates.

## *Costume Swap (All Ages)*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**

**Donation Drop-Off Dates**
**Tuesday, September 1 – Thursday, October 1, 2026**

**Swap and Shopping Dates**
**Friday, October 2, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** – Donations & Voucher Shopping Only

**Saturday, October 3, 10:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.** – Donations & Shopping

**Friday, October 23, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.** – Shopping Only

**Saturday, October 24, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.** – Shopping Only

Costumes can be expensive! Let's help each other out, reduce waste, and have some fun with a community swap. We can't wait to see the spooky and creative costumes you bring.

**How to Donate**

Bring any size or style of new or gently used costumes and accessories to KidsSpace at the Alton Square Mall location during the month of September. Donors will receive an early admission voucher to shop on October 2, 2026, from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**How to Shop**

Browse a collection of free, gently used costumes during select October dates. Find something fun to take home!

- Open to all ages
- Limit: one costume per household member

## *Halloween Mini Parade Contest*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**October 2026**

Celebrate Halloween by creating your own miniature parade float! At home, design your float however you like, then bring it to the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace. Throughout the month of October, all submitted floats will be displayed in KidsSpace as our own miniature Halloween parade!

**Contest Rules**

- Miniature floats must be submitted by Saturday, October 24, 2026 to be eligible for the contest.
- Floats submitted after Saturday, October 24 are welcome and will still be displayed, but will not be eligible for judging.
- All floats must be family-friendly.
- No nudity, weapons, profanity, or other inappropriate content.
- Floats must be no larger than 13" × 13" × 13" (approximately the size of a standard shoebox).
- Each contestant must provide their name and phone number when submitting their entry.
- Hayner Library reserves the right to disqualify any entry that does not meet these rules.
- You can pick up your mini float between Sunday, November 1 and Tuesday, November 10, 2026.

**Voting**

- Library patrons can vote for their favorite floats between Saturday, October 24 and Sunday, October 31, 2026.
- Award Categories: Best in Show, Most Creative, and Scariest.

**Prize Winners**

- Winners in each category will receive: bragging rights and a small take-home prize.

Winners will be contacted at the beginning of November and announced on Hayner Library's social media pages.

## *Books and Busy Bees Story Time*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; November 5, 12, and 19; December 3, 10, and 17, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

Enjoy stories, songs, and a fun themed craft! This story time is for children ages 3–5.

### *StoryWalk Story Time at The Nature Institute*

**The Nature Institute, 2213 S. Levis Ln., Godfrey**
**Fridays, October 2 and November 6, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

We'll gather at the start of the StoryWalk trail and experience a story in the fresh air, surrounded by nature. We look forward to sharing this special time with you!

### *KidsSpace Treasure Hunts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Mondays, October 5, 19; November 2, 16, and 30; December 14, 2026**

Search high and low around KidsSpace to find hidden clues. It's a great way to explore the library, practice observation skills, and have fun along the way. Drop in and start your hunt!

### *Make-or-Take Crafts*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Mondays, October 5; November 2; and December 7, 2026**

Stop by and ask for your free Make-or-Take Craft. Crafts will be available while supplies last.

### *Stories with Panda Bear*

**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, October 6, 13, 20, and 27; November 3, 10, and 17; December 1, 8, and 15, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

Join us for stories, songs, music, and a snack. This story time is for children ages 2–4.

### *Baby Lap-Sit Story Time*

**Downtown Library KidsSpace**
**Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, and 28; November 4, 18; December 2, 9, and 16, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

Bring your little ones for stories, songs, fingerplays, and fun. This story time is for children ages birth–2.

### *Sound the Sirens: Fire Safety Week Story Time*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursday, October 8, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

The Alton Fire Department is stopping by for a special visit on Thursday, October 8! We can't wait to welcome these real-life heroes for a fun morning of stories and learning all about fire safety. We're so thankful for the important work they do every day to help keep our community safe, and we're excited to spend story time with them!

### *Story Time at Lucy's Playhouse*

**Lucy Haskell Playhouse, 1211 Henry St., Alton**
**Fridays, October 9 and November 13, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

Join us for a fun, interactive story time at the Lucy Haskell Playhouse. Bring your little ones and enjoy stories, songs, and smiles in a charming historic setting!

### *Coffee & Chaos*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room (Lower Level)**
**Mondays, October 12; November 9; and December 14, 2026, 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

Come explore, play, and have fun! This program is perfect for young children, ages birth–4, and their caregivers. Toys, games, and activities will be provided! Enjoy a cup of coffee and connect with other caregivers while your child plays. We kindly ask that you help your child clean up when they're done. Please note: This program is not fully staffed. Library staff will check in periodically and are available at the desk if you need assistance.

### *LEGO Club: Ages 6–11*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Tuesdays, October 13; November 10; and December 8, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**
**Wednesday, October 28, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for an hour of building and creating LEGO masterpieces. The library will supply the LEGOs. Space is limited. Please call (618) 433-2881 to register for this program.

### *Young Artists Club: Ages 7–11*

**Jacoby Arts Center, 208 State St., Alton**
**Fridays, October 16 and November 20, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

Beginner or advanced, express your creativity and have fun making art at Jacoby Arts Center. Supplies will be provided. Wear clothes that can get messy! Space is limited, so please call (618) 433-2881 to register for this program.

### *The 1,000 Books Club: A Story Time Adventure for Little Readers*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Monday, October 26 and November 30, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.**

Join our 1,000 Books Club! This club is a fun, family-friendly way to help your child build a lifelong love of reading before kindergarten. Designed as part of the national 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative, this special story time celebrates every milestone on your child's reading journey. Once a month, we'll enjoy songs, rhymes, and stories together, helping little ones develop early literacy skills in a joyful and supportive environment. Families can track their progress toward the big goal of reading 1,000 books—and earn small rewards and recognition along the way!

### *Once Upon a Story Time & Songs*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room (Upper Level)**
**Thursday, October 29, 2026, 4:00 p.m.**

Join us this Halloween season for a magical family library event! Children and caregivers are invited to step into an enchanted world where, once upon a dream, a gentle, daydreaming princess and a powerful, spell-casting sorceress come to life through a captivating story time and song performance with Enchanted Events. After the show, families can capture the moment with a photo. Costumes are welcome, and all ages are encouraged to attend an afternoon of storytelling and music. Don't miss this spellbinding celebration at your library!

### *Trick-or-Treating Story Time*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursday, October 29, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

Join us (if you dare) for an extra-spooky story time on Thursday, October 29. Stories will be read, crafts will be made, and best of all, we will go trick-or-treating in the library! To register your little ghoul or goblin for this sweet event, please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2822.

### *Come Little Children ... to a Hocus Pocus Movie Event*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Multipurpose Room (Lower Level)**
**Friday, October 30, 2026, 4:30 p.m.**

By nightfall the Sanderson Sisters may put a spell on us all, so let's have fun in the process! Pizza, drinks, popcorn, and perhaps some Halloween candy will be provided during the showing of this 1993 classic. Children are encouraged to dress in costume in hopes to fool those fiendish sisters. Sorry, brooms, mops, and vacuums will not be allowed! As always, parents are encouraged to view the film ahead of time to ensure the material is suitable for your children. And please, don't allow your children to run amok, amok, amok, in the library! Please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2822 to register for this program.

### *Gobble Up A Good Book Reading Challenge*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace or Beanstack**
**Monday, November 2 – Monday, November 30, 2026**

Make reading a delicious adventure! Readers can complete fun bingo challenges by reading books, attending library programs, exploring the library, discovering new genres and topics, and enjoying stories along the way. Every completed square brings participants one step closer to bingo while building literacy skills, sparking imagination, and celebrating the joy of reading.

Separate bingo cards are available for ages birth–5 and ages 6–11, with activities designed for each age group. Each completed bingo earns a fun prize, and once you've finished your card, you'll be entered for a chance to win one of our grand prizes! Our youngest readers, ages birth–3, are also invited to choose a prize from the Baby Prize Bin for each bingo they complete. Ready, set, gobble up a good book!

### *The Grinch Stole Our Afternoon!*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Voting: Monday, November 16 – Tuesday, December 1, 2026**
**Movie Showing: Friday, December 11, 2026, 4:00 p.m.**

In December, we're hosting a cozy movie matinee featuring everyone's favorite green grouch, but which version should we watch? Will it be the silly, animated trickster starring Benedict Cumberbatch or the over-the-top, live-action mischief maker starring Jim Carrey?

**Voting: Monday, November 16 – Tuesday, December 1, 2026**
Cast your vote by circling your pick, then return your ballot to a KidsSpace staff member anytime between November 16 and December 1, 2026. The Grinch with the most votes will take over the screen, so choose your favorite wisely!

**Movie Showing: Friday, December 11, 2026, 4:00 p.m.**
He's green, he's grumpy, and his movie is showing at the library! Join us for a Grinch family movie matinee and enjoy a fun-filled afternoon with everyone's favorite holiday mischief-maker. Bring the whole family, get cozy, and settle in for a heartwarming adventure full of laughs, holiday cheer, and a reminder that the best gifts can't be wrapped. Light refreshments will be provided. Don't miss this festive movie event that's sure to make your heart

grow three sizes! Please call (618) 462-0677, ext. 2822 to register for this program.

### *Balloon Parade Story Time*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Thursday, November 19, 2026, 10:00 a.m.**

Join us for a special story time! We'll decorate balloons and march through the mall in a festive balloon parade.

### *Santa's Library Visit*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Saturday, December 5, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

Ho, ho, ho! Santa is making a special stop at the library, and you're invited! Join us for a festive story time with Santa, then stay for a morning filled with holiday cheer. Snap a photo with Santa, create a fun craft, write a letter to the North Pole, enjoy a cookie, and set off on a festive holiday treasure hunt. Bring your holiday spirit and get ready for a jolly good time!

### *Holiday Card Station*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall KidsSpace**
**Monday, December 7 – Saturday, December 12, 2026, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Make a holiday card to share with someone special! This drop-in station is for children of all ages.

### *Dial-A-Story*

**Call (618) 462-TALE (618-462-8253)**

Enjoy safe, free, educational, and entertaining activities for your children, available twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, from the comfort of your own home. New stories are added at the beginning of each month.

## 2026 Summer Reading Program Recap "UNEARTH A STORY"

This summer, young patrons of The Hayner Public Library District dug into reading during our exciting 2026 Summer Reading Program, "Unearth a Story."

Children registered through Beanstack, our online reading platform, where they logged their reading and tracked their progress throughout the summer. Our KidsSpace staff created engaging reading challenges and activities that brought the program to life. Participants enjoyed weekly story times, crafts, science activities, and live performances from entertainers including Steph Plant, Elliot the Entertainer, and Science Heroes. We even hosted our very first T. rex Tea Party, where children had a wonderful time meeting our very own T. rex!

Weekly prizes and "big prize" tickets rewarded readers for their efforts and kept enthusiasm high all summer long. To wrap up the program, children were invited to a special celebration featuring Iggy, a gigantic T. rex from St. Louis Dinosaur, along with free books and a sweet treat from Mo'z Sweet Treats. Lucky participants also took home big prizes, and one reader received a special door prize.

This year's Traveling Trophy was awarded to Evangelical School in Godfrey for its outstanding participation.

This summer's program was a tremendous success, with 253 readers logging 3,879 books read and an incredible 40,493 minutes of reading! These impressive accomplishments reflect the enthusiasm and dedication of our young readers and their families.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for a summer filled with reading, discovery, and fun. We can't wait to see you next year for our 2027 Summer Reading Program! Congratulations to all of our readers on a fantastic summer, and be sure to check out our reading challenges throughout the year for even more reading adventures.

# TeenSpace *Fall 2026 Activities*

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are for teens ages 12-18, and will take place in the Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall Performance Room Teen Center (upper level). Call (618) 433-2872 for more information.

## *TeenTober Bingo Challenge*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace**
**Thursday, October 1 – Saturday, October 31, 2026**

TeenTober is a nationwide, month-long celebration of reading, creativity, skill-building, and all things teen! To celebrate, we're hosting a "TeenTober" Bingo Challenge packed with fun activities throughout the entire month. Complete reading challenges and activities to earn bingos (rows, columns, or even a full card) and win prizes. Participants can earn up to five bingo prizes, plus a chance to win one of three grand prizes. Sign up on Beanstack or pick up a paper bingo card in the TeenSpace at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall. Get ready for a month full of fun, creativity, and prizes!

## *YA Spooky Movie Night*

**Fridays, October 2, 9, 16, and 23, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**

Who doesn't love a good spooky movie in October? Join us every Friday night for a spooky movie and plenty of buttery popcorn! Gather with fellow teens for an evening of thrills, chills, and fun as we watch a different scary movie each week. This event is for teens only. Please call Megan at (618) 433-2872 to register for this program.

## *Comic Chaos*

**Mondays, October 5; November 2; and Tuesday, December 8, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Dive into the world of comics with other teens! Each month, we'll read a comic (available on our *Comics Plus* database) and geek out together—sharing favorite moments, characters, and twists. Plus, you get to help pick the next comic for the club! Please call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

## *Teen Take-Home Kits*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace**
**Mondays, October 5; November 2; and December 7, 2026**

Love science, art, or just making cool stuff with your hands? Stop by TeenSpace on the first Monday of every month at Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall to pick up a kit and get creative! Supplies are limited, so grab yours while they last.

## *Teen Crime Stoppers*

**Wednesdays, October 7; November 4; and December 2, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

If you love true crime and murder mysteries, this is your night! Team up with other teens to examine clues, dive into case files, and solve the mystery. Can you figure out whodunnit before anyone else?

## *Teen Advisory Board (TAB)*

**Wednesday, October 14, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Want to help shape the programs and events at Hayner Library? Now's your chance! The Teen Advisory Board is looking for creative, fun, and motivated teens to share your ideas and help plan programs that you want to see. Whether it's gaming nights, book clubs, crafting, or something totally new, your voice matters! Join us, and be part of the team that brings awesome teen events to life.

## *Halloween Party*

**Saturday, October 17, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Spooky season has arrived! If you love all things spooky, join us for our Teen Halloween Party! Come dressed in your Halloween best and enjoy a frightfully fun afternoon with games, activities, treats, and more. Please keep costumes fun and appropriate for everyone—no excessive gore or weapons (real or prop), and please be respectful of others. Please call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

## *The Real Influence (Grades 6-12)*

**Monday, October 19, 2026, 4:00 p.m.**

Social media affects all of us whether we realize it or not. Some social media can have a positive impact on our social and mental well-being, while other aspects of social media can have lasting and devastating effects. In this live learning experience, Lauren from A.R.C. Angels will discuss harmful aspects of social media such as addiction, negative health effects, cyberbullying, and being mindful of what we post. This program also encourages young people to think outside of the box as we discuss realistic scenarios and how to handle crises.

### *Crafting Creations*

**Wednesdays, October 21 and November 18, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Love trying new projects and getting creative? Join our monthly teen craft program! Each month, we'll explore a new, exciting craft that's all about having fun, expressing yourself, and showing off your skills. Come hang out, make something awesome, and meet other creative teens!

### *Teen LEGO Challenge*

**Wednesdays, October 28 and December 9, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

LEGO builders unite! Bring a friend and join other teens for an afternoon of creative LEGO fun. Build incredible designs, show off your skills, and compete for a chance to win a prize!

### *YA Fridays*

**Fridays, November 6, 13, and 20; and December 4, 11, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Join us for a Friday full of awesome activities: crafts, video games, and plenty of time to chill and hang out with other teens. Relax, create, and connect!

### *Holiday Card Station*

**Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace**
**Tuesday, December 1 – Sunday, December 20, 2026**

Make a holiday card to share with someone special by visiting Hayner Library at Alton Square Mall TeenSpace. This is a drop-in event for teens ages 12–18.

### *Holiday Wrapping Extravaganza*

**Wednesday, December 16, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Tired of boring and pricey holiday wrapping? Join us for our first-ever Holiday Wrapping Extravaganza! Just bring your gifts and your hands; we'll provide the rest! We've got wrapping paper, gift bags, tissue paper, tags, and gift boxes ready for you. Enjoy a cozy holiday movie and great company while you wrap your presents. Want to bring your own wrapping supplies? That's totally fine—come wrap, chat, and make new friends! Please call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

### *Ugly Sweater Party*

**Friday, December 18, 2026, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Calling all teens! Put on your favorite ugly sweater or make your own, and join us for music, games, crafts, cookies, and good company. This event is all about spreading holiday cheer and having fun. Please call Megan at (618) 433-2872 for more information.

## 2026 Summer Reading Program Recap "UNEARTH A STORY"

This summer, teens across the community unearthed new stories, discoveries, and adventures during "Unearth a Story," our 2026 Teen Summer Reading Program!

Using Beanstack, our online reading platform, participants registered, logged their reading, and completed challenges throughout the summer. This year, thirty-five teens participated, earning 343 badges and logging an impressive 19,412 minutes of reading!

Throughout the program, teens engaged in creative activities, connected with peers, and discovered new books and genres. Our Teen Services staff worked hard to create a welcoming, inclusive space where everyone could find something to enjoy.

Participants created artifacts, explored the wonders of archaeology, enjoyed movie marathons, completed weekly Beanstack challenges, and celebrated the season with an end-of-summer party.

We wrapped up the summer with a celebration featuring a concession-themed *Jurassic* movie screening, along with snacks, prizes, and free books.

Congratulations to all our amazing teen participants for making this year's program such a success! We can't wait to see you next year for the 2027 Teen Summer Reading Program.

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## *Mango Languages App*

Want to learn a new language? Hayner Library now offers *Mango Languages*, an online resource for self-paced language learning with over seventy world languages, including ESL (English as a Second Language) and ASL (American Sign Language). Available as an app or from your desktop, *Mango* adapts to your unique learning style, so you can pick up on new vocabulary, intuit unfamiliar grammatical structure, and train your pronunciation, all while boosting your cultural IQ. Lessons include a mix of reading and listening activities – with native speaker audio – as well as interactive pronunciation practice that allows you to record yourself speaking and compare it with the target language audio. Similarly, the ASL course allows you to record video of yourself to practice and compare your signing and facial expressions. For young children, try *Little Pim*, *Mango's* video-based language courses featuring Little Pim, the cartoon panda. To get started, use the QR Code or search for *Mango Languages* in your app store. All you need is a Hayner Library card! If you are using the app, create an account, then select "Search for Free *Mango*" when it asks you to select your subscription. Search by location, select "Hayner Public Library District," then log in with your library card barcode number.